

**TUESDAY 22ND JUNE 2021**

**A busy Tuesday sale and a busy dairy ring with 62 dairies forward selling up to £2100 and £2060 for heifers and cows to £1750.**

**Lamb trade well in line with the national trends, and some good quality on offer. Top prices of 330p/kg and £155 per head. Demand for ewes is still strong with ewes to £160.**

**Barrens continue to sell at a pace, with the average at 125p/kg with barren cattle up to 183p/kg and £1283.40 per head. Clean also in good demand selling up to 230p/kg and £1457.70.**

**One of the dearest ever trade's seen for calves this week, with demand off the scale. 12 bulls over £400 topping at £495 for Blue's and heifers equally as dear selling up to £365.**

**Pigs continuing to sell well, with good demand for the quality selling to 161p/kg.**

#### **BARREN COWS (34);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

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

A similar trade to last week, with trade just as strong as it has been in the recent weeks. Top price today of 183p/kg for a 585kg British Blue cow from J R Johnson & Sons, Ipstones. Charolais topped at 167p/kg for a 725kg cow from RF & HE Hinchcliffe, Whaley Bridge and Dairy Shorthorns to 158p/kg for Robertson Partners, Lower Withington.

Black and white's topped at 154p/kg twice for a 605kg Frisian and 630kg Holstein both from H J Whitfield.

Other top prices;

155p 780kg Longhorn - R W Potter & Co, Yaveley  
153p 640kg Longhorn - R W Potter & Co, Yaveley  
150p 715kg Hereford - A Shaw, Sturston  
146p 740kg Hereford - R & S E Poole, Winkhill  
140p 695kg Shorthorn - J Heath, Brookhouses  
138p 680kg Simmental - K L Potts, Mottram St Andrew  
138p 700kg Friesian - G T Worsley & Son, Cubley  
138p 930kg Holstein - Foker Grange Farm Ltd, Leek

Overall average of 125p/kg or £811.42

Top headage price of £1283.40 for the 930kg Holstein from Foker Grange, with Charolais to £120.75, Longhorns to £1209 and Herefords to £1080.40.

#### **CLEAN CATTLE;**

**Selling time – 10:45am approx.**

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

Top price today of 230p/kg for a 510kg Limousin heifer from Chris Barnsley, Morridge along with a 645kg Limousin heifer at 226p/kg to gross £1457.70 for D & JM Williams, Basford.

A 545kg Angus steer made 184p/kg for M Hall, Brown Edge.

#### **DAIRIES (62);**

**Selling time – 11:30am**

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

Another very successful day in the dairy shed at Leek with 62 passing through the ring of which 57 were milkers with trade again swift.

Topping the day was regular vendor Richard Lomas of Calow for a 28kg heifer by Penman Enterprise. She was clinched by Andrew Hulme of Basford at £2100 who also went onto take a fresh heifer from Andrew Weston of Litton at £2060. Shorthorns from Andrew Beech of Sutton reached £1830 with British Friesians from John and Lesley Kirby of Oakham to £1800.

Cows topped at £1750 for a Danish Red X from the Sharman family of Holbeck, Newark who also saw their smashing run of Montbeliarde X calves top at £390.

The run of 12 Autumn calving cows which included 4 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> calvers from the Jeffery's family of Sudbury were a smashing trade topping at £1600 to average out at a superb £1485.

## **PIGS (143);**

**Selling time – 9:15am**

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

A large entry forward and an excellent trade for fat pigs topping at 161p/kg for bacon pigs and cutters to 145p/kg.

A few more pork pigs forward today selling up to 147p/kg for 70kg pigs from P J Barker, Charnwood, with Alan Worth, Marton welling porkers at 141p/kg and 129p/kg.

Cutters sold up to 145p/kg for a trio of 76kg pigs from Alan Worth, with a 85kg pig at 144p/kg for J Davenport, Gawsorth. J & B Fentem sold cutters at 144p/kg, 136p/kg and 129p/kg. An 83kg pig sold at 122p/kg for Chris Hine.

Bacon pigs always well sought after with a trio of 96kg pigs realising 161p/kg for David Goldstraw who sold a further pen at 152p/kg and 148p/kg. J & B Fentem sold a pen for 144p/kg and 140p/kg with a pair of 89kg pigs making 141p/kg for D J Pope, Thame who also sold 86kg pigs at 140p/kg.

