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**ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT
 BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 7th MAY 2007**

209 CATTLE

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

140 Clean Cattle, 30 Cull Cows

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A reduced entry of cattle due to the Bank Holiday met a very good trade considerably ahead of markets at the end of last week. A full contingent of buyers were in attendance and this ensured a good trade throughout. Best sorts again sold around 130 pence with a very good trade on heavier sorts. **MONDAY 14TH MAY IS A GREEN MARKET.**

Top price per kilo: 131.00p twice for entries from Mesr LH Attewell & Partners, Undy Magor.

Top price per head: £841.73 for an entry from the same vendor.

| | | <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) | 124.50p | 124.50p | £558.44 | |
| | Heavy (560+kg) | 131.00p | 110.20p | £702.44 | 110.20p |
| HEIFERS | Medium (400-480kg) | 120.00p | 110.60p | £502.92 | |
| | Heavy (485kg+) | 131.00p | 108.90p | £588.84 | 109.10p |

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

| | Steers | Heifers | Bulls |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Premium | 128.10p | 128.00p | |
| Prime | 114.10p | 113.60p | |
| Others | 101.10p | 100.30p | |

30 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

Sale after the clean cattle

(26 Cull Cows 3 Steers, 1 Heifers,)

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A short entry of generally plain overage cattle sold to another excellent trade. There were very few better sorts forward and a number of plain cows reduced the overall average.

1,250 SPRING LAMBS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The falling trade throughout last week resulted in a shorter entry of lambs. The trade was certainly better than markets at the end of last week but nothing to get excited about. Once again handy weights sold best to a top of **136.3 pence**. The overall average of the lambs was **£46**.

Top Price per Kilo: 136.30p for an entry from Mesr B Blandford & Sons, Eastnor.

Top Price per Head: £52.50 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) | 136.30p | 120.30p | 45.20 | 114.90p |
| Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg) | 133.50p | 112.50p | 45.79 | |
| Heavy (45.6 – 52kg) | 100.00p | 100.20p | 46.24 | |

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

| Weight | 30.5 – 36 | 36.5 – 43 | 43.5 – 48 | 48.5 + over |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Premium | | 130.10p | 120.10p | |
| Prime | | 120.20p | 110.10p | |

1,250 HOGGETS

Sale after Spring Lambs

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A seasonally reduced entry of hoggets for the Bank Holiday market sold to a similar trade. Most hoggets sold from £38 - £44 with little difference between weights. A large number of 2 tooth hoggets averaged **£30**.

| | Top p/kg | Av p/kg | Av £/head | Overall Av |
|------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|----------------|
| Light (25.5 – 32 kg) | | | | |
| Standard 32.1 – 39 kg) | 103.80p | 102.10p | 37.93 | 100.90p |
| Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg) | 103.70p | 100.30p | 41.73 | |
| Heavy (45.6 – 52kg) | 95.70p | 88.20p | 42.00 | |
| Overweight (52.1kg +) | 78.97p | 71.10p | 41.36 | |

202 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes met an improved trade. Strong lean ewes regularly sold over £40 per head with an overall average of £38 an increase of £6 on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £40, second quality sold from £28, small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of rams also met an improved trade selling to an average of £38.50.

30 REARING CALVES

Sale at 12.30 pm

A low entry of 30 rearing calves sold to an excellent trade. Top price was £240 for a Belgian Blue Bull with others of the same breed £228, £210, etc. Blonde D'Aquitaine bulls to £238. Limousin bulls to £195, £190, £180, £172 (twice). Small Hereford cross bulls to £122. Belgian Blue heifers to £210, £208, £180, etc. with Limousin heifers making £200, £195 (twice), £180, £165, etc. Hereford cross heifers to £105 (twice).

9 DAIRY CATTLE

Sale at 11.00 am

Auctioneer: Jason Brown

No first quality forward this week. Heifers sold well to £808.50 for a 2yr old heifer by Moet Nunwick from AR Ractliffe, Harescombe, Glos. Average: £793.00.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MAY

Wednesday 23rd ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects. Entries invited to Roger Garlick (01989) 762225

Thursday 17th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 10th May.

JUNE

Saturday 9th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Poultry and Ornamental Wildfowl. Contact Chris & Gene Taylor: Tel/Fax 01874 730883 for details.

GRASS KEEP

80 Acres of River ground grazing

in Goodrich – Symonds Yat area

Available to the end of June

Most suitable for Ewes and Lambs.

Please contact Jeremy Jehan 01989 567233 or 07970 048080

RED & GREEN MARKET TIMETABLE

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| 7 TH MAY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 14 TH MAY | GREEN | |
| 21 ST MAY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 28 th MAY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 4TH JUNE | RED | |
| 11 TH JUNE | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 18 TH JUNE | GREEN | |
| 25 TH JUNE | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 2ND JULY | RED | |
| 9 TH JULY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 16 TH JULY | GREEN | |
| 23 RD JULY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 30 TH JULY | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 6TH AUGUST | RED | |
| 13 TH AUGUST | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 20 TH AUGUST | GREEN | |
| 27 TH AUGUST | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 3RD SEPTEMBER | RED | |
| 10 TH SEPTEMBER | GREEN | Including Calves |
| 17 TH SEPTEMBER | GREEN | |
| 24 TH SEPTEMBER | GREEN | Including Calves |

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we are holding 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.