

Booroomooka's \$52,000

Munros clear 240 bulls to average \$12,891

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BOX Moor Angus, Bundarra, a client of more than 25 years and run by Bill and Margie Doak and their children Brad and Ashlee, paid \$52,000 for Booroomooka Suaali S315 by Murdeduke Quarterback Q011.

Booroomooka sold 219 of 219 two-year-old S bulls, averaging \$13,063 and 21 of 27 T yearling bulls, averaging \$11,095, from a significant offering of 246 bulls.

Overall, 240 sold from the 246 offered to average \$12,891.

Sinclair Munro, co-principal, said 98 years of breeding was recognised in the outstanding lineup of bulls.

As the first lot, Suaali tipped the scales at 976 kilograms and had a data set that made him the Doak's ideal first choice from the offering, Brad Doak said.

Suaali had estimated breeding values (EBVs) of +101 for carcase weight, +6.6 eye muscle area, +3.8 intramuscular fat and +71, +134 and +176 for 200-, 400- and 600-day growth.

Brad Doak said the bull's growth and maternal data had reinforced the bull's physical presence in the family's decision-making process.

Box Moor bought the top-priced bull at last year's sale for \$55,000.

Suaali also had an Angus Breeding Index (SA) value of \$286, and Angus Breeding Low Feed Cost Index (SA-L)



Bill Doak, Box Moor Angus, Bundarra, Jo and Sinclair Munro, Booroomooka, Margie and Brad Doak, Box Moor Angus, with Luke Scicluna and Tom Tanner, Davidson Cameron and Co, and the \$52,000 Booroomooka Suaali.



Jim Nivison, SN Nivison and Co, Walcha, with Sinclair Munro, and Pitt Sons Walcha's Sam Payne. Mr Nivison bought 22 bulls.



Hugh and Juliet Munro, Booroomooka Angus with Kyle McDonald, Rabobank, Armidale.

value of \$519.

At \$42,000 was Booroomooka Paragon S892, sired by Booroomooka Paragon, bought in a three-way partnership of Rennylea Angus, Culcairn, Hazeldean Angus, Cooma, and McRae Pastoral, Goondiwindi, Qld, with Kevin Graham, Brisbane, Qld, acting as a consultant.

Paragon S892 was a September 2021-drop bull that weighed 746kg and had a birthweight (BW) EBV of +1.7, with a +59 200-day growth,

+108 400-day growth, and +134 600-day growth.

Paragon S892's \$A Index value was \$303, and SA-L value was \$471. Box Moor also bought Paragon T18 for \$22,000.

The top-priced yearling bull was another Paragon son, Booroomooka Paragon T42, bought by Sara Park Angus stud, Pinkett, east of Glen Innes, for \$36,000.

Sara Park's Herb Duddy said he liked all the Paragon progeny in the catalogue but

felt he had the buy of the day.

Weighing 684kg, T42 had a BW EBV of +1.7, with a +66 for 200-day growth, +127 for 400-day, and +162 for 600-day growth. T42's \$A index was \$262, and SA-L was \$475.

Another Paragon son, Booroomooka Paragon S272, sold for \$38,000 to Frank White and family, Tanglely Grazing, Guyra.

Forster and Son, Abington, Uralla paid \$34,000 for Booroomooka Sainly S42,

another son of Paragon, with two other bulls for an overall average of \$25,333. N.L. Forster, Abington, was the source of five stud heifers in the Booroomooka foundation herd in 1926.

Manuka Properties, King Island, Tas, bought four bulls to \$24,000 averaging \$15,000, the top pick being Booroomooka Qantas S895, a grandson of Sydgen Enhance.

The sale's volume buyer was Jim Nivison, SN Nivison and Co, Walcha, with 22

bulls to a top of \$18,000, four times, averaging \$13,363.

His four top-priced bulls represented three different sires, Te Mania Newly N549, Lawsons Momentous M528 and Murdeduke Quarterback Q011.

Fairfield Station, Bundarra, bought Paragon S242 for \$27,000 with three other bulls for an overall average of \$19,750.

Peter and David Southwell, Southwell Grazing, Bingara, bought five bulls to a top of \$20,000 three times, averaging \$16,000. Scott Michell, Castletop Pastoral Company, Narrabri, bought four bulls to \$18,000, averaging \$11,500.

McRae Pastoral, Goondiwindi, Qld, bought four bulls to \$22,000, averaging \$14,500, while P. and D. Johnston, Coonabarabran, bought seven bulls to \$14,000, averaging \$10,571.

Long-time buyers of Booroomooka genetics were the Murray and Brownhill families from Spring Ridge.

The Murray family's Gindi Pastoral Company bought six bulls to \$16,000, averaging \$11,000, while the Brownhill's Merrilong Pastoral Company bought four bulls to \$14,000, twice, averaging \$12,000. A repeat volume buyer with 10 bulls was A.R. and K.D. Mills, Myendetta, Charleville, Qld, paying \$14,000, twice, averaging \$9600. Consolidated Pastoral Company, Newcastle Waters, NT, bought two bulls for \$20,000 and \$22,000 to go to Allawah, its elite genetics unit near Biloela, Qld. Gary Pastoral, Gunnedah, bought 14 bulls averaging \$6142.

Davidson Cameron and Company were the selling agents, with Luke Scicluna, Tom Tanner and Nick Rogers as auctioneers. AuctionsPlus provided the on-line interface.



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