AuctionsPlus week ending 30 Nov 2012

Cattle numbers recovered this week to finish at 5,249 head, with the biggest increase being females with calves at foot. Sheep and lamb numbers again remained steady at 37,019 head. As is usual for this time of year, lambs comprise an increasing proportion of our sheep catalogues, and formed the majority of sales for the week.

Merino ewes listed were of mixed quality this week, and young ewes in particular proved hard to sell. The top price was again out of SA, for November shorn, Martindale blood three year old olds making \$91. The five and six old ewes of this run mad \$70 and \$50 respectively; elsewhere five year olds were making \$45. First cross ewe numbers also increased this week, with hoggets selling from \$120 to \$130.50, and lambs to \$97. Old crossbred ewes with another lamb or two in them made from \$61 to \$84. Lamb clearance rates improved this week as the market continued to find some stability, and both growers and agents become more confident setting reserve prices. At the lighter end, little young lambs weighing 21-24kg sold for \$35, and 27-29kg lambs for \$44-\$45. 30-32kg lambs sold in a bigger range of \$40-\$48.50, and 33-35kg lambs made \$50.50-\$58.50. Aside from a lot of Dorper crosses, 40kg lambs were in a tight range of \$62.50-\$63.50. The top price was for a line of shorn, 38kg Poll Dorset & White Suffolk first crosses that sold for \$70 at Cootamundra.

There was a big jump in numbers of cows with calves at foot today; joined females without calves found less competition, with the only sales of this article being in SW QLD and Tasmania. At Thargomindah, mixed age crossbred PTIC cows made to \$750, and in Tasmania rising two year old Angus heifers sold for \$975, and 3 year olds for \$960. Cows with calves made to \$1230 for Te Mania blood two year old heifers, and young Santa/Droughtmasters with Angus calves made \$1170. In the north, older Black Baldies with Senepol calves made \$920 at Goondiwindi.

Quality Angus steers, an elusive article of late, were to be found in the Eastern States sales in good numbers from southern NSW. Most were in the 320-360kg weight and averaged 202c; a lighter run of weaners weighing 257kg made 220c. With the EYCI inching closer to 330c this week, interest was mostly confined to these black steers; Shorthorn cross steers weighing 313kg made 173c.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Stanthorpe	22 Charb & Char Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 536kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$805
QLD	Thargomindah	48 Ang & AngX Cows, 3-8 yrs, 468kg, PTIC Ang & Brang & Char, \$750 ; 48 Ang & AngX Cows, 2-6 yrs, 478kg, PTIC Ang & Brang & Char, \$740
QLD	Theodore	105 Santa/ Her Strs, 12-14 mths, 337kg, passed 185c/\$673; 102 XB Strs, 12-14 mths, 341kg, passed 180c/\$614
QLD	Surat	105 Red PollX Hfrs, 11-13 mths, 221kg, 159c/\$350

QLD	Millmerran	30 Comp C&C, 2-3 yrs, 347kg, Unjnd, 30 Xbred CAF avg 96kg, \$600
QLD	Warwick	14 Red Ang Hfrs, 10-13 mths, 340kg, passed 172c/\$585
QLD	Dirranbandi	35 XB C&C, 9 yrs, 458kg, Unjnd, 36 Santa CAF, \$750
QLD	Goondiwindi	26 AngX Strs, 13-15 mths, 340kg, passed 173c/\$587; 19 Ang/ Her C&C, 7-8 yrs, 510kg, Jnd Ang & Sene, 19 Ang & Sene CAF, \$920
QLD	Texas	13 Sene & DM C&C, 2-3 yrs, 435kg, Jnd Sene, 9 Sene CAF, passed \$910
NSW	Yetman	33 AngX C&C, 2 yrs, 365kg, Unjnd, 33 Brang CAF avg 74kg, \$815
NSW	North Star	99 SimX Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 207kg, 194c/\$400
NSW	Moree	60 CharX Hfrs, 8-12 mths, 264kgs, 148c/\$390
NSW	Inverell	41 DM Cows, 3-6 yrs, 541kg, PTIC Her & Ang, passed \$835
NSW	Glen Innes	36 Ang/ Brang Strs, 5-8 mths, 279kg, 199c/\$555
NSW	Guyra	47 AngX C&C, 3 yrs, 453kg, Jnd Ang, 47 Ang CAF, passed \$1030; 44 AngX C&C, 4-5 yrs, 524kg, Jnd Ang, 44 Ang CAF, passed \$1040
NSW	Armidale	35 Char/ Ang & Her Strs, 14-16 mths, 272kg, passed 182c/\$495 ; 18 Her & Char/ Ang Strs, 12-14 mths, 212kg, 227c/\$480; 38 AngX Hfrs, 12-16 mths, 186kg Unjnd, passed 180c/\$335
NSW	Bundarra	26 Ang/ Her Strs, 13-15 mths, 347kg, 192c/\$665 ; 19 Ang Strs, 13-15 mths, 348kg, Booromooka & Glenavon bld, 198c/\$690
NSW	Gunnedah	43 BrahX C&C, 3 yrs, 401kg, Jnd Ang, 43 Ang & Lim CAF, \$905
NSW	Willow Tree	21 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 383kgs,Jnd Ang, 21 Ang CAF, Pine Creek & Millwillah bld, \$880
NSW	Murrurundi	84 Ang & AngX Strs, 11-15 mths, 214kg, 180c/\$385; 42 XB Strs, 11-15 mths, 222kg, 165c/\$365; 62 CharX & AngX Hfrs, 11-15 mths, 193kg, 153c/\$295
NSW	Cumnock	21 Santa Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 342kg, Unjnd, Yarrawong bld, 175c/\$600
NSW	Molong	25 SH Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 333kg, Unjnd, passed 153c/\$510
NSW	Orange	130 Ang & AngX C&C, 6-8 yrs, 642kg, Jnd Ang, Ang CAF avg 260kg, Waitara & Te Mania bld, \$1260 ; 45 Ang C&C, 6-8 yrs, 642kg, Jnd Ang, Ang CAF avg 135kg, Waitara & Te Mania bld, \$1060
NSW	Cowra	32 SHX Strs, 10-14 mths, 313kg, 173c/\$540
NSW	Wentworth	68 Comp C&C, 2-3 yrs, 346kg, Jnd Lim, 59 Lim CAF avg 146kg, passed \$615
NSW	Jugiong	32 AngX C&C, 7-9 yrs, 625kg, Unjnd, 13 Ang CAF avg 90kg, passed \$865

