

AuctionsPlus Market Comment – week ending 2 November 2012

Sheep and lamb numbers increased this week, totalling 34,045 head, including the first big influx of lambs we have seen for the season. Cattle numbers also increased slightly to 4,372 head for the week and, with some good quality young cattle for sale today, there was plenty of buyer activity.

Merino ewe prices eased this week, with a top of \$100 for Pastora blood 15 month olds, and the remaining young ewes selling between \$50 and \$70. First cross ewes made to \$159 for Border/Merino hoggets out of SA, and ewe lambs topped at \$109.50.

Merino wether lamb prices were steady for grown lambs, selling from \$35 - \$39; younger lambs firmed slightly, ranging in price from \$37.50 - \$51.50.

With lamb buyers still cautious until bigger numbers stabilise the market, clearance rates during auction have appeared disappointing; however negotiation on Thursday's big offering saw most lots sold shortly after. Top quality second cross lambs out of Young made \$75 for the tops at 41kg, and the lighter draft at 33kg sold for \$65. The biggest numbers came out of SA yesterday, with 42kg mixed sex lambs making \$72; 40kg lambs \$62-\$67, and lighter lambs at 33-35kg selling for \$56-\$60.

Cows with calves at foot sold today were generally smaller lines of Angus cattle, topping at \$1208 for rejoined 6-7 year olds with Angus calves, with prices ranging from \$925. It's been many weeks since we have seen females without calves making over the \$1000 mark; today a small line of top quality Shorthorn heifers out of Victoria, in calf to an Angus/Santa cross, sell for \$1175 – well above their reserve price.

While the EYCI continued to fall this week, we saw strong competition for better quality yearling steers, particularly at the heavier end of the market. There were plenty in the 300-350kg weight range today, mostly black cattle averaging 195c, and steers weighing above 350kg averaged a very healthy 205c. The top price for steers today was part of an offering out of Tenterfield, with the tops of the Angus and Angus cross steers at 408kg selling for \$821. Yearling heifers over 300kg ranged from 153c to 191c, to average 179c.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Charters Towers	128 Santa Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 277kg, Unjnd, 159c/\$439
QLD	Boulia	120 Charb & CharbX Strs, 14-18 mths, 380kg, passed 181c/\$686
QLD	Muttaburra	156 Brah Hfrs, 18-24 mths, 409kg, Jnd R Ang, passed \$650
QLD	Alpha	80 Brah Hfrs, 10-13 mths, 243kg, passed 146c/\$355 ; 76 Brah Hfrs, 13-16 mths, 294kg, 151c/\$445
NSW	Coonamble	77 Ang & AngX Strs, 9-13 mths, 328kg, 190c/\$623
NSW	Taree	99 Ang & AngX m/s Clvs, 4-5 mths, 136kg, 227c/\$310 ; 36 CharX m/s Clvs, 4-5

