

### Katanning Sheep

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**LAST** Wednesday's sheep market at Katanning saw crossbred lambs hit \$79 when a line was consigned by G.L.J. & A. Baldwin, Jerramungup, while similar money was achieved at \$78 by Bridgetown producer Wardell-Johnson Brothers. Representative sales achieved by Primaries auctioneer Peter Sheridan included:

G.L.J. & A. Baldwin, Jerramungup: 76 xb lbs \$79, 48 xb lbs \$64.50; Wardell-Johnson Bros, Bridgetown: 14 xb lbs \$78, 3 xb wths \$77.50; Commodine Farms, Cuballing: 15 xb lbs \$76.50; Strathmore Grazing Pty Ltd, Deeside Mail: 6 xb lbs \$75.50, 18 xb lbs \$75; Gracefield Trading Trust, Katanning: 37 SAMM ewes \$45; Glenwal & Co., Aldersyde: 11 xb ewes \$38.50, 17 Mo ewes \$35; Murray Downs, Esperance: 54 Mo ewes \$38; Yomaning Grazing, Cuballing: 13 xb wth hghts \$80.50; B.W. & D.A. Barrows, Borden: 30 Mo wths \$69; K.J. Bushby, Lake Grace: 10 PD rams \$65.

### Midland Sheep

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**CROSSBRED** lambs were once again the flavour of the day at Monday's sale at Midland when prices hit \$77.50 for a line consigned by Golden View Pastoral Co., Beverley.

Primaries auctioneer Ian Hunter controlled the rail this week and listed the representative prices as:

G.M. & M.J. Byrne, Gidgegannup: 7 Suff x lbs \$59, 9 Suff x ram lbs \$59.50; A.E. & W.L. Haley, Gidgegannup: 11 xb lbs \$49; A.W. & R. Bowering, Brookton: 13 xb lbs \$62; B.L. Riley & Co., Trayning: 50 Mo ewes \$40, 33 Mo ewes \$35; J.G. & G.C. Raffan, Coorow: 94 Mo ewes \$46.50, 116 Mo ewes \$40; H. & G. Helliwell, Wubin: 43 Mo ewes \$39, 53 Mo ewes \$45; M.F. & M.R. Brooks, Koorda: 26 Mo ewes \$35, 4 xb rams \$65; Golden Views Pastoral Company, Beverley: 55 xb lbs \$77.50, 45 Mo ewes \$9.50; W.J.M. & T. Harlow, York: 23 xb lbs \$40, 9 xb lbs \$38; E.H. Sprigg, Dalwallinu: 17 xb lbs \$47; L. & F. Green, Koorda: 53 Mo ewe lbs \$32.50, 13 Mo wth lbs \$33.50; Southwest Livestock Pty Ltd, Quairading: 30 xb lbs \$39.50, 29 xb lbs \$34; Karradale Farm, Beverley: 99 xb lbs \$18, 81 xb lbs \$14; A. Etheridge, Jurien Bay: 5 Damara rams \$45.

### Mt Barker Cattle

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**WELL** known Esperance cattle breeders C.K. & M.F. Gentle arranged through their local

Primaries livestock representative Stan Zuglian to offer several lines of outstanding cattle at last week's Mt. Barker cattle sale. Two Santa Gertrudis heifers in the consignment weighed in at 740 kg and sold at 109 c/kg to realise \$806.50. Top steer price was \$962.80 for a Murray Grey steer from G.I. & J.A. Hook.

Primaries Mt. Barker auctioneer Terry Zambonetti reported the following sale highlights:

