

COMMUNITY NEWS

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SIMTABLE Gets the Community Thinking about Preparation

Climate change is increasing the risk of bushfire throughout NSW. Hotter, drier conditions are producing more extreme fire danger days with Greater Sydney experiencing “catastrophic” fire conditions for the first-time last year.

Yet the community remains largely underprepared for bushfires and few residents have a survival plan.

At the community participation event held on the 8th November at

Mangrove Mountain Hall, residents were able to work with a Simtable to explore how fires could affect their properties and the district.

The Simtable is a 3D interactive tool that projects an image onto a sand box.

Participants were able to shape the sand by hand to match the topography in the landscape projection. Images of the built environment and aerial photos were overlaid, creating the 3D effect, then weather, fuel and vegetation data were included to see the impact of extreme weather scenarios on their homes and neighbourhood.

Computer modelling is used to simulate a fire spreading from an ignition point and is very good at showing people the scale and extent of bushfire risk in an area, how far and how fast bushfires can travel, and why

they need to have a plan.

It’s a great way of dispelling a lot of myths and assumptions that people can fight and stay and defend their homes in this terrain, in this situation. More people are lost trying to leave fires too late than while actually fighting fires.

The key is to have an early trigger to leave and to make sure that your home is quite resilient to bushfire. A well-prepared house has a far better chance of surviving bushfires.

Because it uses local maps, aerial photos and data, the Simtable provides residents with a highly realistic demonstration of how their properties and communities may be affected. The use of Simtable has the potential to provide attendees with a deep understanding of their risks, strengthen community connections and enable the development of tailored and detailed response plans.

The same process can be applied to floods and other scenarios.

The next community participation event on Wednesday 22nd November, 6pm to 7pm at Mangrove Mountain Hall, will be used to help residents prepare their own resilience and emergency plans and to decide how to best progress the development of a community resilience and emergency plan.

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I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God. Ecclesiastes 3, 12:13

Community Christmas Carols

Dec. 23, 6.30pm to 8pm
Mangrove Mountain Union Church Hall




Join in with your community to Celebrate the birth of Christ and the return of the Union Church to the Community

Catch up with friends & acquaintances & put your vocal chords to good use!



All Welcome

Treats for the kids!

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REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY

MMtn Country Fair General Meeting
 Thursday 16th November at 7pm at The Hub

MMtn Country Fair AGM will be held on
 Thursday 14th December 7pm at The Hub.

STOP!

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 1st December 2023
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YARN BOMBING NEWS

What an interesting and enjoyable year we have had!

By now most locals will have seen our yarn bombing creations around MM Hall, which were put in place for the June Harvest Festival and lingered till the Country Fair. That's good because the trees are now getting a rest. But the poles will probably get a revamp before long.

Our "Heal" blanket, from the 2022 Fair, was exhibited in Gosford Hospital's gallery for several months and will have a new home shortly.

In June we had a very interesting talk from Belinda from Gosford Hospital Children's ward, after we donated our teddy bears. We gave her lots of soft balls and wraps and have made an ongoing connection.

Our "coat of many colours" project produced 2 amazing jackets that we put to silent auction. The first one went to Pam after the Harvest Festival and the other one went to Olivia at the Country Fair, after winning a second in Knitting. Many thanks to Judy for putting these together so well.

And then we made a cake! Complete with jam, cream, 100's and 1000's and



candles. Many happy returns on your 60th birthday to the grand old Country Fair!

Sometimes we just sit and talk and eat and work on our own projects (It is fascinating to watch Lorraine's socks grow). June has produced an amazing book of her creations and the stories behind them. Evelyn has joined recently and brings her hilarious stories.

Above - the Country Fair
60th Birthday Cake
Right - Yarn bombing at the Hub

If you would like to join us, call into the Hub of MM, Mondays from 2-4pm, we'll be there yarning.

What will next year bring? Come along and see.

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On behalf of Mangrove Craft Gunnadoos we would like to acknowledge and thank Lorraine Wilson and Carmel Sonsalla of the Kooree Guide Cabin for coming to our aid during our time of need some time ago. We appreciate your assistance and kindness throughout our stay – and no, Lorraine, I will not miss my fireplace duties come winter.

