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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 4th APRIL 2011

OUTSTANDING TRADE IN EVERY SECTION

Steers to	200 pence	£1401.90
Heifers to	195 pence	£1198.65
Hoggets to	234 pence	£120
Lambs to	280 pence	£112.50
Cull Ewes to	•	£137
Barren Cows to		£1215

231 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

145 Clean Cattle, 40 Overage Clean, 45 Cull Cows, 1 Cull Bull. Auctioneer: Richard Williams

An increased entry of Underage Cattle sold to another superb trade. Once again there were some good loads forward which assisted overall averages. Best steers and heifers sold from 190 - 200 pence with heavier sorts selling particularly well. Over 100 cattle realized over £1,000 with steers averaging £1,119 and heifers an incredible £1,006. This trade is so far in front of the deadweight that you must be considered a registered charity to be selling them that way.

Top price per kilo: 200.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning. **Top price per head**: £1401.90 for an entry from Mr I R Pugh, Three Ashes.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium (465-555kg)	167.00p	167.00p	£914.09	
	Heavy (560kg+)	200.00p	170.60p	£1119.52	170.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-395kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	195.00p	170.20p	£1006.29	170.20p
BULLS	Heavy (560kg+)	146.00p	134.20p	£949.32	

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	200.00p	195.00p	
Prime	171.10p	171.00p	
Others	140.10p	139.20p	142.20p

40 OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE

Sale after Clean Cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of Overage clean cattle sold to a superb trade. Best sorts sold over 160 pence to a top of 163 pence.

45 CULL COWS, 1 CULL BULL

Sale after Overage Clean

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

After the excellent trade of recent weeks this was a very disappointing entry. The quality was mixed but best sorts still realized up to 148 pence (£1215.40) Friesians sold to 123 pence (£1131). Many more cows are urgently required.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	163.00p	£1226.87	150.10p	£976.76
Overage Heifers	162.00p	£905.79	148.10p	£841.51
Grade 1 Cows	148.00p	£1215.40	136.00p	
Grade 2 Cows	132.00p		125.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	120.00p		112.10p	
Grade 4 Cows	95.00p		90.00p	
Cows Overall Av			120.20p	£794.35
Cull Bulls	123.00p	£1170.96	123.00p	£1170.96

100 SPRING LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

An increased entry of lambs sold to a superb trade peaking at 280p/kilo. All lambs sold for over £100 topping at £112.50. Many more lambs are required in forthcoming weeks. Easter Show & Sale of Lambs and Hoggets Monday 18th April. Best pen of Lambs and Best pen of 10 or more Hoggets.

3037 HOGGETS Sale following Lambs

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher.

The largest entry of hoggets of the season sold to another exceptional trade. Again an improvement on last weeks flyer! Export weights showed a terrific trade with pen after pen at 220p peaking at $\underline{234 \text{ pence}}$. Once again heavier hoggets met very keen demand with several sheep between £110 and £120. In all over 1,000 hoggets sold for over $\underline{£100}$. The heavy hoggets would be a big improvement from the markets at the middle of last week.

Top Price per Kilo: 234.00p for an entry from Mesr Moorend Farm, Hereford. **Top Price per Head:** £120.00 for an entry from Mesr D & IJ Bishop, Colwall.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	234.00p	216.80p	£81.64	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	233.00p	215.10p	£90.22	215.65p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	228.00p	208.00p	£101.23	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	208.00p	190.00p	£103.64	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium		234.00p	233.00p	228.00p
Prime		216.00p	215.90p	210.00p

462 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A reduced entry of ewes met a continued flying trade. The general quality was not as good as the previous week but thirty five lots still sold over £100. Texels sold to the top price of £137, Suffolks to £125, Mules to £110 leaving another outstanding overall average of £96.20. First quality ewes sold from £100, second quality sold from £75. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. An entry of varied quality Rams sold to £106 and an average of £86.13. Goats sold to £58.50.

25 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 31st March Sale at 10.30 am

A significantly lower entry of 25 Rearing Calves met a very good trade. Top price was £300 for a Simmental bull with British Blue bulls making £295, £260, £235, etc. Charolais bulls £280 and £245. Hereford cross and Aberdeen Angus bulls both £240. British Blue heifers to £250 and Limousin heifers £210. Next Calf Sale on Thursday 14th April at 10.30 am.

Easter Show & Sale of Lambs and Hoggets
MONDAY 18TH APRIL 2011
Best Pen of Lambs and Best pen of 10 or more Hoggets

FORTHCOMING SALES

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Calves and Dairy Cattle.
	Entries for catalogue to be received by 12 noon, Thursday
	7 th April.
ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Easter Show & Sale of Lambs and Hoggets. Best Pen of
	Lambs and Best Pen of 10 or more Hoggets.
ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Antique Furniture & Household Effects. For details
	Contact Roger Garlick on 01989 762225.
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SHEEP EID

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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 <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).