

Wallawong

MURRAY GREYS

2005 Sale Results

Bidding was spirited at the 8th Annual Wallawong Murray Grey Production Sale and Hargrey Dispersal at Gunnedah Saleyards last Thursday, as new and return clients battled to secure sires and females.

The Wallawong Production Sale culminated in a total clearance of bulls, topping at auction at \$4500 and averaging \$3188. This was an impressive result with the draft also including several 14 month old yearling bulls. The Hargrey Dispersal topped at \$8000 for senior stud sire, Murfield Volcano, selling to Sue Francis, Dorrigo, with mature females averaging \$1767 and a line of 17 month old joined heifers returning an average of \$1105.

Wallawong principal, Lachlan James, was pleased with the result, commenting that the only disappointing aspect of the sale was that some new and return clients were unable to fill their bull requirements due to the strong demand at the sale.

Bidding for Wallawong genetics reached a peak when lot 4 entered the ring. The bull, Wallawong Nautilus, by AI sire Lindsay Quest Q22 had impressive Breedplan figures being below average for birth weight and above average for 600 day weight, combining this with an Eye Muscle Area EBV in the top 10% of the breed. New owner, Roger Lucas, Emerald Hill commented on the bull's easy doing ability and exceptionally quiet temperament.

The second top selling Wallawong bull, lot 8, Wallawong Northerley, impressed many in the crowd, finally being knocked down for \$4250. Several bulls sold for \$3500 including the impressive 14 month old sire, Wallawong Oracle. Oracle weighed in at 530 kg (1.23 kg/day) and was purchased by local Murray Grey enthusiasts, Felicity and Neil Fleck, 'Lonsdale' Mullaley.

The females in the Hargrey Dispersal also met with strong demand, with Glenn Oag, Boorowa, securing the top two priced females at \$3700 and \$3450. Big River Murray Greys, Bordertown South Australia was the volume purchaser securing 21 lots to a top of \$2750, while E C Wilkinson, Willow Tree, NSW purchased 8 female lots and a Wallawong yearling bull to a top of \$2000.



Lot 8 - \$4250



Lot 4 - \$4500

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