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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 5th APRIL 2010

MONDAY 12th APRIL IS A GREEN MARKET

203 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am

130 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 73 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A good entry of cattle for the Easter Monday Sale sold to a similar trade. Again the entry was highly variable with numerous plain sorts forward. Best trade was on the top end with best cattle over **180p** to a top of **186p**. Prices favoured well in relation to falling deadweight quotations and more cattle could readily have been sold.

Top price per kilo: 186.00p twice for entries from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £1188.20 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)	186.00p	148.00p	£946.08	148.00p
HEIFERS	Light (370-395kg)				
	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	186.00p	151.60p	£900.58	151.60p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	175.10p	175.10p	
Prime	154.00p	155.00p	
Others	135.90p	136.20p	

73 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle

26 - 30 to 48 mths, 47 over 48 mths.

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Another very fast trade, although signs that the top of the mountain has been reached and some would like to go back down! Let's hope numbers nationally keep tight and they have to stay up there!! Cows to 150p/kg and 142p/kg and £1160.30 per head. Meat Friesians 105p – 115p/kg. A mixed bag of 30-48 month cattle.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	136.00p	£1012.70	120.90p	£791.81
Overage Heifers	143.00p	£1003.63	121.00p	£764.76
Grade 1 Cows	150.00p	£1160.30	132.40p	
Grade 2 Cows	119.00p		114.60p	
Grade 3 Cows	114.00p		107.90p	
Grade 4 Cows	100.00p		88.30p	
Cow Overall Av.			105.00p	£733.95
Cull Bull				

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!

43 SPRING LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer Richard Williams

A short entry sold to a flying trade peaking at **257p**.**1860 HOGGETS****Sale following Lambs**

Auctioneer Richard Williams

Several vendors were put off by the Red Bank Holiday Market – what a serious mistake they made! The trade was electric with the entry nowhere near enough for the demand. All classes were in serious demand with a particularly strong trade on heavy sorts. Again export hoggets “rang the bell” peaking at **221p**. We urgently need more hoggets to retain our excellent buying support.

Top Price per Kilo: 221.00p for an entry from Mesr DRE & JV Parry, Tregare.**Top Price per Head:** £97.50 for an entry from Mesr VJ Thomas & Son, Llancarfan.

	<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)	214.00p	200.10p	£74.36	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	221.00p	208.10p	£86.85	207.20p
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	202.00p	195.00p	£92.43	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	173.00p	168.10p	£92.11	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	210.60p	216.40p	212.90p	
Prime	201.20p	210.10p	203.40p	195.20p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A short entry for the Bank Holiday met another flying trade. Strong ewes regularly sold over £100 leaving an excellent overall average of £87. First quality ewes sold from £90, second quality sold from £65, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of Rams also met a good trade to average £83.33.

50 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 1st April**Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 50 Rearing Calves again sold to a good trade. Bull calves sold to a top of £360 for a British Blue with others £290, £285, £252, etc. Limousin bulls to £280. Shorthorn bulls £280. Blonde D’Aquitaine bulls £225, Aberdeen Angus bulls £180, Hereford cross bulls £225. Small Simmental bulls to £215. British Blue heifer calves to £285 with Limousin heifers to £202. In the weaned section 7 month old Limousin bulls to £465 and £430 with Friesian bulls (6 months old) £258. Limousin and Aberdeen Angus heifers (7 month old) £405. Next Sale Thursday 15th April at **10.30 am**.

FORTHCOMING SALES**APRIL**

Thursday 15 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, etc. Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon Thursday 8 th April.
Wednesday 21 st	ROSS AUCTION ROOMS	Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.
Thursday 29 th	ROSS AUCTION CENTRE	Sale of Store Cattle, etc.

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.**

TO LET

Grazing/Mowing, 15 Acres at Stowfield, Nr Lydbrook.

Available immediately till late Autumn.

Ideally suit sheep grazing – some electric fencing needed.

Contact RG & RB Williams on 01989 567233

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).