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Commercial Cows sell to \$4,000 at Shepparton.

The high quality herd of Holstein Cows and joined Heifers of KF, VG & LK Minogue of Katandra West were auctioned at the Shepparton Selling Centre.

Top price of \$4,000 was paid By RG & KF Glover of Katandra for the outstanding quality rising 6 year old cow by Wazza, she had a PI of 119 and currently milking 2.45 kgs solids daily. This is the highest price paid for a Commercial Cow for several years.

Next top lot at \$3,000 was another autumn calved cow with a tremendous udder on her 2nd lactation and had PI 120 on her 1st, she sold to R & J Easterbrook of Tatura.

The first cow in the ring was a 2nd calf Kody daughter milking 40 litres, she sold at \$2,900. Also at this price was a 5 year old Pothole daughter milking 40 litres.

Top price for Spring calving cows at \$2,600 was reached twice for lot 63 a Dazzling daughter and lot 135 sired by Domino.

The large line of Spring calving heifers were most impressive and sold to a top of \$2,600 for a Lavaman daughter while a daughter of Manifold sold for \$2,450.

Selling agents Dairy Livestock Services report the following averages –

Autumn calved cows av \$2,111
Spring calving cows av \$1,765
Spring calving Heifers av \$1,670
Carry over cows av \$1,456
The sale av \$1,761

Buyers were from throughout Northern Victoria along with Southern Riverina, NSW and Gippsland.