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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 24th APRIL 2006

223 CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

185 Clean Cattle, 38 OTM cattle Auctioneer: Richard Williams An improved entry of clean cattle met an outstanding trade throughout. The entry included some good runs of cattle with plenty over 130 pence to a top of 137 pence. All classes of cattle were in keen demand with very few cattle under 100 pence. WE URGENTLY NEED MORE CATTLE TO RETAIN OUR EXCELLENT BUYING SUPPORT. Our next market on MONDAY 1ST MAY IS A GREEN MARKET.

Top price per kilo: 137.00p from Mr FE Cox, Yarkhill.. Top price per head: $\pounds 874.00$ from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370–460kg) Medium (465-555kg)				0
HEIFERS	Heavy (560kg +) Medium (400-480kg)	137.00p	115.00p	£744	115.00p
HEIFERS	Heavy $(485 \text{kg}+)$	134.00p	113.00p	£613	113.00p

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	130.10p	130.00p	
Prime	115.00p	114.90p	
Others	104.10p	103.10p	

38 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle

(9 Clean Cattle & 27 Barren Cows)

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of overage cattle met the best trade we have seen so far. The trade was 'on fire' with the entry being totally insufficient for the demand. Clean cattle sold to 104 pence with Cull cows to 107.5 pence. There was also a fantastic trade on Friesian cows which peaked at 95 pence.

	Тор	Top £/head	Av p/kg	Av//head
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	104.00p	£703.85	90.81p	£604
CULL COWS	107.50p	£576.00	83.67p	£557

912 NEW SEASON LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of lambs of the season sold to another fast trade. All best lambs realized over 180 pence peaking at 186 pence. The entry was insufficient for the demand and more lambs could easily have been sold.

NEW SEASON LAMBS continued

Top Price per Kilo: 186.00p from Mesr RF & EA Pursey, St Owens Cross. Top Price per Head: £73.50 from the same vendor.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Standard $(32.1 - 39 \text{kg})$	183.10p	175.60p	£65.58	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	186.00p	168.50p	£67.70	173.00p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	145.80p	143.70p	£68.67	-

Weight	30.5 - 36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48	48.5 + over
Premium	180.20p	180.10p		
Prime	176.10p	175.00p	165.00p	

2,771 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A seasonally reduced entry of hoggets met a good trade which was back on the previous week. The main problem this week was a large number of hoggets lacked meat and this reduced overall averages. All well fleshed hogs sold well peaking at <u>160.90 pence</u>. Again there was a good trade in heavier hogs with several pens over £70 to a top of <u>£73</u>.

226 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met a continued good trade. Once again several lots sold over £50 per head with an overall average of £42.21. First quality ewes sold from £45, second quality sold from £30. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also sold to a similar trade with a top price of £55. An overall average of £39.67.

FORTHCOMING SALES

APRIL Thursday 27 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	6 th Annual Sale of 43 Pedigree Charolais Bulls & Females. Catalogues available. Tel: (01989) 762225.
MAY Thursday 4 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle. Entries now invited for the catalogue. Tel: (01989) 762225.
Wednesday 17 ^h	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225

Please Note: Any animals sold through the Market and subsequently **condemned** by the Meat Hygiene Service are the **Vendors Responsibility** and **no** compensation will be payable.

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.

OLDER CATTLE DISPOSAL SCHEME (OCDS)

The above scheme catering for all stock born before 1st August 1996 is now in operation. A fixed headage price of approximately £250.70 (370 euros) before stoppages, will be payable for all animals fit for human consumption. Animals have to be correctly tagged and exactly match their paperwork. We are holding collections on a regular basis on a pre-booked system. Please contact the Market office 01989 762225 or Jeremy Jehan 07970 048080 with your entries. **What you require**: Signed OCDS 17, Readable Ear Tag, Matching Paperwork, Sound animal born before 01.08.96