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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 21st MAY 2007

319 CATTLE

190 Clean Cattle, 80 Cull Cows

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of finished cattle included a few runs from disillusioned deadweight vendors. The entry was again variable with several plainer sorts forward. Best cattle realized over 130 pence with a very strong trade on heavier sorts. Many more could easily have been sold. **BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 28th MAY IS A GREEN MARKET including CALVES.**

Top price per kilo: 138.00p twice for entries from Mesr AD & RMC Bishop, Eldersfield.

Top price per head: £867.47 for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

		<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)	109.00p	107.90p	£542.69	
	Heavy (560+kg)	138.00p	111.20p	£712.37	110.90p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	127.00p	112.80p	£516.56	
	Heavy (485kg+)	135.50p	110.60p	£605.69	110.70p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	132.60p	131.90p	
Prime	113.10p	112.10p	102.10p
Others	100.20p	100.00p	

80 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(72 Cull Cows, 5 Steers, 3 Heifers,)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A larger entry of cows met an easier trade than the previous week. In line with falling cow values of last week, all firms looking to buy their stock for less. Nevertheless the average clean were a very good trade topping at 105.5 pence. Best cows up to 105.5 pence/kg and all meatier sorts over 80 pence/kg. All cow buyers in attendance next week for the Bank Holiday.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Top head</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>
Grade 1 Cows	105.00p	£770.17	96.40p	
Grade 2 Cows	85.00p		77.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	76.00p		67.40p	
Grade 4 Cows	62.50p		54.90p	
Overage Steers	95.00p	£773.78	85.00p	£642.82
Overage Heifers	105.50p	£554.40	91.10p	£504.98
Cows Overall Av			71.50p	£469.17

3350 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of lambs of the season sold to a firm trade throughout. Selling was completed in about 30 minutes! Once again the very best lambs sold to advantage peaking at **149.7 pence**. Heavier sorts proved more difficult to sell with few pens over £50.

Top Price per Kilo: 149.70p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.**Top Price per Head:** £56.00 for an entry from the same vendor

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	128.30p	128.30p	39.40	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	149.70p	124.10p	45.18	119.00p
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	1326.5p	118.10p	47.53	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	100.00p	100.00p	50.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium	129.10p	128.10p	120.70p	
Prime	125.10p	123.20p	115.10p	

761 HOGGETS**Sale after Spring Lambs**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A seasonally reduced entry of hoggets sold to a similar trade, underweight are again sold best with hoggets peaking at **107.80 pence**.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	100.00p	94.20p	29.06	
Standard 32.1 – 39 kg)	107.80p	102.60p	37.91	100.50p
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	106.30p	102.10p	41.87	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	94.50p	94.50p	43.98	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	90.50p	86.20p	46.00	

267 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 10.15 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a continued good trade, continental ewes sold to a top price of £60. A large entry of overfat and plain ewes reduced the overall average to £38.61. First quality ewes sold from £40, second quality sold from £28, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An entry of mainly plain rams sold to an average of £31.88. Goats also met a good trade selling to £39.

40 REARING CALVES**Sale at 12.30 pm**

An entry of 40 rearing calves sold to an excellent trade. The overall average for both heifers and bulls was £174 per head. Top price was £240 for a Limousin bull with others of the same breed £235, £232, £218 (twice), £215, etc. Belgian Blue bulls to £210 and £202 with Hereford cross to £165 and Friesian bulls £60. Heifers reached £230 for a Limousin with other Limousins £195, £185 (4 times), £182, etc. Belgian Blue heifers to £190 and Hereford cross £190, £175, £170.

9 DAIRY CATTLE**Sale at 11 am**

Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards

A tremendous trade for a disappointingly small entry with dairy cattle numbers short nationwide. Cows sold to £1,020 and £820 for 3rd calvers from S Morgan, Hereford and £840 for a 2nd calver from R & M Haines, Gloucester. Heifers sold to £925 twice from DA & JC Shayle, Gloucester and A Ractliffe, Gloucester.

FORTHCOMING SALES**MAY**

Thursday 31st ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 24th May.

JUNE

Saturday 9th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Poultry and Ornamental Wildfowl. Contact Chris & Gene Taylor: Tel/Fax 01874 730883 for details.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR JUNE ANTIQUE SALE:

Thursday 28th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of The Contents of a South Herefordshire Country House.

GRASS KEEP

**80 Acres of River ground grazing
in Goodrich – Symonds Yat area
Available to the end of June**

Most suitable for Ewes and Lambs.

Please contact Jeremy Jehan 01989 567233 or 07970 048080

RED & GREEN MARKET TIMETABLE

7 TH MAY	GREEN	Including Calves
14 TH MAY	GREEN	
21 ST MAY	GREEN	Including Calves
28 th MAY	GREEN	Including Calves
4TH JUNE	RED	
11 TH JUNE	GREEN	Including Calves
18 TH JUNE	GREEN	
25 TH JUNE	GREEN	Including Calves
2ND JULY	RED	
9 TH JULY	GREEN	Including Calves
16 TH JULY	GREEN	
23 RD JULY	GREEN	Including Calves
30 TH JULY	GREEN	Including Calves
6TH AUGUST	RED	
13 TH AUGUST	GREEN	Including Calves
20 TH AUGUST	GREEN	
27 TH AUGUST	GREEN	Including Calves
3RD SEPTEMBER	RED	
10 TH SEPTEMBER	GREEN	Including Calves
17 TH SEPTEMBER	GREEN	
24 TH SEPTEMBER	GREEN	Including Calves

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we are holding 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.