

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2011 CHRISTMAS SHOW & SALE

CATTLE SOLD TO AN EXCELLENT TRADE PEAKING AT 330p
LAMBS SOLD TO A SLIGHTLY EASIER TRADE PEAKING AT £115

Steers to	330 pence	£2,174
Heifers to	290 pence	£1,633
Over 36 mths Clean to	154 pence	£992
Cull Cows to	154 pence	£1,161
Lambs to	255 pence	£115
Cull Ewes/Rams	Average £81.20	£153

160 FINISHED CATTLE

110 Clean Cattle, 6 Over 36 month Cattle, 44 Cull Cows.

Sale at 10.30 am

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

NOTE: We are now including all under 36 month old cattle in this section

As usual a reduced entry for the Christmas Show and Sale which was most ably judged by Mr Mark Jarrett of Bristol. The show entry of 30 head included some very good quality cattle which attracted very keen bidding. The Champion and Reserve Champion were both exhibited by Messrs DE & SJ Cheacker who are regular supporters of the market. The Champion steer was purchased by Mr Mark Jarrett for 330 pence realizing a total of **£2174**. Most of the show cattle realized over 230 pence with several over 250 pence. The commercial cattle sold to an improved trade which bucked the general trend of falling deadweight prices. The entry was nowhere near enough for the demand with a couple of buyers unable to even start.

Top price per kilo: 330p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £2,174.02 for an entry from the same vendor.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Medium (465-555kg)	177.00p	175.00p	£873.70	
	Heavy (560kg+)	330.00p	201.60p	£1362.43	199.00p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	223.00p	180.40p	£836.82	
	Heavy (485kg+)	290.00p	186.20p	£1184.40	197.30p
BULLS	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560kg+)				

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	280.00p	275.00p	
Prime	198.80p	197.70p	
Others			

44 CULL COWS & BULLS**Sale following Overage Clean**

A similar entry of cull cows sold to a strong trade throughout. The entry was dominated by Friesians with only a handful of continental cows in the entry. Best cows sold for 140 – 154 pence with Friesians up to 130 pence.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers				
Overage Heifers	154.00p	£922.54	140.00p	£790.83
Grade 1 Cows	154.00p	£1161.78	142.00p	
Grade 2 Cows	135.00p		130.00p	
Grade 3 Cows	120.00p		115.00p	
Grade 4 Cows	112.00p		100.00p	
Friesian Cows (24)	130.00p		105.20p	
Beef Cows (44)	154.00p		130.20p	
Cows Overall Av			112.80p	£728.69
Cull Bulls				

1638 LAMBS**Sale at 9.15 am**

Auctioneer: Greg Christopher

More lambs forward and another strong trade for the time of year. Some firms are struggling to sell some of this meat and uncertainty with the “Eurozone” is slightly reducing demand. A good entry of Show Lambs ably judged by Mr Matthew Barrett and Mr Greg Willis saw the Blandford family take the overall Champions, 48 kg sold for £115 to Mutchmeats Ltd, with Reserve Champions again from Mesr Blandford, 38 kg, £97 purchased by Farmers Fresh. In the commercial lambs, the handy weight export lambs sold from 205 – 215p. Heavier lambs met keen demand with several pens £90 - £95 topping at £102.

Top price per kilo: 255p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.

Top price per head: £115 for an entry from the same vendor.

	<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)	255.00p	204.30p	£76.88	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	229.00p	201.20p	£84.29	202.50
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	240.00p	190.00p	£90.31	
Overweight (52.1 + kg)	158.00p	158.00p	£102.00	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 – Over
Premium	239.00p	255.00p	240.00p	184.00p
Prime	204.10p	204.90p	198.70p	179.00p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

Once again a short entry of ewes for the Christmas Show met a flying trade. Best ewes still in short supply but those forward regularly sold over £100. First prize in the Show and Top Price on the day were a pen of Beltex ewes from Mr D Bishop which sold at £153. Considering the general quality forward the overall average was an excellent £81.20. First quality ewes sold from £90, second quality sold from £65, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of Rams sold to £94.50 and an average of £75.33. Goats sold to £50.

