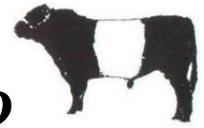


BONNIBELT BELTED GALLOWAY STUD



Selling Quality Sides and Hides

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Hello everyone,

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2020.

I'm not going to dwell on what is at the forefront of everyone's mind with the COVID-19 virus, but know that when you come to pick up your meat, we will be doing the social distancing, have hand sanitiser available and catching up in the sunshine ☀️

Beef and Lamb availability: As mentioned in the last newsletter, there is limited beef available for this year. This is due to not only on the downsizing on the cattle numbers, but a series of very unfortunate events that left us in tears too many times 😞 We will be looking after our very regular customers first. However, we are fine with our lamb as we are increasing them. Our lamb for May is all sold, but we may have a few spots left for June with more being available in the later part of the year.

As the abattoirs are classed as an essential service, we do not foresee any closures, therefore, our meat delivery service should go ahead as normal as possible.

Pricing: Whilst the kilo prices are still the same as are the extra cost for sausages and packing, Austral Meats have added \$1 a kilo mincing charge and are currently reviewing their costings. Whether we at Bonnibelt can absorb it at this stage, we don't know but will keep you all informed, especially those getting their beef and lamb in May.

Mince and stewing steak available: Unfortunately, we need to send off an older girl in the next few months and therefore, will have some mince and stewing steak available. We cannot give you a price at present as still waiting on costings from the butcher. However, it will be at least \$11.50 a kg for the mince and \$10.50 a kg for the stewing steak, all packed in 500 gm bags. Bear in mind that the pricing is based on all meat and no bones. If you interested, please contact me with your expressions of interest by the end of April.

Average Weights: Beef is averaging at 98 kgs a side whilst the average trimmed lamb weight for an 11 month old is 26.5 kgs.

In these unprecedented times, we urge you all to follow the Government advice of only going out for medical care, going to work, for daily exercise and to go and buy

what you need when you need them and apply the 1.5 m self-distancing when you are out and about. There is a lot of pain and anguish out in the world at the moment but we will get to the other side so please take care and look out for each other. If you need an ear, give me a yell. I am so fortunate that I am working out my annual leave towards retirement from the ambulance service and as such enjoying the self-isolation on the farm 🧑🌾

Stay well, stay safe and if you can self-isolate.

Prayers to all,



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