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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 3RD MAY 2010

MONDAY 10th MAY IS A RED MARKET

147 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

130 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 17 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A very short entry of cattle not helped by the falling trade, Green Market and Bank Holiday. There were reports of very poor trade at the end of last week but a complete clearance was effected with keen bidding throughout. Best sorts sold from 160 - 172p.

Top price per kilo: 172.00p for an entry from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor. **Top price per head**: £1261.08 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560+kg)	172.00p	147.50p	£996.06	147.50p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)	147.00p	147.00p	£644.60	
	Heavy (485kg+)	159.00p	144.00p	£852.33	144.00p

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	160.20p	165.00p	
Prime	148.10p	149.10p	
Others	132.10p	130.10p	

17 OVERAGE CATTLE

12 - 30 to 48 mths, 5 over 48 mths. Very short entry with Green Market and the Bank Holiday. Very sharp trade. More needed.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	130.00p	£1002.33	125.40p	£885.36
Overage Heifers	136.00p	£975.13	130.70p	£795.12
Cow Overall Av.	124.00p	£831.34	110.20р	£694.64

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!**

731 SPRING LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am Auctioneer Richard Williams

The largest entry of Spring Lambs of the season sold to an excellent trade. Best lambs realized over **250p** to a top of $\pounds 101$. The entry was nowhere near enough for the demand with several buyers now switching over. Many more lambs are required to satisfy increasing demand.

Sale after clean cattle

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Spring Lambs continued

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	253.00p	240.30p	£91.29	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	246.00p	232.70p	£94.09	235.60p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)				
Overweight $(52.1 + kg)$				

Top Price per Kilo: 253.00p for an entry from Mesr GT & A Hunter Blair, Ross-on-Wye. Top Price per Head: £101.00 for an entry from Mesr Sexty Bros, Llangrove. **QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		253.10p	240.10p	
Prime		235.10p	232.10p	

1240 HOGGETS

Sale following Lambs

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A seasonally short entry of hoggets for the Bank Holiday market sold to a strong trade. Best hoggets sold from 195 to 198p. The entry included several plainer lean hoggets which are spoiling overall averages.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)	194.00p	190.20p	£58.87	
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	186.00p	180.00p	£63.45	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	198.00p	190.10p	£79.03	188.00p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	185.00p	175.40p	£83.97	
Overweight $(52.1 + kg)$	152.00p	147.40p	£81.33	

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 - 43	43.5 - 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	194.00p	194.90p	196.20p	
Prime	191.20p	190.10p	188.90p	175.20p

324 CULL EWES & RAMS

MAY

Sale at 10.00 am Auctioneer: Martvn Evans

Sale at 10.30 am

An increased entry of ewes for the Bank Holiday met a good trade in line with the previous week. Another short entry of strong ewes regularly sold over £90. The overall average of £71.20 was very acceptable considering the number of Welsh and plain ewes forward. First quality ewes sold from £85, second quality sold from £60, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of generally small Rams averaged £62.

40 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 29th May

An entry of 40 Rearing Calves sold to another excellent trade. British Blue bulls to £350, £320 (twice), £305, £290, etc. Limousin bulls to £310, Simmental bulls £290, Charolais bulls £300, Aberdeen Angus £185 and Friesian bulls £150. British Blue heifers to £300, £290, £260, etc. with Simmental heifers to £290 and £280. Limousin heifers £265 and £220 (twice), Hereford cross heifers to £180. Next calf sale Thursday 13th May at 10.30 am.

FORTHCOMING SALES

Thursday 13 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, etc Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 6^{th} May.
Wednesday 19th	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.
Thursday 27 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Store Sheep and Calves.

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.

ESCAPED LIVESTOCK PLAN

All farmers must secure the market gates to the gates of their trailers <u>each and every</u> 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).