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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 10TH MAY 2010

MONDAY 17th MAY IS A GREEN MARKET

267 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

185 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 82 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of cattle met an easier trade as was expected. Prices are certainly reduced on a national basis as supply continues to outstrip demand. Best cattle sold over 165p to a top of $\underline{173p}$. Again numerous plain lean sorts reduced overall averages.

Top price per kilo: 173.00p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1198.92 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	150.00p	150.00p	£683.71	
	Heavy (560+kg)	173.00p	144.80p	£947.22	144.90p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				-
	Medium (400-480kg)	142.00p	141.00p	£643.63	
	Heavy (485kg+)	166.00p	143.00p	£829.34	143.00p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	160.20p	162.10p	
Prime	150.10p	150.00p	
Others	130.10p	131.20p	132.50p

82 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

32 - 30 to 48 mths, 48 over 48 mths, 2 Stock Bulls.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

The overage clean cattle less money in line with the UTM's. Cows were on the whole, a poorer show than we are used to, but still an excellent trade. Better cows to 128p, most cows sold from 104p - 112p, only nine under 100p and 17 over 112p. A lot of the cows look very, very dear compared to all other sections. Still plenty of "fight" for the cows – more needed. Next week is a Green Market.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	135.00p	£1017.55	120.00p	£814.53
Overage Heifers	138.00p	£961.13	119.00p	£744.26
Grade 1 Cows	128.00p	£1134.75	125.30p	
Grade 2 Cows	125.00p		116.30p	
Grade 3 Cows	116.00p		108.30p	
Grade 4 Cows	98.00p		91.80p	
Cow Overall Av.			107.80p	£747.41
Cull Bulls	110.00p	£1332.32	108.30p	£1226.80

IMPORTANT CATTLE -EAR TAGS

It is the vendors responsibility to ensure all ear tags are correct and readable. For cows needing only 1 tag please check everything on it can be read and it is not worn. If in any doubt, get a new plastic tag.

Sale at 9.15 am

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A larger entry of Spring Lambs sold to another strong trade. All very best sorts sold over £100 to a top of £102. Lambs topped at 260 pence. Several buyers complained about the quality of the lambs which was certainly mixed. Lambs averaged £92.69.

Top Price per Kilo: 260.00p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.

Top Price per Head: £102.00 for an entry from the same vendor.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	260.00p	236.00p	£88.22	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	255.00p	230.10p	£92.05	231.20p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	206.00p	204.10p	£93.75	
Overweight $(52.1 + kg)$	193.80p	193.80p	£100.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		260.90p	250.10p	
Prime		237.10p	230.10p	

1503 HOGGETS

Sale following Lambs

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A good entry of variable quality hoggets as expected at this time of the year. The trade was significantly ahead of the previous week. Once again handier weights sold best peaking at <u>212p</u>. Many more hoggets could readily have been sold.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	212.00p	205.70p	£78.33	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	207.00p	195.10p	£81.54	195.20p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	186.00p	175.10p	£84.77	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	158.00p	158.00p	£87.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		210.10p	207.10p	
Prime		200.10p	194.00p	185.90p

509 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a considerably improved trade. Ten lots sold over £100 with continentals selling to the top price of £119. The overall average of £85.20 was an increase of £14 per head on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £90, second quality sold from £70. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An entry of Rams also met an improved trade to average £89.69.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MAY Thursday 13 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, etc
Wednesday 19 th	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.
Thursday 27 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Store Sheep and Calves. Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 20 th May.

SHEEP EID

This only applies to Sheep born after 31st December 2009. For all Lambs born on or after 1st January 2010 we recommend:

- 1. A single electronic slaughter tag for those Lambs intended for slaughter within 12 months of age.
- 2. Full electronic identification for all Lambs intended for breeding i.e. ewe lambs.

ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN

All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers <u>each and every</u> time stock are loaded/unloaded. If this is not done you are liable for any damage caused by an escaped animal. Once you have finished loading/unloading these gates must be shut and secured. If an animal does escape please inform a member of staff immediately who will blow the 'Whistle'. This then warns the gate keeper to close the vehicle gates. Available staff will secure the market perimeter. Once secure, the escaped animal will need to be herded back into the market pens. (We may use quiet stock already penned to help catch the escaped animal).