Turanville Shorthorns Sale Report 2022

Turanville Shorthorns held their 15th annual on property sale at Scone on Thursday the 18th of August achieving a similar result to the 2021 sale, with a top price of \$21 000 and an average of \$10 879, for the 34 bulls offered. There was a 37% increase in numbers offered this year and the one lot not sold in the auction was snapped up immediately after the sale to give a 100% clearance for the day. Stud principal Doug Robertson was pleased with the strong clearance considering the increase numbers offered this year.

The top price secured Lot 1 Turanville Encryption R129 who at 23 months of age weighed in at 880 Kgs with a 44 cm scrotal measurement. R129 was ranked in the top 10% of the Performance Herds Australia (PHA) Breedplan database for 200 and 600 day weight and the top 20% for IMF. The outstanding individual who stood out for his strong, balanced Breedplan numbers and attractive phenotype was purchased by fellow PHA herd The Grove Shorthorns, Condamine Qld. The Grove took home 3 bulls on the day for a \$15 000 av. including the second top priced yearling bull Turanville Encryption S47 for \$18 000. Both bulls being sons of The Grove Terabytes N0615 a sire that has had a huge impact at Turanville with 15 sons offered on the day from his first drop of calves. N0615's marbling data puts him in the top 1% of his drop in PHA Breedplan.

The second top price of \$20 000 was paid by Wayne Green, Longreach, QLD for Lot 35 Turanville Crusher S101 by the successful homebred sire Turanville Bonecrusher H102. S101 was a high EMA (top 10%) low birth weight, high calving ease bull making him suitable for heifer joining.

The Campbell family Rockedgiel, Bundella had a successful day selecting 3 bulls topping at \$18 000 for Lot 14 Turanville Oscar R127. This high indexing sire had strong numbers and calving ease in the top 15% of PHA. The 3 Rockedgiel purchases averaged \$14 666.

There was a number of bulls at \$16 000 including the top bull in a draft of 3 for Warren Coventry, Lynoch Pty Ltd. Return clients Heather Laurie, Tamworth and a low birth weight, calving ease sire for the DPI Multi – breed project in Lot 17, Turanville Minister R119. He will be used for heifer mating in the NSW DPI Project Shorthorn herd. The last was the Lot 23 Turanville Oscar S23 purchased by Peter and Lou Capel, Bungulla Shorthorns, Manilla. This attractive yearling sire prospect with great weight performance and an EMA figure in the top 10% on Breedplan was also ranked in the top 5% for the MSA – B2 Index making him the highest indexing bull in the catalogue. This young sire had many admirers leading into the sale and will get a great opportunity to perform in the Capel family Bungulla stud herd.

The quality of bulls offered once again showed that this sale continues to produce bulls that offer extremely good value for money in the Shorthorn breed. Long term repeat clients recognising this included the Carter families from Stewarts Brook, Simon Whitelaw, Merriwa, Kercargo, Walgett and the Webb Family from Oberon all securing multiple new sires. The buyer friendly Helmsman auction was run on Auctions Plus through McGrath Upper Hunter assisted by Stuart Sheldrake, Scone.