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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 2ND JANUARY 2007

150 CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

130 Clean Cattle, 20 OTM Cattle.

A reasonable entry for the Tuesday sale sold to a good trade throughout. There was keen bidding on all sorts with better types selling above 130 to a top of 141 pence. A new buyer was in attendance and insured fierce competition. Many more cattle could easily have been sold. TUESDAY 8th JANUARY IS A RED MARKET.

Top price per kilo: 141.00p twice for entries from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £921.03 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560+kg)	141.00p	115.00p	£742.07	115.00p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	141.00p	114.00p	£627.46	114.00p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

_	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	135.20p	134.10p	
Prime	115.10p	115.00p	
Others	105.20p	103.20p	

20 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Richard Williams

(1 Clean Steers, 2 Clean Heifers, 17 Cull Cows)

A short entry sold to a much improved trade. No very good quality sorts forward but generally much better prices.

	Top p/kg	Top head	Av/kg	Av/head
Grade 1 Cows				
Grade 2 Cows	75.00p	£503.70	74.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	70.00p		62.00p	
Grade 4 Cows	54.00p		45.00p	
Overage Steers	95.00p	£491.40	95.00p	£491.40
Overage Heifers	87.00p	£542.93	86.00p	£514.41
Cows Overall Av			63.20p	£424.00

2012 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A good entry of hoggets for the first sale of the year met a firm trade. Thankfully the entry was mainly of handier weights which proved easiest to sell. Best sorts sold from 110 - 116 pence with averages around 106-8 pence. The heavier types proved more difficult to sell with the averages around 100 - 102 pence.

Top Price per Kilo: 116.80p for an entry from Mr CE Warner, Ledbury. **Top Price per Head:** £48.00 for an entry from Mrs M Mitchell, Corse Lawn.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light $(25.5 - 32 \text{ kg})$	113.20p	107.00p	33.15	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	116.80p	108.30p	39.60	106.80p
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	112.50p	106.20p	43.83	
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	103.00p	100.80p	46.68	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium	113.00p	112.50p	106.20p	
Prime	107.00p	106.90p	103.10p	100.20p

206 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes as expected met slightly less demand following the recent Muslim festival. Strong ewes sold to a good trade but a large entry of small and plain ewes reduced the overall average to £26.15. First quality ewes sold from £30, second quality sold from £20, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An entry of mainly small rams averaged £28.85.

52 REARING CALVES

Sale at 12.30 pm

An entry of 52 rearing calves sold to an excellent trade. Top price was £270 for a 4 month old Belgian Blue heifer with other heifer calves of the same breed £195, £190, £165, £155, etc. Simmental heifers to £170. Small Charolais heifers to £80 and small Limousin heifers to £90. Hereford cross heifers £82. Bull calves to a top of £220 for a Belgian Blue with others of the same breed £185, £180, £168, £165, £160, etc. Hereford cross bulls to £210, £145, etc. Blonde D'Aquitaine bulls to £188, Charolais £175, Limousin £170 and small Aberdeen Angus £110.

FORTHCOMING SALES

JANUARY 2007

Thursday 11th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be

Received by 12 noon Thursday 4th January.

Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects.

STORE LAMBS

Please note we are holding sales of STORE LAMBS on every GREEN MARKET. The demand is excellent resulting in very good trades being experienced.

Also BREEDING EWES are sold on GREEN MARKETS.

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and Green Exempt Markets. This means that fat cattle attending a Green Exempt Market do not need to be pre-movement tested.

This exemption is allowed as cattle are only able to go on to slaughter, back home, onto an approved holding and onto an exempt finishing unit. Dairy cows will still need to be tested.

Calves and Dairy Cows (in Gwilym Richards sale) must be kept separate from the finished cattle, so please make sure cattle are unloaded in the correct part of the market.

ARE YOU DEFICIENT?

Are newborn calves slow to rise and suck?
Is it difficult to fatten calves on your land?
Is the consumption of grain/hay/silage high?
Is it difficult to keep the cattle in peak condition?
Is your lambing percentage low?
Is there a significant difference between scanning percentage and lambs to market?
Do your lambs stand still after weaning?
Is it difficult to finish lambs without creep?

Do you want your stock to grow healthier faster and cheaper?

If you do then you might need to retain the balance of trace elements to your ground.

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