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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT
 MONDAY 15TH MAY 2006**

318 CATTLE

231 Clean Cattle, 82 OTM cattle, 5 Bulls

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

Another good entry of cattle sold to a fast trade throughout. Reports abound that the large volume of Overage cattle on the market at present is resulting in slightly reduced prices for clean cattle. Averages were slightly down on a fortnight previously but the trade was generally good and well ahead of deadweight quotations. All well fleshed cattle sold particularly well peaking at 137 pence. **MORE CATTLE COULD EASILY HAVE BEEN SOLD. MONDAY 22ND MAY IS A RED MARKET.**

Top price per kilo: 137.0p from Mesr WJ Powell & Son, Foy
 Top price per head: £898.83 from Mesr JA Miles & Son, Dorstone.

		<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)	115.00p	114.50p	£506	
	Heavy (560kg +)	134.00p	111.10p	£729	111.20p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	110.00p	103.40p	£473	
	Heavy (485kg+)	137.00p	110.90p	£625	110.90p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	125.70p	125.10p	
Prime	111.10p	110.10p	
Others	98.10p	97.20p	93.1p

82 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(24 Clean Cattle & 58 Barren Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of overage cattle met another very good trade with the entry being totally insufficient for the demand. All classes of cattle were in keen demand and all sorts were sold to advantage. Clean cattle met a fast trade peaking at 107.5 pence. Cows also sold very well to a top of 100.5 pence. (£739.58)

	<i>Top</i>	<i>Top £/head</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av//head</i>
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	107.50p	£726.35	81.30p	£475
CULL COWS	100.50p	£739.58	75.70p	£500

2191 NEW SEASON LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A large entry of lambs sold to a flying trade which was considerably ahead of the previous week. All types were in keen demand with a new buyer in attendance. Better sorts realized over 170 pence to a top of 172 pence (£71.70). More lambs could easily have been sold.

Top Price per Kilo: 172.00p from Mesr BJ & MI Thomas, Callow.
 Top Price per Head: £71.70 from Mesr WD & EJ Kerr, Dymock.

New Season Lambs continued.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39kg)	170.20p	161.50p	£60.69	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	172.00p	164.60p	£66.89	163.60p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	139.70p	138.00p	£65.17	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		170.20p	170.90p	
Prime	160.00p	161.40p	165.20p	

1921 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A record entry of hoggets for the time of year met a very good trade. All well fleshed hogs sold particularly well to a top of **140.8 pence**. A large percentage of lighter weight hogs reduced overall averages. Heavy hogs sold particularly well peaking at **£67**.

360 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

With a new buyer in attendance a similar entry of ewes sold to another good trade. As in recent weeks lean ewes sold to a premium with several lots over £50 per head to an overall average of £39.02. First quality ewes sold from £45, Second quality sold from £30, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met a good trade to average £32.46.

61 REARING CALVES

Sale at 12 noon

An increased entry of 61 calves sold to another excellent trade. Young calves to a top of £225 for Limousin bulls with others of the same breed £220, £200, etc. Medium sized Belgian Blues to £165 and £160 with smaller Blonde D'Aquitaine to £155, Charolais and Simmental £138, Hereford Cross £128 and Friesians to £50. Heifers to £168 for Belgian Blue with Charolais to £165 and Limousin £164. Strong calves to £290 and £260 for Belgian Blue heifers, Aberdeen Angus bulls £265, Limousin Heifers £245 and Limousin bulls £240.

21 DAIRY CATTLE

Sale at 11.30 am

Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards

Today's entry lacked the entry of previous sales with a top price of £945 for a calved heifer from P Summerfield, Oxford, with others to £882, £861 (twice), £819 (twice), etc. Cows sold to £840 for a 4th calver from AJ Heath, Usk.

FORTHCOMING SALES

JUNE

Thursday 1st	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle. Entries to be received by 12 noon Thursday 25th May for the catalogue. (01989) 762225
Saturday 3 rd	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Poultry and Ornamental Wildfowl. Entries to Chris & Gene Taylor Tel: 01874 730883
Wednesday 14th	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225

Please Note: Any animals sold through the Market and subsequently **condemned** by the Meat Hygiene Service are the **Vendors Responsibility** and **no** compensation will be payable.

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and Green Exempt Markets. This means that fat cattle attending a Green Exempt Market do not need to be pre-movement tested. This exemption is allowed as cattle are only able to go on to slaughter, back home, onto an approved holding and onto an exempt finishing unit. Dairy cows will still need to be tested. Calves and Dairy Cows (in Gwilym Richards sale) must be kept separate from the finished cattle, so please make sure cattle are unloaded in the correct part of the market.

OLDER CATTLE DISPOSAL SCHEME (OCDS)

The above scheme catering for all stock born before 1st August 1996 is now in operation. A fixed headage price of approximately £250.70 (370 euros) before stoppages, will be payable for all animals fit for human consumption. Animals have to be correctly tagged and exactly match their paperwork. We are holding collections on a regular basis on a pre-booked system. Please contact the Market office 01989 762225 or Jeremy Jehan 07970 048080 with your entries. **What you require:** Signed OCDS 17, Readable Ear Tag, Matching Paperwork, Sound animal born before 01.08.96