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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 3RD JANUARY 2011

MONDAY 10th JANUARY IS A RED MARKET

170 FINISHED CATTLE

122 Clean Cattle & Bulls, 18 Overage Clean, 30 Cull Cows.

Sale at 10.30 am

Auctioneer: Gwyn Williams.

A good entry for the first market of 2011 met a very fast trade from start to finish. Supermarket firms and wholesalers all very keen and eager for cattle. Best cattle all 180p plus to a top of 190p. A good yard of cattle with plenty of cattle over 170p with steers averaging nearly £1070.

Top price per kilo: 190.00p for an entry from Mr FE Cox, Yarkhill.

Top price per head: £1322.35 for an entry from Mesr GE Phillips & Son, Raglan.

		<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 (560kg+)	187.00p	158.10p	£1067.37	158.10p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-395kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	190.00p	161.80p	£972.75	161.80p
BULLS	Heavy (560kg+)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	177.60p	187.00p	
Prime	155.50p	160.20p	
Others			

18 OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE

Sale after Clean Cattle

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

A short entry for the Green market. Trade like the clean very fast, best bullocks to 175p, many more could be sold to advantage. This trade is well in front of any deadweight quote for Monday morning.

30 CULL COWS.

Sale after Overage Clean

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

A short entry met a fast trade, cows to 142p with all good meat cows 120p. A large show of buyers for the small entry, more cows needed for next weeks Red market.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	175.00p	£1216.27	146.70p	£1027.35
Overage Heifers	154.00p	£954.77	137.30p	£822.39
Grade 1 Cows	142.00p	£1194.26	129.00p	
Grade 2 Cows	116.00p		113.60p	
Grade 3 Cows	110.00p		106.70p	
Grade 4 Cows	95.00p		89.10p	
Cows Overall Av			100.40p	£688.43
Cull Bulls				

1476 HOGGETS**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher.

The trade was slightly easier than the Christmas week which was to be expected. As the snow has gone numbers, especially in Northern England & Scotland have increased. Having said that the best hoggets were exceptionally dear with several pens from 200 – 232 pence. Several very light hogs in the entry which were harder work, however heavier hogs were keenly bid for and more were required. A full contingent of buyers will be here next week and we do need a good entry of hoggets.

Top Price per Kilo: 232.00p for entries from Mrs M Mitchell, Corse Lawn.**Top Price per Head:** £90.00 twice for entries from Miss D Lang, Apperley, and Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.

	<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)	232.00p	171.90p	£63.40	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	212.00p	172.90p	£71.83	172.60p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	195.00p	169.10p	£78.73	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	158.00p	155.60p	£82.50	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	232.00p	212.00p	200.80p	165.00p
Prime	171.00p	174.00p	172.00p	157.70p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An acceptable entry of ewes for the Bank Holiday met a flying trade. Several pens sold over £90 with £100 plus achieved on three occasions. Continentals sold to the top price of £115 leaving an excellent overall average of £71. First quality ewes sold from £85. Second quality sold from £60. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An increased entry of varied quality Rams also met a good trade selling to £100 and average £76.87.

FORTHCOMING SALES**JANUARY**

Thursday 6 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Calves at 10.30 am. Sale of Store Cattle postponed Until 20 th January.
Wednesday 12 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick 01989 762225.
Thursday 20 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Calves and Dairy Cattle. Entries for catalogue to be received by 12 noon, Thursday 13 th January.

SHEEP EID

This only applies to Sheep born after 31st December 2009. For all Lambs born on or after 1st January 2010 we recommend:

- 1. A single electronic slaughter tag for those Lambs intended for slaughter within 12 months of age.**
- 2. Full electronic identification for all Lambs intended for breeding i.e. ewe lambs.**

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!

ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN

All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers each and every time stock are loaded/unloaded. If this is not done you are liable for any damage caused by an escaped animal. Once you have finished loading/unloading these gates must be shut and secured. If an animal does escape please inform a member of staff immediately who will blow the 'Whistle'. This then warns the gate keeper to close the vehicle gates. Available staff will secure the market perimeter. Once secure, the escaped animal will need to be herded back into the market pens. (We may use quiet stock already penned to help catch the escaped animal).