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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 7th APRIL 2008

378 CATTLE

Sale at 10.00 am prompt

309 Clean Cattle, 69 OTMS.

Auctioneer: Richard Williams A larger entry of finished cattle sold to another outstanding trade. All classes of cattle were in keen demand

with a particularly strong trade on the better sorts which peaked at 181 pence. There were numerous cattle over 160 pence with 44 cattle over £1000. The quality of cattle was quite variable with a few plainer loads reducing overall averages. MONDAY 14th APRIL IS A RED MARKET.

Top price per kilo: 181.00p for an entry from Mesr L Thomas & Sons, Clehonger. **Top price per head**: £1135.73 for an entry from Mesr GE Phillips & Son, Penrhos.

		Top p/kg	Av/kg	Av/head	Overall Av/kg
STEERS	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	164.50p	142.40p	£731.70	
	Heavy (560+kg)	172.50p	142.30p	£929.33	142.30p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)	159.50p	139.50p	£619.18	
	Heavy (485kg+)	181.00p	140.00p	£777.65	139.90p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	170.20p	180.00p	
Prime	145.10p	143.00p	
Others	120.10p	121.20p	

69 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

(53 Cull Cows, 7 Heifers, 9 Steer)

A good entry of overage cattle saw another tremendous trade. Even with 75% of the sale Dairy cows the overall average was a blistering 109.2p/kg and £735.52 per head. Tops today 139.5p twice grossing up to £1009.14 for a Limousin and Gelbvieh(!) cows from W Cooke of Abergavenny. Lowest price today 70p/kg for a very plain Angus cow. Only negative point from today – this may be the top! Some buyers now having a more 'take it or leave it' attitude. Please send your cows to Ross you will not be disappointed.

	Top Price / kg	Top Price / head	Av Price / kg	Av Price / head
Overage Steers	125.00p	£896.61	121.50p	£725.18
Overage Heifers	125.50p	£827.18	112.90p	£685.55
Grade 1 Cows	139.50p	£1009.14	133.50p	£735.52
Grade 2	124.00p		118.10p	
Grade 3	108.00p		99.80p	
Grade 4	88.00p		84.50p	
Overall Average			109.20p	

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.

Sale at 9.00 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The falling trade through last week resulted in a reduced entry of hoggets. Against all expectations the trade on the handier weights up to 47 kilos was on fire and even better than last week. All better hoggets realized over 160 pence to a peak of 182.7 pence. Heavier types also sold well albeit at reduced levels from last week. Most realized over £70 to a top of £75.50. The overall average of the hogs was £66.

Top Price per Kilo: 182.70 pence for an entry from Mesr JT Houldey & Son, Hasfield. **Top Price per Head:** £75.50 for an entry from Mesr VJ Thomas & Son, Llancarfan.

	Top p/kg	Av p/kg	Av £/head	Overall Av
Light (25.5 – 32 kg)				
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	182.70p	148.10p	£54.50	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	165.30p	155.90p	£65.22	
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	154.90p	140.00p	£67.46	154.90p
Overweight (52.1kg +)	136.90p	130.00p	£69.56	

OUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Weight	Up to 30 kg	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 - 48
Premium			180.10p	172.10p
Prime			156.20p	155.00p

84 SPRING LAMBS

Sale prior to Hoggets

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A short entry of lambs sold to a strong trade with all best sorts over £2 / kilo.

415 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 9.30 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

In line with the falling trade throughout last week a reduced number of ewes met slightly less demand following the flying trade of the previous week. Strong ewes regularly sold over £60 per head with an overall average of £42.40. First quality ewes sold from £50. Second quality sold from £35, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also met a reduced trade selling to an average of £37.14.

43 REARING CALVES SOLD ON THURDAY 3RD APRIL **Sale at 10.30 am**

An encouraging entry of 43 rearing calves for our first Thursday calf sale, sold to an excellent trade. Top price was £280 for a Belgian Blue bull with others of the same breed £245. Limousin bulls to £235, £210, £200, £190, etc. Simmental bulls to £235 with Aberdeen Angus to £180 and small Hereford cross £135. Heifers sold to a top of £210 for a Limousin with others £205, £190, etc. Belgian Blue heifers to £205 and £180. Charolais heifers to £160 and small Hereford cross £60. NEXT SALE THURSDAY 17TH APRIL, commencing promptly at 10.30 am.

FORTHCOMING SALES

APRIL

Thursday 17th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle & Rearing Calves Entries for Store Catalogue

To be received by noon on Thursday 10th April.

Wednesday 23rd ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antiques and Furniture. Entries now invited.

Contact Roger Garlick Tel: 01989 76222

ROSS AUCTION CENTRE

REARING CALVES Will now be sold on **Thursdays** Commencing at 10.30 am

Prior to the Store Cattle Sales.

FIRST SALE THURSDAY 3RD APRIL