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# ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 22nd JANUARY 2007

# **195 CATTLE**

130 Clean Cattle, 65 OTM Cattle.

### Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

After the excellent entry and trade of last week it was disappointing to see a much reduced entry. The trade had dipped as last week went on and this obviously reflected in lower numbers forward. The short entry resulted in a very dear trade throughout which was significantly ahead of deadweight quotations. All classes of cattle sold particularly well and we urgently need more to retain our excellent buying support. MONDAY 29TH JANUARY IS A GREEN MARKET. The next RED market is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February.

**Top price per kilo**: 137.00p twice for both entries from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor. **Top price per head**: £866.53 for an entry from Mr BD Powell, Llangrove.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560+kg)	128.00p	112.00p	£694.18	112.00p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	137.00p	110.90p	£613.74	110.90р

### **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	125.10p	130.10p	
Prime	112.00p	110.90p	
Others	100.10p	100.20p	92.60p

# **65 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE**

(10 Clean Steers, 5 Clean Heifers, 50 Cull Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

Several markets reported a falling trade at the end of last week. The lower entry at Ross resulted in an excellent trade every bit as good as last week. Overage clean cattle peaked at 108.5 pence to a top price of  $\underline{\$751}$ . Cows sold very well throughout peaking at 97 pence ( $\pounds791$ ). Many more overage cattle could easily have been sold.

	Top p/kg	Top head	Av/kg	Av/head
Grade 1 Cows	97.00p	£719.05	88.20p	
Grade 2 Cows	85.20p		78.40p	
Grade 3 Cows	72.60p		64.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	60.20p		50.10p	
Overage Steers	99.50p	£751.80	90.20p	£554.70
Overage Heifers	108.50p	£691.20	92.10p	£561.80
<b>Cows Overall Av</b>			70.00p	£469.26

# **1532 HOGGETS**

#### Sale at 9.15 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A disappointing entry of hoggets sold to a much better trade. 10 buyers were in attendance and as such the entry was totally insufficient for the demand with 2 buyers unable to even start. Although handy weights sold best there was a welcome upturn in heavier hoggets which sold very well. Once again <u>BELLY</u> <u>SHORN CLEAN</u> hoggets sold to a marked premium. <u>On a week by week basis Mondy is the best day to</u> <u>sell sheep and Ross usually is one of the best trades around</u>. Please try to support us.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 116.40p for an entry from Mesr DJ & GA Watkins, St Margarets. **Top Price per Head**: £51.00 (twice) for entries from Mesr Clifton Farm Partnership and Hill Farm Partnership.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	<b>Overall</b> Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	116.40p	109.90p	40.77	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	112.80p	107.00p	43.35	108.00p
Heavy (45.1 – 52 kg)	102.10p	100.10p	49.19	
Overweight (52.1 kg +)	94.40p	94.40p	50.00	

Weight	30.5 - 36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48	48.5 + over
Premium		114.10p	112.10p	
Prime		110.00p	108.50p	102.60p

### 238 CULL EWES & RAMS

#### Sale at 10.15 am Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes met another good trade in line with recent weeks. Strong lean ewes were most sought after, regularly selling over £40 to a top price of £45 and an overall average of £32. First quality sold from £34, second quality sold from £22, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams sold to £37.

# FORTHCOMING SALES

<b>JANUARY 200</b> Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	7 ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of 170 Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am
FEBRUARY Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries invited to Roger Garlick (01989) 762225
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Shrubs and Bulbs.

### **STORE LAMBS**

Please note we are holding sales of STORE LAMBS on every GREEN MARKET. The demand is excellent resulting in very good trades being experienced. Also BREEDING EWES are sold on GREEN MARKETS.

# 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.

ARE YOU DEFICIENT? Are newborn calves slow to rise and suck? Is it difficult to fatten calves on your land? Is the consumption of grain/hay/silage high? Is it difficult to keep the cattle in peak condition? Is your lambing percentage low? Is there a significant difference between scanning percentage and lambs to market? Do your lambs stand still after weaning? Is it difficult to finish lambs without creep? Do you want your stock to grow healthier faster and cheaper? If you do then you might need to retain the balance of trace elements to your ground. To find out more please ring Jeremy Jehan on 07970 048080