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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2008

233 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

144 Clean Cattle, 69 OTMS, 20 Bulls.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

At last some reasonable weather which meant that the entry was significantly reduced. Once again the entry was highly variable with a high percentage of non farm assured cattle lacking flesh. The trade on all well meated sorts was as good as ever with all best sorts over 180 pence. Many more cattle could have been sold to advantage.

Top price per kilo: 187.50p for an entry from Mr R Foote, Bird in Hand.

Top price per head: £1205.46 for an entry from Mesr EL & B Francis & Son, Garway.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	187.50p	157.10p	£784.74	
	Heavy (560+kg)	185.50p	158.30p	£975.59	158.20p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	184.00p	155.10p	£605.92	
	Heavy (485kg+)	185.00p	157.30p	£859.41	157.10p

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	180.10p	180.00p	
Prime	156.20p	156.00p	
Others	130.10p	129.40p	125.10p

69 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

(40 Cull Cows, 17 Steers, 12 Heifers)

A good entry of overage cattle met an easier trade. More cows on the market all of last week, poorer retail demand and lack of export due to the Channel tunnel fire, certainly subdued trading. A large proportion of the overage were non Farm Assured – this does make a difference, please let us know if you are assured whether for Beef or Dairy. We are planning to introduce a draw for overage cattle.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	118.00p	£754.46	100.80p	£614.92
Overage Heifers	123.00p	£804.83	99.20p	£569.44
Grade 1 Cows	129.00p	£1058.40	124.30p	£611.95
Grade 2	125.00p		110.90p	
Grade 3	109.00p		97.10p	
Grade 4	87.00p		64.80p	
Overall Average	•		90.05p	

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.

Sale at 9.15 am prompt.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

As expected better harvesting weather and Builth Ram Sale resulted in a much reduced entry of lambs. Once again there was very much a 'mixed bag' of lambs forward with a relatively large percentage of lean lambs forward. All <u>well fleshed</u> lambs were in very keen demand with best sorts over <u>136 pence</u>. The overall market average was £53 (40.8 kilos)

Top Price per Kilo: 138.50 pence for an entry from Mesr PG & CP Whitehouse, Mitcheldean. **Top Price per Head:** £59.20 for an entry from Mesr FJ & RH Griffiths, Llangattock Lingoed.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	133.50p	127.00p	£47.00	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	138.50p	131.20p	£54.31	130.30p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	126.00p	125.30p	£57.19	
Overweight (52.1kg +)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48
Premium		140.10p	140.00p	
Prime		131.10p	130.70p	126.10p

211 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes due to the falling trade nationally during the previous week met an increased demand. Strong meated ewes sold over £50 with continentals selling to the top price of £53. Once again there was a large entry of small plain ewes which left an overall average of £34.20. First quality ewes sold from £42, second quality sold from £25, small and plain ewes sold to this figure.

30 REARING CALVES, Thursday 11th SEPTEMBER 2008

Sale at 10.30 am

A smaller entry of 30 rearing calves sold to an improved trade from the previous sale. Top price was £390 for 3 month old Limousin bulls with Limousin heifers £300. Younger calves to £260 for Belgian Blue bulls with others of the same breed £240, £220, etc. Aberdeen Angus bulls to £180. Limousin heifers to £220, £210, £195, £190, etc with Belgian Blue heifers £210, £190, £160, £150, etc. Aberdeen Angus heifers £135, Charolais heifers £145. **Next Sale Thursday 25**th **September at 10.30** am.

STORE LAMBS, BREEDING EWES AND RAMS are included in our STORE CATTLE & CALF SALES. Next Sale Thursday 25th September.

STORE LAMBS, Thursday 11th SEPTEMBER 2008

Sale at 11 am.

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A short entry of Store Lambs averaged £40.50.

FORTHCOMING SALES

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Antique Furniture & Effects. Sale starts at 10 am.

Thursday 25th 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 18th September.

OCTOBER

Wednesday 15th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries: Roger Garlick 01989 762225.