## Booroomooka sells 238

## Munro bulls a hit with Qld buyers

**BY SIMON CHAMBERLAIN** 

RIDE in the breeding of Angus cattle since 1926 was evident in the catalogue of 243 Booroomooka bulls at Bingara, NSW, last Friday with sales from Queensland to Tasmania.

Astute buyers from Qld, including areas surrounding Roma, Goondiwindi and Rockhampton, were active and busy securing high-quality bulls.

Among them was Consolidated Pastoral Company, Biloela, which bought a Paragon P96 son for \$35,000 and a Murdeduke Quarterback Q011 son for \$20,000.

All up, 238 bulls sold for a 98pc clearance to average \$13,512 and gross \$3,216,000.

A top price of \$60,000 was paid by repeat buyers, the Doak family, Box Moor Angus, Bundarra, NSW.

The long-term repeat buyers secured the sale topper in 2023 at \$46,000 and bought the first lot of the day in 2024 at \$34,000.

Brad Doak said they were attracted to the bull's outlook and carriage, combined with a great set of performance and estimated breeding values.

"We've been buying bulls here at Booroomooka since the late 1990s and they have always worked really well for us," he said.

Progeny of the sale topper from 2023 were now on the ground and looking like



Davidson Cameron and Company auctioneers Luke Scicluna, Nick Rogers and Tom Tanner, with Hugh Munro, buyers Margie, Brad and Bill Doak, and Jo and Sinclair Munro. Pictures: Simon Chamberlain



Alan, Roy and Colin Withers, Bingara, NSW, inspecting the bulls.

Gordon Brownhill, Merrilong, Spring Ridge, NSW, chats with Hugh Barnett, Toowoomba, Qld after the sale.

breed, mature cow weight of excellent prospects. "We mainly look for +128, also top 15pc, while its eye muscle area of +12.8 and intramuscular fat +4.8 were

Its Angus selection indexes of \$A at \$266 and \$A-L of Sired by Chiltern Park \$453 were also in the top five per cent.

Box Moor Angus also paid \$30,000 for Boorooomooka Ultimo U720.

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The Paterson family's Heart Angus, Tamworth, NSW, paid \$50,000 for a son of Booroomooka Paragon

L519 female.

Weighing 836kg, the 24-month-old had 400-day and 600-day EBvs in the top 15pc, scrotal size of +4.2, top five pc, an IMF of +4.9, top 10pc and an index for \$A of \$271, which is also top five pc.

Mr Paterson said Booroomooka Paragon U670, weighing 836kg with a scrotal size of 42 centimetres, would be a great outcross for his family's herd.

"We liked him for his very good structure. Booroomooka does a very good job in the correctness of their cattle," he said.

Mr Paterson said U670 would be joined to cows in October.

"But we are mainly autumn joining our cows, so his main job will begin next May," he said.

Highview Stock, Coolah, NSW, paid \$40,000 for Booroomooka Universal U624, sired by Rennylea S69, out of an EF Complement 8088 female. It rated in the top five pc with the \$A index of \$275.

Its 400-day and 600-day EBVs for growth were in the top 15pc, while its milk EBV at +28 was in the top five pc of the breed. Highview also paid \$30,000 for Boorooomooka Utah U12.

James Harris, Forster and Sons, Abington, Uralla, NSW, the buyer of last year's sale topper, was another active long-term repeat buyer since the early 1990s. He bought four; \$30,000, \$26,000 and two for \$20,000.

His top choice, Booroomooka Unstoppable was sired by GB Fireball 672 out of a Booroomooka Yogi female.

East Rossgole, Scone, NSW, was the leading volume buyer, with 11 bulls, while another repeat volume buyer, SN Nivison, Walcha, bought nine bulls.

Bulls went as far as Tasmania with Manuka Properties, King Island, bidding online, securing a Paragon P96 son for \$22,000 and another from the same sire at \$16,000.

Also from King Island were Doug and Wendy Collins, King Angus Beef, buying eight bulls.

At the conclusion of the sale, Booroomooka stud principal Sinclair Munro said: "I was so proud of the high-quality lineup of bulls, with such depth of consistency from lot one and lot 266".

Selling agent Luke Scicluna said the Booroomooka bulls were highly sought after for high fertility and leading carcase attributes.

"Visually, the bulls had lovely muscle pattern and sleek coats with leading marbling genetics," he said. ■ Agents: Davidson Cameron and Company

structure and good maternal traits, then we can breed some good cow lines, which then carry through in our bulls," he said.

Picasso P9, Booroomooka Picasso U1237 was a 23-month-old weighing 754 kilograms, out of a Rennylea Magnum M6 female.

The bull's EBVs for its 200-day growth were +107, in the top 15 per cent of the P96 out of a Rennylea



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