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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2006

210 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

190 Clean Cattle, 20 OTM cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A shorter entry of cattle sold to another very good trade with most vendors well satisfied with overall returns. There were no exceptional cattle in the yard which included several runs of plainer sorts. The buyers were all reporting a slow down in the trade but this was not reflected in the trade which remained firm throughout the sale. MORE CATTLE ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED. The next market on the 6th March is a GREEN market.

Top price per kilo: 118.00p, from Mesr P & B Price, St Brides.

Top price per head: £817.00 from Mesr EJ Jenkins & Son, Abbeydore.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium $(455 - 550 \text{ kg})$	95.0p	92.0p	£487	G
	Heavy (555 kg +)	118.0p	102.9p	£678	102.6p
HEIFERS	Medium $(400 - 480 \text{ kg})$	109.5p	98.2p	£461	•
	Heavy (485 kg +)	114.5p	104.0p	£577	103.7p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	116.2p	114.0p	
Prime	105.2p	105.2p	
Others	95.1p	96.0p	

20 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle

(6 Clean Cattle and 14 Barren Cows)

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A reduced entry of Overage cattle sold to a firm trade peaking at 90 pence for an average heifer. There were only a few dairy cows forward including a couple of Jersey specials which reduced overall averages.

	Top	Top £/head	Av p/kg	Av//head
OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE	90.0p	£598.40	64.96p	£432.71
CULL COWS	62.0p	£446.40	44.50p	£259.70

1321 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A disappointing entry of hoggets met a much improved trade throughout. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand with several buyers unable to even start. Once again handier weights "rang the bell" with several pens over 116p to a top of 120.5p. There was also much keener interest in heavier hogs with several pens over £54 to a top of £55.50. Many more hogs are required to retain our excellent buying support.

Top price per kilo: 120.5p, from Mesr JF & JM Dallyn, Chepstow. Top price per head: £55.50 from Mesr G & J Probert, Aymestry.

Hoggets (continued)

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light $(25.5 - 32)$				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	120.50p	114.00p	£42.17	
Medium $(39.1 - 45.5 \text{ kg})$	116.20p	113.10p	£48.59	113.46р
Heavy $(45.6 - 52 \text{ kg})$	110.50p	108.00p	£52.13	
Overweight (52 kg +)	102.70p	102.70p	£54.72	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		120.2p	118.2p	
Prime		114.49	114.1p	107.2p

287 CULL EWES AND RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A disappointing entry of ewes for the number of buyers present sold to another good trade. Once again several ewes sold over £40 to an overall average of £35.24, an increase of £9 per head on the previous week. First quality sold from £36. Second quality sold from £24. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An increased entry of rams also met a good trade to average £34.62.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MARCH

Saturday 4 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Poultry and Ornamental Wildfowl. Contact Chris & Gene
		Taylor on (01874) 730883
Thursday 9th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle. Entries to be received by 12 noon Thursday
		2nd March for the Catalogue.
Wednesday 15 th	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antiques and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick 01989
		762225.

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

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and Green Exempt Markets. This means that 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.

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.