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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 27TH APRIL 2009

301 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

202 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 99 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A shorter entry of finished cattle as the trade has generally eased over the past couple of weeks. Numbers have been increasing and with Irish beef in plentiful supply there has been a downwards pressure on price. The reduced entry of cattle ensured a fast trade throughout. It is true that the edge has gone off the very best cattle but the averages still compare very favourably with current deadweight quotations.

Top price per kilo: 184.5p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £1344.15 for an entry from Mr RD Foote, Stroud.

		<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)	154.00p	150.90p	£710.11	
	Heavy (560+kg)	184.50p	158.30p	£1025.15	157.90p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	159.00p	153.00p	£664.10	
	Heavy (485kg+)	184.00p	156.00p	£892.02	155.80p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	178.20p	177.90p	
Prime	156.40p	159.20p	
Others	135.10p	136.20p	

99 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

43 - 30 to 48 mths, 52 over 48 mths, 4 Bulls.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

The largest entry for some time due to the tremendous trade we have been having and yet again another flyer. Cows were a real mixed bag from 146p down to 36p and overall average 116.6p. All meat over 120p whether it is Beef or Dairy. Friesian heifers to 139p/kg. Highlight today was a 939 kg bullock which sold for 160.5p/kg and grossed £1507.10.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	161.00p	£1507.10	138.70p	£903.86
Overage Heifers	140.00p	£930.88	124.90p	£712.54
Grade 1 Cows	146.00p	£1174.59	138.00p	£752.54
Grade 2 Cows	139.00p		125.60p	
Grade 3 Cows	120.00p		111.40p	
Grade 4 Cows	98.00p		87.80p	
Cull Bulls	141.00p	£1004.58	129.30p	£802.63
Cow Overall Average			116.60p	

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!

520 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of Spring Lambs of the season sold to a very good trade as more buyers move over from hoggets. Best lambs sold from 225-230 pence. Many more lambs are required in the next few weeks to satisfy demand.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	217.30p	212.40p	£76.48	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	230.00p	212.10p	£86.30	212.10p

2012 HOGGETS**Sale following Lambs**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A seasonally reduced entry of hoggets also not assisted by the falling trade of last week. The trade rebounded somewhat with averages higher than at the end of last week. Once again handier weights sold best to a top of 194.1 pence. Many more hoggets could have been sold to advantage..

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: 194.10p for an entry from Mesr N & I Bevan, St Weonards.

Top Price per Head: £87.00 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>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	190.10p	177.00p	£66.12	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	194.10p	180.10p	£75.75	179.9p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	179.00p	169.10p	£79.26	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	159.00p	154.10p	£79.53	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 - Over
Premium		195.10p	194.00p	
Prime		182.10p	181.70p	173.10p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes met slightly less demand in line with the national trend. The entry consisted mainly of small and plain ewes which left an overall average of £55. The very short entry of first quality ewes sold from £75, second quality sold from £45. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met less demand selling to £57.50.

FORTHCOMING SALES**APRIL**

Thursday 30th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle 11.15 am, Dairy Cattle 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30 am and Store Sheep at 11 am.

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Thursday 14th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon, Rearing Calves at 10.30am & Store Sheep at 11am
Entries for Sore Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon
Thursday 7th May.

Wednesday 20th **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.