

Murray Grey Females sell at Allora

Strong prices and an almost total clearance were the features of the Queensland Murray Grey Female sale at Allora last Saturday. Only one lot remained unsold of the 33 registered females offered for sale under the gavel of Grant, Daniel and Long stud stock auctioneer Mark Duthie, for a 97% clearance.

The top priced lot, at \$3500, was Rogilla Park Myra E47, a 3½ year old silver cow with strapping bull calf at foot, offered by Graeme and Barbara Hudson of Rogilla Park Murray Greys at Dorrigo. The Hudsons also received \$3250 for Rogilla Park Aletta E63, also with bull calf at foot. Both females were back in calf to Rogilla Park Fernando, who was the Supreme Murray Grey exhibit at the North Coast National in 2012. Rogilla Park were the volume cow vendors with nine lots averaging \$2330.

The top heifer price of \$3250 was achieved twice, with Marilyn Hansen's silver Lot 20 Shell-Dee Glamour Girl selling after spirited bidding to Bruce and Jeffrey Gorton from Thornton, and the last lot in the catalogue, Baroona Park Vogue G13, also silver, sold by David and Sally Taylor from Baroona Park stud near Toowoomba to new breeders PBR Properties, who also purchased the top priced cow and calf unit. Marilyn's Shell-Dee stud was the largest heifer vendor, selling eight heifers to equal the sale average of \$2100.

Dean Rasmussen of Droonoodoo and Shell-Dee studs said "This was the fourth Queensland Murray Grey Female sale held at the Allora Showgrounds selling complex, and the excellent clearance and good sale average has organizers already looking forward to the 2014 sale."