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# **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2010**

# MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY IS A RED MARKET, MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST WILL BE GREEN ALTERNATING RED/GREEN THEREAFTER.

#### 220 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

185 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), inc.10 Bulls, 35 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A seasonally reduced entry of clean cattle sold to a similar trade. The quality of cattle forward was again mixed, with a few good loads but more very plain sorts forward. There seems to be a glut of plain cattle around at present and with falling deadweight prices reported things are not looking good. The saving grace is that numbers will certainly tighten in coming weeks and this may help the trade. Best sorts proved easiest to sell with several from 165 - 168p. A short entry of 10 Bulls again sold to a good trade.

Top price per kilo: 168.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

**Top price per head:** £1192.73 for an entry from Mesr FJ & RH Griffiths, Abergavenny.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium (465-555kg)	156.50p	145.20p	£769.86	
	Heavy (560kg+)	166.00p	141.20p	£907.48	141.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-395kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	168.00p	144.40p	£813.52	144.40p
BULLS	Medium				
	Heavy (560kg+)	135.00p	130.20p	£847.07	130.20p

#### **OUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	168.00p	168.10p	
Prime	145.10p	146.70p	
Others	127.90p	125.90p	130.90p

## 35 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after Clean Cattle

15 - 30 to 48 mths, 19 over 48 mths, 1 Cull Bull.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan.

No lecture this week! The trade was on a par with other centres. Averages are not helped by the plain cows forward. Best today 114p/kg for a Simmental cow.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	139.00p	£925.93	125.30p	£747.44
Overage Heifers	142.00p	£906.39	120.60p	£670.28
Cows Overall Av	114.00p	£801.97	80.40p	£495.74
Cull Bulls	95.00p	£720.09	95.00p	£720.09

### **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!

1870 LAMBS Sale at 9.15 am

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A similar entry of lambs sold to another strong trade throughout. The quality of lambs was probably not as good as usual with very few best sorts forward. Against the norm the best trade was on lambs from 43 - 48 kilos with very strong bidding. Lambs topped at £75. A full contingent of buyers were in attendance and the entry was nowhere near enough for the demand. The overall average of the lambs was £65.80.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 175.00p for an entry from Mr JW Cook, Pershore.

**Top Price per Head:** £75.00 for an entry from Mesr BJ & MI Thomas, Hereford.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	166.00p	157.50p	£59.25	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	175.00p	158.80p	£66.76	158.60p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	158.00p	152.80p	£71.58	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)				

#### **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		175.00p	173.00p	
Prime		160.00p	159.40p	152.80p

#### **504 CULL EWES & RAMS**

#### Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes for the eight buyers in attendance met another good trade. Strong ewes once again in short supply. Charolais sold to the top price of £104.50 leaving an excellent overall average of £64.71 considering another large number of small and plain ewes forward. First quality sold from £80. Second quality sold from £55. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of Rams sold to £90 and average £73.80.

# 30 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 15th July

### **Sale at 10.30 am**

A small entry of 30 Rearing Calves sold to an excellent trade. Charolais bulls to £350 and £332 with Limousin bulls £328 and £300, British Blue bulls £275, Shorthorn bulls £290 and £295, Friesian bulls £130 and £105. British Blue heifers to £325, £275, £245, £235, £200, etc with Charolais heifers to £250. **Next Calf Sale Thursday 29**<sup>th</sup> **July at 10.30 am.** 

#### FORTHCOMING SALES

**JULY** 

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger

Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Rearing Calves. Sale at 10.30 am.

**AUGUST** 

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

Entries for Catalogue to be received by 12 noon on Thursday

5<sup>th</sup> August.

# **SHEEP EID**

This only applies to Sheep born after 31<sup>st</sup> 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 <u>each and every</u> 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).