LONGREACH PRIME & STORE CATTLE SALE 22ND February 2012

The Longreach Prime & Store cattle sale started the year off with a yarding of 3300 head. Cattle were generally from the local areas with a few northern numbers. The fat market was strong considering the height of the Aussie dollar while feeder orders were subdued.

Good quality young local Brahman bullocks rang to the bell at 174c/Kg. Good heavy grown steers averaged 170c, topping at 188c/Kg. The store market kept firm from the local restocker with the best light steers reaching 216c/Kg. Good heavy cows were in small numbers and reached 158.2c, while a large yarding of lean medium weight Brahman cows 400-500Kg sold from 130c-140c/Kg. A small yarding of store heifers pushed to 190c/Kg. Cow and calf units topped at \$883.

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DECRIPTION	AVERAGE C/KG	MAXIMUM C/KG
Bullocks 450Kg +	168	173
Heavy feeder steers 350-450Kg	165	188
Store steers > 350Kg	195	216
Cows 520Kg +	143	158
Cows 400-520Kg	136	157
Heavy heifers 400Kg +	156	176
Feeder heifers 300-400Kg	157	192
Store heifers > 300Kg	185	206
Bulls >450Kg	138	143
Cows & Calves		\$883

Simstock Rural Agencies

Simstock Rural Agencies presented a strong yarding for the first Longreach sale of the year. On behalf of vendors, Simstock presented 1014 head consisting of predominately local bullocks and cows while also having competitive numbers amongst the store cattle. A number of Simstock clients received top prices including Bruce & Sue McClymont, Shadyside Grazing, Longreach with a quality line of red and grey Brahman bullocks topping at 173.2c/Kg, at 634Kg to return \$1098. Phillip & Lyndel Owens, Llewellyn, sold Droughtmaster cows to 145c for 522Kg to return \$757. Sandy & Amelia Williams, Rotherfield Grazing presented a good line of Brahman cows topping at 145.2c to average 511Kg to return \$742. The Crombie family, Drumlion sold Santa Gertrudis cows at 142c averaging 533Kg to return \$757. The Steadman family, The Ranch sold Brahman cows to 142c for 485Kg to return \$688. Paula Dean Pastoral, Notus Downs presented Hereford heifers reaching 156.5c for 390Kg to make \$610. The Gray family, Abrach, Longreach sold Santa Gertrudis heifers 368Kg for 173c to return \$637. Arron Murdoch, The Patrick sold

Brahman store steers to 217.2c for 197Kg to return \$428. Mr Murdoch also sold a line of Brahman cows topping at 142.2c averaging 471Kg to reach \$670. Lauren Tindall, Janet Downs sold a quality line of Charolais X steers reaching 209.2c for 254Kg to return \$532. Mrs Tindall also sold their sisters topping at 206.2c at 247Kg returning \$509. The Anderson family, Willsdown Pastoral, Westlands sold Charolais cows 589Kg for 144.6c to return \$852. The Anderson family also sold a tidy line of Hereford cow & calf units from their Whyrallah property that made \$882.50/unit.

Source: Simstock Rural Agencies