

## TUESDAY 4TH MAY 2021

A quieter sale following a very wintery Bank Holiday weekend, with numbers back this week.

However, no shortage of trade in the sheep section with Spring Lambs averaging £146.42 a Head!! Topping at 417p/kg to average at 387p/kg. Hogg numbers drying up but still an excellent demand up to 340p/kg and £182.50, with Ewes in strong demand with prices to £166.

A shortage of barren cattle and trade slightly easier, but some excellent prices achieved up to 148p/kg twice for black & white's.

Dairies sold up to £1850 for heifers with in-calf heifers to £1600.

Calves are an impressive trade once again with buyers galore for all types!! Limousin bull calves up to £475 and Blues to £458 with Angus bull calves at £365 and Limousin heifer calves to £330.

An easier trade for pigs this Tuesday, with a lot of numbers about and averages back. Prices up to 124p/kg for bacon pigs and cutters to 117p/kg.

### BARREN COWS (19);

**Selling time – 10:00am**

**Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

A small entry of barrens for the Bank Holiday Tuesday topping at 148p/kg twice for a 765kg Holstein from W E Turnock & Sons, Onecote and a 600kg Friesian from D Moseley, Astbury, with a 790kg Swedish Red at 147p/kg from Foker Grange Farm Ltd.

Other top prices include;

141p 825kg Holstein - R & T Clowes & Son, Dilhorne  
138p 680kg Friesian - G W Myatt & Partners, Gratton  
138p 740kg Hereford - HA & TR Mycock, Grindon  
138p 800kg Angus - HA & TR Mycock, Grindon  
137p 875kg Holstein - Foker Grange Farm Ltd, Leek  
136p 720kg Hereford - HA & TR Mycock, Grindon  
136p 635kg Friesian - G W Myatt & Partners, Gratton

Overall average of 126.57p/kg or £882.53 per head.

Top headage price of £1198.75 and £1163.25 for Holsteins and a Swedish Red at £1161.30. Angus' sold to £1104 and Herefords at £1021.20.

A 695kg Angus steer sold at 150p/kg from HA & TR Mycock, Grindon.

### DAIRIES (25);

**Selling time – 11:30am**

**Auctioneers – Meg Elliott (07967 007049) & Mark Elliott (07973 673092)**

A mixed quality forward in the dairy shed on Tuesday saw the best to £1850 for a heifer from John Hill of Ashover. In-calf heifers peaked at £1600.

Next week we have a herd reduction of 30 fresh Friesian cows and heifers from Messrs Kennerley together with a group of 12 Pedigree British Friesian in-calf heifers due end of June onwards to the Limousin from Messrs Cresswell.

### PIGS (158);

**Selling time – 9:15am**

**Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)**

A bumper entry and this took an effect on the trade.

Cutting pigs sold to 117p/kg for a 84kg pig from J G Belfield, with 85kg pigs at 100p/kg and 82kg at 95p/kg from J & B Fentem.

Bacon pigs sold up to 124p/kg for a pair of 91kg pigs from PF & PD Parsons, with a 97kg pig at 119p/kg for J G Belfield, Sheen. The Fentems sold bacon pigs at 108p/kg twice and the Parsons selling others at 108p/kg, 106p/kg and 104p/kg.

Heavy pigs sold up to 110p/kg for 110kg pigs from J G Belfield, who also sold others at 101p/kg, 95p/kg, 94p/kg and 92p/kg.

A good number of sows about and selling to 60p/kg for 7 sows from one vendors, with others at 54p/kg and 52p/kg.

Averages;

Cutting Pigs (17);	av 95.24p/kg or £80.09/head
Bacon Pigs (84);	av 97.75p/kg or £92.96/head
Heavy Pigs (28);	av 93.19p/kg or £108.18/head
Cull Sows (14);	av 53.37p/kg or £147.06/head.

## **SHEEP SECTION;**

**Selling time 11:00am**

**Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)**

### **SPRING LAMBS (131);**

Less numbers about, partly down to the adverse weather conditions but trade exceptionally good from start to finish. At least double could have been sold to the vendors advantage.

