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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 20th MARCH 2006

272 FINISHED CATTLE

233 Clean Cattle, 39 OTM cattle

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of generally better quality cattle sold to a much improved trade. Averages were significantly improved with all classes of cattle in keen demand. All best sorts realized over 130 pence peaking at 136 pence. There was a particularly strong trade on heavier sorts with several cattle over £850. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand with many more needed. **The next market on the 28th March is a RED Market.**

Top price per kilo: 136.00p, from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £867.53 from the same vendor.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
STEERS	Medium (455 – 550 kg)				
	Heavy (555 kg +)	136.0p	110.0p	£717	110.0p
HEIFERS	Medium (400 – 480 kg)	110.0p	101.7p	£449	
	Heavy (485 kg +)	130.0p	107.9p	£605	107.3p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	128.2p	126.1p	
Prime	112.1p	1110p	
Others	100.2p	98.2p	85.2p

39 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(11 Clean Cattle and 28 Barren Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A slightly larger entry of cattle sold to the best trade seen so far. Cows peaked at 95 pence to average 70 pence. Overage clean cattle peaked at 98 pence to average 85 pence. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand and more are urgently required.

	<i>Top</i>	<i>Top £/head</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av//head</i>
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	98.0p	£599.63	85.00p	£498.10
CULL COWS	95.5p	£589.00	70.00p	£452.89

4115 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of hoggets for several years sold to a marvellous trade. In spite of the larger entry there was no shortage of buyers and more could have been sold to advantage. The best trade was on the 39 – 46 kilo hoggets which peaked **144.4 pence**. Heavier sorts also sold very well peaking at **£64**.

Top price per kilo: 144.40p from Mesr JF & JM Dallyn, Chepstow.

Top price per head: £64.00 from Mesr VJ Thomas & Son, Llancarfan.

Hoggets (continued)

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	133.80p	125.60p	£45.45	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	144.40p	135.00p	£57.46	134.17p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	130.40p	123.70p	£58.83	
Overweight (52 kg +)	118.50p	107.50p	£60.25	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		142.4p	142.1p	
Prime		135.1p	135.0p	125.0p

421 CULL EWES AND RAMS**Sale at 10.15 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a continued good trade with the best ewes selling over £50 per head. A large entry of plain ewes reduced the overall averages to £37.73. First quality ewes sold from £42. Second quality sold from £30. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also sold to a similar good trade.

75 REARING CALVES**Sale at 12 noon**

An increased entry of 75 rearing calves met a generally easier trade particularly on the best calves. Top price was £162 for a Limousin bull with another £150. Belgian Blue bulls to £152 (twice) with others £150 (twice). Charolais bulls to £150 and Hereford cross £100. Small Blonde D'Aquitaine bulls £110. Heifers to £140 (twice) for Belgian Blue with others £130, £122, £120 (twice) and £110. Simmental heifers and Limousin heifers to £120. Hereford heifers £90.

15 DAIRY CATTLE**Sale at 12.30 pm**

Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards

All sold to another good trade with calved heifers to £966 from P Summerfield, Oxford. Others to £945 twice. Cows to £882 and £819 (both 2nd calvers). Heifer calves to £152. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL FUTURE SALES OF DAIRY CATTLE WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE STORE CATTLE RING STARTING AT 11.30 AM.**

FORTHCOMING SALES**MARCH**Thursday 23rd ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale to start 11 am.**APRIL**Thursday 6th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Entries for catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 30th March.Wednesday 12^h ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225**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 £246.71 (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