

**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT**  
**MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2011**

**BANK HOLIDAYS MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL & 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY WILL BE RED MARKETS**

**278 FINISHED CATTLE**

**Sale at 10.30 am**

180 Clean Cattle and Bulls, 34 Overage Clean, 64 Cull Cows & Bulls. Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of finished cattle sold to a generally improved trade. Markets at the end of last week were reporting a falling trade but we certainly appeared to “buck the trend” with our averages about 3 pence ahead of the previous week. All classes of cattle were in keen demand with best sorts from 185 – 195 pence. Again heavier cattle were highly sought after with several over £1250 to a top of **£1339**. A short entry of plainer bulls peaked at **159.5 pence**.

**Top price per kilo:** 195.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

**Top price per head:** £1339.58 for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
<b>STEERS</b>	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560kg+)	195.00p	166.60p	£1079.06	<b>166.60p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Medium (400-395kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	188.00p	160.30p	£933.54	<b>160.30p</b>
<b>BULLS</b>	Heavy (560kg+)				

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Bulls</b>
<b>Premium</b>	192.10p	188.00p	
<b>Prime</b>	167.20p	160.40p	
<b>Others</b>	142.10p	135.90p	135.20p

**34 OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE**

**Sale following Clean Cattle**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar number forward selling to another very strong trade very much in line with the underage. Better sorts sold over 165 pence to a top of 174 pence.

**64 CULL COWS & CULL BULLS**

**Sale following Overage Clean**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of cull cows sold to an outstanding trade. There seems to be no end to the demand with all classes making fantastic prices. Friesian cows regularly sold over 130 pence to a top of 145 pence to generate £1125 in the lump. Continentals again sold very well peaking at 171 pence to accumulate **£1318**.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	174.00p	£1261.16	160.00p	£1088.84
Overage Heifers	163.00p	£1168.65	147.00p	£855.99
Grade 1 Cows	171.00p	£1318.65	141.00p	
Grade 2 Cows	137.00p		132.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	127.00p		115.00p	
Grade 4 Cows	105.00p		98.00p	
<b>Cows Overall Av</b>			<b>132.20p</b>	<b>£933.66</b>
Cull Bulls	139.50p	£1491.65	127.00p	£1491.65

**707 SPRING LAMBS****Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

An excellent entry for the Show & Sale which was kindly sponsored by RM Jones, Hay-on-Wye and capably judged by Matthew Barrett. The Champion Lamb and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize pen were exhibited by Mesr B Blandford & Sons, with second prize going to DE Jones, Monmouth. The Champion pen realised £112.50 to Ross Beynon. The trade for all the lambs was very strong with lambs 35 – 39 kilo in keenest demand. It was nice to see a few faces with lambs that we haven't seen for a while. As the hogg numbers dry up the demand for lambs will increase.

**Top price per kilo and Champion Pen:** 291p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.**Top price per head:** £114.00 for an entry from Mesr DE Jones & Son, Rockfield.

	<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)	291.00p	263.00p	£98.82	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	275.00p	257.10p	£103.61	<b>259.30p</b>
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	250.00p	246.30p	£112.46	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)				

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
<b>Premium</b>		291.00p	275.00p	
<b>Prime</b>		260.00p	257.10p	

**2008 HOGGETS****Sale following Lambs**

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher.

Less forward due to the falling trade at the end of last week met a stronger trade than expected. Huge numbers nationally has led to the price easing slightly. A lot of very plain hoggs in the entry were hard to place, the runs of good fed hoggs were very well sold with a lot of sheep between 245 – 267 pence. The overall average of the hoggets was £99.29 which is still exceptional. 1st prize went to Mr KJ Morris for his pen of 49 kg hoggs that made £116.50.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 267.00p for an entry from Mesr Tregare Farms Ltd, Tregare.**Top Price per Head:** £118.00 for an entry from the same vendor.

	<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)	243.00p	225.00p	£84.44	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	267.00p	226.60p	£95.21	<b>226.40p</b>
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	236.00p	220.00p	£106.35	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	199.00p	189.10p	£103.58	

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<b>Prime</b>	225.00p	226.00p	225.10p	217.20p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes met one of the best trades ever seen in the market. Twenty five lots sold over £120 with Texels selling to the top price of £146. Suffolks sold to £130, Mules to £115 leaving another outstanding overall average of £98.07. First quality ewes sold from £105, second quality sold from £80, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of varied quality Rams also met another good trade selling to £117.50 and an average of £90.67.

**30 REARING CALVES sold Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April****Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 30 rearing calves again sold to an excellent trade. British Blue and Limousin bulls both sold to £330 with other British Blues to £290 and £250. Friesian bulls to £90. Heifers reached £280 for a British Blue with Hereford cross to £210, £200 and £175. Charolais heifers to £200 (twice) with Limousin's to £190 and £170. Next Calf Sale is Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, at 10.30 am.

## ***FORTHCOMING SALES***

### **APRIL**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>      **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE**      Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Calves and Dairy Cattle.  
Entries for catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday  
21<sup>st</sup> April.

### **MAY**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>      **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE**      Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Calves and Dairy Cattle.

Wednesday 18<sup>TH</sup>      **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE**      Sale of Antique Furniture & Household Effects. For details  
Contact Roger Garlick on 01989 762225

### **SHEEP EID**

**RG & RB Williams Auctioneers Ltd will not be held  
responsible for any inaccuracies in the reading of any  
EID Tags or manual Sheep Ear Tags.**

### **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!**

### **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).