

TUESDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2021

A good entry of lambs again this Tuesday and another excellent trade with a top price of 309p/kg and £163.20 per head. Cull sheep just as dear with ewes to £171 to average £108!

Barrens up in price this week, with the best to 150p/kg, and overage steers to 179p/kg or £1156. Good to see a few more clean cattle about with a top price of 295p/kg for a 530kg Limousin heifer.

Dairies continue to sell well with a top or £2110 and £2100 for heifers.

A full shed of pigs this Tuesday and trade similar to last week, with bacon pigs selling the best up to 133p/kg and 131p/kg.

Strong trade for calves and the best always selling at a premium with Blue bulls to £430 and Limousins to £415 and heifers to £240.

BARREN COWS (55);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

A much improved trade this week with a good entry forward topping the day at 150p/kg for a 740kg Holstein from WSW Mills, Ratcliffe on Wreake with a 615kg Cross Bred cow at 147p/kg for A E Ward, Foxt.

Limousins topped at 149p/kg for a 595kg cow from MJD Farms, Alstonefield, with Herefords at 145p/kg for a 700kg cow from G W Mycock & Son, Alstonefield who sold another 805kg Hereford at 140p/kg and a 735kg Hereford at 138p/kg.

Other top prices include;

138p 760kg Holstein - A Povey & Sons, Doveridge
138p 695kg Holstein - H J Whitfield, Doveridge
137p 785kg Brown Swiss - DR & A Shuker, Bosley
136p 850kg Hereford-GW Mycock & Sons, Alstonefield
134p 630kg Limousin - MJD Farms, Alstonefield
133p 695kg Friesian - DR & A Shuker, Bosley
133p 730kg Swedish Red - GR & D Hawkins, Cheadle
133p 510kg Friesian - DR & A Shuker, Bosley
132p 735kg Holstein - J & R Maydew, Consall

Overall average up 17p this week at 115.75p/kg or £770.18 per head.

Top headage prices of £1156 for a 850kg Hereford from G W Mycock & Son, with other Herefords at £1141.65, £1127 and £1015 with Holsteins to £1110 and £1048.80.

One overage 620kg Hereford steer realised 179p/kg for G W Mycock & Son, Alstonefield.

CLEAN CATTLE(9);

Selling time – 10:45am approx.

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

A small entry sold on an excellent trade with a top price of 295p/kg for a 530kg Limousin heifer from C H Barnsley, Morridge with a 520kg Simmental heifer realising 250p/kg for D & J Williams, Basford.

A 525kg Aberdeen Angus heifer sold for 210p/kg from Reg Critchlow, Grindon who sold another 495kg Angus for 192p/kg. A 610kg Angus heifer made 198p/kg from Richard Green, Whiston.

Steers sold to 193p/kg for a 645kg Angus from G A Wise, Newcastle who also sold a 635kg Blonde steer for 180p/kg.

Top headage prices of £1563.50 for the Limousin heifer with other heifers at £1300 and £1288.85 with steers up to £1244.85.

DAIRIES;

Selling time – 11:30am

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

A lovely trade for the quality forward saw the Phillips family of Winkhill top the market for a 26kg heifer at £2110. They also had a second at £2100.

Richard Lomas of Calow saw his heifer reach £2020 with another from Messrs Callwood of Knutsford at £2000.

A Montbeliarde x third calver giving 37kg from A Barber of Gnosall reached £1900.

More numbers needed to satisfy demand. If you have stock to sell contact Meg Elliott on 07967 007049.

PIGS (185);

Selling time – 9:15am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

A very similar trade to last week with another super entry forward.

Cutters topped the day at 133p/kg for 79kg pigs from D J Pope, Thame, with J & B Fentem & Sons selling a run of cutters at 116p/kg twice, 114p/kg, 111p/kg and 110p/kg. A 81kg pig made 100p/kg for David Goldstraw.

Bacon pigs sold well, up to 131p/kg for 90kg pigs from D J Pope, who also sold 91kg and 99kg pigs at 128p/kg, and 89.5kg pigs at 126p/kg. a pair of 95kg pigs realised 127p/kg from PF & PD Parsons, with a pair of 99kg pigs at 124p/kg from Bernard Minshull, and 124p/kg for 88kg pigs from Massie Farms.

Heavy pigs sold up to 118p/kg for 110kg pigs from David Goldstraw, Meerbrook, who also sold a 108kg pigs at 101p/kg. 106kg pigs realised 87p/kg for W Rigby & Son, Chinley and 80p/kg for 111kg pigs from P & N Allen.

Culls sows sold well today topping at 59p/kg for a 332kg sow from A J Green, Dronfield, who also sold 334kg and 320kg sows for 58p/kg and a 182kg sow at 58p/kg for GR & M Garth and 306kg and 305kg sows at 58p/kg from W Rigby & son, Chinley.

