

**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT**

**MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

***A MUCH IMPROVED TRADE ON LAMBS TO £103  
A FLYING TRADE ON CULL EWES TO £150  
ANOTHER STRONG CATTLE TRADE***

Steers to	196 pence	£1,470
Heifers to	214 pence	£1,227
Over 36 mths Clean to	166 pence	£1,202
Cull Cows to	140 pence	£1,232
Lambs to	232 pence	£103
Cull Ewes/Rams	Average £87.52	£150

**205 FINISHED CATTLE**

145 Clean Cattle, 10 Over 36 month Cattle, 50 Cull Cows.

**Sale at 10.30 am**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

***NOTE: We are now including all under 36 month old cattle in this section***

An increased entry of finished cattle sold to another excellent trade. There were no top quality cattle forward as there were sold last week in the Christmas Market. Best cattle sold over 200 pence to a top of 214 pence. All the buyers were fit for cattle with a particularly strong trade on heavier sorts.

**Top price per kilo:** 214p for an entry from Mesr C Simcock & Sons, Felton.

**Top price per head:** £1,470.84 for an entry from Mesr DC & MS Spearing, Moreton in Marsh.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
<b>STEERS</b>	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560kg+)	196.00p	182.70p	£1201.83	<b>182.70p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	214.00p	183.70p	£1014.87	<b>183.70p</b>
<b>BULLS</b>	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560kg+)	160.00p	158.20p	£883.01	<b>158.20p</b>

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
<b>Premium</b>	194.80p	205.70p	
<b>Prime</b>	179.80p	183.20p	
<b>Others</b>			159.50p

**10 OVER 36 MONTH CLEAN CATTLE**

**Sale following Clean Cattle**

The overage clean cattle sold to a very strong trade peaking at 166 pence, (£1202).

**50 CULL COWS & BULLS**

**Sale following Overage Clean**

An increased entry of cull cows sold to a more difficult trade. The trade has fallen nationally and this is reflecting in less demand at present. Better cows sold from 130 - 140 pence.

## Over 36 mths & Cull Cows

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	155.0p	£1202.01	150.0p	£1136.13
Overage Heifers	166.0p	£1120.44	148.0p	£866.45
Grade 1 Cows	140.0p	£1232.40	135.0p	
Grade 2 Cows	130.0p		120.9p	
Grade 3 Cows	115.5p		110.2p	
Grade 4 Cows	107.2p		90.2p	
Friesian Cows (24)	127.0p		103.9p	
Beef Cows (44)	140.0p		120.7p	
<b>Cows Overall Av</b>			<b>110.8p</b>	<b>£723.76</b>
Cull Bulls				

## 1501 LAMBS

**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

A slightly reduced entry of lambs sold to a significantly improved trade which was about £6/head up on the previous week. There were 10 buyers in attendance and a couple couldn't even start. Smarter lambs sold from 215 – 232 pence. There was a tremendous trade on the heavier lambs with several pens over £100 to a top of £103. The lambs are currently 30p dearer than the same week last year. Lambs will be wanted next Monday before the Christmas break. The overall average price of lambs was £88.40/head (average weight 41.6kgs).

**Top price per kilo:** 232p for an entry from Mesr Acorn Farms, Gloucester.

**Top price per head:** £103 for an entry from Mess EH Radcliffe & Son, Barry.

	<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)	222.0p	211.7p	£79.41	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	232.0p	215.1p	£89.24	<b>214.10p</b>
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	216.0p	201.2p	£97.13	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	174.0p	190.9p	£97.54	

## QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

<b>Weight</b>	<b>30.5 – 36</b>	<b>36.5 – 43</b>	<b>43.5 – 48</b>	<b>48.5 – Over</b>
<b>Premium</b>	207.40p	220.80p	213.80p	204.40p
<b>Prime</b>	200.00p	211.20p	204.00p	187.10p

## 405 CULL EWES & RAMS

**Sale at 10.00 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met another improved trade. Fifteen lots sold over £100 with Beltex ewes selling to the top price of £150. The overall average was an exceptional £87.52, an increase of £6 per head on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £95, second quality sold from £70. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A larger entry of Rams also met a flying trade selling to £110 and an overage of £86.08.

## FORTHCOMING SALES

### DECEMBER

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Rearing Calves.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Dressed Poultry. Sale at 5.30 pm.

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Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Rearing Calves.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Household Effects. Sale at 10 am. Enquiries to Roger Garlick: 01989 762225.

**SHEEP KEEP WANTED**

**GRASS OR ROOT FROM NOW TO END FEBRUARY  
Enquiries to Greg Christopher 07976 163043**

**RG & RB Williams Auctioneers Ltd  
SHEEP EID**

**We as auctioneers hold no responsibility for the reading of Sheep EID Tags.  
It is the vendors responsibility to ensure tags are read 100% accurately for their  
records.**

**We as auctioneers will read all electric tags but cannot guarantee 100%  
accuracy.**

**NOTE TO ALL T.B. RESTRICTED FARMERS**

**If your whole herd has undergone a TB test then you do not have to get individual licences to bring cattle to the market within 90 days of that test. You must however apply for a TB24b (a General Movement Licence). The owner is then responsible for completing the first page of the TB24b licence giving the place and date of sale and number of cattle being moved. They also need to complete the last page with a list of ear numbers of the cattle submitted for the sale. Photocopies of the licences can be made by the owner so farmers do not need to apply to the local Animal Health Office to get a licence on a weekly basis. This puts sales to markets on the same footing as deadweight sales.**

**If you have any queries please contact the Market Office (01989 762225) or Greg Christopher (07976 163043)**

**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!**

**ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN**

**All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers each and every 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).**