

Swan Hill Regional Livestock Exchange



Prime Sheep & Lamb Sale 9th February 2017

Yarding 10778 **Lambs** 9446 **Sheep** 1200

Swan Hill Regional Livestock Exchange held our regular fortnightly Prime Sheep sale yarding a total of 10778 head. Buyer competition was keen with all the major export and domestic processors represented.

Lamb numbers dominated with just a small offering of sheep to mark the start of the regular fortnightly markets at Swan Hill. Lamb quality was good, with a run of heavy crossbred lambs penned that had been supplementary fed. Dorpers accounted for a high percentage of the trade weight offering. Heavy Lambs sold \$5-\$8/head. Light Lambs & Sheep sold at \$10 up on previous fortnightly quotations.

Bidding reached a top of \$196 for heavy export lambs, and it was one of three pens to sell above \$190/head. This was followed by a handful of sales from \$175 to \$186/head. The bulk best of the lambs suiting domestic orders and weighing up to 26kg cwt sold from \$150 to \$170/head. On a carcass basis most sales of well finished slaughter lambs were tracking in a range of 600c to 650c/kg. Local restockers paid from \$81 to \$112/head for light lambs to turn-out, with the bigger runs of store lambs mainly being Dorpers.

The sheep offering was limited to smaller pen-lots of Merinos and Dorper ewes, with small drafts of crossbreds available.

Quotations:



Sheep Class	Price Range	Top Producers
Export Lambs	\$144 - \$196	\$196 – Bulls Mallee Run, Ultima \$194 – C & TD Cox \$190 – GR & HM Hopkins, Swan Hill \$187 – BP & DM Barry, Manangatang \$186 – Ashbre Park, Quambatook \$176 – GL & EM Pickering, Murraydale
Trade Lambs	\$128 - \$178	\$178 – Bulls Mallee Run, Ultima \$175 – G Sprinks, Kyalite \$170 – JR & RA Free, Swan Hill \$170 – BD & DL Jobling, Lalbert
Prime Light Lambs	\$130 - \$150	\$150 – Jipsep, Kerang \$148 – JR & RA Free, Swan Hill
Merino Lambs	\$125 - \$149.2	\$149.2 – JR & RA Free, Swan Hill \$142 – DK Dickson, Kerang
Dorper Lambs	\$132 - \$161	\$161 – GJ Hooper, Culgoa \$160 – I & K Edelsten, Kooloonong \$158 – Lilligan, Koraleigh \$158 – Morton Family Trust, Moulamein \$131 – GJ Hooper, Culgoa
Hoggets	\$100 - \$158	\$158 – B Spicer, Tresco \$150 – R McKenzie, Ivonhoe \$154 – GR & HM Hopkins, Swan Hill \$145 – P Maher Pira
Mutton	\$110 - \$132	\$132 – P & A Maher, Pira \$130 – Ormond Farms, Berriwillock \$128 – R Lockhart, Speewa \$126 – A Uebergang, Coobool

**Note: Our next prime sheep sale will be on Thursday 23th February at 1pm.
First Cattle for 2017 is Thursday 16th February commencing at 7:30am.**