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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2009

193 FINISHED CATTLE

140 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 53 OTMS.

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A desperately short entry of clean cattle which was expected as nationally numbers are very short. We anticipated a better trade and generally prices were about 10-12p per kilo ahead of the previous week. All better meated sorts sold in the 180-200 pence price range. With 12 buyers around the ring we urgently need more cattle in order to retain their buying support.

Top price per kilo: 200p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1373.85 for an entry from Mesr FC Garlick & Sons, Orcop.

		<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)	176.00p	160.10p	£844.26	
	Heavy (560+kg)	194.00p	164.60p	£1066.78	164.20p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	170.00p	160.70p	£634.27	
	Heavy (485kg+)	200.00p	163.10p	£946.92	162.80p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	190.70p	195.20p	
Prime	165.40p	163.10p	
Others	140.10p	140.10p	

53 OVERAGE CATTLE

23 - 30 to 48 mths, 30 over 48 mths.

Sale after clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A better entry and another superb trade. Best cows to 144p. No first quality Friesians, and a lot of very plain cows forward did reduce averages. 30-48 month cattle up in line with the clean cattle, best to 158p/kg.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	148.00p	£973.50	130.90p	£776.29
Overage Heifers	158.00p	£931.20	130.50p	£724.30
Grade 1 Cows	144.00p	£1030.58	136.50p	£689.09
Grade 2 Cows	134.00p		122.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	107.00p		105.40p	
Grade 4 Cows	90.00p		81.50p	
Cull Bulls				
Cow Overall Average			108.20p	

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!

2192 HOGGETS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt.**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A slightly improved entry of hoggets sold to a superb trade which was the best trade we have ever seen at Ross. Numerous pens realized over £2/kilo to a top of **218.9p**. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand which seems to be getting stronger each week. The overall average of the hoggets was **£80**.

NB. PLEASE NOTE THAT TRADING STANDARDS OFFICERS ARE INSISTING THAT ALL SHEEP ENTERING AND LEAVING OUR RED MARKETS MUST HAVE AN EAR TAG. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU BRING/SEND IN A FEW SPARE TAGS IN CASE ANY ARE LOST IN TRANSIT BECAUSE DEFRA HAVE REFUSED TO ISSUE THE MARKET WITH ANY MORE IN FUTURE.

Top Price per Kilo: 218.90p for an entry from Mesr JT Houldey & Son, Hasfield.

Top Price per Head: £93.50 for an entry from Mesr AJ Jones & Son, Dingestow.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	187.60p	182.00p	£67.94	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	218.90p	188.50p	£79.21	187.80p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	195.20p	173.40p	£83.25	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	163.60p	156.90p	£85.23	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 -36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 - Over
Premium		210.10p	200.40p	
Prime		190.10p	189.10p	166.90p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a continued keen demand. Strong good meated ewes regularly sold over £90 to a top price of £105 and an overall average of £68.20. Both figures the highest ever seen at Ross. First quality ewes sold from £80. Second quality sold from £55. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. The increased entry of rams also sold to another good trade with a top price of £99 and an average of £70.92. Two toothed hoggets sold to £73 and an entry of Goats averaged £39.

35 REARING CALVES sold Thursday 19th March**Sale at 10.30 am**

A smaller entry of 35 rearing calves sold to yet another outstanding trade. Top price was £352 for a Limousin bull with others of the same breed £315 (twice), Belgian Blue bulls to £320 and £290. Friesian bulls to £50. Limousin heifers to £330, £230, £225, £215, etc, with Belgian Blue heifers £300, £298, £290 (twice), Blonde D'Aquitaine £275 and Hereford cross £260. **NEXT SALE THURSDAY 2ND APRIL AT 10.30 am.**

FORTHCOMING SALES**APRIL**

Thursday 2nd **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15 am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30 am & Store Sheep at 11 am. Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 26th March.

Wednesday 22nd **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

Thursday 16th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30am & Store Sheep at 11am.