A pen of 14 weaners weighing 35kg sold for £30/head.

Averages;

Pork Pigs (4);	av 101.23p/kg or £73.14/head
Cutting Pigs (34);	av 105.97p/kg or £85.93/head
Bacon Pigs (94);	av 106.42p/kg or £98.18/head
Heavy Pigs (22);	av 83.97p/kg or £95.35/head
Cull Sows (16);	av 53.3p/kg or £135.72/head

SHEEP SECTION;

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

BUTCHERS LAMBS (845);

A similar entry selling on a solid trade, albeit not quite at the dizzy heights we are becoming accustomed to.

Best lambs still top side of 300p for all pens but generally 280 - 295p on the day. Best sold on the day was the little lambs at 30-39kg which saw a blistering trade from wholesalers and store purchasers.

Best big lambs selling well again to top at 288p/kg for heavy and 270p for overweight's to £163.20.

Overall average 266p/kg SWW or 261p/kg overall.

Sample prices;

271p	30.7kg	L & DA Lightfoot, Dilhorne
309p	38kg	A Shaw, Sturston
304p	38.5kg	A Shaw, Sturston
298p	38kg	J L Morris, Cresswell
292p	38.8kg	J Gilman & Partners, Bosley
287p	37kg	R A Critchley, Denstone
305p	39.5kg	G & A Peach, Clifton
301p	43kg	M Lancaster, Congleton
298p	39.1kg	M Lancaster, Congleton
291p	40.8kg	M Lancaster, Congleton
288p	47.5kg	M Lancaster, Congleton
270p	56kg	J J Watson, Marple
269p	57kg	FG & JR Critchlow, Sheen
240p	68kg	H G Nutter, Grindon

CULL SHEEP (275);

A few less about saw a blistering trade for all types. The sale peaked at £171 for an excellent Texel ewe from David Goldstraw, Meerbrook who saw his run of ewes average an excellent £154/head. Other best Texel's sold to £161 from R & L Vernon and £161 from Alan Wilshaw.

Mules saw a fierce trade today topping at £128 for the very best with Suffolks to £138.

Overall average at £108.13.

CALVES (134);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)

A good number of calves again this week with a good line up of buyers led to another strong trade at Leek.

42 Continental Bulls av £242

A very strong trade again but a lot of 2nd and particularly 3rd quality calves on offer. Best 8 calves topped £360 including 4 over £400 and a top of £430 for Messrs Shuker, Bosley. Mediums generally £240 - £280 with a dozen smaller and plainer calves under £200.

31 Blues av £254 to £430 - DR & A Shuker

4 Sims av £226 to £295 - JJ & PN Holdcroft

5 Lims av £228 to £415 - R J Salt & Partners

33 Continental Heifers av £166.39

Plenty of bidders but only at levels equal to the calves value. Only a handful of better sorts on offer and selling over £240 with a high of £255 for a Limousin from Messrs Whittaker, Bosley. Mediums £150 - £200 with smaller heifers under £150.

17 Blues av £176 to £240 - R G Emmott

9 Sims av £157 to £250 - TD & DA Higginson

6 Lims av £163 to £255 - F E Whittaker & Sons

30 Natives

Maintained recent good levels.

8 AA Bulls av £169 to £252 - C Heath & Sons

4 Hereford Heifers av £149 to £205 - F J Gould & Son

13 AA Heifers av £113 to £195 - R G Emmott

29 Black & White Bulls av £88.17

Strong Friesians sold to £185; Shorthorns to £140 and Swedish Red to £130. Mediums rearer's £50 - £80 with smaller sorts generally £30 - £50.

SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER - 10AM

Catalogued Sale of Store & Breeding Sheep

Entries Close Friday 19th November

Next Sale - Saturday 11th December

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER - 10AM

Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle

Entries Close Friday 26th November

Next Sale - Saturday 18th December

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs - 10.30am

Sale of Store & Breeding Goats - 11am

TUESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2021

CHRISTMAS PRIMESTOCK SHOW & SALE

Schedules Available

UPCOMING EVENTS WITH THE FARMING LIFE CENTRE;

The Farming Life Centre will be working with DEFRA and the Prince's Countryside Fund to deliver a FREE programme of support to help you prepare your farm for the upcoming changes. Sign up by calling 01629 810903 or email

rachelmetcalfe@thefarminglifecentre.org.uk.

Participants will receive one-to-one support, an environment workshop, a business workshop plus additional events and resources.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING;

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.

CATTLE EARTAG IDENTIFICATION

All Cattle MUST have Two Tags (One Primary Tag and One Secondary Tag). Cattle will not be accepted if they are Tagged Incorrectly.

CLEANSLINESS OF LIVESTOCK TRAILERS

All Livestock Trailers MUST be Clean & Disinfected Before Loading Livestock from the Market.

ALSO

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.