

TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2020
CHRISTMAS PRIMESTOCK SHOW & SALE



A low-key Christmas Show & Sale for 2020 due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, but a big thankyou to all our customers who supported the sale and provided some superb quality stock.

In the Cattle section, this years Champion was clinched by Wayne Smith & family of Basford with an outstanding 500kg Limousin heifer, which went on the sell for 560p/kg (£2800) to Mr Peter Lymer of J W Ash Butchers of Leek. The same family took home Reserve Champion with a 515kg Limousin heifer which realised 380p/kg and sold to Mr Ray Sargeant of TG Sargeant & Son of Bramshall. The cattle were kindly judged by Geoff Mycock of Buxton.

An excellent show of Lambs for the Show, kindly judged by Lee Machin of Manifold Valley Meats, the Champion Prize was given to a superb pen of five 45.8kg lambs from Roger & Simon Bailey of Cloudside. These sold for 680p/kg (£311/head) to Mr Peter Lymer of JW Ash Butchers of Leek.

A bumper entry of pigs and plenty of show worthy winners, judged by Steven Nield, the Champion pen was given to a pair of 95kg pigs from David Goldstraw of Meerbrook which sold for 180p/kg to Lee Machin of Manifold Valley Meats.

Away from the Christmas Show, the Dairy section saw an impressive trade once again, with heifers to £2300 and numerous others over £2000. The Herd dispersal on behalf of the Shuker family of Whaley Bridge attracted a large interest selling up to £2240.

Great to see more calves about this Tuesday, and a large line up of purchasers for all types. Top price of £420 and £420 for Blue bull calves and heifers to £280.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL SHEEP VENDORS

PLEASE CAN ALL FORMS BE COMPLETED FULLY AND MAKE A NOTE ON YOUR GREEN FORM WHAT MARKS ARE ON YOUR SHEEP TO SPEED UP BOOKING IN;
I.E. FLOCK MARKS, BREED, EAR TAG NUMBERS.

WE ARE NOW OPERATING A STRICT 'DROP & GO' POLICY FOR ALL VENDORS.

VENDORS CANNOT STAY AT THE MARKET TO WATCH THEIR STOCK SOLD. THIS IS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT THE MARKET AND TO MAKE IT A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR PURCHASERS AND OUR STAFF.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL MARKET FORMS ARE COMPLETED FULLY, AND LEAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS SO WE CAN SEND YOU YOUR SALE RESULTS AT THE END OF THE DAY. ANY LUCK MONEY MUST BE WRITTEN ON YOUR MARKET FORM AND THIS WILL BE HANDED OUT IN THE OFFICE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT US.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME.

PLEASE STAY SAFE.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL CATTLE VENDORS

WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY CATTLE WHICH NEED ANY ALTERATIONS ON THE PASSPORT. IF THERE IS AN INCORRECT SEX OR BREED, YOU WILL BE ASKED NOT TO BRING THE ANIMAL.

ALSO, ANY HAND WRITTEN NAMED SIRE'S WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BUT THE TAG NUMBER MUST BE OFFICIALLY PRINTED ON THE PASSPORT ALONG WITH THE NAME WRITTEN NEXT TO IT. THAT WILL BE THEN DECLARED AS A NAMED SIRE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ABOVE THEN PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE AUCTIONEERS OR OUR MARKET OFFICE.

BARREN COWS (42);**Selling time – 10:00am****Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

Barrens saw an improved trade this Tuesday and some meated sorts forward topping at 162p/kg for a 525kg British Blue from Mitchell & Bradley, Siddington with a 665kg Dairy Shorthorn at 155p/kg for P & H Botham, Calton.

Limousin cows topped at 145p/kg for a 730kg cow with a 745kg Simmental at 140p/kg, and a 710kg Simmental cow at 139p/kg from the same home.

Black & white's sold up to 120p/kg for a 770kg Holstein from PJ Davies, Werrington and also 120p/kg for a 985kg Holstein from SJ Biddulph, Hilderstone.

Other top prices include;

128p 735kg Hereford - M Hall, Knypersley
123p 890kg Hereford - M Hall, Knypersley
119p 690kg Shorthorn - GG Hall & Son, Croxden
119p 930kg Holstein - WG & J Clark, Bradnop
119p 790kg Holstein - D J Wheeldon, Rudyard
118p 730kg Friesian - B E Wain, Siddington
118p 690kg Shorthorn - GG Hall & Son, Croxden
117p 845kg Holstein - D J Wheeldon, Rudyard

Overall average of 106.08p/kg or £728.31.

Top headage price of £1182 for a Holstein from S J Biddulph with other Holstein's to £1106.70, Herefords to £1094.70 and Limousins to £1058.50.

