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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 13th OCTOBER 2008

193 FINISHED CATTLE

154 Clean Cattle, 39 OTMS.

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

After the record trade of last week it was surprising that fewer cattle were forward. This obviously shows that numbers are not around at present. The quality of cattle was not as good as recent weeks and this certainly reflected in lower averages. Best sorts sold over 175 pence with several over 180p. More well fleshed cattle could have been sold to advantage.

Top price per kilo: 186.00p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1162.32 for an entry from the same vendor.

		<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)	145.00p	142.10p	£587.42	
	Heavy (560+kg)	165.00p	146.60p	£858.83	146.30p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	144.50p	141.50p	£596.12	
	Heavy (485kg+)	186.00p	144.80p	£805.85	144.50p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	175.10p	175.10p	
Prime	145.20p	144.00p	
Others	130.10p	126.10p	

39 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(20 Cull Cows, 9 Steers, 8 Heifers, 2 Cull Bulls)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A very disappointing trade, we expected the cows to be less with the large numbers forward last week everywhere and the drop in clean values. A lot of very lean cows didn't help matters.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	112.00p	£690.35	88.00p	£566.46
Overage Heifers	100.00p	£696.85	86.20p	£478.96
Grade 1 Cows				
Grade 2	90.00p	£640.82	83.60p	£434.62
Grade 3	81.00p		69.50p	
Grade 4	68.00p		56.90p	
Overall Average			67.10p	

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!

1079 FAT LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt.**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

After the flying trade we have been experiencing in recent weeks it was very disappointing to have the lowest entry of the year! I know that this is not our season but quite honestly we should be having more lambs than this. Once again our averages were way ahead of other markets with best lambs over 142.5p per kilo peaking at **£60**. The overall market average was **£53** (42.7 kilos). **PLEASE TRY TO SUPPORT AND RETAIN OUR EXCELLENT NUMBER OF BUYERS.**

Top Price per Kilo: 142.50 pence for an entry from Mesr RG & SM Rugman, The Stenders.

Top Price per Head: £60.00 four times for entries from Mesr RG & SM Rugman, B Blandford & Son, Sixty Bros, and Miss JE Clarke.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	129.50p	120.00p	£44.09	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	142.50p	125.50p	£52.92	124.90p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	120.00p	118.10p	£56.22	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	105.50p	106.50p	£57.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48
Premium			140.10p	139.10p
Prime			125.10p	124.90p

351 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 10.00 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes for the seven buyers in attendance met a similar trade to the previous week. Strong meated ewes sold to £53 but the large number of small and plain ewes reduced the overall average to £29. First quality ewes sold from £40, second quality sold from £25. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of better quality rams averaged £40.

40 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 9th October 2008**Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 40 rearing calves were much in demand and sold to an excellent trade. Charolais bulls topped at £295 with Belgian Blue bulls to £290 (twice), Limousin bulls to £255 with Friesian bulls to £48. Charolais heifers to £260, £250 and £240 with Belgian Blue to £240. Small Hereford cross £90. In the weaned section 4 month old Limousin bulls to £380 and Limousin heifers £305.

FORTHCOMING SALES**OCTOBER**

Thursday 23rd **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Rearing Calves, Dairy Cattle, Store Lambs, Breeding Ewes and Rams, Calves to start at 10.30 am. Store Sheep 11 am, Store Cattle 11 am, Dairy cattle 12 noon.
Entries for Store Cattle catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 16th October.

Thursday 30th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Plants and Shrubs.

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1st **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Poultry & Ornamental Wildfowl. Details and entries from Chris & Gene Taylor, Tel/Fax 01874 730883.

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Wednesday 25th **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries: Roger Garlick 01989 762225.