Best sorts at 417p/kg and best lambs generally 395p – 410p, depending on weight. Best headage price of £178.60 to average a highly creditable £146.42 per head!!

More numbers now required each week please!

Sample prices;

414p 36.7kg R Brough & Son, Monyash  
408p 38kg IE, M & A Wilson, Hollington  
417p 40.7kg R Brough & Son, Monyash  
409p 39.2kg IE, M & A Wilson, Hollington  
406p 42kg RG & AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks  
395p 39.5kg J Nash, Sudbury  
380p 47kg RG & AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks

## **BUTCHERS HOGGET'S (191);**

Numbers drying up fast. Best fed hogs in good demand topping at 340p/kg and best big hogs at £182.50.

Overall average of 290p represents a very mixed entry and shows the excellent level of demand for all types.

Sample prices;

340p 40.6kg D Machin, Horton  
320p 43.7kg D Machin, Horton  
315p 40kg Brookside Farm Ltd, Warrington  
314p 40.5kg MJ & VP Oliver, Toft Green  
314p 46kg MJ & VP Oliver, Toft Green  
312p 49.6kg D Williams, Basford  
296p 53.7kg D Williams, Basford  
280p 64kg P Storer, Reapsmoor

## **CULL SHEEP (248);**

Another strong entry selling on an exceptional trade.

Best ewes to £166/head for Charolais ewes closely followed by Texel's at £158, £152 etc.

Big Mules topped at £117 with plenty at £90 - £100.  
Best Suffolk ewes to £151.

Texel Rams sold to £140.

### **SHEEP EARTAG IDENTIFICATION**

Slaughter Tags are only to be used in sheep under 12 months of age. Ewes should be Double Tagged with a matching pair of tags, one being electric.

### **ATTENTION TO ARLA PRODUCERS**

We can handle our calves and satisfy your contracts. Please let us know if you are an Arla Farmer and we will do the rest.

## **CALVES (117);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

**Auctioneer – Oliver Hiles (07801 530899);**

A good show of calves again. Trade remains outstanding with the finished cattle price at unprecedented levels the confidence in the calves is at an all time high!

### **36 Continental Bulls av £317.72**

Very dear again and an army of competing buyers all looking for calves to rear. 5 best strong bulls topped £420 with a 3 month old Limousin from Philip Heath at £475 with Andrew Hulme up to £458 for Blues and £440 for Limousins. Mediums £300 - £370 with just 12 under £300.

17 Blues av £313 to £458 - DW & P Hulme

7 Sims av £302 to £355 - A & JE Goldstraw

7 Lims av £384 to £475 - Foker Grange Farm Ltd

5 Blonde av £259 to £360 - EJ & VC Gilman

### **21 Continental Heifers £244.47**

Not really enough calves to satisfy the demand of the number of buyers at the ringside. Better calves either side of £300 with a high of £330 for a red Limousin from AJ Webb, Poynton. Mediums £220 - £250 with just a couple of smaller sorts under £200.

12 Blues av £245 to £325 - R & T Clowes & Son

2 Sims av £257 to £295 - J Gould & Son

5 Lims av £253 to £330 - A J Webb

2 Blonde av £207 to £220 - EJ & VC Gilman

## **48 Natives**

Bigger numbers again and a superb trade and some excellent averages.

28 Angus Bulls av £246 to £365 S & J Ryder

4 Hereford Bulls av £231 to £315 - W Millington & Co

10 Angus Heifers av £192 to £228 - AJ & T Myatt

6 Hereford Heifers av £205 to £265 - R & T Clowes

### **12 Black & White Bulls av £115.75**

Holsteins to £190; Shorthorns to £150; a Monty at £205 and a Norwegian Red at £170. Just two smaller bulls under £65.

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### **SATURDAY 15TH MAY - 10:30AM**

**Monthly Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs.**

**Please advise of entries.**

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### **SATURDAY 15TH MAY - 10AM**

**Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Entries Close Friday 7th May**

**Next Sale Saturday 29th May**

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### **SATURDAY 15TH MAY - 11AM**

**Special Sale of Breeding Sheep & Ewes with Lambs at Foot. Please advise of entries.**

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