Heavier pigs sold up to 120p/kg for a 107kg pig from Steve Bailey, Biddulph, with 104kg pigs at 114p/kg for PF & PD Parsons, Whitchurch.

Cull sows topped at 77p/kg for a 237kg sow from John Wheawall, Leigh who sold another 250kg sow at 83p/kg. A 299kg sow realised 84p/kg for R Rowlinson, Ramshorn.

Averages;

Pork Pigs (11);	av 137.25p/kg or £91.59/head
Cutting Pigs (27);	av 124.1p/kg or £101.49/head
Bacon Pigs (83);	av 118.37p/kg or £111.21/head
Heavy Pigs (18);	av 93.81p/kg or £108.09/head
Cull Sows (4);	av 83.33p/kg or £222.90/head

## **SHEEP SECTION;**

**Selling time 11:00am**

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

### **BUTCHERS LAMBS (462);**

Not as bigger entry as was expected in part due to the reports of falling trade putting off some vendors.

Trade was less but still much better than anticipated and competitive bidding throughout. The quality of stock we are seeing each week is very good and certainly makes them easier to sell.

Best lambs flying away to 330p and a good number still at 300p and better, but only really for heavier (40kg +) sorts. Best big lambs selling very well to £155/head.

Overall average 278p/kg or £112/head which is still very strong compared to other years.

More well fed lambs could be sold each week.

Sample prices;

300p	38kg	A Shaw, Sturston
330p	43.5kg	C G Buckston, Sutton on the Hill
321p	40kg	C G Buckston, Sutton on the Hill
314p	44kg	J M Robinson, Swythamley
307p	44.3kg	RG & AS Williamson, Wetley Rocks
312p	48kg	C G Buckston, Sutton on the Hill
310p	50kg	J M Robinson, Swythamley

### **CULL SHEEP (150);**

A seasonal entry with trade perhaps not quite as fast but still strong. Best Texel's to £160 for Kirkham & Bourne and plenty £130 and better.

Best mules to £110 and horned ewes to £60.

Best Texel Rams to £162/head.

Overall average at £92.53 which is the first time below £100 for some time but this reflects the goods on offer more than the level of demand.

### **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.**

## **CALVES (124);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

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

**\*PROBABLY THE DEAREST EVER\***

**12 BULLS OVER £400!!**

A super trade throughout with a good line up of buyers and some remarkable results.

### **43 Continental Bulls av £310.04**

Fantastic to have more about and the trade was certainly ready for them with the top 15 over £390 including 12 over £400 and a top of £495 for a lovely fresh calf from Andrew Hulme, Basford with his other bull at £430. Other blues at £428 for WE Turnock & Sons; £425 JW Handford & Sons; £420 GR & D Hawkins; £418 & £400 CC & CJ Lovatt; £415 J B Plant and £402 DG & JA Ball. Mediums £315 - £365 with smaller sorts generally £220 - £270.

30 Blues av £317 to £495 - DW & P Hulme

8 Sims av £329 to £412 - JJ & PN Holdcroft

5 Lims av £235 to £405 - J & W Knight

### **19 Continental Heifers av £264**

The bulls were good but the heifers were equally as strong. Top 9 over £290 and a high of £365 and £330 for Messrs Hulme, Basford with plenty more over £300. Just a couple of smaller heifers under £200.

14 Blues av £280 to £365 - DW & P Hulme

3 Sims av £235 to £310 - JJ & PN Holdcroft

2 Lims av £192 to £202 - K W Cresswell

**37 Natives**

Strong competition and trade!

9 Here Bulls av £219 to £390 - JJ & PN Holdcroft

7 AA Bulls av £187 to £270 - CS & J Prince

8 Here Hfrs av £190 to £255 - J & W Knight

8 AA Hfrs av £141 to £205 - C Jackson & Sons

**25 Black & White Bulls av £75**

9 better sorts over £100. Monty's to £262 for B & B

Partners; Friesians to £160 for G B Millington and

Holsteins to £140. Mediums rearer's £50 - £80.

**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.**

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**THIS SATURDAY 26TH JUNE - 10AM**

**Sale of 394 Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Catalogues Available Online**

**Next Sale Saturday 10th & 24th July**

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**SATURDAY 10TH JULY - 11AM**

**Special Sale of Early Lambing Shearlings & Ewes including Early Rams**

**MV and Non MV Sections**

**Entries Close Friday 2nd July**

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**SATURDAY 10TH JULY - 10:30AM**

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

**Please advise of entries.**

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