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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 27th MARCH 2006

237 FINISHED CATTLE

197 Clean Cattle, 40 OTM cattle

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A slightly reduced entry of clean cattle met another firm trade. The quality of cattle forward was much poorer than in recent weeks with only a few prime cattle included in the entry. Best sorts realized over 120 pence peaking at 124.5 pence. There was also a good trade on heavier and plainer sorts. **MORE CATTLE URGENTLY REQUIRED. The next market on the 3rd April is a GREEN Market.**

Top price per kilo: 124.50p, from Mesr Sixty Bros, Llangrove.

Top price per head: £793.13 from Mesr WM Watkins & Sons, Grosmont.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
STEERS	Medium (455 – 550 kg)				
	Heavy (555 kg +)	119.0p	104.5p	£674	105.4p
HEIFERS	Medium (400 – 480 kg)				
	Heavy (485 kg +)	124.5p	105.0p	£575	105.0p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	118.0p	119.0p	
Prime	106.2p	107.1p	
Others	94.1p	92.0p	82.1p

40 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(3 Clean Cattle and 37 Barren Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of cattle sold to a very good trade. Cows peaked at 96 pence to average 65 pence. Barren cows peaked at £624.

	<i>Top</i>	<i>Top £/head</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av//head</i>
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	86.5p	£619.12	83.5p	£514.31
CULL COWS	96.0p	£624.15	65.0p	£408.39

2715 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A shorter entry of hoggets met an excellent trade only slightly behind the flyer of the previous week. All best sorts realized over 135 pence peaking at 142.3 pence. All heavier weights sold well peaking at **£63.20**.

Top price per kilo: 142.30p from Mesr C & A Bowen & Sons, St Weonards.

Top price per head: £63.20 from Mesr VJ Thomas & Son, Llancarfan.

Hoggets (continued)

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Light (25.5 – 32)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	138.40p	130.10p	£48.66	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	142.30p	130.50p	£55.48	130.4p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	128.60p	121.40p	£58.00	
Overweight (52 kg +)	119.20p	113.50p	£61.23	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		140.1p	135.2p	
Prime		131.1p	130.1p	125.1p

10 NEW SEASON LAMBS

The first lambs of the season sold to £58.80 (170.43p)

227 CULL EWES AND RAMS**Sale at 10.15 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes sold to a similar trade to recent weeks with best ewes once again selling over £50 per head to an overall average of £35.04. First quality ewes sold from £40. Second quality sold from £28. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also sold to a good trade to average £34.70.

FORTHCOMING SALES**APRIL**

Thursday 6th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Entries for catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 30th March.

Wednesday 12th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Effects. Tel: Roger Garlick 01989 762225

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 £246.71 (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