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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 10th APRIL 2006

283 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

283 Clean Cattle, 38 OTM cattle

A larger entry of clean cattle met another firm trade. The quality of cattle forward was poorer than the previous week and this resulted in generally lower averages. There were a number of plainer unfinished sorts forward which would have done with further finishing. All well meated sold well peaking at 129 pence. The next market on EASTER MONDAY 17th April is a GREEN Market.

Top price per kilo: 129.00p, from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning. Top price per head: £856.25 from Mesr FC Few & Son, Minsterworth.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium $(455 - 550 \text{ kg})$	119.0p	104.0p	£528	
	Heavy (555 kg +)	129.0p	108.4p	£683	108.1p
HEIFERS	Medium $(400 - 480 \text{ kg})$	111.0p	101.8p	£422	-
	Heavy (485 kg +)	121.5p	106.2p	£581	106.0p

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

_	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	118.2p	117.0p	
Prime	110.1p	108.6p	109.2p
Others	98.2p	96.2p	

38 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Richard Williams

(10 Clean Cattle and 28 Barren Cows)

A similar entry of overage cattle sold to a good trade throughout. Buyers are reporting good sales and orders and this augers well for the future. Overage clean cattle peaked at **96.5 pence**. Cull Cows sold to **85 pence**.

	Тор	Top £/head	Av p/kg	Av//head
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	96.5p	£639.00	82.2p	£531.36
CULL COWS	85.0p	£856.80	62.8p	£406.88

426 NEW SEASON LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am Prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

An increase entry of lambs sold to an improved trade with the entry totally insufficient for the demand. Best lambs sold to $\underline{187.8 \text{ pence}}$ with several pens over $\underline{£70}$ to a top of $\underline{£73.50}$.

Top Price per Kilo: 187.80p from Mr SM Knight, Stoke Orchard.

Top Price per Head: £73.50 from Mesr RF & EA Pursey, St Owens Cross.

New Season Lambs continued

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av Ł/head	Overall Av
Light $(25.5 - 32)$		•		
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	187.80p	177.50p	£66.86	
Medium $(39.1 - 45.5 \text{ kg})$	186.00p	171.00p	£69.33	174.8p
Heavy $(45.6 - 52 \text{ kg})$	144.00p	144.00p	£72.00	-
Overweight (52 kg +)	-	Î		

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium	180.0p	178.2p		
Prime	170.1p	170.0p	160.2p	144.0p

3,114 HOGGETS Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A good entry of hoggets met the best trade for many years. Hoggets peaked at 160.90 pence per kilo with several pens over 150 pence. There was a particularly strong trade on heavier sheep with several over £70. Many more could easily have been sold.

346 CULL EWES AND RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of mainly overfat ewes sold to an improved trade to average £35.44, an increase of £8 per head on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £40, second quality sold from £28. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also met an improved trade to average £39.50.

FORTHCOMING SALES

APRIL

Thursday 20th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11.00 am Entries for the Catalogue to

be received by 12 noon Thursday 13th April.

MAY

Wednesday 17^h ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225

Monday 17th April 06 Included next week Sale of 20 Texel x Ewes and Lambs

Please Note: Any animals sold through the Market and subsequently **condemned** by the Meat Hygiene Service are the **Vendors Responsibility** and **no** compensation will be payable.

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.

OLDER CATTLE DISPOSAL SCHEME (OCDS)

The above scheme catering for all stock born before 1st August 1996 is now in operation. A fixed headage price of approximately £250.70 (370 euros) before stoppages, will be payable for all animals fit for human consumption. Animals have to be correctly tagged and exactly match their paperwork. We are holding collections on a regular basis on a pre-booked system. Please contact the Market office 01989 762225 or Jeremy Jehan 07970 048080 with your entries. **What you require**: Signed OCDS 17, Readable Ear Tag, Matching Paperwork, Sound animal born before 01.08.96