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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 28th APRIL 2008

362 CATTLE

278 Clean Cattle, 84 OTMS.

Sale at 10.00 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A similar entry of clean cattle sold to an outstanding trade throughout. Once again it was Welsh bred cattle which attracted most interest peaking at **190 pence**. There was spirited bidding on all types with 40 cattle realizing over £1000 to a peak of **£1235.54**. 30 cattle sold for over **160 pence**. More cattle could readily have been sold to advantage. **BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 5TH MAY IS A RED MARKET.**

Top price per kilo: 190.00p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £1235.54 for an entry from the same vendor.

		<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)	159.00p	139.20p	£690.06	
	Heavy (560+kg)	190.00p	148.03p	£946.62	147.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	152.50p	138.90p	£626.00	
	Heavy (485kg+)	178.00p	144.00p	£787.99	143.48p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	180.10p	175.10p	
Prime	150.20p	145.20p	
Others	129.20p	129.00p	

84 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(58 Cull Cows, 14 Heifers, 12 Steers)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A remarkable average 114.69p/kg. All types of cows in demand. Thin cows short of meat making 100p plus, good meated Friesians 120p plus to 127p/kg and £1050.78 per head. Tops today; a lovely Limousin cow at 156.5p/kg and £1346.28 in the lump from LH Attewell & Partners. Several other cows also over £1000, overall average £732.78 per head. Please ring in your entries. Last Friday we only had 8 in the Overage Section. How can we advise buyers of numbers or ring new buyers!?!)

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	125.00p	£915.08	115.10p	£677.65
Overage Heifers	140.00p	£922.10	123.00p	£691.70
Grade 1 Cows	156.50p	£1346.28	137.90p	£732.78
Grade 2	127.00p		121.50p	
Grade 3	122.50p		112.30p	
Grade 4	108.00p		92.90p	
Overall Average			114.69p	

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!

638 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt.**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of lambs sold to a much improved trade with one major buyer having now gone over from hoggets. All best sorts realized over 200 pence to a peak of 227.50 pence. The overall average of the lambs was £76.50. Many more lambs are urgently required.

	<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)	213.10p	200.00p	£74.87	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	227.50p	190.00p	£77.16	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)				194.30p
Overweight (52.1kg +)	153.00p	153.00p	£82.50	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48
Premium		219.00p	220.00p	
Prime		200.00p	200.00p	

3087 HOGGETS**Sale following Lambs**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of hoggets sold to a very good trade considerably ahead of markets at the end of last week and general expectations. The entry was variable with several plain non Farm Assured sheep forward. Best sorts realized over 150 pence to a peak of 165.3 pence. The overall average of the hoggets was **£61**.

Top Price per Kilo: 165.30 pence for an entry from Mesr D Clothier & Sons Ltd, Radstock.

Top Price per Head: £73.50 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)	153.90p	136.70p	£50.34	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	165.30p	142.20p	£60.01	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	147.80p	134.80p	£64.57	141.60p
Overweight (52.1kg +)	133.30p	120.10p	£65.24	

352 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 9.30 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met less demand following the flying trade of the previous week. Strong lean ewes sold over £50 per head but the large entry of overfat and plain ewes reduced the overall average to £39.24. First quality ewes sold from £45, second quality sold from £28, small and plain ewes sold to this figure, an entry of rams averaged £38.72.

40 REARING CALVES SOLD ON THURSDAY 17th APRIL**Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 40 rearing calves met another very good trade although not quite so dear as the exceptional trade of a fortnight ago. Top price was £245 for a Charolais bull with Limousin bulls to £228, Belgian Blue £205, Hereford cross £160 and Friesian £60. Charolais heifers to £170 with Limousin heifers £145, £140, etc, twice. Small Belgian Blue heifers to £130 with Hereford cross £130 and small Aberdeen Angus £60. **NEXT SALE Thursday 1st May at 10.30 am.**

FORTHCOMING SALES**MAY**

Thursday 1 st	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Rearing Calves and 300 Store Cattle. Calves to be sold at 10.30 am, Store Cattle at 11.00 am.
Wednesday 21 st	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antiques and Furniture. Contact Roger Garlick Tel: 01989 762225.
Thursday 15 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle & Rearing Calves. Entries for Store Catalogue To be received by noon on Thursday 8 th May. This Sale will Include 50 Limousin cross Steers and 25 Limousin cross Heifers 11 – 12 mths from Mesr HJ Sparey & Son, Garway.