To all those people of the Mountain Community who have worked so

tirelessly to secure our Mountain Union Church back to the Mountain, we would like to acknowledge the hard work, dedication and supreme effort of each and every one of you. WELL DONE. Congratulations, especially from the Gunnadoos who are back in the church hall and made so welcome to what we call home. Thank you to those who were involved in moving us back to the hall some weeks ago – very much appreciated.

Although we are now a small and ageing group we are hanging in there for as long as we can and we would

make welcome anyone who would like to join our very friendly group - many skills we have to share. We have been going for many, many years now. If you would like any more information please call Joy Hemers on 4374 1974 evenings or perhaps call in to the hall on Mondays between 9.30 am and 12.30 pm – you would be most welcome.

We can't express enough to the Church Committee our gratitude at having us return once again. We are so very happy to be in our Happy Place.

Joy Hemers, President
Mangrove Craft Gunnadoos



Singing Group

It's a fun and relaxed time to sing along to your favourite tunes in a small group just for the joy of it.

There are a huge variety of songs from pretty much every decade and style of music; folk, pop, rock, country and show tunes. If we don't have what you'd like to sing we'll get it for next time.

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New Upgrade Funding For Central Coast Government Schools

Central Coast government schools can now apply for funding of at least \$250,000 to build or upgrade vital infrastructure.

Round 2 of the Federal Labor Government's Schools Upgrade Fund will provide \$215.8 million in funding and be targeted at schools with the greatest need.

This delivers on another election commitment from the Government. The grants can be used for large scale capital works projects such as:

- building or upgrading facilities, such as art facilities, music rooms, technical and applied studies facilities, sporting facilities.
- upgrading playground and outdoor learning facilities; and
- replacing ageing demountable buildings with permanent structures or modern modular teaching spaces.

This builds on the \$53.6 million in School Upgrade Funding the Federal Labor Government has already announced earlier this year for schools across the Central Coast.

Government schools on the Central Coast with the greatest need will be prioritised – including schools with high numbers of students from a low-socio economic background, First Nations Students, and students with disability and schools which haven't received significant capital funding in the last two years.

Central Coast schools can apply for funding at www.education.gov.au/schools-upgrade-fund.

Applications close 29 February 2024.

Dr Gordon Reid MP stated "Major upgrades for our Central Coast public schools will make a world of difference for students, improving not only their school environment but how they learn.

"I am very proud of our Central Coast schools and thank our teachers and support staff for all the work they do educating our next generations of Australians."

Minister for Education Jason Clare said "I want all students to get access to a quality education, including access to quality facilities to learn in and play on.

"From upgrading art rooms and tech rooms to new outdoor equipment and replacing demountables, this funding

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: MANGROVE MOUNTAIN MARKETS

The Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community Group looking to restart the Mangrove Mountain Markets in the New Year.

Expressions of interests are invited from persons interested in having a stall, buskers etc.

Help is also needed to organise and promote the markets.

It is proposed to hold the markets monthly, on either a Saturday or Sunday.

To register or for information please email to: mangrovemountainhall@gmail.com

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will deliver upgrades to government schools that need it the most."

Joint Media Release from the Offices of

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Congratulations to all the hard working people who made the 60th Country Fair a great success this year. The weather was certainly on our side and with many stalls outside I'm sure they were successful.

The tea room was again popular with devonshire teas and we are noted for this BUT remembering we are not only tea and scones and with two branches Mangrove Mountain Evening and Peats Ridge & District this was a great day.

Our meeting on the 6th November was well attended and we had a cake competition with boiled fruit cake and sultana cakes and we thank Marie and her granddaughter Nyssa for their time in judging those good looking cakes. Congratulations to all the winners.

Now for an Important Notice: our Branch is changing our meeting day From the 1st Monday to the 3rd Monday of the month starting in February 2024. All are welcome to come.

Maybe this is the right time to wish everyone Great Festive Safe Season and wish everyone a Happy and Safe New Year.