		mths, 142kg, 211c/\$300
NSW	Warren	80 DM/Brah Hfrs, 14-18 mths, 364kg, passed 168c/\$610
NSW	Dubbo	97 Ang Strs, 10-12 mths, 350kg, Millah Murrah & Onslow bld, 193c/\$675
NSW	Collie	85 Ang Hfrs, 24-25 mths, 412kg, PTIC Ang, \$775
NSW	Tooraweenah	32 Her Hfrs, 11-12 mths, 285kg, Unjnd, Claredale bld, passed 145c/\$415
NSW	Coonabarabran	68 Comp Hfrs, 12-15 mths, 298kg, 190c/\$565
NSW	Yeoval	57 Her Hfrs, 23-24 mths, 472kg, PTIC Her, Wandoo bld, passed \$830
NSW	Molong	18 Char/DM & R Ang/SH Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 315kg, passed 172c/\$540
NSW	Mudgee	22 Ang C&C, 4-6 yrs, 484kg, Unjnd, 22 Ang CAF Avg 125kg, \$1030 ; 18 Ang C&C, 7-8 yrs, 503kg, Unjnd, 18 Ang CAF Avg 125kg \$925
NSW	Manildra	21 Ang & Ang/Her Hfrs, 14-16 mths, 376kg, Unjnd, 191c/\$720
NSW	Portland	27 Ang C&C, 3 yrs, 500kg, Unjnd, 27 Ang CAF, \$1100
NSW	Rylstone	28 Her & Ang/Her Hfrs, 18-24 mths, 414kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$690
NSW	Crookwell	13 Ang & Ang/Her Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 325kg, passed 143c/\$465 ; 13 Her Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 294kg, 153c/\$450 ; 66 Ang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 346kg, passed 165c/\$570
NSW	Adelong	39 Ang Hfrs, 25-27 mths, 485kg, PTIC Ang, Te Mania bld, passed \$985 ; 71 Ang Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 335kg, Unjnd, Reiland bld, passed 167c/\$560
NSW	Henty	53 Ang Hfrs, 14-15 mths, 379kg, Unjnd, Dunoon bld, 178c/\$675
NSW	Bombala	22 Ang C&C, 6-7 yrs, 663kg, Jnd Ang, 22 Ang CAF Avg 131kg, \$1208 ; 23 Ang C&C, 6-7 yrs, 554kg, Jnd Ang, 23 Ang CAF Avg 131kg, \$1140
NSW	Traralgon	55 Ang Strs, 12-15 mths, 402kg, Hazeldean & Leawood bld, 194c/\$780 ; 31 Ang Strs, 11-13 mths, 354kg, Hazeldean & Leawood bld, 210c/\$745
NSW	Tenterfield	57 Ang & AngX Strs, 11-12 mths, 408kg, 201c/\$821 ; 109 Ang & AngX Strs, 11-12 mths, 367kg, 206c/\$757; 18 Ang & AngX Strs, 11-12 mths, 320kg, 206c/\$658 ; 35 Ang/Santa Strs, 11-12 mths, 343kg, 193c/\$662
NSW	Glen Innes	70 Ang Hfrs, 13-16 mths, 330kg, Unjnd, 190c/\$630
NSW	Walcha	47 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 12-14 mths, 329kg, 191c/\$630
NSW	Bourke	66 SH Cows, 4-8 yrs, 521kg, PTIC SH, Springwood bld, \$775
VIC	Barnawartha	12 SH Hfrs, 29-30 mths, 620kg, PTIC Ang/Santa, Wyndora bld, \$1175
SA	Kingston	230 WV Black Strs, 12-14 mths, 273kg, 200c/\$545 ; 100 WV Black Strs, 12-14 mths, 273kg, ;220 WV Black Strs 12-15 mths, 309kg, 189c/\$585 ; 95 WV Black Strs, 13-16 mths, 332kg, 188c/\$625 ; 115 WV Black Strs, 12-14 mths, 273kg,

		201c/\$550
TAS	Hagley	80 Ang Strs, 12-14 mths, 378kg, 202c/\$765 ; 39 Ang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 337kg, 182c/\$615
TAS	Runnymede	20 Ang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 290kg, Woodbourn bld, passed 199c/\$575
WA	Manjimup	59 CharX & LimX m/s Vlrs, 9-10 mths, 224.5 kgdw, 375c/\$841
WA	Pemberton	18 Ang & AngX m/s Vlrs, 9-10 mths, 230.2 kgdw, 375c/\$863
WA	Balinjup	8 Ang Strs, 14-15 mths, 400kg, 180c/\$718 ; 10 Ang Hfrs, 14-15 mths, 347kg, 170c/\$588

Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Cunnamulla	605 Mer Wth lambs, 12-13 mths, 17 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Centre Plus bld, passed \$43 ; 750 Mer Wth lambs, 12-13 mths, 14.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Lorelmo bld, \$45
QLD	Inglewood	605 DamX E&L, 2-4 yrs, 12.8 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd Dorp & WD, 266 DorpX LAF avg 16kg, \$30
QLD	Stanthorpe	593 DamX E&L, CFA, 14.8 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Jnd Dorp, 234 Dorp & WD LAF avg 21kg, \$25
NSW	Cobar	230 Mer Ewes, 17-18 mths, 17.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Ashrose bld, \$65
NSW	Broken Hill	800 Mer m/s lambs, 5-7 mths, 10.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Mutooroo bld, \$46
NSW	Orange	550 Dohne Ewes, 6 yrs, 26.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, Calga bld, passed \$40.50
NSW	Cudal	485 Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Yalgoo bld, \$65
NSW	Lake Cargelligo	330 2ndX WD Ewes, 4 yrs, 36.9 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, passed \$53.50
NSW	West Wyalong	120 Bond Ewes, 18 mths, 28 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Triggervale bld, \$122 ; 230 Mer Wths, 18 mths, 23.6 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Mungadal bld, \$52
NSW	Crookwell	235 Mer Wths, 13-14 mths, 14 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Stockton bld, \$35 ; 120 Mer Wths, 13-14 mths, 13.5 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Kirob bld, \$35 ; 135 Mer Wths, 12-13 mths, 13.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Carrabungla bld, \$39
NSW	Young	336 Mer Ewe, 5-6 yrs, 19 kgdw, bare shn, Unjnd, \$45 ; 860 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 16.8 kgdw, 1" skin, \$75 ; 820 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.2 kgdw, 1" skin, \$65
NSW	Cootamundra	320 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 17.5 kgds, 1.75" skin, \$71.50
NSW	Adelong	435 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 17.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$70

NSW	Ganmain	205 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 8 mths, 24.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$109.50
NSW	Yerong Ck	230 Mer Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 24.3 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Avenel bld, \$70
NSW	Lockhart	190 Mer Ewes, 14-15 mths, 21.8 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, Pastora bld, \$100 ; 195 Mer Ewes, 2-7 yrs, 28.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Pastora bld, \$75.50
NSW	Jerilderie	940 Mer Wth lambs, 5-7 mths, 16.1 kgdw, 1.75" skin, The Yanko bld, \$51.50
NSW	Dorrigo	32 WS Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 38.5 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Tandarra bld, \$150 ; 1 WS Ram, 26 mths, 42.2 kgdw, 1" skin, Tandara bld, \$600
NSW	Armidale	440 Mer Wths, 15-16 mths, 17 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$58.50
NSW	Walgett	520 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 17.1 kgdw, 2" skin, \$67.50
NSW	Baradine	320 Dohne Ewes, 17-18 mths, 2.75" skin, \$80 ; 700 Dohne Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 21.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, \$60
NSW	Coonabarabran	272 Mer Ewes, 12 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Lorelmo bld, \$50
VIC	Wangaratta	15 WD Ewes, 4 yrs, 30 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, \$50 ; 99 WD Ewes, 3 yrs, 29.1 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, \$65.50 ; 17 Dorp Ewes, 14-15 mths, 21.6 kgdw, 1" skin, Jnd Dorp, \$110
SA	Penola	232 BL/Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 28.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, passed \$161 ; 279 BL/Mer Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 28.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, passed \$141
SA	Lucindale	350 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 18.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$72 ; 370 2ndX WS m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 18.1 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$72 ; 250 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 19.5 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$72 ; 600 2ndX m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 12.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$58.50 ; 170 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 4-5 mths, 19.2 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$100 ; 210 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 20 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$66.50 ; 375 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$62.50 ; 370 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 12.8 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$56
SA	Kingston	370 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 5-6 mths, 14.4 kgdw, 3/4" skin, passed \$98.50 ; 310 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 17.9 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$71 ; 350 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 3/4" skin, \$60 ; 235 2ndX Comp Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.5 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$58 ; 110 Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 9.1 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$37.50 ; 610 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$62 ; 310 Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 14.6 kgdw, 1" skin, Flairedale & Hamilton bld, \$43 ; 370 Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 12.4 kgdw, 1" skin, Flairedale & Hamilton bld, \$43
SA	Strathalbyn	314 BL/Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 27.7 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, \$159 ; 98 BL/Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 24.8 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, passed \$158.50
SA	Mintaro	716 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 4-5 mths, 18.3 kgdw, 1.75" skin, passed \$81
SA	Kingscote	500 2ndX PD & 2ndX WS m/s lambs, 4 mths, 18.3 kgdw, 1" skin, \$70 ; 528 2ndX m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$67

TAS	Flinders Island	530 Dor/Coop m/s lambs, 3 months, 16.1 kgdw, 1" skin, \$67.50
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