## PHOENIX PARK ANGUS BULL SALE 2022 – INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the inaugural Phoenix Park "Top of the Drop" Bull Sale.

All bulls sell Fertility checked and Pesti Virus Negative. Scrotal measurements also taken.

All bulls have been vaccinated twice with 7 in 1 prior to 12 months of age.

All bulls have been Freeze Branded (post photography).

## All bulls are registered and have been either SV or PV.

Note: Some bulls have EBV's which include Genomics

Some bulls did not receive their EBV's in October although registered before that date, (reason unknown).

We have used mid-point parent averages for these which is **clearly stated** in their descriptions. Full EBV's expected November run, owner health reasons dictate that sale be held now.

The Phoenix Park Angus stud was established in 2007 by Christian Hickey and is now located at Pine Grove, northern Victoria.

Christian's passion for genetics, flair and astute judgement of cattle has established a career spanning over 30 years in the Artificial Breeding industry.

Christian is acknowledged throughout Australia and overseas as a leader in this field.

The herd was formed by securing selected females from Waitara, Merridale and St Pauls, with further acquisitions from noted herd dispersals including Nooranda, Willalooka, Stoney Point and more recently, Anvil and Premier.

Female and sire selection is always based on phenotype, structure and docility, with pedigrees featuring sires that can be relied upon to transmit these same attributes.

Cows that have excelled in the herd are from the noted Wilcoola, Ester, Yankee Queen, Everelda Entense, Larietta, Usual, Vegas, Jets Pageant, Lowan and Dream families.

Christian offers these bulls, confident that they will perform admirably for their new owners.

Christian Hickey's family has been associated with primary production agriculture for multiple generations in Northern Victoria.

With a strong focus on Genetics and Communications, Christian has been heavily involved in many aspects of Australia's Herd Improvement

Industry for over 35 years.

Over this period, Christian has earned the respect of colleagues and contacts in the Dairy networks of many countries including the USA, Canada,

Denmark, Holland, France, Italy, England and Germany; as well as all states of Australia.

The past 22 years has seen him contribute to the evolution of National Herd Improvement through his role as Marketing Manager, as well as the wider Herd Improvement landscape through positions such as NHIA Board member and Data-Gene's, Genetic Evaluation Standing Committee.