Etiwanda White Dorpers spring sale 25/09/14

Rain across the region didn't dampen spirited bidding at Andrew and Megan Mosely's seventh annual Etiwanda White Dorper ram sale last week, where a total of 86 stud rams went under the hammer to reach a sale top of $3000 and a $1476 average.

Mr Mosely said they had put together what he felt was Etiwanda's "best presented rams" in the past seven years and the line-up spoke for itself as a total clearance was achieved. A strong turn-out of buyers from many areas kept bidding competition high on-farm, while the interfaced AuctionsPlus sale was also well supported with 21 rams sold through AuctionsPlus.

Buyers were very astute in their selections and were using visual appraisal combined with ASBV information provided to select rams best suited to their operations. Many positive comments were received by the Mosely's on the way their rams were presented.

The top-priced ram Etiwanda 138133, aged 13 months and listed as one of the highest indexing rams of the sale, sold to Justin and Julie McClure, Kallara Station, Tilpa, for $3000 who also purchased one of the second-top priced rams, Etiwanda 138652, for $2900. The other equal-second top-priced ram, Etiwanda 138531, was sold to Jeff and Jackie Brown, "Ashantee", Tottenham.

Other volume buyers on the day were, Ben Molaneigh, Horsham who purchased 7 rams at an average of 1590.00. Idlewilde Pty Ltd, Nevertire, who purchased six rams at an average of $1516, JR Crossley, "Toms Lake", Booligal, who purchased six rams at an average of $1316, and George Millear, "Tiltagoona", Tilpa, who purchased five rams at an average of $1420.

The sale was conducted by Landmark Russell Cobar with David Russell and Richard Thomas as auctioneers and Troy Hartman taking the bids.

The Etiwanda Sale Team 2014. L-R, Nancy, Emily & Jess Mosely. Megan & Andrew Mosely, Charles Callaghan, James McClure & Henry Bracey

Top Priced ram – Lot 80. 99kg off grass at 13months of age, he was one of the highest indexing rams (ASBV'S) in the sale.