

## Dayswhiteface Annual Bull Sale 2013

It was smiles all round after the combined Allendale and Days Whiteface Poll Hereford sale at Bordertown Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

In an environment that was not overly positive because of economic and paddock feed factors, especially in pastoral areas, the sale result of 61 bulls selling from a high quality draft of 73 offered, to a top of \$17,500 and at a \$4836 average, exceeded most pre-sale expectations.

Lachlan and Lou Day (Days Whiteface) and their family should be congratulated on the depth of quality and outstanding presentation of their bull drafts.

There was a large crowd approaching 150 that included 49 registered buyers. The weather was hot and so was the bidding competition in the first half of the catalogue.

Four bulls sold for \$10,000 or better and the first half of the catalogue saw all bulls offered clearing and averaging \$5556, with only three selling under \$4000. The second half saw volume buyers top up and lower their averages and while there were some good solid individual results, there were more bargains to be had. Twenty five sold in the second half and averaged just \$3800; outstanding value for their quality.

The top price of \$17,500 was paid by JP Winser, Mt Gambier for Days Whiteface Capacity G8. Brought forward in the catalogue from lot 31 to be offered fourth, this long, smooth skinned and deep bodied son of A Waterhouse was already a winner, having won the 18-20 month old class at the 2012 Adelaide Royal. Mr Winser not only made a top priced buying impact, but also was an important volume buyer. He purchased five other bulls at \$3000 to \$4000, bringing his six bull buying average down to \$6900.

The Victorian buying support was particularly strong, with 14 Victorian bidders successful in purchasing bulls. There were 18 South Australian based buyers, plus 2 from NSW.

Leigh Allan kept SA interests prominent with two winning bids of \$9000 and \$7000 for Days Whiteface bulls for Mootaroo Pastoral Co. These will be used in Mootaroo's bull breeding program to produce herd bulls for their SA pastoral holdings. These were booked through joint selling agents Elders' Broken Hill office.

Repeat volume buyers GA Young and Sons were back and were again very strong bidders throughout the offering. Supported by Landmark Millicent's Jim Noonan, Ross and John Young successfully bid on seven bulls for their EU and Jap Ox steer breeding enterprise, paying to a top of \$4500 and averaging \$4071.

David Brook, Cordillo Station via Leigh Creek was also a prominent volume buyer, purchasing six bulls to \$4500 and at a \$3917 average. Bidding on his behalf was Charlie Wayman-Jones who connected to the sale via phone hook-up.

The value of good volume buyers to a sale was highlighted by the number of bulls the Youngs and David Brook bid on. In order to secure the six bulls Cordillo Station needed within their budget buying range, they bid on 26 bulls. They were underbidders on 13 bulls and started seven others in their buying quest.

Paul and Megan Mould, Emu Springs, via Tintinara have bought at every previous Allendale/Days Whiteface bull sale and privately before that. This year they took their sales' buying tally to 15, purchasing three outstanding bulls, one each from Allendale and Days at \$5500 each, before picking up a late average breaker at a \$3000 bargain price from Allendale.

Other key buyers included Shiloh Park, through Ray White Mt Gambier (two to \$4500); Greg and Susan Storer, Hotspur, through Landmark Hamilton (two to \$5000); Keith Diprose, Romsey, Vic through Rodwells Kilmore (two to \$6000); Robert Fraser, Glengower, through Crawford Dowling

Ballarat (two to \$5000); Bellbouri Estate, Naracoorte, through Elders Naracoorte (two to \$4000); Paltridge Brothers, through Elders Lucindale (two to \$3500); and PL & MR Winser, Mt Gambier, through O'Connor and Graney Mt Gambier (two to \$4000).

The split-up between the selling studs was very similar, with both Days Whiteface and Allendale selling 30 bulls each, while guest vendors, John and Helen Illsley sold their one Abberley bull for \$3000.

Sale Summary – Overall	2013
Offered	73
Sold	61
Top	\$17,500
Average	\$4836

Agents: Landmark and Elders

Auctioneers: Malcolm Scroop and Gordon Wood (Landmark) and Ross Milne (Elders)



Pictured with the \$17,500 Days Whiteface Poll Hereford bull at the combined Allendale/Days Whiteface bull sale are Landmark auctioneer Malcolm Scroop and Days Whiteface principal Lachy Day. The bull was bought by JP Winser, Mt Gambier.