

Hi Everyone,

What a season we are having. Pre-Christmas rain kicked things along nicely and allowed for an extremely good grass growing year for most of Wairoa, Gisborne and parts of HB. As we head into Autumn both sheep and cattle are doing really well. Our lamb weights have been well up and I'm picking our weaner weights will be similar. It's also pleasing to see the strength in cattle and sheep prices both fat and store, with good weaner steers making \$1,200 - \$1,400! Certainly, a big contrast to the last few years when stock really struggled with the endless wet weather we were getting.

2024 Sale Results

For the second year running our 2024 Sale had to be postponed due to flooding in our district. This was extremely disappointing given we were celebrating 80 years of breeding and were all set to go when flooding and road closures on the morning of the sale made it impossible to go ahead. Unfortunately, we then missed the hype around bull week and all the outside visitors it attracts.

The buggie proved very handy delivering seafood chowder through flood waters to neighbours and all the catering that had been prepared in town was able to be donated to the flood evacuation centre – there is always a silver lining.

Our sale finally went ahead two weeks later – this felt like two months! A huge thank-you must go to our local



Above: Olivia and Ella cutting our Jubilee Cake.



Above Right: Wairoa Mayor, Craig Little, recapped a little Turiroa history, before the sale kicked off.

loyal clientele who showed great support with a full clearance of 51/51 with a top of \$17,000 to Orere Angus and an average of \$8931.00.

Given all the disruption we were pleased with the sale and the lineup we put forward as they had come through another very wet winter.

Thanks again to all those who helped us celebrate 80 years of Breeding.

2025 Sale Update

We are very pleased with how the bulls are progressing. The last few years we have really targeted that deep, thick, easy doing type and we are really starting to see it coming through now.

There are some exciting new sires represented - Australian Sire Karoo Realist 278 has done a good job for us with quite a few sons in the sale by him and also sold

A snapshot of the 2025 Sale Bulls on offer



Turiroa 23U850



Turiroa 23U861



Turiroa 23U867

as yearlings for yearling mating. Ratanui Avenger 064 will have around a dozen deep, thick and grunty sons in the line-up. He has two very good NZ bred bulls in his pedigree with Turihaua Hulk and Mangapapa Scotty and we were keen to tap into these bloodlines. The Avenger sons should be very well received commercially as they tick all the boxes for moderate, sound, functional hill country bulls.

There will be more sons of Kaharau Furnace who sired our top price bull at last year's sale to Orere Angus. Old favourites Turiroa Prince 18P240 and Turiroa Nitro 17N122 will also be well represented.

The Future

Turiroa Hank 20R439

Hank was sold to Grampians Angus at our 2022 Sale for \$50,000 and we were fortunate to be able to purchase Hank back for the 2024 mating season. Hank is a tremendously thick, deep and meaty bull. He has a wonderful temperament and is sound on the ground. Semen from Hank has been sold to Australia where yearling sons at Mordullop Angus in Western Australia sold to \$19,000 twice. We have also exported embryo's from Hank's dam to Jade Park Angus in Australia and are excited to see Hank's progeny born here this spring.

Turiroa Complete 18P250

We purchased Complete back for the 2024 mating season after he was sold to Oregon Angus in 2020 for \$86,000 at our record-breaking Sale. Complete has also



Turiroa Hank as a rising 2 yr old



Turiroa Complete as a rising 6 yr old sire



Tangihau Ultimate as a rising 2y old

Why Us?

- ▲ Long history, over 80 years, means predictability on your purchase and more consistency in your progeny.
- ▲ We actively seek out the very best sires here and overseas to purchase or use in our AI and ET programme so you see the flow on effects in your herds.
- ▲ A strong, maternal cow herd is our engine room.
- ▲ Genuinely passionate about cattle breeding.
- ▲ On the rare occasion something goes wrong... we fix it!
- ▲ Third generation stud breeders.



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'SMOKO WITH THE BULLS'

Bull Walk - Saturday 17 May : 9 -9.45am
 On the property



We will be hosting the annual East Coast Bull Walk Saturday 17 May between 9am and 9.45am on farm. Come along for smoko, a yarn and a look at the bulls. If you can't make it to the Bull Walk we are more than happy to go over your bull requirements and show you around any time before sale day.

been used in Australia and is a lovely sound sire with that good old-fashioned grunt.

Tangihau Ultimate 22T549

We purchased Ultimate in conjunction with Kaharau Angus for an NZ On Farm record of \$135,000 at the record breaking 2024 Tangihau Sale. Ultimate is an extremely deep bodied, thick young sire with a very good data set. He has perfect feet, extremely quiet and will be a great asset to our sire team going forward. Semen has also been sold to Australia.

Watch out for sons by these three Super Sires in 2027!!

Key Dates

Bull Walk: Saturday 17 May, 9am to 9.45am on farm
 Bull Sale: Wednesday 25th June, 2pm on the property (BIDR will be operating on sale day for those who can't make it)

We really appreciate your support and please make contact if you would like any more information about the bulls. Sale bull videos will be online early June.

Hope to see you on sale day,
 Andrew and Tracey.