G.I. & J.A. Hook: 1 str 830 kg @ 116 c/kg \$962.80, 1 hfr 345 kg @ 152 c/kg \$524.40; C.K. & M.F. Gentle: 2 hfrs 685 kg @ 109 c/kg \$746.65, 1 hfr 555 kg @ 125 c/kg \$693.75, 1 cow 645 kg @ 110 c/kg \$709.50; Murray Downs: 8 cows 706.3 kg @ 112 c/kg \$791, 6 cows 641.7 kg @ 114 c/kg \$731.50; W.R. & C.R. Norris: 1 str 505 kg @ 135 c/kg \$681.75, 1 hfr 530 kg @ 142 c/kg \$752.60, 4 ylg str 330 kg @ 177 c/kg \$584.10; W.A. & J.V.W. Kemp & Co.: 2 cows 655 kg @ 100 c/kg \$655; K.A. & M.J. Gibbs: 1 str 415 kg @ 140 c/kg \$581, 1 str 430 kg @ 130 c/kg \$559; J.B. & J.E. Wood: 13 ylg str 404.6 kg @ 167 c/kg \$675.71; C.J. & P.J. Anning: 1 bull 895 kg @ 111 c/kg \$993.45, 1 bull 660 kg @ 127 c/kg \$838.20.

### Midland Cattle

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**COROLIN** Blondes topped the Primaries Midland market on Monday. It was an excellent draft of yearling cattle on account of the Bakers Hill producer that sold to a top of 206 c/kg or \$747 per head with the 14 offered averaging \$682 per head.

Representative sales lodged by Primaries auctioneer Keith Taylor were as follows:

Corolin Blondes, Bakers Hill: 4 Blonde x str 391 kg @ 198 c/kg \$775; M.Y. Khan, Gingin: 2 Limo x hfrs 700 kg @ 140 c/kg \$980, 6 Limo x bull vlr 256 kg @ 166 c/kg \$426; M.K. & E.A. Richards, High Wycombe: 1 MG str vlr 300 kg @ 175 c/kg \$525; A.A. & C. Tampalini, Bullsbrook: 3 Ang cows 716 kg @ 106 c/kg \$760; Murray Carson Pty Ltd, West Binnu: 6 S/G x cows 574 kg @ 106 c/kg \$609; M.J. & I.W. Tomkins, Cue: 10 P/Sh x str vlr 299 kg @ 152 c/kg \$454.50; W.J.M. & T. Harlow, York: 1 P/H bull 885 kg @ 115 c/kg \$1018.

Primaries are third sellers of cattle and veal at Midland next Monday, July 2.

## Northampton star joins Primaries

**WELL** known Northampton-based stockman Craig Walker, has joined Primaries as Northern representative, sharing the territory with Graham Densley. Craig was at Primaries this week with managing director Trevor Pedler.

"I specialise in highly personalised service, and I expect my clients to enjoy similar close personal contact with their service company," Mr Walker said.

"Primaries shares my ideals in this regard and I am confident the new arrangement will be a rewarding one for my clients and myself."

Craig, a nephew of WA football legend Bill Walker, moved to Northampton with his wife Kylie and children Rachael 10 and Emma 8 in 2003. His youngest daughter Georgia was born two years ago.

"The biggest task for Primaries and myself over the next 12 months will be rebuilding confidence with a new approach to farming," Mr Walker said. "Many parts of the region have received less than an inch of rain for the season and wind erosion has been a major problem."



"All farming systems will be up for review as we look for safer, more rewarding ways for farmers to operate in the area."

Craig will assist Graham Densley to service clients of Primaries between Carnarvon and Eneabba. His contact numbers are 0447 341 590 or after hours in Northampton on 08-9934 1590.

## Fairfields stud changes hands

**WELL** known WA bloodstock personality Sally Oakes has sold her Fairfields stud, at North Dandalup and is planning semi-retirement.

She will retain some brood mares and a promising racehorse named Chachi.

Sally took over management of the Fairfields stud after the death of her mother Shiela Gwynne in 1975, building on the name of Indian Conquest, WA's first million dollar sire.

Other outstanding Fairfields stud performers were the NZ stallion Umpteen and his daughter, the exceptional mare Gay Affair.

Ms Oakes said this week she was delighted to see the Fairfields stud property carrying on a tradition of bloodstock breeding under a new syndicate, and that the stud industry in WA was enjoying unprecedented success and demand. She has developed the 100 acre North Dandalup property as a showplace from scratch since purchasing it in 1999, after moving closer to Perth from Capel.

Primaries of WA will conduct a clearing sale on the property starting at 1pm on Thursday, July 26, prior to the new owners of Fairfields taking over.