Till next time take care,

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NOMINATE A YOUNG PERSON FOR THE 2024 CENTRAL COAST YOUTH WEEK AWARDS

Born from a unique idea in 2022, the Central Coast Youth Week Awards will be held 11 April 2024 at The Hub Erina, Youth Entertainment Venue. The event will be the culmination of community nominations recognising young people on the Central Coast.

The Youth Week Awards, which coincide with NSW Youth Week, is a unique event run by Council and the Central Coast youth sector to honour the contributions of young people in our community.

Council Unit Manager Leisure Beach Safety and Community Facilities, Phil Cantillon said Council is committed to supporting young people alongside the youth sector, industry and NSW Government.

“With over 50,000 young people living on the Central Coast, their thoughts, attitudes, opinions and ideas are vital to the future of our region,” Mr Cantillon said.

“The Awards shine a spotlight on



The 2023 Youth Awards Winners: Lucas Alexander Carter, Arts and Entertainment Award; Elizabeth Payne, Social Impact in Education Award; Talia Tebb, Sportsperson of the Year Award; Karla Jacob, Youth Entrepreneur of the Year Award; Charity Jean De Bruis, Youth Leadership (Individual) of the Year Award; The Y NSW StreetgYm Crew, Youth Leadership (Group) of the Year Award; and Jamie Cairns, Youth Volunteer of the Year Award.

remarkable young individuals who are making a difference. While academic and athletic accomplishments have always been celebrated, the introduction of three new awards including the First Nations Cultural Award, and the updated Social Impact in Education / Community Award and Environment and Ethical Sustainability Award, also focus on young people who have dedicated their time and

effort to making their communities better places to live.

“Many nominations come from teachers and coaches, who are keen to see young people get the recognition they deserve. The Awards also recognise a broad range of others who give back with eleven award categories anyone can nominate an eligible young person for who meets the selection criteria.



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“A nominee could be a young person who has demonstrated excellence in our vibrant arts and entertainment industry on the Coast, someone involved in a sporting or non-profit organisation, who has raised funds for a charity, created positive change in sustainability, made a contribution to the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts culture and community, a young entrepreneur or mentor,” Mr Cantillon said.

Council Administrator, Rik Hart said these Awards are an important demonstration of the Central Coast’s support for young people and their contributions that make the Coast a better place.

“There is a diverse, talented and ambitious population of young people who are helping to shape the future of our wonderful community on the Coast,” Mr Hart said.

“The Central Coast Youth Week Awards’ ceremony is a wonderful evening for the youth sector to celebrate young people, and an opportunity to provide finalists with the recognition in the community they deserve for their achievements.”

Award categories include:

- Arts and Entertainment Award
- Community Service and Activity Award
- Environment and Ethical Sustainability Award
- First Nations Cultural Award

- Social Impact in Education / Community Award
- Sportsperson of the Year Award
- Youth Entrepreneur Award
- Youth Leadership (Individual) Award
- Youth Leadership (Group) Award
- Youth Volunteer Award of the Year Award

In addition, the Central Coast Youth Week Awards also includes a Nominator Award category which is a chance for a Central Coast school or service that has nominated at least one young person for an award to win \$1,000 to roll out a program to continue to benefit young people.

Nominations are open until Sunday 25 February 2024. To be eligible applicants must be an Australian Citizen and live in the Central Coast Local Government Area. Finalists and their guests will be invited to attend the Central Coast Youth Week Awards presentation night where all award winners will be announced.

This program is funded by the NSW Department of Communities and Justice.

For further information, eligibility criteria and to make your nomination visit centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/youth

Central Coast Council
Media Release

Central Coast in Top 10 Regional Tourist Destination

In amazing news from Tourism and Transport Forum Australia (TTF), the Central Coast has been named in the latest DSpark report in the Top 10 regional destinations nationally, based on the number of visitors and length of stay.

Regional tourism continues to be the success story of Australia’s domestic tourism market and the Central Coast has now firmly secured its place as a top destination for Aussies to visit while choosing to holiday at home.

The Australian Reptile Park featured again, winning Gold in the Major Tourism Attraction category.

