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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 6TH APRIL 2009

311 FINISHED CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

232 Clean Cattle (under 30 months), 79 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A slightly shorter entry of finished cattle sold to another very firm trade. The trade is certainly more difficult at the top end with only the best realizing over <u>190 pence</u>. Nevertheless keen bidding throughout ensured a very good trade on all classes of cattle. Again there was very keen demand for heavier cattle with numerous steers over £1250.

Top price per kilo: 191p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning. **Top price per head**: £1310.99 for an entry from Mesr WJ Powell & Son, Foy.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)				
	Heavy (560+kg)	191.00p	161.40p	£1053.91	161.40p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	182.50p	159.90p	£905.49	159.90p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	171.20p	170.10p	
Prime	155.60p	157.40p	
Others	148.10p	147.60p	

79 OVERAGE CATTLE

Sale after clean cattle Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

27 - 30 to 48 mths, 52 over 48 mths.

A truly fantastic trade. Some well fed cows in today. Sucklers up to 155p/kg. Black and Whites 144p/kg and £1152.06/head. All quality Black and Whites 130p plus. In last weeks report I commented on Overage Clean being dearer than under 30 month cattle, I think we can say that there are plenty of cows dearer than the clean!! On this trade the more overage cattle the better. The best trade I think we have ever seen.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	157.00p	£1065.06	148.00p	£972.11
Overage Heifers	171.00p	£1004.25	138.90p	£814.58
Grade 1 Cows	155.00p	£1152.06	149.20p	£775.10
Grade 2 Cows	144.00p		135.70p	
Grade 3 Cows	130.00p		121.60p	
Grade 4 Cows	119.00p		96.00p	
Cull Bulls				
Cow Overall Average			119.00p	

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!

201 SPRING LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The first good entry of spring lambs sold to a flying trade. The sale included the Easter Show & Sale, with the Champion pen being exhibited by Mesr B Blandford & Sons realizing £103.50. Show Results were as

2987 HOGGETS

Sale following Spring Lambs

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The largest entry of hoggets of the season sold to another excellent trade throughout. Most handier weights sold over £2/kilo with better sorts over 215 pence. All the buyers were very fit and many more could readily have been sold.

NB. PLEASE NOTE THAT TRADING STANDARDS OFFICERS ARE INSISTING THAT ALL SHEEP ENTERING AND LEAVING OUR RED MARKETS MUST HAVE AN EAR TAG. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU BRING/SEND IN A FEW SPARE TAGS IN CASE ANY ARE LOST IN TRANSIT BECAUSE DEFRA HAVE REFUSED TO ISSUE THE MARKET WITH ANY MORE IN FUTURE.

Top Price per Kilo: 222.20p for an entry from Mesr JT Houldey & Son, Hasfield.

Top Price per Head: £92.00 (three times) for entries from Mesr J Griffiths & Sons, Newbrook.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	222.20p	197.20p	£72.55	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	213.30p	201.40p	£83.95	200.9p
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	196.50p	186.60p	£87.17	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	173.20p	164.00p	£90.76	

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	30.5 –36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 - Over
Premium	171.10p	218.40p	205.30p	184.30p
Prime	151.50p	204.40p	195.70p	170.30p

456 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.00 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

An increased entry of ewes met another good trade in line with recent weeks. Slightly less demand for overfat ewes but strong lean ewes regularly selling over £90. Continental ewes sold to the top price of £100 and an overall average of £70.22, similar to the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £80, second quality sold from £55. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met a good trade selling to £85 and average £68.47.

26 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 2nd April

Sale at 10.30 am

A disappointing entry of 26 rearing calves again met an excellent trade. Top price was £330 for a Belgian Blue bull with Limousin bulls £310, £295 and £245, whilst Simmental bulls made to £310, £300 and £240. Shorthorn bulls to £190, Hereford cross £175 and Friesian £100. Heifers topped at £272 for a Limousin with other of the same breed £240 (twice). Charolais heifers to £270, Belgian Blue £235, Aberdeen Angus £230 and Simmental £205. **Next Sale Thursday 16th April at 10.30 am.**

FORTHCOMING SALES

APRIL

Thursday 16th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15am, Dairy Cattle at 12 noon,

Rearing Calves at 10.30am & Store Sheep at 11am.

Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 9am

Thursday 9th April. (Due to Easter, etc)

Wednesday 22nd ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger

Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.

Thursday 30th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle, etc. Entries for Catalogue to be received

By 12 noon, Thursday 23rd April.