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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT  
 MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2010**

**MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH IS A GREEN MARKET**

**247 FINISHED CATTLE**

**Sale at 10.30 am**

130 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 117 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A difficult days trading with price reduction top of the card. Suckler bred cattle with meat and shape sold well. Anything slightly off spec was bought at a price. Plenty of cattle too dirty and some needed clipping before they could be killed.

**Top price per kilo:** 171.00p three times for entries from Mesr FC Garlick & Sons, Orcop.

**Top price per head:** £1180.57 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>
<b>STEERS</b>	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	136.00p	133.80p	£609.86	
	Heavy (560+kg)	166.00p	144.00p	£942.31	<b>143.50p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	171.00p	145.90p	£862.96	<b>145.90p</b>

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Bulls</b>
<b>Premium</b>	158.40p	155.60p	
<b>Prime</b>	145.20p	142.20p	149.00p
<b>Others</b>	130.10p	129.70p	

**117 OVERAGE CATTLE**

**Sale after clean cattle**

46 - 30 to 48 mths, 68 over 48 mths, 3 Stock Bulls

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A good entry of overage cattle. 30-48 months would be a similar trade to last week, best cattle 140p up to 156p and £1230.01 per head. Cows were sharper again, overall average of 108.20p which included 65% Black and Whites. More cows could easily have been sold. Many cows would be dearer hung up than the UTM's! Black and Whites to £1043.64, Beef cows £1261.09. In all eight cows over 130p/kg. The Stock Bulls included a Simmental at £1220.13 and two Friesian bulls grossing £933.65 and £892.17.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	156.00p	£1230.01	138.10p	£997.35
Overage Heifers	154.00p	£924.07	125.80p	£727.71
Grade 1 Cows	137.00p	£1261.09	131.80p	
Grade 2 Cows	129.00p		122.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	114.00p		111.70p	
Grade 4 Cows	109.00p		96.30p	
<b>Cow Overall Av.</b>			<b>108.20p</b>	<b>£774.19</b>
Cull Bull	114.00p	£1220.13	106.70p	£1015.32

**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.  
**IF THE ANIMAL IS BINNED IT IS YOUR LOSS!**

**1850 HOGGETS****Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer Greg Christopher

Another good entry of Hoggets met an easier trade than the previous week. With Export demand slightly reduced and larger numbers nationally of heavier hoggets overall averages were reduced. Still best hogs to 201p/kg. **Show & Sale of Spring Lambs next Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> March.**

**Top Price per Kilo:** 201.00p for an entry from Mesr JP Sevenoaks & Son, Walterstone.**Top Price per Head:** £87.80 for an entry from Mesr VJ Thomas & Son, Llancarfan.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	201.00p	185.50p	£67.58	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	197.00p	187.40p	£78.97	<b>187.10p</b>
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	186.00p	174.70p	£83.12	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	153.00p	152.80p	£81.22	

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

<b>Weight</b>	<b>30.5 – 36</b>	<b>36.5 – 43</b>	<b>43.5 – 48</b>	<b>48.5 – Over</b>
<b>Premium</b>	201.00p	197.00p	187.30p	174.00p
<b>Prime</b>	201.00p	187.90p	180.10p	160.00p

**398 CULL EWES & RAMS****Sale at 10.00 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes met another good trade, thirteen lots sold over £100 for the second consecutive week leaving an increased overall average of £83.17. Texel ewes sold to the top price of £140, the highest ever achieved in the market. First quality ewes sold from £95. Second quality sold from £70, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met a good trade selling to £90 and average £76.14. An entry of Goats sold to £60 and average £55.80.

**40 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March****Sale at 10.30 pm**

An entry of 40 Rearing Calves sold to an easier trade than in the previous weeks with fewer buyers in attendance. Limousin bulls to £270 with British Blue to £270 and Friesian bulls £80. Heifers to £260 for a Simmental with Limousins £180, Charolais £190 and Hereford cross £185. In the weaned section 3-4 month old British Blue's to £370 and Limousin Heifers £350. **Next Calf Sale Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 10.30 am.**

**FORTHCOMING SALES****MARCH**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Show & Sale of Spring Lambs.**APRIL**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Store Sheep & Calves. Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March.Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, etc.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.**

**TO LET**

Grazing/Mowing, 15 Acres at Stowfield, Nr Lydbrook.  
Available immediately till late Autumn.  
Ideally suit sheep grazing – some electric fencing needed.  
**Contact RG & RB Williams on 01989 567233**

**ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN**

All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers each and every 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).