Glenworth Valley Wilderness Adventures were finalists in the Award for Visitor Litter Prevention category and Central Coast Council won the category Local Government Award for Tourism.

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In a first for the Country Fair the lads interviewed several participants at the fair and to hear the podcast go to <https://open.spotify.com/search> and search for "mangrove mountain country fair" which will then show under "episodes"

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Jodie Taylor - Jodie is a proud Wiradjuri artist whose work is inspired by all elements of Mother Earth, her family, community and all things wild that surround her. From an early age Jodie displayed a keen interest in the world of visual arts and went on to study Certificate 3 in Aboriginal Arts

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'River Tree' by Jodie Taylor

& Cultural Practises at Gosford and Ourimbah TAFE Campuses. Since completing her studies Jodie has practiced visual arts in many forms and now specialises in the world of contemporary indigenous art, working mostly in acrylics. Jodie has a strong passion for environmental conservation as well as working within communities and in social issues that are relevant to the current day.

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Shane Shepherd - Shane is an artist who creates from his heart, drawing inspiration from Mother Earth and the stories of the people of Australia.

Shane was born in Maryborough,

WEEKEND EVENT

Last Hoorah Market on Saturday 18th November and Vintage Auction 19th November



We are holding a Last Hoorah Market on Saturday 18th November from 8am. We're celebrating 7 years of Mountain Growers Market, Peats Ridge. Here you can meet local Farmers and artisan producers and purchase Christmas Gifts from local creators. Then on the Sunday 19th November an Auction will commence

at 10am. Here you can bid on all the collectables, vintage wares and commercial café equipment within The Barn. Auction will be conducted by Swan Deverell Auctioneers. There's some delightful pieces up for offer! We'd like to thank all those who have supported The Market over the 7 years by holding this never to be repeated Event.

Sue Brew

QLD and now lives on the NSW Central Coast with his partner, an indigenous artist, and their three children. As Shane's interest and love for visual art has rapidly grown, so has his body of works and he now finds himself creating and selling his work to

art lovers across Australia. Shane has a pure love for nature and is strongly involved within his local community, devoted to earth conservation.

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unpalatable to stock, but when it is eaten, it can cause liver damage, photosensitisation or sudden death in pigs, horses, cattle, sheep and goats.

It is also widespread and adaptable to a wide range of soil and climate types. Blue heliotrope is a native of South America and was probably introduced to Australia as an ornamental plant in the latter part of the 19th century. It was first reported in NSW in 1908 in the Hunter Valley.

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2023 Tocal Australian Stock Horse Sale

This year's Annual Tocal Australian Stock Horse Sale was held on the 6th of November 2023. The online sale, through Hunter Valley agents Bowe & Lidbury had 12 handpicked lots up for sale. The overall result of \$157,125.00 and was another excellent demonstration of the commitment & efforts of students and staff throughout the year.

Tocal College Principal Mr Darren Bayley said "it was a very pleasing result given the tougher operating conditions for the livestock sector this year. He also noted that the result reflects well on the skills and judgement of both the staff team and students who put in an enormous effort to mount a high quality sale each year".

Tocal Centre Manager Robert Rein said: "another outstanding result and displays the months and years of hard work and commitment by staff & students. Students take away so much from the experience this course provides, which sets the benchmark in this field. A special thank you



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to Luke Collard, Chantelle Vella, Simone Harvey and Lyn Walsh, who devote hours, effort and passion to our Australian Stock Horse section".

The Tocal Australian Stock Horse sale is an Annual event at Tocal and will remain one of the most important parts of the Horse Course calendar. The sale is an opportunity for students to experience preparing horses for sale

in a big event and is an invaluable experience setting them up for a career in agriculture.

Tocal College are now preparing for and looking forward to next sale in November 2024 and thanks the Equine industry for their support.

Mr Robert Rein
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Gloucester Saleyards

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Mountain Anglican News

With a great Country Fair recently behind us, we are now focussing on our other normal end-of-year activities.

Our Christmas activities begin with the Bible discussion end of year party night.

This is followed later by a special Sunday morning tea.

