

From the Sheep Yards

Tamworth lambs hit \$231 to topple two week old record



Prime lambs hit a new high at Tamworth this week with a pen of July drop, February shorn lambs making \$231, smashing a record price of \$220 that was set just weeks ago.

The outstanding quality heavy lambs were sold by IML on account Tarakan, Cobbadah and, remarkably, vendor Stewart Steiger (pictured above with contract shearers, Benji Robinson and Jock Mallise) says that they were the tail of his lambs. Stewart says that he's received more than \$200 for his lambs before, but never this much and Ian Morgan says that Tarakan have an excellent reputation, having held the record price for lambs at the old Tamworth saleyards for many years.

The previous best price for lambs at TRLX was \$220 on 22nd May for heavy lambs sold by CP on account of the Dunn family, Wendouree Grazing, Walcha. We're not sure on the top price for NSW but some agents seem to think \$240 - the best we could find on the MLA website was \$238 at Wagga on 1st June.



Lambs

Older lambs topped at \$231 (\$210) for Tarakan lambs. Other vendors to add their names to the “200 Club” for their lambs (pictured top to bottom) included: Cameron Family Partnership at \$206.50 (DCM); G & P Swain at \$205 (DCM); and Les and Gwen Coddington, Gunnedah (G&C) made \$200 for their lambs.

Highlights in the Dorpers included: \$182 for big weighty Dorper lambs sold by DCM on account Longstaff; \$175 for Moonbi House selling through CP; and \$168 for Dorper hoggets sold by G&C.



Lamb wrap

Lambs sold to \$231 (\$210) and averaged \$143 (\$153); and hoggets sold to \$168 (\$144) and averaged \$128.

Sheep

Highlights in the sheep included Dorper ewes sold by CP on account Woolomin Station for \$209; \$200 for massive 1st x “bum buster” wethers sold by G&C; and \$180 for Merino wethers sold by CP.



Sheep wrap

1st x young ewes sold to \$160 (\$174) and averaged (\$135); wethers sold to \$200 (\$200) with and averaged (\$136); and ram lambs sold to \$169 (\$145) with top price to PPA and averaged (\$96).

Don't forget
No sale on Monday 12th June due to Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.
Next prime cattle and sheep and lambs will be Monday 19th June.

Agent codes used for report: B&S (Burke & Smyth) | CP (Chris Paterson Livestock) | DCM (Davidson Cameron McCulloch & Co) | ELD (Elders) | G&C (Garvin & Cousens) | IML (Ian Morgan Livestock) | LMK (Landmark) | NLP (Newcombe Livestock & Property) | Pitt (Pitt Sons) | PPA (Purtle Plevy Agencies)

