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JAD's Rolleston offering a hit

BY BEN HARDEN

THE Dickens family's decision to hold their inaugural Queensland JAD Speckle Park and Angus bull sale at Rolleston on August 2 has been hailed a success.

Based in Yeoval, NSW, Justin and Amy Dickens and family offered 35 bulls at their first Queensland sale, selling 33 of them at the fall of the hammer.

Among the offerings, 20 out of 22 Speckle Park bulls sold for a top price of \$12,000 and averaged \$6316, while all 13 Angus bulls sold for a top price of \$18,000 and averaged \$11,692.

Shortly after the sale, the two unsold Speckle Park bulls sold, adjusting the average to \$6136.

Overall, the sale achieved a full clearance of the 35 bulls offered, resulting in a new sale average of \$8200.

The top-priced bull, JADA Tobruk T520, was a 22-month-old son of Clunie Range Plantation P392, weighing 773 kilograms.

He sold for \$18,000 and was purchased by Loretta and Murray Smith of



Sale top price bull, JADA Tobruk T520, with JAD Speckle Park and Angus principal, Justin Dickens, Mark Scown, Nutrien Ag Solutions and buyers Loretta and Murray Smith, Palmgrove, Bauhinia. Picture Amy Dickens

Palmgrove, Bauhinia.

This sire-prospect had an EMA of 120 square centimetres, IMF of 7.3 percent, a scrotal circumference of 43 centimetres, and P8 and rib fat measurements of 10 and eight millimetres, respective-

ly. The top-priced Speckle Park bull was lot 17, JAD T403, which sold for \$12,000 to H and M Henry of Clifton.

At 24 months old, he had an EMA of 117 sq cm, IMF of 7.4pc, and a scrotal circumference of 48cm, with P8

and rib fat measurements of 24mm and 12mm, respectively.

Having successfully conducted six Speckle Park bull and female sales at their Central West NSW base, the JAD team decided to intro-

duce a spring sale to central Queensland after receiving encouragement from existing clients in the area.

This was also the stud's first auction of Angus bulls.

JAD Speckle Park and Angus stud principal Justin

Dickens expressed his satisfaction with the inaugural sale's full clearance and the positive feedback on the quality of the bulls.

Amy Dickens added that it was exciting to introduce Speckle Park beef to Rolleston, with many attendees experiencing it for the first time.

"The Speckle Park beef barbecue was very well received," she said.

"Our whole family and team had such a great time, and our younger son, Mitchell, didn't want to come home.

"We are so grateful for the support and hospitality that was shown to us and we are already looking forward to offering twice as many bulls at our Rolleston sale next year."

Mark Scown of Nutrien Stud Stock said the strong buyer turnout was a testament to the industry-relevant bulls presented for sale, backed by a comprehensive quality assurance program that instilled confidence in buyers".

■ Selling agents: Nutrien Ag Solutions

Lot 72 PP
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