Our free family carols service will again be on Christmas Eve, Sunday the 24th of December at 6-30 pm and as usual this means there will be no 8am morning service that day but the normal 8am family service for Christmas morning, Monday the 25th of December, will be held at Peat's Ridge Scout Hall.

We have already started collecting for the Samaritan Christmas hampers to be taken down at the beginning of December, so they can be handed out to the needy by Christmas.

For any enquiries, please contact the Reverend Jim on 0407210861

May God bless you all, and merry Christmas.

Mountain Anglicans

HERITAGE VENTURES

Heritage Ventures brings you 'Ceramic Art and Forgotten Treasures' Saturday 2 December 2023

10am - 1pm

Our December event is ready and waiting! Ceramic Art and Forgotten Treasures, Saturday 2 December @ The Hawkesbury Duck in Spencer. Tickets www.heritageventures.com.au/ceramics

Join us for panel presentations from a dynamic group of ceramic

artists, vintage experts, and collectors. Bring your antiques and learn the art of researching design history and estimating value with Hannah Clayton Atkin, director of Swan Deverell auctioneers. Morning tea served from a specialist tea menu with Australian themed cakes and biscuits. Domestic pottery, vintage and ceramics for sale.

Geoff Hawkins' talks about the quality of different raw clay materials found at his home studio on Mangrove Creek and their transformation into pots and sculptural forms plus a demonstration of a few of his artistic techniques. Jane Barrow, ceramicist from Mooney Mooney will present her recent range of functional ceramics including drinking vessels and bowls. Maree Azzopardi provides an insight into creating her pigment drenched



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matter 2022 exhibited at (The) F Word exhibition at Rex-Livingston Art + Objects and Celadon ceramic glaze bowls by Jane Barrow.

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Calga-Mt. White RFS	General meeting Training Information & updates Contact	3rd Mon of the month, 7.30pm all welcome Every Monday 6.30 except public holidays Facebook.com/calga/mtwhiteruralfirebrigade/ Captain.calgamwhite@ccrfs.org.au - Zack Winslade.
Kulnura VBFB at Greta Rd Station	General meeting Training	1st Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.00pm
Mangrove Mountain RFS Bloodtree Rd	General Meeting Training / Maintenance	Last Wednesday of the month, 7 pm, All Wednesday's except last of month, 7 pm
Spencer RFS	General Meeting Training Junior Training	2nd Monday of the month Meeting 6.30pm 3rd Monday Maintenance 6:30pm 4th Monday Training 6:30pm E: captain.spencer@ccrfs.org.au Alison Wade 0415 668953. 4778 Wisemans Ferry Rd
Somersby RFS	General Meeting Training/Maintenance	First Wed of the month 7.30pm at the Station Every Wed night 7.30 at the Station (except before Wed general meeting)
Yarramalong RFS		Information: www.facebook.com/ YarramalongRuralFireBrigade/ Phone contacts: 0406 360588 or 0418 280764 Email: volunteer@yarramalongrfs.org.au

