



*2014 Bull Sale Preview - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September*

Forty-nine years in the making the Raff Angus annual bull sale will showcase the commercially relevant, multi-trait and disciplined breeding program that the Raff Family has targeted since establishment in 1965.

This year's offering will undoubtedly be highlighted by the twenty-four direct sons of **Raff Empire E269** who travelled more than 20,000 kilometres in transit during his undisputed rein as Champion during the Raff Angus show campaign when he won Supreme Beef Exhibit of the Show titles eleven times out of the fifteen shows attended in a fourteen month period. They are all of a type with a tremendous profile and style with good tops and extra muscle. Feature sons offered sell as –

- **Lot 1** – this was the bull calf at foot when his dam Raff Blackbird D349 won the Brisbane Royal Show Interbreed Champion Cow title in 2012.
- **Lots 14, 62 & 120** – these three bulls are full genetic brothers to last year's \$32,000 high seller whose dams are Hoff import flush sisters to herd sire Raff Ego E266.
- **Lot 28** – his magnificent matron Burnette S182 is now 17 years and still active and we have kept his flush brother.
- **Lots 15 & 36** – these two are flush brothers out of our Sydney Champion and \$30,000 high selling cow Raff Burnette B126.
- **Lot 43** – a direct son from Hoff import sire Raff Distinction D197's full flush sister.
- **Lot 72** – his dam is a direct daughter of Leachman Prompter and a full sister to sires Encore and Freddo.
- **Lot 94** – a direct son from Hoff import sire Raff Explosive E108's full flush sister.
- **Lot 118** – his dam was bought in after proving to combine marbling with growth and weight.
- **Lot 119** – this bull contains Hi Road 956 genetics out of our best Duchess donor cow.

Another ten Raff Empire E269 sons are out of direct import cows from the four Hoff Scotch Cap matrons we purchased. They are sired by - O'Neill's Renovator, Leachman Hoss, Leachman Prompter, Shady Brooke Prime 251F, Hoff Trail Boss and Connealy Danny Boy 1654. These lots are truly genetically different to the mainstream Angus.

The docile and powerful sire described by David Raff as *'the reason you don't need to use Euro type breeds when you can have Angus like this bull'* in **Raff Distinction D197** will present a powerful line-up of thirteen sons. These bulls are gutsy and deep bodied with strong muzzles, plenty of bone and wide pins.

A unique bull in pedigree sired by **Hingaia 469** sells as lot 117. His dam is a huge performance cow and flush sister to stud sire Raff Ego E266 both of which are direct imports from the phenomenal breeding cow Hoff Blackbird 5217. This lot, Raff Hingaia H347, is extremely quiet and sound footed with loads of depth and width.

The high performance sire on both paper and in real performance individually **Raff Explosive E108** will feature a typical heavy weight for age group of four sons. They continue to demonstrate their sire's mobility, clean fronts with extra neck extension and tremendous all-round performance.

The rather unique birth to growth Hoff genetic import sire **Raff Ego E266** will also again showcase his breeding potency with seven sons selling. Flush sisters to this bull have sold to \$16,000 and half-brothers to \$20,000. These sons are strong topped with a very consistent maturity pattern.

The high marbling and the easy doing carcass sire **Raff Fortune F344** will have his first ten sons selling after he himself sold last year as one of the top selling lots. His dam is a flush sister to our 2012 Brisbane Royal Show Interbreed Female Raff Blackbird D349. These bulls look as though they will certainly inject softness and carcass quality.

A full genetic brother, **Stoney Point Fever Pitch F93**, to Raff Blackbird D349 and used Raff sires Dazzler and Dynamite will have a group of twelve high weight gaining sons selling. We purchased Fever Pitch in South Australia as we attempted to buy his dam at the Hoff Scotch Cap dispersion sale in 2006. His sons are amazing as they are full of red meat and gain weight with ease.

Finally the outcross marbling sire to mainstream Australia genetics **O'Neill's Prime Star 80** will present thirteen very genetically strong embryo sons from leading donor cows below plus other magnificent matrons –

*Raff Blackbird D354* (full sister to Brisbane Interbreed Cow Raff Blackbird D349)  
*Raff Burnette B126* (Grand Champion Cow Sydney 2010 and sold for \$30,000 in 2013)  
*Raff Blackbird E305* (produced Empire E269 daughter that sold for \$17,000 in 2012)  
*Raff Doris D48* (a superb Limited Edition daughter from a full sister to Raff Midland Z204)

Other sires to feature are –

- **Raff Exterminator E201** with 9 sons
- **Raff Freddo F143** with five sons
- **O'Neill's Expedition** with four sons
- **Raff Emblem E69** with four sons
- **Raff Duke D367** with three sons
- **Raff Emperor E106** with three sons
- **Raff Dictator D364** with two sons
- **Raff Frodo F117** with four sons
- **Raff Flash F187** with two sons
- **Raff General G252** with two sons

**Hoff Limited Edition SC594, J&C Appeal A10, J&C Evidence E11, Rossander Black Thunder A191, Raff Dakota D85, Raff Danny Boy D210, Raff Dallas D216, Raff Domino D347, Raff Gangster G287 & Raff XFactor X3** all have one son selling each.

Again as with previous years we will have our front gates open from dawn to dusk for anyone wanting to inspect sale bulls and to have the opportunity to view some of our sires and breeding females – this will occur the day before sale day on Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Sale Day itself starts with inspections from 9am on Monday September 29<sup>th</sup> with the sale starting at 12 midday. The sale will be interfaced with AuctionsPlus. Phone bidding is available by prior arrangement.