

AuctionsPlus Market Comment – week ending 19 October 2012

Cattle numbers jumped this week to 7,074 head; sheep and lambs on the other hand dropped by over half to total just 19,779 head for the week. Clearance rates for sheep were on par with last week, with noticeably more realistic reserve pricing by vendors than we have seen of late.

With the wool market continuing on its upward trend this week, there were more positive results for Merino ewes and wethers. A large offering of Greenfields blood ewe hoggets out of Ivanhoe sold for \$120 to \$139, and Charinga blood two year olds made \$147.50 at Hay. Heavy wethers are the hardest article to shift at the moment, with exporters still in limbo and processors buying cautiously as this situation progresses. Processors did show some interest in heavy sheep available, but it was restocker activity that saw 69kg two year old wethers, only a month off shears, reach \$55.50.

Store lambs also sold better, but buyers are still treading carefully until bigger numbers start becoming available and the market finds its footing. 44kg second cross mixed sex lambs in central NSW made \$82, and further south Composite wether lambs weighing 43kg sold for \$78. Border/Merino ewes were scarce this week; young Dohne/Merino ewes in SA sold for \$130 and SAMM/Merinos two year olds made to \$118. The Dorper feature sale in western NSW topped at \$171 for Carstairs blood ewe lambs.

The cattle market remained flat, though not from a shortage of buyers, with over 300 registered bidders logging in over two sales. Most females offered today had calves at foot; those that didn't were hard to find a home for, the exception being Angus females out of Tamworth that made to \$850 for the two year old heifers. The cow and calf market has lost some of its spark, topping at \$1200 for older Charolais cows Charolais and Simmental calves, and in SA several small lines of Limousin cows with Limousin calves at foot topped at \$1110. In the north mixed age Angus cows with Angus calves at Wandoan made \$850.

The EYCI recovered this week to 353c today, after dropping to below 350c last week for the first time in over two years. Most steers sold today were in the 250-300kg weight range, with black steers in NSW averaging 215c/kg. Further north at Blackall, Hereford & Hereford cross weaner steers made \$535 or 190c, with the lighter draft at 229kg making 201c. Watervalley black steers out of SA attracted competition from many buyers, with the heaviest steers at 342kg making 190c or \$650, and the 274kg lines making 206c. In Tasmania yearling Angus steers made to \$725 or 193c, plus freight from Flinders Island.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Charters Towers	123 Ang/Brang/Brah m/s Ylgs, 7-13 mths, 199kg, passed 183c/\$362
QLD	Capella	90 CharbX Strs, 8-10 mths, 307kg, passed 202c/\$620
QLD	Blackall	154 Her & HerX Strs, 6-9 mths, 229kg, 201c/\$460 ; 134 Her & HerX Strs, 7-11

		mths, 281kg, 190c/\$535
QLD	Wandoan	60 Ang C&C, 3-8 yrs, 500kg, Unjnd, 60 Ang CAF, \$850
QLD	Goondiwindi	32 Braf Strs, 10-11 mths, 284kg, 190c/\$540; 36 Brang C&C, 4-11 yrs, 450kg, 36 Brang CAF Avg 86kg, passed \$855 ; 40 Ang Strs, 11-13 mths, 276kg, 214c/\$590 ; 70 Ang & AngX Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 299kg, 185c/\$555
NSW	Tamworth	96 Ang Hfrs, 2 yrs, 465kg, PTIC Ang, Zeals bld, \$850; 58 Ang Cows, 3-7 yrs, 496kg, PTIC Ang, Zeals bld \$840
NSW	Warialda	26 CharX Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 337kg, Jnd Santa, passed \$590; 59 Santa & SantaX C&C, 2 yrs, 390kg, Unjnd, SantaX CAF, \$1050
NSW	Mungindi	70 Ang & AngX Strs, 8-12 mths, 250kg, 220c/\$550; 72 Ang & AngX Hfrs, 8-12 mths, 245kg, 165c/\$405
NSW	Walgett	68 Ang Cows, 2-4 yrs, 399kg, Jnd Char, Patawalla bld, passed \$635; 68 Ang & AngX Cows, 2-4 yrs, 399kg, Jnd Char, passed \$655
NSW	Narrabri	20 CharX C&C, 3 yrs, 460kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, passed \$850
NSW	Coonabarabran	94 Ang & AngX Strs, 2-7 mths, 173kg, 252c/\$435 ; 94 Ang & AngX m/s Wnrs, 5-7 mths, 126kg, 246c/\$310 ; 42 Ang/B Gal m/s Wnrs, 5-7 mths, 160kg, 166c/\$265 ; 54 SH & SHX Strs, 10-12 mths, 294kg, passed 185c/\$545
NSW	Dunedoo	49 Her Strs, 12-15 mths, 263kg, Courallie & Merrawah bld, passed 196c/\$515
NSW	Coolah	58 Her C&C, 3 yrs, 490kg, Unjnd, 58 Santa & Lim CAF avg 86kg, passed \$1100
NSW	Mudgee	63 Ang Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 345kg, Unjnd, Pattawalla & Tucklan Valey bld, 169c/\$585
NSW	Molong	37 Char/DM & Ang/DM C&C, 4-9 yrs, 550kg, Unjnd, Char & Ang & DM CAF, \$1050
NSW	Cudal	64 Ang Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 326kg, Unjnd, Lawsons & Rennylea bld, 189c/\$615
NSW	Cowra	39 Char & CharX C&C, 6-9 yrs, 655kg, Unjnd, 39 XB CAF avg 101kg, \$1200
NSW	Oberon	20 Ang C&C, 2-3 yrs, 462kg, Jnd Ang, Ang CAF, \$925; 32 Ang C&C, 2-3 yrs, 457kg, Jnd Ang, Ang & Char CAF, \$920 ; 13 AngX C&C, 2-3 yrs, 457kg, Jnd Ang, 13 Ang & Char CAF, \$760
NSW	Goulburn	20 Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mths, 308kg, Kennys Creek bld, passed 161c/\$495 ;29 Ang Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 395kg, Unjnd, Kennys Creek bld, passed 152c/\$600
NSW	Braidwood	17 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 2 yrs, 392kg, Unjnd, Her CAF avg 87kg, \$1070
NSW	Gundagai	69 Ang Strs, 13-14 mths, 357kg, Reiland bld, passed 197c/\$705; 61 Ang Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 308kg, Unjnd, Reiland bld, 191c/\$590 ; 23 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 442kg, Unjnd, 23 Ang CAF, Reiland bld, passed \$960

