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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT
 MONDAY 17TH MAY 2010**

MONDAY 24TH MAY IS A RED MARKET

280 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

202 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 78 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A reduced entry of cattle for the Green Market, several buyers were complaining about reduced demand but generally the trade was better than the previous week. Best sorts sold over 160p to a top of 167p. Numbers seem to be easing and hopefully this will result in prices improving in coming weeks. More cattle could certainly have been readily sold.

Top price per kilo: 167.00p for an entry from Mesr C Cadogan & Son, Awre.

Top price per head: £1182.96 for an entry from Mr R Foote, Bird in Hand.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	148.00p	145.50p	£743.30	
	Heavy (560+kg)	165.00p	145.40p	£907.90	145.40p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)	155.00p	145.10p	£611.10	
	Heavy (485kg+)	167.00p	145.10p	£844.68	145.10p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	160.20p	161.20p	
Prime	145.10p	147.00p	
Others	132.10p	132.10p	130.10p

78 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

36 - 30 to 48 mths, 41 over 48 mths, 1 Stock Bull.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A very good entry for the Green market and a very strong trade especially for meat cows. We have been short of good meat cows for a few weeks now. Black & Whites to 118p/kg and Beef cows to £1214.08 (136p/kg).

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	138.00p	£1017.90	125.30p	£856.72
Overage Heifers	150.00p	£984.53	131.40p	£791.88
Grade 1 Cows	136.00p	£1214.08	128.50p	
Grade 2 Cows	126.00p		118.30p	
Grade 3 Cows	115.00p		107.00p	
Grade 4 Cows	98.00p		90.30p	
Cow Overall Av.			103.40p	£688.78
Cull Bulls	109.00p	£978.67	109.00p	£978.67

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!

1236 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer Richard Williams

The largest show of lambs of the year sold to another strong, yet generally easier trade. Prices are still very high but there is obviously a certain amount of consumer resistance at this level. Best lambs sold from **230-239 pence** to a peak of £95. Again the quality was variable with numerous leaner sorts effecting overall returns. The overall average of the lambs was **£88.50**.

Top Price per Kilo: 239.00p for an entry from Mesr GT & A Hunter-Blair, Ross-on-Wye.

Top Price per Head: £95.00 for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	239.00p	220.00p	£82.82	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	232.00p	220.10p	£89.54	220.10p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	203.00p	203.00p	£93.41	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		235.10p	230.10p	
Prime		225.00p	220.00p	

1071 HOGGETS**Sale following Lambs**

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A shorter entry of hoggets sold to an easier trade as more outlets go over to Spring Lambs. Best handy weights sold over 200p to a top of 207p. Again the usual range of seasonally plainer heavy sorts reduced overall averages.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	199.00p	195.00p	£74.32	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	207.00p	186.50p	£77.51	189.50p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	178.00p	168.90p	£79.57	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	154.00p	147.10p	£83.80	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		201.40p	200.10p	
Prime		195.10p	187.90p	172.40p

565 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 10.00 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met another good trade. Lean ewes as dear as the previous week. The large number of overfat ewes forward were in slightly less demand. Once again there was an excellent overall average of £80.21 considering the number of Welsh and plain ewes present. First quality ewes sold from £85. Second quality sold from £65. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A large entry of varied quality Rams also met a good trade selling to £100 and average £70.75.

110 Rearing Calves sold on Thursday 13th May**Sale at 10.30 am**

The largest entry of 110 calves for a considerable time sold to a good trade. Top price was £368 for a Limousin bull with others of the same breed £355, £352, £340, £295, etc. British Blue bulls to £318. Small Blonde D'Aquitaine £245, Hereford cross £235, Aberdeen Angus £160 and Friesian £140. British Blue heifers to £290, £285, £290, etc. with Charolais heifers to £280, Limousin £270, £260 and £245, Blonde D'Aquitaine £220 and Aberdeen Angus £180. In the weaned section 4 month old Simmental bulls to £395 and heifers £370. Limousin heifers to £370 and bulls £355. Next Calf Sale Thursday 27th May at 10.30 am.
Please Note: Following this date the next calf sale will be Thursday 17th June and fortnightly thereafter.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MAY

Thursday 27th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Store Sheep and Calves.
Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon
Thursday 20th May.

JUNE

Saturday 5th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Poultry & Ornamental Wildfowl. Contact Chris &
Gene Taylor for details: 01874 730883.

Thursday 17th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, etc.

Wednesday 23rd **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).