		Santa/ DM C&C, 4 yrs, 525kg, Jnd Ang, 17 Ang CAF avg 85kg, passed \$1020
NSW	Tarcutta	46 Her Strs, 14-17 mths, 365kg, Wandong bld, passed 179c/\$655
NSW	Wagga Wagga	100 Ang Strs, 13-14 mths, 343kg, Rennylea bld, 197c/\$677; 100 Ang Strs, 13-14 mths, 326kg, Rennylea bld, 201c/\$655
NSW	Canberra	117 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 257kg, Hazeldean & Dunoon bld, 220c/\$565; 60 Ang Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 253kg, Hazeldean & Dunoon bld, 198c/\$500
NSW	Tumbarumba	100 Ang Strs, 14-15 mths, 356kg, Te Mania bld, 210c/\$750; 90 Ang Hfrs, 14-15 mths, 327 kg, Unjnd, Te Mania bld, passed 174c/\$570; 43 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 464 kg, Jnd Ang, 43 Ang CAF avg 114kg, Te Mania bld, \$1230
NSW	Northcliffe	46 XB m/s ylgs, 15-18 mths, 264.4 kgdw, 342c/\$905
VIC	Porepunkah	16 Her Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 512kg, Unjnd, South Buckalong & Table Top bld, passed 184c/\$940
TAS	Fingal	16 Ang/Her Hfrs, 19-22 mths, 441kg, PTIC Ang, passed 192c/\$845; 14 Ang Hfrs, 19-22 mths, 468kg, PTIC Ang, passed 207c/\$970; 14 Ang Hfrs, 19-22 mths, 468kg, PTIC Ang, 208c/\$975 ;57 Ang Cows, 3 yrs, 502kg, PTIC Ang, Lawsons & Landfall bld, 191c/\$960
WA	Denmark	50 Ang & MG m/s Ylgs, 16-18 mths, 253.8 kgdw, 342c/\$867
WA	Pemberton	42 XB m/s Ylgs, 16-24 mths, 256.4 kgw, 342c/\$876 ; 33 HerX m/s Ylgs, 16-20 mths, 286.4 kgdw, 341c/\$978
WA	Dandaragan	192 Wag/Ang Cows, 5-9 yrs, 529kg, PTIC Wag, \$950 ; 124 Wag/Ang Cows, 4-5 yrs, 515kg, PTIC Wag, passed \$940 ; 76 F1-F2 Wag Cows, 6-10 yrs, 485kg, PTIC Wag, passed \$940 ; 73 F3-F5 Wag Cows, 4-8 yrs, 446kg, PTIC Wag, passed \$900 ; 144 Ang Cows, 3-9 yrs, 580kg, PTIC Ang, Lawsons bld, \$960 ; 162 Ang Cows, 3-9 yrs, 551kg, PTIC Ang, Lawsons bld, \$830

Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Dirranbandi	430 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 18.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Mount Ascot bld, \$43.50 ; 430 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 16.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Mount Ascot bld, \$68.50
QLD	Thallon	1100 Cool/Mer m/s lambs, 6 mths, 10.5 kgdw, 2" skin, \$34.50
QLD	Goondiwindi	411 Cool/Mer m/s lambs, 3-5 mths, 12.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$40.50
NSW	Dubbo	250 Mer Wths, 2-3 yrs, 21.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Roseville Park bld, 198c/\$42 ; 450 Mer Wths, 18 mths, 13.5 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Roseville bld, \$34
NSW	Wellington	680 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 11.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$46

NSW	Coolah	580 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 19.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Gottarock bld, \$45.50
NSW	Crookwell	450 Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 10.9 kgdw, 1" skin, Cressbrook & Barrackville bld, passed \$30.50 ; 390 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.2 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$40 ; 468 BL/Mer Ewes, 15-16 mths, 24.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, \$130.50; 520 WS/BL m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$63; 287 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 23.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Koonwarra Bld, \$45
NSW	Boorowa	224 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 5 mths, 16.9 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$58; 190 Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 20.2 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Pastora bld, passed \$92.50
NSW	Cootamundra	295 PD/Mer & WS/Mer m/s lambs, 6 mths, 16 kgdw, 1" skin, \$70 ; 395 PD/Mer & WS/Mer m/s lambs, 6 mths, 13.6 kgdw, 1" skin, passed \$59
NSW	Bookham	240 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$43.50
NSW	Yass	365 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 15.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$53.50 ; 339 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 15 kgdw, 1" skin, \$52; 340 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 12.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$47 ; 430 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 11.6 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$45; 525 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 11 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$45; PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 12.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$48; 270 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 9 kgdw, 3/4" skin, passed \$33.50 ; 450 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 8.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$35 ; 390 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 8.4 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$35 ; 470 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 2 mths, 9.6 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$35
NSW	Junee	140 Bond Ewes, 4 yrs, 25.8 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Triggervale Bld, passed \$80.50
NSW	Wagga Wagga	423 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 14.8 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$54 ; 250 Dors/Mer & BL/Mer m/s lambs, 5 mths, 11.5 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$43
NSW	Goodooga	480 2ndX Dorp Wth lambs, 8-9 mths, 17.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$50
NSW	Glen Innes	405 Char/Mer m/s lambs, 3 mths, 13.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$44
NSW	Carinda	1040 BL/Mer & 2ndX BL Ewe lambs, 4-5 mnths, 13.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$65 ; 1000 BL/Mer & 2ndX BL Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$50.50 ;
NSW	White Cliffs	500 Mer Wths, 15-16 mths, 11.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Wyuna bld, \$30
NSW	Nyngan	840 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.8 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$52
VIC	Murchison	160 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 6-7 mths, 17.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$97
VIC	Hexham	262 Coop Wth lambs, 4 mths, 17.8 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$59 ; 660 Coop Wth lambs, 4 mths, 2.25" skin, \$48.50 ; 174 Coop Wth lambs, 4 mths, 10.7 kgdw, 2.25" skin, \$40.50
VIC	Dunkeld	303 BL/Corr Ewes, 5 yrs, 30.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, \$84 ; 149 BL/Corr Ewes, 6 yrs, 31.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, \$75.50 ; 275 BL/Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 26.5 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$72 ; 95 BL/Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 25.8 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$61.50
VIC	Casterton	380 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 15.6 kgdw, 1" skin, \$58.50 ; 380 2ndX PD m/s

		lambs, 5-6 mths, 17.3 kgdw, 1" skin, \$63.50
VIC	Balmoral	400 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 4 mths, 17.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$62.50 ; 500 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 4 mths, 13.1 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$57
SA	Karoonda	200 SAMM/Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, \$67
SA	Rapid Bay	296 Comp Ewe lambs, 5 mths, 13.8 kgdw, bare shn, \$56 ; 216 Comp Ewe lambs, 5 mths, 20.5 kgdw, bare shn, \$76
SA	Yankalilla	515 Tefrom Ewe lambs, 6 mths, 15.6 kgdw, bare shn, \$65.50
SA	Mintaro	420 Mer Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 25.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Martindale bld, \$91 ; 130 Mer Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 28.1 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Martindale bld, \$75 ; 315 Mer Ewes, 5- 6 yrs, 28.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Martindale bld, \$70 ; 100 Mer Ewes, 6-7 yrs, 26.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Martindale bld, \$50
TAS	Flinders Island	1470 Mer & Dohne/Mer Wths, 2-3 yrs, 23.4 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 203c/\$47.50
TAS	Fingal	480 Mer Wths, 5 yrs, 19.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 210c/\$41
TAS	Colebrook	450 Mer Ewes, 6-7 yrs, 16 kgdw, 1.5" skin, 247c/\$39.50
TAS	Sorell	140 BL/Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 22.8 kgdw, 1" skin, \$125 ; 138 BL/Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 20.6 kgdw, 1" skin, \$120