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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 25th JANUARY 2010

MONDAY 1st FEBRUARY IS A GREEN MARKET

290 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

175 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 115 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

An increased entry of finished cattle sold to a generally easier trade as deadweight quotations continue to fall. All buyers were complaining of reduced demand which is generally the norm for the time of year. Prices were generally about 5 pence back on the previous week. Best cattle again sold well with premium sorts up to 188p. In spite of the lower prices all the cattle were sold at a very fast pace through the ring.

Top price per kilo: 188.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £1242.00 for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	125.00p	125.00p	£647.69	
	Heavy (560+kg)	188.00p	153.10p	£988.55	153.10p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)	140.00p	140.00p	£669.60	
	Heavy (485kg+)	176.00p	152.00p	£882.76	152.00p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	180.50p	178.90p	
Prime	154.20p	153.70p	
Others	132.09p	130.70p	

115 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

39 - 30 to 48 mths, 75 over 48 mths, 1 Stock Bull.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

In line with centres last week and the general trade, the overage cattle were back in price but not demand. All types competed for from start to finish, but all buyers needing to buy their stock for less money. Nevertheless best cows to 150p/kg, worst to 55p/kg. A funny bunch of 30-48 mth cattle with a lot lacking meat.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	142.00p	£1020.32	121.60p	£827.44
Overage Heifers	148.00p	£983.92	117.50p	£745.49
Grade 1 Cows	150.00p	£1157.13	131.70p	
Grade 2 Cows	119.00p		113.80p	
Grade 3 Cows	112.00p		99.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	103.00p		95.10p	
Cow Overall Av.			103.60p	£685.05
Cull Bulls				

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!

1440 HOGGETS**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A similar entry of hoggets sold to an excellent trade which was significantly ahead of the previous week. 10 buyers were in attendance and this ensured a fast trade throughout. Hoggets from 36-43 kilos once again were best sold peaking at 226p. Heavy hoggets also sold well peaking at **£95**. Many more hoggets could readily have been sold.

Top Price per Kilo: 226.00 for an entry from Mesr A & R Livestock Ltd, Eldersfield.**Top Price per Head:** £95.00 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)	216.00p	196.90p	£72.20	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	226.00p	193.80p	£79.49	194.90p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	175.00p	170.60p	£80.99	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	151.00p	151.00p	£80.60	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	207.10p	207.50p	203.90p	
Prime	198.10p	197.90p	192.70p	172.40p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A disappointing entry of ewes met another good trade. Several pens of strong ewes sold over £90 leaving a very respectable overall average of £80.87. First quality ewes sold from £85. Second quality sold from £65. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams averaged £65. An entry of generally very lean goats sold to £59 and averaged £50.85

55 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 21st January**Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 55 rearing calves sold to a significantly easier trade than the last sale. British Blue bulls to £275 with British Blue heifers and Limousin heifers to £170. Limousin bulls to £210 and Simmental bulls £270, £230. Friesian bulls to £125, £120 and £115. In the weaned section 5 month old British Blue bulls to £395 and £380 with 3-4 month old Hereford cross bulls £345. 5 month old Limousin bulls £340. **Next Calf Sale is Thursday 4th February 2010 at 10.30 am.**

STORE LAMBS sold on Thursday 21st January**Sale at 11 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A short entry of Store Lambs averaged £65.

FORTHCOMING SALES**FEBRUARY 2010**

Thursday 4 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Rearing Calves at 10.30am Dairy Cattle at 11am and Store Sheep at 11am Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 28 th January
Wednesday 10 th	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, tel: 01989 762225.
Thursday 18 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, Calves, Dairy Cattle and Store Sheep.

ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN

All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers each and every time stock are loaded/unloaded. If this is not done you are liable for any damage caused by an escaped animal. Once you have finished loading/unloading these gates must be shut and secured. If an animal does escape please inform a member of staff immediately who will blow the 'Whistle'. This then warns the gate keeper to close the vehicle gates. Available staff will secure the market perimeter. Once secure, the escaped animal will need to be herded back into the market pens. (We may use quiet stock already penned to help catch the escaped animal).