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

Central Coast Plateau Chamber of Commerce	First Tuesday each month 7.00PM MMMC
Coastlink Friendship Group	Wed 9.30am-2pm at the Health Centre, Nurses Rd, Central Mangrove
Country Women's Association (Somersby)	Second Wed of each month, at Somersby Hall Wiseman's Ferry Road, Somersby, contact Sue, 43721280 or 0407768000.
Country Women's Association (Peats Ridge & District)	First Monday of the month at Community Hall, Peats Ridge School. Any enquiries please contact Christine 0419 400163.
Country Women's Association (Mangrove Mountain Evening Branch)	2nd & 4th Tues of the month, 4-8pm at Mangrove Mtn Union Church, 2154 Wisemans Ferry Rd, MMtn. General meeting 6pm 2nd Tues. Ph Judy 43771728
Gosford North Inner Wheel club	2nd Wed each month 7pm at Phillip House in Kariong. Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 486 760
Gosford World Vision Community Group	4th Tues 11am in Presbyterian Church, West Gosford Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 586 760. https://permaculturecc.org.au/
Permaculture Central Coast	Second Monday, 9.30 for 10am start. Jacqui Maxwell 0455364262 kulnuradge@gmail.com
Kulnura & District Garden Club	1st Tues, 10am to 12 at Angels Sussurri Cafe Yarramalong. Margaret Dale 0411104770
Ladies of the Valley Morning Tea	1st & 3rd Tue, Mangrove Mtn Hall, 6-8pm Contact Kim & Leila 0401516501
Mangrove Mountain Singers	1st Thurs of the Month, 7pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall. Contact: mepccinc@gmail.com , 0412669649
Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community Group Meeting	3rd Thu of mth except Jan, 7pm, at The Hub of Mangrove Mtn. Pres- Shane 0417 436 529 www.mountaindistrictsassociation.com.au secretary@mountaindistrictsassociation.com.au
Mangrove Emergency Planning & Communications Committee	Second Tuesday of the Month 6.30pm at the Mangrove Memorial Club President Robyn Downham 0414248224 Email info@rivercares.com.au
Mangrove Mountain Country Fair Committee Meeting	Friday 7.15am at Phillip House. 43404529
Mountain Districts Association (MDA)	President Brad Maisey, Community Meetings, 4377 1167, spencercpg2@gmail.com
Mountain District Football Club Meeting	Last Fri of month. 12.00 noon Spencer Community Centre, Jennifer Dayes 4377 1364 Articles to: spencercpg2@gmail.com
River Cares for the Lower Hawkesbury River District	Tue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Enquiries: Alison Palmer 0427731548.
Rotary Club Meeting	Every 2nd month. Check website for further details. www.somersbyequestrianclub.org.au
Spencer Community Progress Group Inc	Tues & Sat. 9am-5pm. Contact: Alan Hunt 4566 4626 or Adrian Acheson 0448 833 781
Spencer Community Ladies Social Club	Every Sun 8am at Peats Ridge Scout Hall, Sunday School during school terms
Newsletter	General Meeting 3rd Monday, 7.30pm at the Mangrove Mountain Union Church Hall
The Mountain Tuesday Social Tennis Group	9.30am second and fourth Sundays. Mangrove Mountain Union Church, cnr Bloodtree Rd & Wisemans Ferry Rd
Somersby Equestrian Club Club & Committee Meeting	
Wisemans Ferry Community Men's Shed	

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Mangrove Mountain Christian Service	

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LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT



Maitland Liveweight Sale Report 6th November 2023

A reduced yarding of 117 this week with a rain effected yarding with 15-35mm of rain to the Lower Hunter.

All regular buyers in attendance for the sale. With limited cattle on offer this weeks market was firm.

- Restocker steers made 150c/kg to 220c/kg
- Restocker heifers made 100c/kg to 200c/kg
- Yearling steers made 140c/kg to 216c/kg
- Yearling heifers made 120c/kg to 170c/kg
- Grown steers made 180c/kg
- Grown heifers 2-6 tooth made 170c/kg to 180c/kg
- Cows made 154c/kg to 170c/kg
- Bulls made 120c/kg to 150c/kg

Maitland Liveweight Sale Report 9th October 2023

A total of 610 cattle yarded this week at Maitland.

It was a mixed yarding of cattle, with majority of the yarding being Angus restocker weaners around 200kg-300kg

All regular buyers in attendance. The restocker and trade market was firm to 20c/kg stronger on the heavy end. Export cattle were firm to 20c/kg easier on the heavy cows.

- Butcher Vealers made 190c/kg to 290c/kg
- Restocker Angus Steers made 170c/kg to 240c/kg
- Other Breeds of Restocker Steers made 110c/kg to 200c/kg
- Angus Restocker Heifers made 100c/kg to 160c/kg

- Euro Heifers Suitable to Feed made 120c/kg to 210c/kg
- 350kg Plus Angus Steers made 170c/kg to 215c/kg
- Mixed lightweight Non-Descript Cattle made 15c/kg to 70c/kg
- 2+4 Teeth Steers made 120c/kg to 190c/kg
- Heavy Cows made 140c/kg to 150c/kg
- Medium Cows made 100c/kg to 130c/kg
- Light Condition Cows made 20c/kg to 70c/kg

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