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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT**  
**MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2007**

**243 CATTLE**

190 Clean Cattle, 19 Young Bulls, 34 OTMS

**Sale at 10.30 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of cattle once again sold to a flying trade. The best cattle sold exceptionally well peaking at 160p. Bidding was firm throughout the sale and many more cattle could easily have been sold to advantage. Young bulls again sold very well with a new buyer in attendance. **NEXT MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY IS A GREEN MARKET.**

**Top price per kilo:** 160.00p for an entry from F E Cox, Yarkhill.

**Top price per head:** £882.25 for an entry from the same vendor.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
<b>STEERS</b>	Light (370-460kg)	134.00p	134.00p	£608.76	
	Medium (465-555kg)	138.00p	116.40p	£606.83	
	Heavy (560+kg)	139.00p	113.00p	£683.54	<b>114.03p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Medium (400-480kg)	121.50p	108.60p	£505.38	
	Heavy (485kg+)	160.00p	117.00p	£638.89	<b>115.54p</b>

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Bulls</b>
<b>Premium</b>	137.20p	140.60p	130.10p
<b>Prime</b>	118.10p	117.20p	112.00p
<b>Others</b>	105.20p	104.90p	98.90p

**34 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE**

(25 Cull Cows, 7 Steers, 2 Heifers)

**Sale after the clean cattle**

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

The poor weather resulted in a lower entry of overage cattle, no grade 1 cows forward, only a few grade 2 and nearly all grade 3 and 4s, resulted in a lower overall average, but nevertheless a fair trade on the cows forward.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Top head</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>
Grade 1 Cows	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grade 2 Cows	86.00p	£637.50	81.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	77.50p		65.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	64.00p		54.75p	
Overage Steers	81.00p	£436.31	75.18p	£392.83
Overage Heifers	104.00p	£619.91	88.20p	£502.78
<b>Cows Overall Av</b>			<b>69.21p</b>	<b>£420.56</b>

**IMPORTANT – 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!**

**1,869 SPRING LAMBS****Sale at 9.15 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A very good entry of lambs in spite of the appalling floods locally. Those who were able to attend benefited from a good trade which was considerably ahead of markets at the end of last week. Again best sorts realised over 130p to a top of 134.20p. Overall lamb average £46.87.

**Top Price per Kilo:** 134.20p for an entry from Messrs B Blandford & Son, Eastnor.**Top Price per Head:** £51.80 for an entry from W Halford, Kempsey.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	111.11p	111.11p	£33.00	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	134.20p	114.40p	£42.57	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	120.60p	113.30p	£46.79	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	107.70p	107.70p	£51.80	<b>113.50p</b>

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 - 48
<b>Premium</b>		130.20p	132.10p	
<b>Prime</b>		114.00p	114.10p	110.20p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes sold to another tremendous trade in line with recent weeks. All grades were in demand with strong ewes regularly selling over £50 per head. Continental ewes sold to the top price of £60 with an overall average of £38.10. First quality ewes sold from £44, second quality sold from £30, small & plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of small rams averaged £32.25.

**60 REARING CALVES****Sale at 12.30 pm**

An entry to 60 rearing calves met another good trade. Top price was £215 for a Belgian Blue bull with others of the same breed £200, £195, £190, £188 etc. Charolais bulls to £208 and £204 (twice), Limousin bulls £195, £188, £185, £180 etc. Blonde D'Aquitaine to £180 and £175 with Friesians to £70. Heifers to £200, £192, £160 etc for Belgian Blue with Charolais to £192 and Limousin £180, £178. Small Blonde D'Aquitaines to £130 with Hereford Cross to £92.

***FORTHCOMING SALES*****AUGUST**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> HONEYBOURNE, EVESHAM Annual Sale of 10,000 Store Lambs. Sale at 11.30 am.Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Entries for the catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August.**CHANGES TO RED & GREEN MARKET TIMETABLE****All Green Markets to include a Calf Market:**

30<sup>TH</sup> JULY                      GREEN  
6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST                      RED  
13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST                      GREEN  
20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST                      RED  
27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST                      GREEN – BANK HOLIDAY

***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.