30 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 1st December**Sale at 10.30 am**

An entry of 30 rearing calves sold to an excellent trade. Top price was £300 for a Charolais bull with Hereford cross bulls to £280 and Aberdeen Angus to £170. Friesian bulls to £125. A run of small British Blue calves sold to £225 for heifers and £200 for bulls. Hereford cross heifers to £290. *Next Calf Sale is Thursday 15th December at 10.30 am and the following one Thursday 5th January.*

FORTHCOMING SALES

DECEMBER

Thursday 15th **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, Store Sheep, Rearing Calves.
Entries for Catalogue to be received by 12 noon,
Thursday 8th December.

Thursday 22nd **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Dressed Poultry. Sale at 5.30 pm.

JANUARY 2012

Wednesday 11th **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Household Effects. Sale at 10 am.
Enquiries to Roger Garlick: 01989 762225.

CHRISTMAS SHOW RESULTS 2011

Class 1	The Best Steer	1 st	Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker	592 kg	270p
		2 nd	Mr IR Pugh	670 kg	250p
		3 rd	Mr PJ Long	602 kg	216p
Class 2	Best Heavy Steer (over 650 kg)	1 st	Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker	660 kg	330p
		2 nd	Mesr GE Phillips & Son	712 kg	244p
		3 rd	Mesr GE Phillips & Son	788 kg	230p
Class 3	Best Heifer	1 st	Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker	500 kg	290p
		2 nd	Mesr LE & SA Phillips	666 kg	234p
		3 rd	Mr IR Pugh	612 kg	241p
Class 4	Best Beast from Smallholder	1 st	Mr IR Pugh	717 kg	240p
		2 nd	Mr IR Pugh	679 kg	247p
		3 rd	Mr J Hitchins	708 kg	188p
Class 6	CHAMPION BEAST IN SHOW		Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker	660 kg	330p
Class 7	RESERVE		Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker	592 kg	270p
Class 8	Best Unled Steer/ Heifer	1 st	Mr R Foote	627 kg	228p
		2 nd	Mesr GE Phillips & Son	647 kg	242p
		3 rd	Mesr HH Williams & Sons	678 kg	234p
Class 9	Best Cull Cow	1 st	Mesr NJ & BA Turner	667 kg	150p
		2 nd	Mesr FC Garlick & Sons	732 kg	154p
		3 rd	Mesr FC Garlick & Sons	804 kg	145p
Class 10	Best Highest Price Over 36 mth	1 st	Mesr BJ & SE Sellman	601 kg	154p
		2 nd	Mesr CE Boulton-Brooks	649 kg	136p
		3 rd	Mesr FC Garlick & Sons	577 kg	140p
Class 11	Best 5 Lambs (under 39.5 kg)	1 st	Mesr B Blandford & Sons		£97
		2 nd	Mesr HJ Sparey & Son		£90.50
		3 rd	Mrs M Mitchell		£82.50
Class 12	Best 5 Lambs (over 39.5 kg)	1 st	Mesr B Blandford & Sons		£115
		2 nd	Mr HJ Pugh		£98
		3 rd	Mrs M Mitchell		£94.50
Class 13	CHAMPION PEN OF 5 LAMBS		Mesr B Blandford & Sons		£115
Class 14	Best Pen of 4 or More Ewes	1 st	Mesr D & IJ Bishop		£153
		2 nd	Mesr GG Chandler & Son		£111
		3 rd	Mesr S & J Goulding		£109
JL Phillips	Perpetual Challenge Cup (most points gained in cattle classes)				
	Joint winners		Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker and Mr IR Pugh		

Sam Madeley Perpetual Trophy for Best Stockman Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker

SHEEP KEEP WANTED

GRASS OR ROOT FROM NOW TO END FEBRUARY

Enquiries to Greg Christopher 07976 163043

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SHEEP EID

We as auctioneers hold no responsibility for the reading of Sheep EID Tags. It is the vendors responsibility to ensure tags are read 100% accurately for their records.

We as auctioneers will read all electric tags but cannot guarantee 100% accuracy.

NOTE TO ALL T.B. RESTRICTED FARMERS

If your whole herd has undergone a TB test then you do not have to get individual licences to bring cattle to the market within 90 days of that test. You must however apply for a TB24b (a General Movement Licence). The owner is then responsible for completing the first page of the TB24b licence giving the place and date of sale and number of cattle being moved. They also need to complete the last page with a list of ear numbers of the cattle submitted for the sale. Photocopies of the licences can be made by the owner so farmers do not need to apply to the local Animal Health Office to get a licence on a weekly basis. This puts sales to markets on the same footing as deadweight sales.

If you have any queries please contact the Market Office (01989 762225) or Greg Christopher (07976 163043)

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 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).