NSW	Wagga Wagga	34 SH/Santa Cows, 4-8 yrs, 482kg, PTIC SH, passed \$710; 32 Ang Strs, 14-15 mths, 389kg, Irelands bld, passed 192c/\$745
NSW	Holbrook	14 Her & Speckle Park/Her Strs, 12-13 mths, 441kg, 177c/\$780; 12 Her Hfrs, 12-13 mths, 404kg, Unjnd, Kanimbla bld, 192c/\$775
NSW	Culcain	35 Ang C&C, 3-4 yrs, 509kg, Unjnd, 35 Ang CAF avg 93kg, passed \$1120
NSW	Gilgandra	4 Fleck Stud Bulls, 19 months 548-566kg, \$2000
NSW	Glen Innes	12 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 364kg, Unjnd, 12 Ang CAF Avg 62kg, passed \$1020
NSW	Guyra	8 Ang Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 374kg, Unjnd, Wattletop bld, \$1000 ; 9 Ang Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 340kg, Unjnd, Wattletop bld, \$875 ; 8 Ang Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 348kg, Unjnd, Wattletop bld, \$875
NSW	Walcha	10 SHX Strs, 10-12 mths, 270kg, passed 183c/\$495; 240 Ang Strs, 10-12 mths, 265kg, Hazeldean & Narrangullen bld, 213c/\$565 ; 100 Ang Strs, 10-12 mths, 211kg, Hazeldean & Narrangullen bld, 209c/\$440 ; 124 Ang/Her Strs, 10-12 mths, 261kg, 213c/\$555 ; 78 SG/Ang & SGX Strs, 10-12 mths, 247kg, 200c/\$495
VIC	Caramut	2 Ang Stud Bulls, 24-26 mths, 700-790kg, Barwidgee bld, \$3000
SA	Kingston	67 SH Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 306kg, Unjnd, passed 165c/\$505; 140 Watervalley Blk Strs, 12-16 mths, 342kg, 190c/\$650 ; 100 Watervalley Blk Strs, 12-16 mths, 334kg, 190c/\$635; 80 Watervalley Blk Strs, 11-15 mths, 310kg, 195c/\$605 ; 110 Watervalley Blk Strs, 11-14 mths, 309kg, 201c/\$620 ; 564 Watervalley Blk Strs, 11-14 mths, 274kg, 206c/\$565; 210 Watervalley Blk Strs, 11-14 mths, 274kg, passed 197c/\$540
SA	Kapunda	20 Lim Hfrs, 12-15 mths, 305kg, Maryvale bld, 174c/\$530; 9 Lim C&C, 2-3 yrs, 538kg, Jnd Lim, 9 Lim CAF, Maryvale bld, \$1025; 7 Lim C&C, 2-7 yrs, 554kg, Jnd Lim, 7 Lim CAF, Maryvale bld, \$1040 ; 12 Lim C&C, 4-9 yrs, 637kg, Jnd Lim, 12 Lim CAF, Maryvale bld, \$1110
TAS	Flinders Island	39 Ang Strs, 15-16 mths, 377kg, 193c/\$725 ; 54 Her & Ang/Her Strs, 13-15 mths, 336kg, 190/\$640 ; 124 Ang Strs, 13-15 mths, 281kg, 199c/\$560 ; 75 Her & Ang/Her Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 321kg, 188c/\$605 ; 50 Ang Hfrs, 12-13 mths, 295kg, 197c/\$580 ; 27 Ang & AngX Hfrs, 13-15 mths, 224kg, 171c/\$385
WA	Pemberton	40 Ang Cows, 8 yrs, 712kg, PTIC Ang, \$925 ; 5 Ang C&C, 8 yrs, 682kg, PTIC Ang, 5 Ang CAF avg 293kg, \$1340
WA	Northcliffe	49 Fres & FresX Cows, 2-8 yrs, 234.1 kgdw, Unjnd, 200c/\$469

