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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 11th MAY 2009

RED/GREEN MARKETS

Following a lengthy consultation period it has been decided to revert to Red/Green Markets on alternative weeks. The first Green Markets will take place on Bank Holiday Monday May 25th with subsequent Green Markets on a fortnightly basis.

270 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

185 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 85 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of finished cattle sold to an improved trade. Once again the quality of the entry was highly variable with several loads of poorer quality cattle forward. Best cattle sold over 180 pence with another excellent trade on heavier sorts. Many more cattle could have been sold to advantage.

Top price per kilo: 187.0p twice for entries from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1291.68 for an entry from Mr IR Pugh, Three Ashes.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	155.00p	150.00p	£681.81	
	Heavy (560+kg)	187.00p	156.00p	£1023.59	155.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	187.00p	155.90p	£873.90	155.90p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	178.20p	178.40p	
Prime	156.10p	155.20p	152.10p
Others	135.10p	134.90p	

85 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

32 - 30 to 48 mths, 52 over 48 mths, 1 Bull.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Another outstanding trade for all types of over thirty month cattle. Best beef cows to 150p, 148p and 141p. Best Black and Whites up to 130p/kg and many over 125p. Overall quality of 30-48 month clean would not be to last weeks standard which reduced overall averages but like for like would be as dear, to 160p/kg.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	160.00p	£1122.98	140.00p	£900.88
Overage Heifers	157.00p	£1168.70	132.40p	£842.11
Grade 1 Cows	150.00p	£1219.83	138.80p	£760.77
Grade 2 Cows	129.00p		124.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	119.00p		113.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	101.00p		94.80p	
Cull Bulls	91.00p	£726.72	91.00p	£726.72
Cow Overall Average			114.70p	

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.

IF THE ANIMAL IS BINNED IT IS YOUR LOSS!

1292 SPRING LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A larger entry of spring lambs sold to a generally easier trade. The quality was certainly not so good this week with several vendors taking advantage of the good overall trade and pushing out leaner sorts which proved more difficult to sell. Best sorts sold from **220 – 230 pence** with the entry totally insufficient for the demand. Please note our comments relating to Red/Green market arrangements.

NB. PLEASE NOTE THAT TRADING STANDARDS OFFICERS ARE INSISTING THAT ALL SHEEP ENTERING AND LEAVING OUR RED MARKETS MUST HAVE AN EAR TAG. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU BRING/SEND IN A FEW SPARE TAGS IN CASE ANY ARE LOST IN TRANSIT BECAUSE DEFRA HAVE REFUSED TO ISSUE THE MARKET WITH ANY MORE IN FUTURE.

Top Price per Kilo: 230.10p for an entry from Mr J Cole, St Weonards.

Top Price per Head: £89.80 for an entry from the Mesr DC Winney & Co, Allensmore.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5-32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	230.10p	210.20p	£78.78	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	223.00p	208.10p	£83.49	208.70p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 - Over
Premium		225.10p	222.20p	
Prime		215.20p	213.40p	

1350 HOGGETS - Auctioneer: Richard Williams

Sale following Lambs

A seasonally short entry of hoggets met another good trade. Once again meat was “king” with plainer sorts reducing overall returns. All best sorts sold over 190 pence with another good trade on heavier hogs.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	192.10p	178.80p	£67.19	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	193.90p	176.50p	£74.29	177.20p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	170.20p	160.20p	£75.13	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	148.10p	139.40p	£77.31	

405 CULL EWES & RAMS – Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

Sale at 10.00 am

An increased entry of ewes met another good trade in line with the previous week. Once again strong ewes regularly sold over £75 to the top price of £85.50, an overall average of £68.20. First quality ewes sold from £70. Second quality sold from £50, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met a good trade selling to £81.50 and average £64.43.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MAY

Wednesday 20th **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

Thursday 28th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Dairy Cattle at 11 am, Rearing Calves at 10.30am & Store Sheep at 11am
Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon
Thursday 21st May.

JUNE

Saturday 6th **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Poultry and Ornamental Wildfowl. Details contact Chris & Gene Taylor 01874 730883.