CLEAN CATTLE;**Selling time – 10:45am approx.****Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

An excellent show of cattle for this years Christmas Primestock, kindly judged by Geoff Mycock of Buxton.

This years Champion & Small Holder Champion was awarded to a superb 500kg Limousin heifer shown by Wayne Smith & Family of Basford which sold for 560p/kg to gross £2,800 to regular purchaser & local butcher Peter Lymer of J W Ash Butchers, Leek.

Reserve Champion was also won by Wayne Smith & Family with a 515kg Limousin heifer which sold for 380p/kg to gross £1957 sold to Ray Sargeant of T G Sargeant & Son of Bramshall.

The winner of the heifer class, being a 510kg Limousin heifer shown by Robert Belfield & family of Upper Hulme sold for 285p/kg to Lee Machin of Manifold Valley Meats, who also purchased a second heifer from Robert Belfield being a 525kg Limousin realising 225p/kg.

The winner of the steer class was an excellent 625kg British Blue steer from DE & GM Storer, Wincle which went on the sell for 285p/kg to Robert Bowring of Mansfield. A 600kg Piedmontese steer from Wayne Smith realised 245p/kg.

Two British Blue cattle from Eric Lane of Upper Hulme sold for 238p/kg for a 580kg Heifer and 220p/kg for a 715kg British Blue steer.

A 545kg Longhorn heifer shown by Wayne Smith sold for 225p/kg.

DAIRIES (191);**Selling time – 11:30am****Auctioneers – Meg Elliott (07967 007049) & Mark Elliott (07973 673092)****** HEIFERS TO £2300 ** HERD TO £2240 ****

Another very successful day in the dairy ring at Leek with 189 Head sold of which 168 were milkers.

Trade continues to hold with a lovely heifer from Malcolm Trevor-Jones topping the day at £2300 with others from the same home at £2020 and £1940.

Regular vendor Andrew Mills topped with his 3 heifers at £2180 to average £2013.

Two milky cows from the Johnson family of Longnor reached £2140 and £2010.

Friesians continue to sell well at Leek with a second calver from the Seabridge family of Sandon at £1830 and a heifer from the Lomas family of the Griffe at £1700.

The herd of cows from the Shuker family of Whaley Bridge met a swift trade with the second animal through the ring reaching £2070. Trade topped at £2240 with numerous others in that £1700-£2000 bracket.

Next week we have the Pedigree Christmas Show & Sale with entries likely to be in excess of 80 for milkers. Catalogues will be on-line shortly.

PIGS (165);**Selling time – 9:15am****Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

The Christmas Show & Sale of pigs kindly judged by regular purchaser Steven Nield who gave the Champion award to a pair of 95kg pigs from David Goldstraw of Meerbrook which sold for 180p/kg to Lee Machin of Manifold Valley Meats.

Trade was constant throughout with pork pigs selling up to 128p/kg for a pair of 75kg pigs from J & B Fentem, who also sold a 68kg pig at 122p/kg and a 74kg pig at 112p/kg for J R Mosedale & Son, Longford.

Cutting pigs sold to 138p/kg for 84kg pigs from Bernard Minshull, who also sold 85kg pigs at 136p/kg and 85kg pigs at 123p/kg. J & B Fentem sold cutters at 134p/kg for 82kg pigs, 126p/kg for 76kg pigs and 77kg pigs at 125p/kg.

Bacon pigs sold up to 180p/kg for an excellent pair of 95kg pigs from David Goldstraw, Meerbrook, with others at 158p/kg for a 100kg pigs from Bernard Minshull, who also sold bacon pigs at 146p/kg, 142p/kg, 140p/kg and 138p/kg. The Parson family sold 94kg pigs at 142p/kg and J & B Fentem has bacon pigs at 140p/kg.

A bumper entry of heavy pigs this Tuesday topping at 200p/kg for 111kg pigs from David Goldstraw who sold a further pen of 107kg pigs for 180p/kg, and the Parson family of Whitchurch selling an excellent run of pigs at 162p/kg, 148p/kg, 142p/kg, 134p/kg and 128p/kg.

Cull sows sold on a solid trade up to 75p/kg for a 340kg sow from R Rowlinson, Ramshorn, who sold another 286kg sow for 68p/kg. MC & EA Beattie sold a 310kg sow for 73p/kg, with the Fentem family selling a 275kg sow for 70p/kg and a 218kg sow for 65p/kg.