Sheep		
State	Town	Details

QLD	Cunnamulla	475 Mer Wths, 13-14 mths, 16 kgdw, 1" skin, Centre Plus bld, \$42.50 ; 475 Mer Wths, 14-15 mths, 17 kgdw, 1" skin, Centre Plus bld, \$42.50
QLD	St George	494 PD/Mer Hoggets, 14 mths, 22.6 kgdw, 2.25" skin, 312c/\$70.50
NSW	Yass	279 Mer Ewes, 3-5 yrs, 19.9 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$59
NSW	Boorowa	198 Mer Wths, 11 months, 18.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, passed \$48
NSW	Wallendbeen	290 Comp Ewes, 13-14 months, 29.1 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$125
NSW	Cooma	320 Mer Ewes, 1 yr, 15.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Severn Park Bld, passed \$96
NSW	Hay	390 Mer Ewes, 2.5 yrs, 29.9 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL WS, Charinga Bld, \$147.50
NSW	Deniliquin	199 WD Ewes, 10 mths, 20 kgdw, 1" skin, SIL WD, Murrey Downs bld, \$108.50
NSW	Moulamein	560 2ndX WD Ewe lambs, 5 mths, 12.6 kgdw, 3/4" skin, passed \$53.50
NSW	Balranald	235 WD Ewes, 13 mths, 26.8 kgdw, bare shn, Jnd Dorp & WD, Bidura bld, \$112.50 ; 150 WD Ewes, 1 yrs, 21.3 kgdw, bare shn, Jnd Dorp & WD, Bidura bld, \$107.50 ; 60 WD Ewes, 2 yrs, 29.5 kgdw, bare shn, Jnd Dorp & WD, Bidura bld, \$101
NSW	Wentworth	161 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 25.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WD, Carstairs bld, \$120 ; 173 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 25.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WD, Carstairs bld, \$104.50 ; 155 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 24.9 kgdw, 1.25" skin, SIL WD, Carstairs bld, \$120 ; 56 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 25.2 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL WD, Carstairs bld, \$63.50 ; 187 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 23.2 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, Carstairs bld, \$66 ; 219 WD Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 23.5 kgdw, 1" skin, Carstairs bld, \$68.50 ; 140 WD Ewes, 10-11 mths, 26.1 kgdw, 1" skin, Carstairs bld, \$145.50 ; 258 WD Ewe lambs, 10-11 mths, 24.2 kgdw, Carstairs bld, \$171 ; 191 WD Ewes, 3-6 yrs, 25.1 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Unjnd, Kelleen bld, \$65.50
NSW	Lightning Ridge	470 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 months, 13.7 kgdw, 1.75" skin, passed \$59.50
NSW	Ivanhoe	1200 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 25.3 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Greenfields bld, \$139 ; 1480 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 22.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Greenfields bld, \$120
NSW	Mudgee	190 Mer E&L, 5-7 yrs, 15.2 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, 192 PD LAF, Glanna bld, \$69
NSW	Blayney	80 2ndX WS Ewes, 1-2 yrs, 23.2 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Jnd WS, passed \$102.50
NSW	West Wyalong	170 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 28.1 kgdw, bare shn, The Yanko & Wallaloo Park bld, 196c/\$55.50 ; 195 Mer Wths, 18 mths, 25.3 kgdw, The Yanko & wallaloo Park bld, passed 216c/\$54 ; 130 Mer Ewes, 5-7 yrs, 22.3 kgdw, bare shn, Unjnd, The Yanko & Wallaloo Park bld, passed 143c/\$32
NSW	Lake Cargelligo	820 WS/Mer/Samm & PD/Mer/Samm m/s lambs, 4-5 months, 19.8 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$82
VIC	Swan Hill	102 WD Ewe lambs, 7 mths, 21.4 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$112.50

VIC	Derrinallum	340 WS/Mer & 2ndX Dors Ewes, 12-14 mths, 25 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, \$90
VIC	Toolondo	229 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5 mths, 14.9 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$69.50
VIC	Yambuk	180 Comp Wth lambs, 4-5 months, 18.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$78
SA	Karoonda	270 SAMM/Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 27.1 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, \$118 ; 65 SAMM/Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 27.3 kgdw, 3.5" skin, Unjnd, \$115
SA	Yunta	260 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 17.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, passed \$88.50
SA	Cummins	150 Dohne/Mer Ewes, 1 yrs, 22.1 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, \$130