

Karoo sells to \$30,000

THE annual bull sale at Karoo Angus last Friday sold to an impressive top of \$30,000 for principal Annie Scott, Meadow Flat.

Meeting keen competition, the 59 bulls sold to a full clearance and a sale average of \$7288, topping last years average price by \$1775.

The top-priced bull was purchased by repeat buyers Mark, Sue and Sam Evans, "Netherby", Walgett, for \$30,000.

The Evans family also purchased two other bulls at \$7000 each.

The top priced bull, Karoo's Regent H135 (AI) (ET), weighed in as the heaviest of the sale at 1050 kilograms and had a 46 centimetre scrotal circumference.

Karoo Regent's H135 (AI) (ET) was the son of BNAD145 Tuwharetoa Regent D145 (AI) (ET) and from NEND1 Karoo Doris D1 (AI) (ET).

The bull had estimated breeding values (EBVs) of +162 for 600-day growth, the highest of any of the Karoo 2012 drop animals.

Mrs Scott said at scanning in June the

bull had an eye muscle area (EMA) of 131 square centimetres.

Repeat buyer, Tony Lettuce, Waverley Station Pty Ltd, Scone, took home the second highest priced bull for \$18,000.

Full brother to the top priced bull, Karoo D145 Regent H134 (AI) (ET), weighed 906kg, with a 46cm scrotal circumference and 600-day weight of +147.

Also selling at \$18,000 to Mr Lettuce was Karoo D145 Regent H119 (AI) (ET), weighing 888kg, with a 51cm scrotal circumference and 600-day weight of +138.

The third highest priced bull, Karoo D145 Regent H127 (AI) (ET), sold for \$16,000 to Springfield Angus, Merriwa.

Gina Simpson, "Coolong", Braidwood, purchased five Karoo bulls to a top of \$500 and average of \$4,600.

James Freemond, JMF Livestock, Neville, purchased two bulls, to a top of \$7000 and \$4000.

The sale was conducted by Ray White Rural Emms Mooney, Blayney.

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Sue, Mark and Sam Evans, "Netherby", Walgett, purchased Karoo's Regent H135 for the top price from Karoo Angus' Annie Scott, pictured with son Riley, 6.