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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 1st MAY 2006

271 CATTLE

188 Clean Cattle, 30 OTM cattle

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of clean cattle produced a trade as high as we have seen since the BSE crisis of the mid 1990's. The trade was on fire with numerous cattle over 135 pence to a top of 146 pence. The quality of the entry was very good with only a couple of cattle under 100 pence. Heavier cattle sold particularly well peaking at **£975**. **MORE CATTLE URGENTLY REQUIRED. MONDAY 8TH MAY IS A RED MARKET.**

Top price per kilo: 146.00p from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £975.25 from the same vendor.

| | | <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) | 138.00p | 119.70p | £640 | |
| | Heavy (560kg +) | 139.00p | 119.10p | £771 | 119.10p |
| HEIFERS | Medium (400-480kg) | 110.50p | 108.10p | £483 | |
| | Heavy (485kg+) | 146.00p | 113.10p | £643 | 113.30p |

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

| | Steers | Heifers | Bulls |
|----------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Premium | 130.20p | 129.10p | |
| Prime | 120.20p | 118.40p | |
| Others | 108.10p | 108.00p | |

30 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(10 Clean Cattle & 20 Barren Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry met another wonderful trade with demand far outstripping supply. There was a strong demand on all sorts with clean cattle peaking at 103.5 pence. Cows also sold very well to a top of 102.5 pence.

| | <i>Top</i> | <i>Top £/head</i> | <i>Av p/kg</i> | <i>Av//head</i> |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE | 103.50p | £700.45 | 91.37p | £554 |
| CULL COWS | 102.50p | £730.80 | 81.00p | £552 |

1084 NEW SEASON LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of lambs met another very good trade very much in line with the previous week. All better sorts realized over 170 pence to peak at 177.20 pence. Stronger lambs sold well with several pens over £70 to a top of £71.20. More lambs could easily have been sold.

NEW SEASON LAMBS continued

Top Price per Kilo: 177.20p from Mesr RF & EA Pursey, St Owens Cross.

Top Price per Head: £71.20 from the same vendor.

| | <i>Top p/kg</i> | <i>Av p/kg</i> | <i>Av £/head</i> | <i>Overall Av</i> |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Standard (32.1 – 39kg) | 175.60p | 163.10p | £61.48 | |
| Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg) | 177.20p | 163.10p | £66.48 | 163.10p |
| Heavy (45.6 – 52kg) | 146.70p | 146.70p | £67.00 | |

| Weight | 30.5 – 36 | 36.5 – 43 | 43.5 – 48 | 48.5 + over |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Premium | | 170.40p | 170.10p | |
| Prime | 160.00p | 162.10p | 161.90p | |

1284 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The falling trade of last week resulted in less hoggets forward. As a consequence the trade was much sharper and significantly ahead of markets at the end of last week. Better sorts realized over 130 pence to a top of 135 pence. All meated hogs sold well with several pens over £65 to a top of £70.

331 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

With a new buyer in attendance an increased entry of ewes met another good trade with a top price of £65 and an overall average of £40.21. First quality ewes sold from £45. Second quality sold from £30. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also sold to a good trade to average £35.74.

REARING CALVES

Sale at 12 noon

A disappointing entry of 30 rearing calves sold to an excellent trade. No outstanding continental bulls forward but a small well shaped Limousin made £175 and a Charolais £170. Hereford Cross bulls in demand to £198, £190, £178, £155, £140, etc. Aberdeen Angus bulls to £172 and smaller ones £100. Heifers very dear to £190 for a Belgian Blue with Limousin to £155, Charolais £140, Hereford Cross £85, Aberdeen Angus £88. Weaned Limousin Heifers to £272 (5 months) and £200 (9 weeks)

23 DAIRY CATTLE

Sale at 11.30 am

Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards

A surprisingly large Bank Holiday market entry with only the very best meeting spirited bidding which is not surprising considering the larger number of genuine on-farm dispersals in the region taking place before silage making commences. Heifers and cows sold to over £1000 - £1071 from GD & MK Parry, Abergavenny (cow), £1060 from ET Summerfield & Son, Oxford (heifer). Other calved heifers to £966, £903 (twice), £882, £850, £840 (three times), etc.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MAY

Thursday 4th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am.
Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225
Thursday 18th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Entries to be received by 12 noon Thursday
11th May for the catalogue. (01989) 762225

Please Note: Any animals sold through the Market and subsequently **condemned** by the Meat Hygiene Service are the **Vendors Responsibility** and **no** compensation will be payable.

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and Green Exempt Markets. This means that fat cattle attending a Green Exempt Market do not need to be pre-movement tested.

This exemption is allowed as cattle are only able to go on to slaughter, back home, onto an approved holding and onto an exempt finishing unit. Dairy cows will still need to be tested.

Calves and Dairy Cows (in Gwilym Richards sale) must be kept separate from the finished cattle, so please make sure cattle are unloaded in the correct part of the market.

OLDER CATTLE DISPOSAL SCHEME (OCDS)

The above scheme catering for all stock born before 1st August 1996 is now in operation. A fixed headage price of approximately £250.70 (370 euros) before stoppages, will be payable for all animals fit for human consumption. Animals have to be correctly tagged and exactly match their paperwork. We are holding collections on a regular basis on a pre-booked system. Please contact the Market office 01989 762225 or Jeremy Jehan 07970 048080 with your entries. **What you require:** Signed OCDS 17, Readable Ear Tag, Matching Paperwork, Sound animal born before 01.08.96