

## Allendale rewarded for consistent excellence

A long history of breeding excellence has earned the Allendale Poll Hereford stud a reputation as reliable and consistent breeders of top quality cattle that breed on for their purchasers.

As a result, a large crowd, that included 59 registered bidders from 4 states and territories, gathered at the Day family's Bordertown based sale last week. They competed very strongly for the 60 bulls and 14 heifers offered that resulted in a 93% clearance and an outstanding \$286,750 sale gross.

Fifty nine of the 60 bulls on offer sold to a top of \$10,000, which was achieved three times. The widely agreed assessment that the depth of quality extended right through the offering, was supported by the fact that 10 bulls sold for \$7,000 or more.

TRS & MA Baker, Woonallee, Furner and buying through Elders Naracoorte agent Tom Dennis, put strong competition into the early lots; picking up 3 of the first 7 lots for \$7,500, \$8,000 and one at the equal top sale price of \$10,000.

Ian Daniell, Senior Park, Bordertown also paid \$10,000 for his pick bull; lot 6, Allendale Valour B45, one of the first sons of New Zealand sire Okawa Commodore to be offered by Allendale.

John Richardson, Tabeel Trading, Mt Gambier and buying through Keatley Livestock agent Brian Spring, also went to \$10,000 for lot 13, Allendale Waratah; a son of Allendale National, the \$85,000 Australian Poll Hereford Sire of the Year. He later added another National son for \$9,000 at Lot 20.



Pictured with one of the \$10,000 equal top priced bulls at the Allendale Poll Hereford sale last week were Allendale co-principal Alastair Day, Bordertown; buyer John Richardson, Tabeel Trading, Mt Gambier; and Keatley Livestock buying agent, Brian Spring, Mt Gambier.



Allendale's Graham Day is with Ian Daniell, Senior Park, Bordertown and the equal top priced bull Ian bought for \$10,000 at last week's Allendale Poll Hereford sale.

While 3 buyers shared the top priced bull honours, 4 other accounts shared the volume bull buying honours with 4 bulls each; 3 of these coming from Victoria.

Last year's volume buyers, Yalanda Pastoral Co, Meningie were one of them, adding to the 7 bulls they purchased last year. In patient buying through Elders Murray Bridge office, they were able to purchase at real value this year; paying from \$2,000 to \$3,500.

Murray and Andrew Stoney, 'Ellingerrin', Inverleigh, Vic and operating through SAL Naracoorte, purchased very strongly, picking up their 4 bulls from \$3,500 to \$8,000 and at a \$6,000 average.

Maurice and Leon Wheeler, Wallacedale, Vic and operating through Kerr & Co. Hamilton, paid from \$3,500 to \$6,000 in making their 4 successful purchases; also bidding on many other of the higher priced lots.

Hill & Watters, Lake Mundi, Vic and buying through TDC Penola agent Peter DeGaris, also bid on many lots before successfully purchasing their 4 bulls from \$2,500 to \$3,500.

Last year's equal top priced buyer and Allendale regular, Ralph Nemeth, Dunrobin Grazing, Mansfield was back again; this year buying 2 top bulls @ \$7,000 and \$6,000 through Rodwells Mansfield agent, Jamie Beckingsale. Jamie also purchased another @ \$2,500 for PL & T O'Halloran, Mansfield.

Other key bull buyers included GA Young & Sons, through Landmark Millicent (3 bulls to \$7,000); Burnenang Pastoral, Elmore, Vic through Landmark Echuca (3 bulls to \$4,500); and Emu Springs Pastoral, Tintinara, through Elders Tintinara (3 bulls to \$2,750).



Woonallee farm manager, Geoff Agnew and Elders Naracoorte agent Tom Dennis are pictured after purchasing 3 top bulls at the Allendale sale, including one at the equal top price of \$10,000.



Andrew and Murray Stoney, 'Ellingerrin', Inverleigh, Vic were top end volume buyers at last week's Allendale Poll Hereford sale. They purchased 4 bulls to \$8,000 and at a \$6,000 average and are seen discussing their purchases with Allendale co-principals Lachlan and Alastair Day.

While the first half of the sale was very strong with an average of \$5,750 for the first 30 bulls offered, there was great value to be found in the second half where 15 bulls sold for \$3,000 or less. This brought the overall average back to a very solid \$4,492.

The offering of 14 excellent quality and very well grown mated heifers saw good competition from a very limited number of buyers. TAS Poll Herefords through Elders Armidale purchased lot 65 for \$3,000, this being the top priced lot. However, the volume support came from J & JZ Gilvarry Partnership, 'Raheen', Wildes Meadow, NSW. They bought 9 heifers from \$2,000 to \$2,500, to add to the \$4,000 bull they purchased earlier through Jim Hindmarsh & Co P/L, Moss Vale.

## Sale Summary

59 of 60 bulls sold to \$10,000 (x 3) and averaged \$4,492

10 of 14 heifers sold to \$3,000 and averaged \$2,750

Sale gross: \$286,750

Agents: Elders Ltd & Landmark

Auctioneers: Jono Spence & Luke Schreiber (Elders) & Malcolm Scroop (Landmark)



Strong Victorian supporters at the Allendale Poll Hereford sale last week were Ralph Nemeth, Mansfield (2 bulls @ \$6,000 and \$7,000); Peter O'Halloran, Mansfield (1 bull @ \$3,500); and Maurice and Leon Wheeler, Wallacedale (4 bulls to \$6,000). They are with Allendale co-principal Lachlan Day, Bordertown (front).



Yalanda Pastoral Co, Meningie was the equal top volume buyer at the Allendale Poll Hereford sale with 4 bulls. Yalanda's overseer Phil Harvey (left) and manager John Turra (right) are with Elders auctioneer Jono Spence, Keith.