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## ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2009

## **227 FINISHED CATTLE**

Sale at 10.30 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

182 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 45 OTMS.Auctioneer: Richard WilliamsA larger entry of finished cattle sold to a similar trade to the previous week.Trade has certainly eased inrecent weeks to reflect less consumer demand but short numbers nationally have limited the decline.Bestsorts sold from 180-190 pence with a very good trade on heavier types.Once again there was a highpercentage of plain lean sorts which reduced overall averages.Once again there was a high

**Top price per kilo**: 190p for an entry from Mesr FC Garlick & Sons, Orcop. **Top price per head**: £1184.70 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	179.50p	163.30p	£862.91	
	Heavy (560+kg)	184.50p	153.30p	£982.89	154.40p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	170.00p	154.90p	£657.69	
	Heavy (485kg+)	190.00p	153.00p	£869.01	153.20p

## **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	185.20p	187.10p	
Prime	155.90p	156.90p	151.20p
Others	138.20p	139.00p	138.20p

## **45 OVERAGE CATTLE**

17 - 30 to 48 mths, 27 over 48 mths, 1 Stock Bull

# Sale after clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan 'on fire" to a top of 170p/kg, then 157p, 14

An excellent trade especially the meat cows, which were "on fire" to a top of 170p/kg, then 157p. 147p, 145p, 136p. Better cows forward today which did help – there is certainly demand with nowhere near enough to go round and more firms unable to start. All cows sold to advantage and looks like this trade is here to stay.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	148.00p	£1020.70	109.60p	£694.03
Overage Heifers	170.00p	£1023.78	131.00p	£801.17
Grade 1 Cows	157.00p	£1123.66	149.00p	£718.12
Grade 2 Cows	136.00p		128.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	118.00p		109.00p	
Grade 4 Cows	103.00p		85.90p	
Cull Bulls	104.00p	£1076.40	104.00p	£1076.40
Cow Overall Average			104.00p	

## 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!

## **1607 HOGGETS**

#### Sale at 9.15 am prompt. Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of hoggets (but somewhat less than the 3,800 sold at the corresponding market last year!) sold to another fantastic trade. Best sorts sold over 190 pence to a peak of 200.9p. Again heavier hogs sold very well with numerous pens from  $\pounds 85-\pounds 90$ . Many more hoggets could have been sold to advantage.

NB Please note that Trading Standards Officers are insisting that all sheep entering and leaving our Red Markets must have an ear tag. We suggest that you bring/send in a few spare tags in case any are lost in transit.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 200.90p for an entry from Mesr DRE & JV Parry, Tregare. **Top Price per Head:** £90.00 for an entry from Mesr J Heath Partnership, Garway.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	<b>Overall</b> Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	192.30p	175.50p	£64.53	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	200.90p	183.60p	£76.67	181.40p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	179.10p	166.80p	£80.27	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	161.50p	156.10p	£84.09	

#### **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	30.5 -36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48	48.5 - Over
Premium	190.10p	194.20p	194.20p	
Prime	175.10p	185.10p	186.10p	166.90p

#### 304 CULL EWES & RAMS

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## Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes met another flying trade. Once again several lots sold over £80 with an overall average of £68.08, the highest ever seen in the market. First quality ewes sold from £75. Second quality sold from £55. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also met a good trade to average £59.20.

## FORTHCOMING SALES

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30am & Store Sheep at 11am.
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Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15 am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30 am & Store Sheep at 11 am. Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March.
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick. Tel: 01989 762225.

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