



Prime Lambs

A good yarding of prime lambs sold to solid demand throughout the sale, with keen competition across all weight categories. SW Brannigan and A McKenzie opened proceedings well at \$268–\$275, while RDJ Samuels were the standout vendor of the day with two lines of 29 and 14 head making \$270–\$282. AW & RE Preece presented the largest combined draft at 206 head across multiple lines making \$236–\$251, reflecting consistent competition on well-grown lambs throughout. WD & MR Cullen also performed strongly with 39 head across two lines making \$254–\$272, and Fitzallan Park Limited sold 62 head from \$250–\$259. JR Bulman made \$223–\$250 across two lines, while Casey & Sons were active throughout with 126 head selling from \$229–\$235. B & J Sloan achieved a sharp \$275 for their single lamb, matching SW Brannigan's top price for the day.

Top Price: \$282 (RDJ Samuels) **Heavy:** \$265 – \$282 **Medium:** \$235 – \$264 **Light:** \$182 – \$234

Prime Sheep

An outstanding yarding of prime ewes, rams and wethers sold to exceptional demand, with prices reaching some very strong levels across all classes. Omihi Properties Ltd were the standout vendor of the day, topping the prime ewe section at \$372 for their 8-head pen, with a further 2 head making \$280, reflecting exceptional quality throughout. B & J Sloan also achieved a brilliant result with 2 prime ewes making \$340, while Raywell Farm Ltd and AW & RE Preece both performed strongly at \$246 and \$238 respectively. JRW & NB Hiatt sold three lines from \$208–\$244, and KF & B Avery's 2th wethers topped at a sharp \$326. Rams were keenly sought with BJ Harrington topping at \$222 for their 5-head pen, while Frances Donald's 4 wethers also made a strong \$298. HD Vogan contributed well across multiple lines making \$180–\$220.

Top Price: \$372 (Omihi Properties Ltd – Prime Ewes) **Prime Ewes:** \$86 – \$372 **2th Ewes/Wethers:** \$164 – \$326 **Rams:** \$102 – \$222 **Wethers:** \$298

Store Lambs

A well-presented yarding of store lambs sold to good demand, with the better-conditioned lines attracting solid competition throughout. AW & RE Preece topped the store lamb section at \$245 for their 58-head line averaging 39.3kg, while Kopi Holdings Ltd were the major vendor of the day with three lines totalling 335 head selling from \$170–\$227 across varying weights. Steventon Farming also presented a large number of lambs with 69 store lambs making \$215, and two lines of halfbred wether lambs returning \$110–\$172. Fletcher Farms Ltd contributed two lines of ewe lambs making \$183–\$234, while Casey & Sons returned a solid \$226 for their 19 store lambs. AW & RE Preece also offered 42 scanned in-lamb ewes, mated to Suffolk and Romney rams with lambing due 1st March, making \$256.

Top Price: \$245 **Store Lambs:** \$170 – \$245 **Ewe Lambs:** \$183 – \$234 **Halfbred Wether Lambs:** \$110 – \$210 **In-Lamb Ewes:** \$256

Cattle

PRIME STEERS Prime steers sold to solid demand, with prices ranging from \$4.81/kg to a top of \$5.31/kg. Top price was paid for the Angus Hereford X steer from Glenlea Partnership (535kg), with Ash Jones Builders' pen of Angus steers also selling well at \$5.25/kg.

PRIME HEIFERS Prime heifers were well supported across 31 head, with values from \$3.02/kg through to \$5.32/kg. Glenlea Partnership's Angus heifers topped the market at \$5.32/kg, closely followed by K G & B A Wakelin's Hereford X heifers at \$5.31/kg.

PRIME COWS Eleven prime cows sold from \$2.62/kg to a high of \$4.38/kg. G W Harris's Shorthorn cows were the standout, securing the top price of \$4.38/kg.

PRIME BULLS A small entry of four prime bulls made from \$4.42/kg to \$5.18/kg. The top price went to P & J Claridge's Speckle Park bull (780kg) at \$5.18/kg.

STORE STEERS Store steers sold to strong competition, with prices ranging from \$3.67/kg to \$5.34/kg. G J & C Philpott's pen of Speckle Park X steers (485kg) topped the steer market at \$5.34/kg, while Steven Golding's HX steers also sold well at \$5.13/kg.

STORE HEIFERS Store heifers made from \$3.50/kg through to \$5.00/kg. M R & J Burgess Partnership and C R Gardiner both topped the heifer section, each securing \$5.00/kg for pens of Hereford X heifers (388kg).

IN-CALF COWS A small run of Hereford cows from L J Peters, in calf to an Angus bull, sold from \$4.14/kg to \$4.31/kg, with the pen of four (675kg) making the top price of \$4.31/kg.