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## ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2007

### 305 CATTLE

220 Clean Cattle, 60 Cull Cows

**Sale at 10.30 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of clean cattle which included several very good loads. With plentiful supply on the market deadweight quotations are back and as such the trade was generally easier. All better sorts sold from 125 – 130 pence but there was resistance above these levels. There was once again a very strong trade on heavier sorts. **MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL IS A RED MARKET.**

**Top price per kilo:** 130.00p twice for entries from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning and DE & CE James, Bosbury.

**Top price per head:** £854.70 for an entry from Mesr. DE & SJ Cheacker.

		<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)	125.00p	116.20p	£600.89	
	Heavy (560+kg)	130.00p	112.60p	£715.92	<b>112.80p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Medium (400-480kg)	130.00p	106.20p	£472.40	
	Heavy (485kg+)	129.00p	110.50p	£608.82	<b>110.10p</b>

### QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Bulls</b>
<b>Premium</b>	128.20p	128.10p	
<b>Prime</b>	115.10p	114.20p	
<b>Others</b>	104.20p	103.20p	

### 60 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(60 Cull Cows)

**Sale after the clean cattle**

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A reduced entry of cull cows met a generally easier trade. There were no overage clean cattle forward. A very good trade ensued which was probably slightly reduced on the previous week. There were virtually no suckler cows forward and the entry included numerous plainer sorts. Maximum price 90p per kilo, average 70p per kilo. Average price per head £456.71 to top £708.53.

### 603 SPRING LAMBS

**Sale at 9.15 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The depressed Hogget trade is having a serious effect on the lamb trade. In spite of low entries prices remain well below last years levels. Best sold would be 35 – 39 kilos which peaked at 155.40p.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 155.40p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.

**Top Price per Head:** £69.00 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)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	155.40p	140.20p	53.40	<b>134.60p</b>
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	140.80p	128.60p	51.20	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)				

## QUALITY PRICE REPORTING – SPRING LAMBS

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium	150.20p	148.20p		
Prime	145.10p	140.20p		

### 1821 HOGGETS

#### Sale after Spring Lambs

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The dramatically falling trade over the last few days resulted in a much reduced entry of hoggets. Once again it was only the hogs from 37 – 42 kilos that sold to advantage. Most other heavier hogs proved difficult to sell. In spite of the generally poor trade most vendors seemed happy to accept the sums on offer.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard 32.1 – 39 kg)	125.60p	109.60p	40.08	<b>106.90p</b>
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	122.10p	106.10p	44.40	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	100.00p	92.90p	44.29	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	88.07p	85.20p	45.84	

### 257 CULL EWES & RAMS

#### Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes met slightly less demand. The trade was in line with the general trend at the end of the previous week. Strong ewes regularly sold from £40 - £50 per head with an overall average of £37.70. First quality ewes sold from £40, second quality sold from £25, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met a similar trade to average £36.93. A pen of Goats sold to £32.50.

### 80 REARING CALVES

#### Sale at 12.30pm

An increased entry of 80 rearing calves sold to a good trade although lacking the edge of 2 weeks ago. Top price was £220 for a Limousin bull with others of the same breed £215, £195, £192, £188, £185, £180, etc. Belgian Blue bulls to £182, Charolais £165 and Hereford cross £100. Heifers to a top of £175 for both Limousin and Belgian Blue with other Limousins £170, £150, £145 and Belgian Blue £170, £150, etc. Hereford to £60 and small Charolais £90.

### 5 DAIRY CATTLE

#### Sale at 11.30 pm

Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards.

Again a very strong trade on all qualities. Many more needed to satisfy demand. Top price for a super daughter of Painleg Knighthood sold to £1155.00 from K Ractliffe, Willersley, Evesham. 2<sup>nd</sup> quality heifers to £966 from A Ractliffe, Harescombe, Glos. Blue Shorthorn cross heifers to £840 again from A Ractliffe. Overall Average of £950.25.

### FORTHCOMING SALES

#### MAY

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries invited to Roger Garlick (01989) 762225

#### JUNE

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

### 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 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.

#### **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**

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#### **DO NOT USE THIS CHART – SAVING FOR FOLLOWING WEEK.**

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Top head</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>
Grade 1 Cows	95.00p	£704.03	90.10p	
Grade 2 Cows	85.20p		79.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	77.40p		70.10p	
Grade 4 Cows	65.20p		52.10p	
Overage Steers	107.00p	£676.80	97.20p	£603.45
Overage Heifers	106.50p	£593.60	96.10p	£480.76
<b>Cows Overall Av</b>			75.20p	£636.59