Records tumbles at 2023 Gympie Brahman Female Sale

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Records tumbled at the 2023 Gympie Brahman Female Sale once again, with top selling females fetching more than \$50,000 – not once, but twice.

Surpassing the 2022 record by \$5,000, Lot 50 Brahrock Miss Right Power 7141 (IVF), (PP), earned vendors RM and BG Sommerfeld a handy \$55,000 payday. The unjoined daughter of Elrose Just Right 11856 (IVF) (PS), and Brahrock Miss Platinum Elmo 5661 (IVF) (PP) sold to Ruan and Rosetta Grazing for \$55,000. The vendor noted "great bone, loose skin, a lovely soft feminine heifer".

Some 86 head were sold at the event, to gross \$944,500, slightly down on last year's returns, and an average \$10,982 per head.

More than 100 bidders registered for the 3 June sale.

In the grey Brahmans, six joined heifers returned \$105,000 to average \$17,500 and a top of \$48,000. Sixty grey Brahman unjoined heifers returned \$703,500 to average \$11,725 per head and a top of \$55,000.

In the red Brahman females, three joined heifers returned \$15,000 to average \$5000 per head with a top of \$8,000. Some 17 red Brahman unjoined heifers returned \$121,000 to average \$7,117 to a top of \$19,000.

Second top selling grey Brahman unjoined heifer was Lot 58 Brahrock N Miss Rocca Bella 185 (IVF) (PS), presented by Neville and Shannon Sommerfeld. The daughter of Kenrol Darrocca 2761 (PP) and Brahrock Miss Elmo Anna Bella 4503 (ET) (H) sold to D Hurrell and A Ford, Gympie, for \$54,000. The vendor noted "a beautiful headed and feminine Darrocca daughter with lovely bone and body and good temperament. Three Darrocca sons have already sold this year for average \$46,600".



Equal top price grey, \$55,000 Brahrock Miss Right Power 7141 (PP) sold to Ruan Grazing and Rosetta Pastoral Coy.



Equal top price grey, \$55,000 Brahrock Lady Esto Henny 7161 (PS) purchased by Garglen S and Nobbs Cattle Co P/L.

Lot 104, Rockstar Holly 179 (IVF) (H), was third top selling grey Brahman unjoined heifer. She earned vendors vendor SL and LL Vollmerhausen \$42,500 and was purchased by Arizona Brahmans.

RM and BG Sommerfeld continued their strong performance selling Lot 114 Brahrock Appollo Power 7076 (PS) to Vella Farming Company for \$32,500, and Lot 112 Brahrock Miss Power 7106 (IVF) (PP), for \$30,000 again to Greengrass Developments.

Top selling grey Brahman joined heifer was Lot 44, Brahrock Miss 855 Power 6865 (IVF) (PS). The Sommerfeld bred heifer, sired by JDH Mr Manso 855/8 (IMP US) and dam Brahrock Miss Martin Power 5074 (ET) (PS). Described as "a very nice 855 female with good body and bone. A lovely feminine outlook with a strong polled head", sold for \$48,000 to Greengrass Developments

Buckaroo Brahmans trucked away Susan Blakeney's Lot 116 Warraka Connie 3300, (H) a grey Brahman joined heifer. The daughter of NCC Jarrah and Brahrock Miss Luigi Marri (ET) (H) was sold for \$21,000.

Top selling red Brahman joined heifer was Lot 10 NK Kendall (PS), who earned vendor K Hills and FG Skinner \$8,000 and was sold to GE and SM Neill-Ballantine. Kendall was by Samari S Goliath (PP) and NK 1531 (H).

Hayden Sommerfeld's Lot 24, Brahrock HJ Ruby Mr V8R (IVF) (H) was top selling red Brahman unjoined heifer, going under the hammer for \$19,000. Sired by MR V8 660/7 (IMP US) (H) and Brahrock HJ Miss Ruby (IVF) (PS), she was purchased by Diddine Brahmans

Lot 9 Jomanda Robin 1250 (PS) was second top selling red Brahman unjoined heifer. The daughter of Kandoona Kennedy 15257 (IVF) (PS) was sold by vendor M and C Johnson to Double K Brahmans for \$11,000.



Top price red, \$19,000 Brahrock HJ Ruby Pappo (H) sold to Diddine Brahman Stud.

Lot 17, Mountain Springs Adison (IVF) (PS), was sold by EE and JM Mollenhagen to A and MG Logan for \$10,000.

Greengrass Developments, Talavera, Charters Towers, purchased 16 head for an average \$10,781 and gross \$172,500, including the top selling Miss Brahrock Power 6865.

Other volume buyers included GE and SM Neill-Ballantine, Mothar Mountain who trucked home six head for \$41,000 to average \$6833 per head and a top of \$12,000 for Lot 3 Rosevale Annabelle.

Kandanga producers JD and JR Mercer purchased five head for \$24,000 to average \$4,800 and top of \$7,000 for Lot 27 Brahrock Ashley Abigal.

A and MG Logan, Yarraman, purchased three head for \$26,500 to average \$8,833 and top of \$12,500 for Lot 35 Lornville Dolly.