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ROSS AUCTION CENTRE – WEEKLY MARKET REPORT TUESDAY 8th JANUARY 2007

185 CATTLE

140 Clean Cattle, 40 OTM Cattle, 5 Bulls

Sale at 10.30 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

As expected the Red market resulted in a disappointing entry of cattle. Numbers have been back nationwide since Christmas as a result a very good trade ensued. There was a cracking trade on best sorts which peaked at **149 pence**. All classes of cattle were in keen demand and many more could easily have been sold. **MONDAY 15TH JANUARY IS A GREEN MARKET. The next RED market is Monday 5th February.**

Top price per kilo: 149.00p for an entry from Mesr DE & SJ Cheacker, Pilning.

Top price per head: £892.80 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)	118.50p	110.20p	£531.19	
	Heavy (560+kg)	149.00p	112.00p	£699.42	111.90p
HEIFERS	Medium (400-480kg)				
	Heavy (485kg+)	139.00p	112.00p	£630.58	112.00p

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	Steers	Heifers	Bulls
Premium	140.00p	135.20p	
Prime	115.20p	113.20p	
Others	103.20p	100.10p	92.60p

40 OVER THIRTY MONTH CATTLE

(2 Clean Steers, 2 Clean Heifers, 36 Cull Cows)

Sale after the clean cattle

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

A larger entry of Overage cattle sold to a superb trade. 6 buyers were in attendance, including a fresh face, which ensured a good trade on all sorts. There were no Grade 1 cows forward but in spite of the poorer quality there was spirited bidding throughout.

	<i>Top p/kg</i>	<i>Top head</i>	<i>Av/kg</i>	<i>Av/head</i>
Grade 1 Cows				
Grade 2 Cows	86.00p	£589.05	75.20p	
Grade 3 Cows	74.30p		65.20p	
Grade 4 Cows	60.20p		45.10p	
Overage Steers	90.00p	£540.80	88.00p	£503.10
Overage Heifers	95.00p	£581.18	90.00p	£566.24
Cows Overall Av			63.20p	£375.61

2,020 HOGGETS

Sale at 9.15 am prompt

Auctioneer: Richard Williams

The poor trade of last week, heavy weekend rain and a red market resulted in a very low entry of hoggets. A full contingent of buyers was in attendance and as a consequence there was an outstanding trade about 15 pence per kilo ahead of markets at the end of last week. Best sorts peaked at **118.0 pence** and there was also a very strong trade on heavier types. The overall average of the hoggets was **£45.84**.

Top Price per Kilo: 118.00p for an entry from Mr CE Parry, Gwehelog.
Top Price per Head: £50.00 for an entry from Mr. NJ Turner, Cross Ash.

	<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)	114.20p	108.80p	39.92	108.60p
Medium (39.1 – 45.5 kg)	118.00p	108.50p	45.64	
Heavy (45.6 – 52 kg)	107.10p	104.00p	48.92	

Weight	30.5 – 36	36.5 – 43	43.5 – 48	48.5 + over
Premium		115.10p	115.00p	
Prime		110.10p	109.00p	104.60p

210 CULL EWES & RAMS

Sale at 10.15 am

Auctioneer: Martyn Evans

With the return of two buyers a similar entry of ewes sold to an improved trade. Strong lean ewes were selling around the £40 per head. With an overall average of £30.21 an increase of £5 on the previous week. First quality ewes sold from £32. Second quality sold from £22. Small and plain ewes sold to this figure. A short entry of mainly small rams averaged £29.70.

FORTHCOMING SALES

JANUARY 2007

Thursday 11th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am.

Wednesday 17th ROSS AUCTION ROOMS Sale of Antique Furniture and Effects.

Thursday 25th ROSS AUCTION CENTRE Sale of Store Cattle. Sale at 11 am. Entries for catalogue to be Received by 12 noon Thursday 18th January.

STORE LAMBS

Please note we are holding sales of STORE LAMBS on every GREEN MARKET.

The demand is excellent resulting in very good trades being experienced.

Also BREEDING EWES are sold on GREEN MARKETS.

PRE-MOVEMENT TB TESTING

Please note we will still be holding alternative Red and 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.

ARE YOU DEFICIENT?

Are newborn calves slow to rise and suck?

Is it difficult to fatten calves on your land?

Is the consumption of grain/hay/silage high?

Is it difficult to keep the cattle in peak condition?

Is your lambing percentage low?

Is there a significant difference between scanning percentage and lambs to market?

Do your lambs stand still after weaning?

Is it difficult to finish lambs without creep?

Do you want your stock to grow healthier faster and cheaper?

If you do then you might need to retain the balance of trace elements to your ground.

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