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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2008

282 CATTLE

209 Clean Cattle, 73 OTMS

Sale at 10.00 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A slightly reduced entry of clean cattle met a marvellous trade which was dearer than last week. There were no real superstars in the entry with best sorts selling from 150 - 162 pence. Best sold on the day would probably be the second class cattle with very few under 120 pence. With a full ring of buyers, including a new face more cattle could readily have been sold. **MONDAY 3RD MARCH IS A RED MARKET.**

MONDAY 10TH MARCH IS THE NEXT GREEN MARKET.

Top price per kilo: 162.50p for an entry from Mesr GG Chandler & Son, Llangattock Lingoed. **Top price per head**: £1080.18 for an entry from Mr BD Powell, Llangrove.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	162.50p	137.90p	£722.98	
	Heavy (560+kg)	160.50p	138.40p	£890.99	138.30p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	139.00p	136.60p	£621.96	
	Heavy (485kg+)	158.50p	137.80p	£762.20	137.70р

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	153.10p	149.50p	
Prime	135.50p	136.20p	
Others	116.00p	116.20p	

73 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

(44 Cull Cows, 7 Heifers, 22 Steer)

Truly amazing trade. Plain Friesian cows with large bags 110p!! The cows today <u>AVERAGED 110.06p/kg</u>. Tops today 130p, 129p and 129p for beef cows and 114p for Friesians. The quality today was on the whole poor, with ten cows under 80p/kg. A good entry of overage clean up to 135p, any with shape and meat 125p plus. A few poor doers reduced averages, with the lowest 78p/kg. Please advise us of your entries.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	135.00p	£928.51	114.40p	£711.11
Overage Heifers	129.00p	£743.95	111.30p	£610.05
Grade 1 Cows	130.00p	£939.34	128.00p	£609.22
Grade 2	121.00p		113.50p	
Grade 3	114.00p		101.30p	
Grade 4	78.00p		74.30p	
Overall Average			100.06p	

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!

2102 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.00 am prompt Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A much larger entry of hoggets sold to a blistering trade. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand and many many more could easily have been sold. All better sorts sold from 130 - 139.9 pence with a particularly strong trade on the heavier sorts. **BELLY SHORN SHEEP WERE REALIZING A £3 - £4 PREMIUM** so if you have tegs from 38 - 46 kilos it is a very worthwhile exercise. The overall average of the hogs was **£55**.

Top Price per Kilo: 139.90 pence for an entry from Mesr Hill Farm Partnership, Marstow. **Top Price per Head:** £66.40 for an entry from Mesr JP Sevenoaks & Sons, Walterstone.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	136.40p	126.70p	£47.29	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	139.90p	130.80p	£54.61	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	131.70p	126.40p	£59.75	129.80p
Overweight (52.1kg +)	123.40p	115.90p	£63.42	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 - 36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48
Premium		138.20p	132.60p	
Prime		130.30p	126.30p	122.20p

264 CULL EWES & RAMS

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Sale at 9.30 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

With the return of another buyer a disappointing entry of ewes met an improved trade. Strong ewes regularly sold over £50 to the top price of £58.50. The overall average of £44.60 was an increase of £9.50 on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £45, second quality sold from £28, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also met an improved trade selling to £54.50 and an average of £39.67.

FORTHCOMING SALES

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FODDER BEET

FOR SALE

Just off A49 – between Ross and Hereford

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