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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 4th AUGUST 2008

236 CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

148 Clean Cattle, 88 OTMS.Auctioneer: Richard WilliamsA similar entry of finished cattle sold to a considerably improved trade.Best cattle were particularly wellsold with several selling from 180 – 197 pence.The entry included numerous plain sorts which reducedoverall returns.Many more cattle could have been sold to advantage.

Top price per kilo: 197.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Bristol. **Top price per head**: £1,174.10 for an entry from Mesr RM & JE Hart, Chipping Campden.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	153.00p	143.10p	£740.28	
	Heavy (560+kg)	196.00p	149.00p	£921.02	148.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	197.00p	150.20p	£817.73	150.20p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	185.10p	186.90p	
Prime	152.10p	151.20p	
Others	134.10p	132.10p	

88 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle

(61 Cull Cows, 10 Steers, 12 Heifers, 5 Cull Bulls)

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

A tremendous entry of overage cattle for the time of year. A mixed bag of a trade, some plain cows very dear, best Friesians to 110p, so not quite the trade of last week. Overall average still 99.77p/kg. Cows still to 141p/kg and £1198.47, Cull Bulls to £1034.96. Overage heifers to 146p/kg.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	134.00p	£807.68	113.10p	£639.54
Overage Heifers	146.00p	£875.83	129.40p	£709.41
Grade 1 Cows	141.00p	£1198.47	126.20p	£645.61
Grade 2	117.00p		108.20p	
Grade 3	99.00p		94.60p	
Grade 4	85.00p		72.90p	
Overall Average			99.77p	

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!**

2064 FAT LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

An improved entry of lambs met, as expected, an easier trade. All best lambs attracted keen interest with several pens from 135 pence to 146.1 pence. Plainer sorts sold from 108 - 115 pence. The overall market average was £47.80 (41 kilos).

Top Price per Kilo: 146.10 pence for an entry from Mesr DR & EA Jones, Dorstone. **Top Price per Head:** £59.20 for an entry from the same vendor.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	137.40p	115.60p	£42.74	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	146.10p	116.70p	£47.95	116.40p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	118.00p	113.70p	£54.34	
Overweight (52.1kg +)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 - 36	36.5 - 43	43.5 – 48
Premium		140.10p	140.20p	137.90p
Prime		117.10p	117.60p	116.20p

292 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.30 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A slightly increased entry of ewes met a continued good trade. Once again strong ewes regularly sold over £50 to a top price of £61.50. Although the entry contained a large number of small and plain ewes the overall average was a very encouraging £42.11. First quality ewes sold from £48. Second quality sold from £32, small and plain ewes sold this figure. Another short entry of rams met an average of £41.45.

30 REARING CALVES SALE ON THURSDAY 31ST JULY

An entry of 30 rearing calves again sold to an excellent trade. Top price of £400 was paid for 3 month old weaned-off Limousin bulls. Other Limousin bulls to £225 with Belgian Blue £220, Charolais £195 and Friesian £95. All heifer calves in great demand with Belgian Blue to £250, £215, £200, £190 (twice), etc. Simmental heifers to £210 and Limousins £205. Next calf sale Thursday 14th August at 10.30 am.

FORTHCOMING SALES

AUGUST		
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 7 th August.
Saturday 23 rd	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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