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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2008

199 CATTLE Sale at 10.30 am prompt

159 Clean Cattle, 40 OTMS.

A seasonally short entry of cattle sold to another marvellous trade. Again the entry was of variable quality with several plain non Farm Assured cattle reducing overall averages. There were no real superstars forward but all quality well meated sorts sold over 170 pence. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand and many more cattle could readily have been sold.

Top price per kilo: 186.00p for an entry from Mr BD Powell, Llangrove. **Top price per head**: £1,312.24 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	174.00p	162.20p	£838.92	
	Heavy (560+kg)	181.00p	160.60p	£994.83	160.80p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	178.00p	159.10p	£666.05	
	Heavy (485kg+)	186.00p	161.10p	£886.44	160.80p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	180.20p	180.10p	
Prime	160.20p	160.00p	
Others	140.10p	140.10p	125.10p

40 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

(26 Cull Cows, 13 Steers, 1 Heifers)

A real mixed bag of overage forward. The lowest 69p/kg and the highest price cow so far, 175p/kg for a Belgian Blue cross cow, totalling £1315.73 – the dearest beast in the market today. A lot of very plain Friesians forward sold especially well in the high eighties and nineties. Overage clean, like the clean, a fast trade to 146p/kg and £1266.99. 20% of the entry over £1,000.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	146.00p	£1266.99	126.40p	£798.76
Overage Heifers	125.00p	£753.23	125.00p	£753.23
Grade 1 Cows	175.00p	£1315.73	148.75p	£676.44
Grade 2	130.00p		123.50p	
Grade 3	115.00p		110.30p	
Grade 4	95.00p		85.30p	
Overall Average	•		106.50p	

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.

1683 FAT LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt.

Auctioneer: Steve Watkins

A short entry of lambs sold to a fantastic trade throughout. It was pleasing to see the return of a couple of familiar faces who seemed happy with their returns. Best lambs sold from 155 to 165 pence to a peak of £69.50. The overall market average was £56.60 (41.4 kilos).

Top Price per Kilo: 165.00 pence for an entry from Mesr OS Plant & Son, Newland.

Top Price per Head: £69.50 for an entry from the same vendor.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	150.20p	141.20p	£53.04	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	165.00p	137.00p	£56.52	138.40p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	139.80p	130.00p	£60.50	
Overweight (52.1kg +)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48
Premium			160.10p	160.00p
Prime			140.20p	137.90p

400 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met another good trade in line with recent weeks. Strong meated ewes sold over £50 but once again a large entry of plain ewes reduced the overall average to £38.80. First quality ewes sold from £46. Second quality sold from £30, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of mainly small rams averaged £39.13.

35 REARING CALVES sold Thursday 28th August 2008. Sale at 10.30 am

A smaller entry of 35 rearing calves sold to an easier trade than in previous weeks partly due to the fine weather and Monmouth Show. Top price was £265 for Limousin bulls with another £260. Weaned Limousin heifers to £235. Belgian Blue bulls to £190 and £180 with Belgian Blue heifers to £160, £150 and £140. Small Aberdeen Angus bulls to £120 and stronger Aberdeen Angus heifers to £160. Friesian bulls to £40. Next calf sale Thursday, 11th September at 10.30 am.

FORTHCOMING SALES

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 4th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE
Thursday 11th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE
Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS

Annual Sale of 3,000 <u>Lleyn Sheep</u>, on behalf of the Lleyn Sheep Society. Sale at 9 am. Further details: Williams & Watkins.
Sale of Store Cattle, Rearing Calves & Dairy Cattle. Sale starts at 10.30 am. Entries for Store catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 4th September.

Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries: Roger Garlick 01989 762225