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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 17th MARCH 2008

442 CATTLE

304 Clean Cattle, 131 OTMS, 7 Bulls

Sale at 10.00 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of finished cattle sold to another strong trade. The edge has probably come off the cattle with averages a few pence back. There were only a few really good runs forward with numerous plainer cattle forward. All best sorts sold well over 150 pence to a top of 164 pence. **EASTER MONDAY, 24TH MARCH IS A RED MARKET. As from Thursday 3rd April REARING CALVES will be sold fortnightly at 10.30am prior to the Sale of STORE CATTLE.**

Top price per kilo: 164.00p for an entry from Mr FE Cox, Yarkhill.

Top price per head: £1095.93 for an entry from Mesr N & K Cooke & Sons, Lydney.

		<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)	144.00p	129.10p	£676.24	
	Heavy (560+kg)	160.00p	132.60p	£859.00	132.30p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	144.00p	136.10p	£563.75	
	Heavy (485kg+)	176.00p	137.20p	£722.91	132.40p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	152.10p	151.90p	
Prime	135.20p	137.20p	
Others	118.10p	115.00p	103.20p

131 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(100 Cull Cows, 16 Heifers, 15 Steer)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Another good entry, another good trade. A real mixed bag of cows on offer. Overall the trade would be a couple of pence less than last week. Which after the trade of the previous two weeks is not surprising. Only got over the £1000 mark in the Cull Bulls with a top of £1255. Best cows up to £125p/kg from Mr AG Baker, Hereford. Some very plain Friesians forward, a low of 45p/kg did lower the averages, which were still 98.8p/kg, Friesians up to 112p/kg.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	117.00p	£833.17	109.00p	£669.10
Overage Heifers	119.00p	£792.77	106.30p	£630.53
Grade 1 Cows	125.00p	£995.40	115.30p	£641.63
Grade 2	116.00p		104.20p	
Grade 3	108.50p		93.00p	
Grade 4	98.50p		76.80p	
Overall Average			98.80p	

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!

3909 HOGGETS**Sale at 9.00 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of hoggets of the season sold to an absolutely superb trade throughout. All classes of hogget were in keen demand with a particularly strong trade on well meated heavier sorts which peaked at **£81**. Best quality hogs also rang the bell peaking at 202.5p. Many, many more could have been sold to advantage. The overall average of the hogs was **£64**.

Top Price per Kilo: 202.50 pence for an entry from Mesr JT Houldey & Son, Hasfield.**Top Price per Head:** £81.00 for an entry from Mesr Clothier Ltd, Radstock.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	145.90p	145.90p	£44.61	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	153.60p	202.50p	£56.82	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	151.60p	160.90p	£63.89	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	146.50p	157.20p	£70.30	152.60p
Overweight (52.1kg +)	137.30p	153.20p	£75.56	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 - 48
Premium		145.20p	185.10p	180.10p
Prime		143.20p	155.10p	154.10p

130 SPRING LAMBS**Sale before Hoggets**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A good entry for the Spring Show & Sale sold to a very fast trade. The show results were as follows:

Supreme Champion: B Blandford & Sons	36 kilos	£111.00
Reserve Champion: B Blandford & Sons	34.8 kilos	£90.00

333 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 9.30 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A disappointing entry of ewes following the excellent demand of recent weeks met another improved trade. Once again all grades were in great demand selling to £77.50 and an overall average of £53.71, the highest seen in the market for several years. First quality ewes sold from £55, second quality sold from £38. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also sold to an improved trade selling to £65 and an average of £55.10.

FORTHCOMING SALES**MARCH**Thursday 20th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of 180 Store Cattle.Monday 24th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE BANK HOLIDAY is a RED MARKET.**APRIL**Thursday 3rd ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle & Rearing Calves. Entries for Store Catalogue To be received by noon on Thursday 27th March.Wednesday 23rd ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Furniture. Entries now invited. Contact Roger Garlick Tel: 01989 762225.**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE****REARING CALVES****Will now be sold on****Thursdays****Commencing at 10.30 am****Prior to the Store Cattle Sales.****FIRST SALE****THURSDAY 3RD APRIL**