

## Wonderful Days Whiteface Sale Result

A large crowd of around 200 attended last Monday's (20<sup>th</sup> Feb) 14<sup>th</sup> annual Days Whiteface & Allendale Poll Hereford combined bull sale at Bordertown. Amongst these were 50 registered bidders from four states who provided strong competition from the opening lot.

The evenness of the draft of 71 bulls was as exceptional as their quality. Free moving, smooth coated easy doing bulls packed with substance and muscling and supported by outstanding Breedplan figures kept coming into the ring with auctioneers Ross Milne (Elders) and Malcolm Scroop and Gordon Wood (Landmark) sorting out the bids.

At the sale's conclusion, 67 had sold to a top of \$11,000 which was achieved twice and at a \$5112 average. This was up 3% on last year's very strong result, reinforcing the consistency of these cattle and the demand they attract.

The top price lot from the Days Whiteface draft came in at lot 19. Days Bedford F14, sired by South Bukalong Wallace 2, was purchased by Chris and Debbie White, Deeck Pastoral, Melton Mowbray, Tasmania for \$9000.

They are very familiar with the Days/Allendale bloodlines, having outlaid over \$50,000 at Dubbo for Allendale Rosemount in the past when they had a stud, but now just run a high quality commercial herd. Days Bedford F14 had very impressive figure, topping at +86 for 600 day weight and +4.1 for EMA.

It was the strength of the middle ground of the sale that kept the sale average up. Two thirds sold in the \$4000 to \$7000 range, a level the two biggest volume buyers were prepared to operate in and in doing so they provided a great backbone to the sale result.

James and Lyndy Simpson, 'Edendale' at Inverell, NSW purchased nine bulls from \$3500 to \$6000. They had seen the Days/Allendale bulls at Dubbo in the past and were impressed enough to make the trip down to this sale. Six of these came from the Days draft.

Ross and John Young, GA Young and Sons, Kalangadoo have supported this sale strongly for many years, but their buying support was especially strong this year. Buying through Landmark Millicent, they paid from \$3000 to \$6500 for eight bulls, five from the Days draft.

Murray and Andrew Stoney, Elingerrin Pastoral Co Pty Ltd from Inverleigh were top end repeat buyers. Last year they paid \$10,000 for one of the Days Whiteface bulls. This year they paid \$6500 for a Days bull in 3 purchases, also being underbidders on the 3 high priced lots in this sale.

Frank and Joyleen Booth, Murnpeowia Station, via Leigh Creek were also significant volume buyers. After picking up four last year, they were back again and with their representative Charlie Wayman-Jones, they successfully bid from \$3000 to \$4500 for six quality bulls, four of these from Days Whiteface.

Yalanda Pastoral Co, Meningie manager John Turra was back again with his agent Jono Spence, Spence Dix & Co providing strong support. They have been volume supporters of the Days/Allendale genetics for several years and this year purchased four bulls, two from each vendor and paying from \$3000 to \$4000.

Paul and Megan Mould, Emu Springs, Tintinara have bought at every one of the 14 Allendale/Days bull sales, probably making them the longest supporters of these genetics. Buying through Elders Keith agent Nick Downward, they purchased three high quality bulls all from the Days offering, one at \$4000 and two at \$5500.

Other significant Days Whiteface buyers included: Coryule Past Co; PC Phillips, both through Crawford Dowling, Ballarat and AC Day & Sons P/L, (all 3 taking one at \$6500); The Rock Grazing Partners through Spence Dix & Co, Keith (one @ \$7000); AR & J Hunt, Mt Gambier (1 at \$5000); & Willochra Props, Melrose (1 at \$5500).

<b>Sale summary</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Combined 2012</b>
Offered	37	71
Sold	35	67
Top	\$9000	\$11,000
Average	\$4671	\$5112

Agents: Landmark and Elders

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



Days Whiteface principal Lachy Day is pictured with Chris & Debbie White, Deek Pastoral, Melton Mowbray, Tasmania. They are in front of the Days Whiteface bull they purchased for \$9000, the top price for Days Whiteface bulls at this sale.



Pictured after the successful Days/Allendale Poll Hereford bull sale are; (at the back) Days Whiteface principal Lachlan Day and Allendale principal Alastair Day. They are with the biggest volume buyers at their combined sale at Bordertown, Lyndy and James Simpson, 'Edendale', Inverell, NSW (nine bulls from \$3500 to \$6000) and Ross and John Young, GA Young & Sons, Kalangadoo (eight bulls from \$3000 to \$6500).



Lachlan Day, Days Whiteface Poll Herefords (left) and Alastair Day, Allendale Poll Herefords (right) both at Bordertown are pictured with volume buyers at their combined Poll Hereford bull sale, Frank and Joyleen Booth, Brook Pastoral, Murnpeowia Station, via Leigh Creek. The Booths bought six bulls paying from \$3000 to \$4500.