Averages;

Pork Pigs (7);	av 113.71p/kg or £80.41/head
Cutting Pigs (45);	av 109.65p/kg or £87.23/head
Bacon Pigs (49);	av 117.9p/kg or £110.92/head
Heavy Pigs (52);	av 108.74p/kg or £128.54/head
Cull Sows (7);	av 67.61p/kg or £189.42/head

SHEEP SECTION;

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

BUTCHERS LAMBS (748);

A reasonable entry but many more could be sold every week.

The sale today incorporated a toned-down version of the usual Christmas Show & Sale, however quality and trade was certainly not toned down and an excellent trade followed.

The judging was undertaken by Lee Machin of Manifold Valley Meats, who hose a pen of five from Roger & Simon Bailey which went on to sell for £6.80/kg (£311/head), being purchased by Peter Lymer of J W Ash Butchers of Leek.

Away from the show, trade was very brisk for the best sorts, regardless of wight. An exceptionally firm enquiry also for lightweight lambs 30 - 37kg of all breeds and types. These look in short supply nationally and if they have a touch of meat are 210p/kg and above.

Sample prices;

240p	31kg	M & D Barber, Blore
224p	30.7kg	B Shaw, Parwich
246p	37.3kg	FS & MJ Heath, Pipe Gate
240p	34.5kg	J M Robinson, Swythamley
238p	38kg	M Jones, Rudyard
237p	36.5kg	P Storer, Longnor
410p	42kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
274p	40.2kg	J M Robinson, Swythamley
260p	45kg	H Hodgkinson & Sons, Earl Sterndale
256p	43.2kg	R Tomkinson & Son, Butterton
252p	41.8kg	D B Goldstraw, Meerbrook
680p	45.8kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
246p	48kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
236p	46.2kg	Mosley & Son, Wormhill
231p	48.5kg	D Machin, Horton
224p	54.5kg	H Hodgkinson & Sons, Earl Sterndale
210p	54kg	LR & MJ Lowe, Buxton
191p	58.6kg	NE Goodwin & Son, Upper Hulme
191p	57.5kg	JM & ADJ Hayes, Alstonefield
184p	60.3kg	A & K Farming, Heaton

Overall average of 224.71p/kg or £95.40/head.

CULL SHEEP (246);

A seasonal entry selling on a solid trade throughout with plenty of competition for all types, particularly the very best Texel's. top price of £161 for Arthur Langridge of Fole and the top 8 pens averaging £144.21.

Plenty of demand for Mules also topping at £85 for the best.

More could be sold each week!

CALVES (154);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Oliver Hiles (07801 530899);

Better numbers throughout and a big line up of buyers and a very good trade.

51 Continental Bulls av £225.60

A very nice trade with buyers fighting hard for the quality on offer. Two super Blues from Brian Goodwin, Upper Hulme topped at £420 and £410. 12 best over £300; Mediums £220 - £280 with smalls under £200.

21 Blues av £259 to £420 - NE Goodwin & Son, Upper Hulme

10 Sims av £211 to £325 - JC & ME Moss, Meerbrook

16 Lims av £213 to £350 - NG, JMH & H Mellor, Earl Sterndale

4 Cha/Blo av £269 to £320 - D & G Tudor, Kingsley

44 Continental Heifers av £145.95

Prices all over the place with some looking very well sold while others looking value. 10 better heifers sold over £200 topping at £245 for Blues from Messrs Myatt and Graham Turnock. Mediums £130 - £180 with smalls around £100.

15 Blues av £168 to £245 - Two Vendors

17 Sims av £137 to £232 - C W Gibson, Biddulph Moor

9 Lims av £140 to £240 - JA & CJ Sherwin, Sproston

36 Natives

Best Angus bulls sold to £238 for M N Bailey with good heifers nicely over £100. 5 Stronger heifers sold to £280 and £225 for Angus' from Steve Ryder, Dilhorne and £255 & £230 for E T Pemberton, Cheadle.

21 Black & White Bulls av £56.14

A few better calves for rearing with Messrs Knight at £175 and R & D Hall at £160 for Friesians. Monty's to £120. Smaller bulls generally £30 - £50.

SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER - 10AM

Catalogued Sale of 3900 Store & Breeding Sheep

Sale to Commence 10am

Catalogues Available Online

Next Sale Saturday 9th January

TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER

Pedigree Christmas Show & Sale. Entries Invited.

THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2020 – 4PM

RED MARKET

Fortnightly Sale of Barren & Clean Cattle

Entries taken from 2pm onwards

***PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR TB24b

LICENCE IF YOU ARE UNDER TB

RESTRICTIONS***

SATURDAY 19TH DECEMBER - 10AM

Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle

Entries Close Friday 11th December

Next Sale Saturday 2nd & 16th January

WEDNESDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2020 - 10AM

Sale of Christmas Dressed Poultry

Entries of Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Chickens etc

Entries Invited
