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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 4th DECEMBER 2006

322 CATTLE

110 Clean Cattle, 106 OTM Cattle.

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The declining trade of recent weeks resulted in a very low entry of prime cattle. As a consequence there was a very good trade on all classes. There were virtually no first rate cattle forward but nevertheless the trade was strong throughout. Many more cattle could easily have been sold. **MONDAY 11th DECEMBER IS A RED MARKET.**

Top price per kilo: 125.00p for an entry from Mesr RM & JE Hart, Charingworth.

Top price per head: £874.20 for an entry from Mesr CD & MG Blandford & Sons, Much Marcle.

		<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)	125.00p	108.20p	£517.19	
	Heavy (560+kg)	124.50p	112.10p	£712.77	111.60p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	120.00p	108.20p	£594.69	108.20p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	125.00p	120.10p	
Prime	113.00p	113.10p	
Others	102.10p	101.00p	

106 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(2 Clean Steers, 2 Clean Heifers, 102 Cull Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

One of the largest entries of overage cattle met an excellent trade with several vendors remarking that it was considerably ahead of deadweight prices. Once again it was a case of 'the good, the bad and the ugly' with a very variable entry. Three cows realized over 120 pence with an **860 kilo** entry peaking at **136 pence**, to return **£1165** gross. A number of plain thin sorts sold from 20 – 30 pence to reduce overall averages.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Top head</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>
Grade 1 Cows	136.20p	£1165.30	95.20p	
Grade 2 Cows	87.10p		78.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	74.10p		60.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	54.20p		44.20p	
Overage Steers	95.50p	£684.00	91.50p	£580.65
Overage Heifers	86.50p	£558.28	82.00p	£500.59
Cows Overall Av			63.34p	£424.00

1417 NEW SEASON LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The poor trade at the end of last week resulted in a disappointing entry of lambs. The buyers were all complaining about New Zealand imports which is doing no good to the domestic trade. In spite of this a very good trade ensued well ahead of general expectations. Best sorts realized from 110-115 pence with 38 – 43 kilos proving easiest sold. Heavier lambs peaked at £52. The overall average of the lambs was £45.

Top Price per Kilo: 115.00p for an entry from Mr CE Parry, Gwehelog.

Top Price per Head: £52.00 for an entry from Mesr M & GM Blandford, Coddinton.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39kg)	113.50p	105.00p	39.31	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	115.00p	105.50p	44.03	105.50p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	105.20p	100.00p	46.04	
Overweight (52.1kg+)	95.10p	94.00p	51.18	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		115.10p	114.00p	
Prime		106.10p	105.20p	103.10p

402 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes sold to another good trade. Strong lean ewes sold to a top price of £50 and an overall average of £32. First quality ewes sold from £35. Second quality sold from £22, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of mainly plain rams averaged £22.45.

55 REARING CALVES

Sale at 12 noon

An entry of 55 rearing calves again sold to a good trade. Top price was £245 for a Charolais bull with others of the same breed £225, £220 (four times), etc. Limousin bulls to £185, £165, etc. Belgian Blue bulls £175, Aberdeen Angus £172, Hereford cross £155. Heifers to £182 for a Belgian Blue with others £155, £145, etc. Limousin heifers to £135 and a smart Hereford heifer £142.

51 DAIRY CATTLE

Sale at 11 am

Auctioneer; Gwilym Richards

The best cattle met an easier trade with the second quality selling well. Best calved heifers sold to a top of £1,030 for A Ractliffe, Gloucester, other to £1,000 and £965 for M Hathaway, Cheltenham. Cows sold to £800 for a 3rd calver. Served heifers to £660. Maiden heifers to £440.

FORTHCOMING SALES

DECEMBER

Thursday 7th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11.00 am.

Thursday 21st ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Christmas Show & Sale of Dressed Poultry. Sale at 5.45 pm.

JANUARY 2007

Tuesday 2nd ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

First Fatstock of New Year, (Green).

Thursday 11th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 4th January.

Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS

Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects.

RED & GREEN MARKET TIMETABLE

Please note the following changes:

**DECEMBER 11TH
18TH**

**RED
GREEN**

A Further Change – TUESDAY JANUARY 2nd 2007 – FIRST MARKET FOR THE NEW YEAR IS GREEN

JANUARY 8TH

RED

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CHRISTMAS SHOW & SALE OF DRESSED POULTRY
Entries now invited Tel: Williams & Watkins (01989) 762225

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STORE LAMBS

Please note we are holding sales of STORE LAMBS on every GREEN MARKET.
The demand is excellent resulting in very good trades being experienced.
Also BREEDING EWES are sold on GREEN MARKETS.

ARE YOU DEFICIENT?

Are newborn calves slow to rise and suck?
Is it difficult to fatten calves on your land?
Is the consumption of grain/hay/silage high?
Is it difficult to keep the cattle in peak condition?
Is your lambing percentage low?
Is there a significant difference between scanning percentage and lambs to market?
Do your lambs stand still after weaning?
Is it difficult to finish lambs without creep?
Do you want your stock to grow healthier faster and cheaper?
If you do then you might need to retain the balance of trace elements to your ground.
To find out more please ring Jeremy Jehan on 07970 048080

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and Green Exempt Markets. This means that fat cattle attending a Green Exempt Market do not need to be pre-movement tested.
This exemption is allowed as cattle are only able to go on to slaughter, back home, onto an approved holding and onto an exempt finishing unit. Dairy cows will still need to be tested.
Calves and Dairy Cows (in Gwilym Richards sale) must be kept separate from the finished cattle, so please make sure cattle are unloaded in the correct part of the market.