

# Commercial cattlemen vied for top Belmont Red bulls

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The second annual Belmont Red Sale and Production Plus Field Day at Jandowae, resulted with 44 bulls selling for a top price of \$20,000 to average \$8284.

Vendors Jeanne Seifert and Ian Stark, Seifert Belmont Reds, and Robert and Jane Sherry, Wahroonga Belmont Reds, were delighted with the overall result.

The sale topper was Seifert Belmonts SEI170155 bought by Willunga Grazing, Willunga, Nebo. This 22 month-old-bull is one of only four homozygous polled (PP) bulls in the sale draft.

He is in the top 15 per cent for 600D and retail beef yield in the top 15pc and top 25pc on the domestic index. His dam was yearling mated, with a faultless calving record she is rising eight year old, and is PTIC with her seventh calf. His scrotal circumference is 39cm and he weighed 786 kg.

Next at \$13,000 was Seifert Limelight SEI160055 selling to Michael and Helen McKellar, Booka, Morven.

Limelight is an exceptionally well-balanced bull and is 32 months of age. He is a beautiful, quiet and respectful sire, with excellent muscling and fertility traits. He weighed 954 kg and has a scrotal circumference of 42cm.

Robert and Jane Sherry, Wahroonga Belmont Reds sold bulls to a top price of \$9000 with Wahroonga RJS170083 selling to TVF Pastoral, Minnie Downs, Tambo. RJS170083 is a polled sire with a weight of 600kg and EMA of 96cm and scrotal circumference of 40cm.

TVF Pastoral finished with five bulls at an average of \$9200.

Other sale highlights included Consolidated Pastoral Company buying 16 bulls at an average of \$6469, while Brian Gallagher, LMZ Holdings, Mackay bought three bulls at an average of \$10,000.

There was strong bidding online and a large crowd attended the sale.

The sale clearance for the sale was 96 per cent.

Selling agents were Savage, Barker and Backhouse, and Elite Livestock Auctions.