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## ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2008

### 266 FINISHED CATTLE

182 Clean Cattle, 84 OTMS.

**Sale at 10.30 am prompt**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A reduced entry of finished cattle once again was of highly variable quality. Prices ranged from very plain unfinished sorts selling from 50 – 75 pence to best sorts over 180 pence. Any beast with meat sold particularly well with strong demand throughout. An entry of 25 bulls sold to another fast trade with all best sorts over 165 pence.

**Top price per kilo:** 186.50p for an entry from Mesr GJ Sevenoaks & Sons, Cross Ash.  
**Top price per head:** £1183.35 for an entry from Mesr EL & B Francis & Son, Garway.

		<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>	<i>Overall Av/kg</i>
<b>STEERS</b>	Light (370-460kg)				
	Medium (465-555kg)	186.50p	150.00p	£682.53	
	Heavy (560+kg)	175.50p	153.60p	£964.05	<b>153.50p</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>	Medium (400-480kg)	164.00p	155.10p	£616.07	
	Heavy (485kg+)	185.00p	151.90p	£840.59	<b>152.40p</b>

### QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Bulls</b>
<b>Premium</b>	175.00p	177.10p	170.00p
<b>Prime</b>	152.10p	151.20p	152.10p
<b>Others</b>	130.10p	130.10p	130.10p

### 84 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(77 Cull Cows, 2 Steers, 5 Heifers.)

**Sale after the clean cattle**

Auctioneer: Jeremy Jehan

Another excellent trade from start to finish. Seventy seven cows forward, the majority being Beef cows certainly helped averages. Best cow of the day 145p/kg, several 144p and six cows over £1000 up to £1075.69. Twenty cows 120p and better. More cows needed with plenty of demand on all numbers forward.

	<i>Top Price / kg</i>	<i>Top Price / head</i>	<i>Av Price / kg</i>	<i>Av Price / head</i>
Overage Steers	144.00p	£978.67	113.00p	£659.96
Overage Heifers	125.00p	£925.04	104.50p	£596.98
Grade 1 Cows	145.00p	£1075.69	130.50p	£669.78
Grade 2	120.00p		113.30p	
Grade 3	109.50p		101.30p	
Grade 4	89.00p		70.65p	
<b>Overall Average</b>			<b>100.90p</b>	

### 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!**

**1600 FAT LAMBS****Sale at 9.15 am prompt.**

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

As expected a shorter entry for the post Christmas market. The lower numbers resulted in an outstanding trade which was the best seen for several months. Best sold would be lambs from 37 – 44 kilos which peaked at **152.60p**. The entry was totally insufficient for the demand and many more could have been sold to advantage. The overall market average was **£55** (42.2 kilos).

**Top Price per Kilo:** 152.60 pence for an entry from Mesr GJ & JE Orgee, Canon Frome..**Top Price per Head:** £65.00 for an entry from Mesr A & R Livestock Eldersfield.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Av p/kg</i>	<i>Av £/head</i>	<i>Overall Av</i>
Standard (32.1 – 39 kg)	152.60p	136.00p	£50.36	
Medium (39.1 – 45.5kg)	151.80p	134.70p	£55.66	<b>135.10p</b>
Heavy (45.6 – 52kg)	130.00p	118.50p	£56.99	
Overweight (52.1kg +)	107.20p	107.20p	£57.24	

**QUALITY PRICE REPORTING**

<b>Weight</b>	<b>30.5 -36</b>	<b>36.5 – 43</b>	<b>43.5 – 48</b>	<b>48.5 - Over</b>
<b>Premium</b>		150.10p	150.10p	
<b>Prime</b>		136.10p	135.20p	125.10p

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

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A similar entry of ewes met a continued good trade. Strong meated ewes sold over £50 per head. Once again a large entry of small and plain ewes reduced the overall average to £37.44. First quality ewes sold from £40. Second quality sold from £28. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. Rams also met another good trade selling to £55 and average £48.80.

**80 REARING CALVES sold on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December****Sale at 10.30 am**

An excellent entry of 80 rearing calves sold to another very good trade with plenty of buyers in attendance. Top price was £260 for a Limousin bull with Belgian Blue bulls in keen demand and making a top of £250. Others of the same breed realised £240, £235, £225, £200, etc. Blonde D'Aquitaine bulls to £190. Heifer calves to a top of £200 for both Belgian Blue and Charolais with other Belgian Blues £190, £185, £180 (twice, etc). Medium Limousin heifers to £158. **The next calf sale is Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30 am.**

**STORE LAMBS sold on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December****Sale at 11 am**

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

A short entry of Store Lambs met a good trade selling to £47. The entry mainly consisted of long term lambs which reduced the overall average to £35.

**FORTHCOMING SALES****DECEMBER**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Rearing Calves.Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Dressed Poultry at 5.30 pm.Monday 29<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** **FATSTOCK MARKET AS NORMAL.****JANUARY 2009**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE.** Sale of Store Cattle at 11.15 am, Rearing Calves 10.30 am, Store Sheep 11 am, Dairy Cattle 12 noon.  
Entries for Store Cattle Catalogue to be received by 12 noon  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January.Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> **ROSS AUCTION ROOMS** Sale of Antique Furniture & Effects. Entries to Roger Garlick, Tel: 01989 762225.Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> **ROSS AUCTION CENTRE** Sale of Store Cattle, etc.