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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 28TH JULY 2008

BLUETONGUE

After many, many weeks Ross Market is now in the Protection Zone and therefore we can, once again, accept from all surrounding Counties. Many thanks to our most loyal supporters who returned to the market on Monday.

178 CATTLE

145 Clean Cattle, 33 OTMS.

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

Excellent harvesting weather resulted in a seasonally small entry of cattle. The entry was highly variable ranging from 67p to 180p per kilo. All better sorts realised over 150p with the entry being nowhere near enough for the demand.

Top price per kilo: 180.00p for an entry from Messrs DE & SJ Cheacker, Bristol.

Top price per head: £1,072.33 for an entry from Mr H G Bendall, Lydney.

		<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)				
	Heavy (560+kg)	173.50p	138.40p	£890.12	138.40p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	155.00p	130.50p	£606.54	
	Heavy (485kg+)	180.00p	146.50p	£847.18	145.70p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	167.10p	170.10p	
Prime	144.10p	145.10p	
Others	130.10p	130.20p	

33 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(20 Cull Cows, 13 Overage Cattle)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

The improved entry brought all the regular buyers back. The break has obviously done them some good as they were keen and eager for all types and shapes of cows. This marvellous trade reached 145p for overage clean and 137p for barren cows. More cows desperately needed.

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!

1,936 FAT LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am prompt.**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

An improved entry of lambs following the lifting of the Bluetongue restrictions. There was a particularly strong trade on well meated heavier sorts several of which realised over £60. The overall market average was £54.50 (41.30kilos).

Top Price per Kilo: 145.80 pence for an entry from Messrs B Blandford & Sons, Ledbury.**Top Price per Head:** £61.00 for an entry from Mr B D Powell, Llangrove.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	139.40p	130.00p	£49.66	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	145.80p	132.60p	£56.74	132.10p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	132.60p	127.70p	£59.36	
Overweight (52.1kg +)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48
Premium			145.10p	144.90p
Prime			133.10p	134.10p

241 CULL EWES & RAMS**Sale at 10.30 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

With the return of three buyers an increased entry of ewes met an improved trade. Strong ewes regularly sold over £50 per head with an overall average of £44.21 an increase of £7 on the previous week. First quality sold from £48, second quality sold from £32. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams met an average of £40

FORTHCOMING SALES**JULY**Thursday 31st **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Rearing Calves & Dairy Cattle. Sale starts 10.30am.**AUGUST**Wednesday 6th **HONEYBOURNE, EVESHAM** Annual Sale of 6,000 Store Lambs, subject to Defra Regulations. Sale at 11.30am. Further details (01989) 762225.Thursday 14th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Rearing Calves & Dairy Cattle Sale starts at 10.30am Entries for store cattle catalogue to be received by 12 noon, Thursday 7th August.Saturday 23rd **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Ornamental Poultry and Wildfowl. Sale starts at 9.30 am. Further details from Chris and Gene Taylor (01874) 730883.

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	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	115.00p	£916.00	111.20p	£869.91
Overage Heifers				
Grade 1 Cows	130.00p	£1046.36	130.00p	£1046.36
Grade 2				
Grade 3	107.00p		101.40p	
Grade 4				
Overall Average			106.96p	£736.70
