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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 18th MAY 2009

RED/GREEN MARKETS

Following a lengthy consultation period it has been decided to revert to Red/Green Markets on alternative weeks. The first Green Markets will take place on Bank Holiday Monday May 25th with subsequent Green Markets on a fortnightly basis.

395 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

282 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 113 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of clean cattle was of highly variable quality. The general talk before the sale was of poor weekend shop sales and this certainly was reflected in slightly lower demand. Best sorts again sold from 170 – 184 pence with another strong trade on heavier types. The general run of cattle sold from 145 – 154 pence.

Top price per kilo: 184.5p twice for entries from Mesr MA Hardy Ltd, Barry.

Top price per head: £1232.01 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>
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)	165.00p	165.00p	£745.19	
	Medium (465-555kg)	181.00p	150.20p	£771.87	
	Heavy (560+kg)	184.50p	150.50p	£961.50	150.50p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	159.00p	150.20p	£654.30	
	Heavy (485kg+)	174.00p	150.00p	£843.22	150.00p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	180.10p	173.20p	
Prime	152.10p	150.10p	140.50p
Others	135.10p	130.20p	

113 OVERAGE CATTLE

42 - 30 to 48 mths, 69 over 48 mths, 2 Bulls.

Sale after clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

An excellent entry of overage cattle met another good trade. Except for a few “dollies” the entry was made up of dried off meat cows. The time in the yards has paid. Cows to 154p/kg, Black and Whites to 139p for a young heifer and 127p for genuine barreners. The overage clean to 165p and £1354.32 per head.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	159.00p	£1354.32	141.30p	£907.68
Overage Heifers	165.00p	£1167.95	132.30p	£796.89
Grade 1 Cows	154.00p	£1086.71	141.50p	£737.63
Grade 2 Cows	134.00p		125.80p	
Grade 3 Cows	121.00p		113.50p	
Grade 4 Cows	109.00p		89.83p	
Cull Bulls	142.00p	£1057.05	135.50p	£937.46
Cow Overall Average			114.30p	

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!

1850 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt**
Auctioneer Richard Williams

A larger entry of spring lambs met a slightly easier trade as numbers increase on a national basis. Only the best sorts scaled over 220 pence to a top of 228. With lambs generally averaging over £82 most vendors seemed to be well satisfied. Please note our comments relating to Red/Green market arrangements.

Top Price per Kilo: 228.00p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.**Top Price per Head:** £90.00 twice for entries from Mesr PC & CJ Morgan, and Mesr GG Chandler & Son.

	<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)	228.00p	205.70p	£78.23	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	212.00p	203.10p	£83.18	203.90p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	188.00p	188.00p	£90.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 - Over
Premium		220.10p	220.30p	
Prime		206.40p	205.40p	

1017 HOGGETS - Auctioneer: Richard Williams**Sale following Lambs**

A seasonally reduced entry of hoggets sold to a slightly improved trade. Best shaped hogs realized over 190 pence with the general run from 180-185 pence. Most sellers should have been very satisfied as our trade was considerably ahead of all other markets on the day.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	192.00p	182.30p	£67.96	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	188.00p	181.00p	£73.05	181.60p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	155.00p	155.00p	£74.00	
Overweight (52.1kg +)				

350 CULL EWES & RAMS – Auctioneer: Martyn Evans**Sale at 10.00 am**

A reduced entry of ewes met an improved trade. Several pens of strong ewes sold over £80 with an overall average of £78.21 and increase of £10 per head on the previous week, this average is the highest ever achieved in the market. First quality ewes sold from £80, second quality sold from £60, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams met another good trade to average £68.

32 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 14th May**Sale at 10.30 am**

A small entry of 32 rearing calves again sold to a very good trade. Quality was down on the previous fortnight which was reflected in fewer high prices. Top price was £330 for a Limousin heifer with other £280, £220, etc. Hereford cross heifers £285 and £178. Aberdeen Angus heifers £158. Bulls to £305 for a Simmental with Belgian Blue and Limousins to £295, Aberdeen Angus to £190 and Friesians £135. **Next calf sale is Thursday 28th May at 10.30 am but please note the following Sale after this date will be Thursday 18th June.**

SALE OF STORE CATTLE**Thursday 28th May 2009**

To include

25 Continental x Suckler Cows & Calves,

25 Continental x Heifers 12-18 mths &

15 Continental x Bulls 12 mths

from: Mr G J Thomas, Gilestone Farm, Talybont on Usk.

Also: STORE SHEEP AT 11 AM & REARING CALVES AT 10.30 AM

