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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT
 MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2010**

MONDAY 22nd FEBRUARY IS A RED MARKET

186 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

140 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 46 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry for the Green Market sold to a comparable trade to the previous week. Pressure is certainly on and all retailers are complaining about reduced consumer demand. No real top end cattle but several over 180p to a top of 188p. Buyers were keen to bid but all certainly had their limitations. Overall averages a decent result throughout.

Top price per kilo: 188.00p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1,184.23 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)	180.00p	162.80p	£856.95	
	Heavy (560+kg)	180.00p	151.80p	£991.08	152.30p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	188.00p	157.90p	£910.76	157.90p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	175.20p	177.20p	
Prime	158.20p	160.00p	
Others	135.20p	130.90p	

46 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

16 - 30 to 48 mths, 29 over 48 mths, 1 Stock Bull

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

The usual smaller entry due to the Green Market, and only 2 Black & Whites met a very fast trade. Best cows to 130p, all meat cows over 100p. Some lean, small sorts reducing averages. Farmers please watch the condition of your cows, a lot more forward are over fat. Overage clean in line with the UTMS. The Stock Bull sold well – 124p/kg to gross £1260.94.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	145.00p	£969.60	138.90p	£874.04
Overage Heifers	146.00p	£1015.59	136.39p	£864.02
Grade 1 Cows	130.00p	£1100.58	126.30p	
Grade 2 Cows	118.00p		111.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	114.00p		105.50p	
Grade 4 Cows	95.00p		87.60p	
Cow Overall Av.			103.40p	£718.26
Cull Bull	124.00p	£1260.94	124.00p	£1260.94

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!

1,428 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A similar entry of hoggets sold to a much better trade throughout. All weights were in keen demand with the entry being nowhere near enough for the demand. Export hoggets sold particularly well with several pens over £2/kilo to a top of 224p. Again heavier sorts met keen demand peaking at **£94.20**. One Hog buyer is requiring Welsh Farm Assured bellied Hogs on a weekly basis.

Top Price per Kilo: 224.00p for entries from Mrs M Mitchell, Corse Lawn.

Top Price per Head: £94.20 for an entry from Mr JR Waters, Newport.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	172.00p	172.00p	£51.35	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	224.00p	190.00p	£69.17	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	201.00p	193.00p	£79.59	192.30p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	190.00p	182.10p	£87.10	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	174.00p	165.20p	£92.15	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	201.00p	206.10p	203.20p	
Prime	190.40p	192.90p	190.70p	180.60p

479 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a similar good trade in line with recent weeks. Once again there was a short entry of strong lean ewes but those forward sold over £90. The overall average of £76.20 was very respectable considering the number of small and plain ewes present. First quality ewes sold from £85. Second quality sold from £60, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met another good trade selling to £80 and average £69.67. An entry of Goats sold to £50.

FORTHCOMING SALES

FEBRUARY .

Thursday 18th

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Store Cattle, Calves, Dairy Cattle and Store Sheep.

Wednesday 24th

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Plants and Shrubs. Sale at 11.30 am.

MARCH

Saturday 6th

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Poultry & Ornamental Wildfowl.

Entries to: Chris & Gene Taylor Tel/Fax 01874 730883.

Wednesday 10th

ROSS AUCTION ROOMS

Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

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 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).