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# ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2010

Please Note: MONDAY 28th JUNE IS A RED MARKET

## **252 FINISHED CATTLE**

**Sale at 10.30 am** 

180 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 72 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

With several vendors having problems getting TB Licenses from Defra the entry was lower than expected. It was good to see prices up several pence as numbers are drying up. The entry was highly variable with numerous Hereford cross and heavy Holsteins lowering overall averages. There were no real toppers forward but better sorts sold from 165 pence to 174 pence. More cattle could readily have been sold to advantage.

**Top price per kilo**: 174.00p for an entry from Mr CT Hicks, Olveston.

Top price per head: £1184.00 for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560kg+)	166.00p	142.10p	£953.14	142.10p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-395kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	174.00p	149.80p	£893.32	149.80p
BULLS	Medium				
	Heavy (560kg+)	139.00p	130.90p	£744.25	130.90p

# **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

_	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	165.10p	170.10p	
Prime	148.10p	149.10p	
Others	130.10p	132.00p	120.70p

#### **72 OVERAGE CATTLE**

Sale after clean cattle

15 - 30 to 48 mths, 52 over 48 mths, 5 Cull Bulls.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Another excellent trade with all cows in demand whether meat or not. Some customers missing but this didn't alter the trade. Best cows to 139p. Stock Bulls very dear up to £1305.24.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	137.00p	£1126.25	121.10p	£881.89
Overage Heifers	140.00p	£965.93	130.90p	£776.00
Grade 1 Cows	139.00p	£1127.39	134.50p	
Grade 2 Cows	126.00p		116.80p	
Grade 3 Cows	110.00p		106.60p	
Grade 4 Cows	104.00p		92.80p	
Cow Overall Av.			107.30p	£718.67
Cull Bulls	110.00p	£1305.24	107.40p	£914.32

# 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.

#### Sale at 9.15 am

Auctioneer Richard Williams

Following the falling trade at the end of last week it was hardly surprising that the entry was reduced. The end result was an excellent trade considerably ahead of markets in the middle and at the end of last week. Week in and week out Monday seems to be the best day to sell lambs on a national and local basis. Today better sorts sold up to 197p with no superstars forward. Handier weights again sold particularly well. The overall average was 177.10 p to £72.00.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 197.00p for an entry from Mr CE Warner, Ledbury. **Top Price per Head:** £80.20 for an entry from Mesr N & R Hart, Llangarron.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	187.00p	180.10p	£68.60	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	197.00p	176.00p	£72.41	177.10p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)				
Overweight (52.1 + kg)				

#### **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		197.10p	190.10p	
Prime		178.10p	175.90p	

#### 379 CULL EWES & RAMS

#### Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes met a continued good trade. Once again strong ewes regularly sold over £85. Beltex sold to the top price of £103.50 leaving a similar overall average of £74.36. First quality ewes sold from £85. Second quality sold from £60, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An entry of Rams met the best trade ever seen in the market selling to £144 and average £80.43. Goats sold to £59.

# 50 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 50 Rearing Calves sold to another excellent trade. Top price was £345 for a Simmental heifer with Charolais heifers to £330, British Blue £320, Limousin £292, Blonde D'Aquitaine and Hereford cross £255 and Aberdeen Angus £200. Charolais bulls to £320 and £300 (twice), Limousin and British Blue £315, Hereford cross £255, Aberdeen Angus £200 and Friesian £100. The overall average of the calves including Friesian bulls was £190 per head.

#### FORTHCOMING SALES

JULY

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Rearing Calves.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Store Sheep & Calves.

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

Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

### **SHEEP EID**

This only applies to Sheep born after 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009. For all Lambs born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> 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).