MUDGEE CATTLE MARKET REPORT

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Agent: MCDONALD LAWSON CARTER PTY LTD

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		Low	High
Vealers	210kg to 280kg	-	
Vealers	280kg plus	300 -	335
Young Steers	280kg to 370kg	310 0	398.2
Young Steers	370kg to 440kg	310 -	368.2
Young Heifers	280kg to 370kg	270 -	311.2
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Young Heifers	370kg to 440kg	250 -	323.2
Steers	440kg to 550kg	-	358.2
Steers	550kg plus	280 -	327.2
Export Heifers	440kg plus	-	318.2
Light Cows	Under 400kg	-	
Medium Cows	400kg to 520kg	210 -	250
Heavy Cows	520kg plus	230 -	262
Heavy Bulls	600kg plus	180 -	230

Numbers increased to 1020 cattle, a slight increase of 70 head. It was an improved penning of cattle with a bigger selection of prime conditioned cattle throughout the sale. Along with a bigger percentage and quality feeder steers and heifers. All regular buyers were in attendance, including the return of a supermarket buyer, and were competing in a mostly dearer market.

Angus steers to feeder orders met strong competition to be fully firm to 5 cents dearer in places. Light/medium weights 350-400kg sold to a high of 398.2c/kg, most traded 360-370 c/kg. While heavier weights mostly sold between 310-330 c/kg with a top of 358.2 c/kg. Other breeds sold firm to 10 c/kg. The highlight of the sale was the heavy export cattle. Prime bullocks sold to strong demand with the very heavy bullocks 700kg plus sold 285-300 c/kg, while 600kg sold to a high of 327.2 c/kg. Supermarket spec cattle gained 5-10 c/kg.

Cow numbers eased and prices improved. Best prime D4&D5 cows reached 252 c/kg. Bulls sold at similar rates.