

TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2022

A busy Tuesday Market with a shed full of lambs and cull sheep, with some good prices achieved especially for heavier types. The best to 274p/kg, and £1342.60/head. Overall average of 229p/kg. Cull ewes a solid trade, seeing the best to £210.

Barrens continue to sell well, especially for meated, fed types with 198p/kg and £1504.80 achieved for Limousins. Clean up to 275p/kg.

More pigs about this week, and good prices reflecting quality on offer, with the best to 191p/kg.

An excellent demand for dairies but lacking the quality forward from last week, seeing the top prices reach up to £1960 for heifers.

A quieter show of calves this week compared to last, and a very mixed sample which saw the best up to £375 & heifers up to £370.

BARREN COWS (33);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

Some good prices achieved for the cattle on offer with the best to 198p/kg for a 760kg Limousin from K L Potts from Mottram St Andrew, with 191p/kg for a 730kg Limousin from A Turnock & Sons, Horton and 188p/kg for a 610kg Friesian from F & J Barlow, Froghall.

Other top prices;

185p 705kg Shorthorn – E Truman, Quarnford

179p 725kg Holstein – W E Turnock, Leek

175p 740kg Hereford – A Turnock & Son, Horton

170p 650kg Friesian – R J Clowes & Son, Horton

169p 660kg Angus – MJ & VP Oliver & Sons, Kingsley

166p 590kg Blue – F & J Barlow, Froghall

165p 710kg Charolais – JH & IEA Bennett & Sons, Buxton

Overall average of 154.74p/kg or £1005.56.

Top headage price of £1504.80 for the 760kg Limousin from the Potts's, with Friesians to £1146.80 & £1105.00.

CLEAN CATTLE (7);

A modest entry saw a fast trade, with a smart Limousin Heifer achieving 275p/kg selling to Peter Lymer of JW Ash Butchers, Leek. Top headage of £1481.80 for a Charolais Heifer.

Black and White Bulls sold to 209p or £1254/head from JE Archer & Sons, Hilton.

More clean cattle could be sold each week!!

DAIRIES (33);

Selling time – 11:30am

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

Trade much bouncier this week despite the lack of quality forward.

Topping the day was Edward & Diane Bennett at £1960 with other More third quality heifers in the £1300 - £1600 bracket.

More quality definitely needed to satisfy the current demand. Many buyers in attendance went home empty handed.

PIGS (127);

Selling time – 9:15am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894).

A stronger show of pigs this week with trade better than last seeing some solid prices achieved. Porkers sold up to 191p/kg for a pair of 67.5kg pigs from J & B Fentem, with Alan Worth, Marton selling 63kg pigs at 189p/kg and 68kg pigs at 179p/kg and others at 176p/kg and 166p/kg.

Cutters sold to 188p/kg for a pair of 80kg pigs from R & L Vernon, Rocester with pigs selling at 184p/kg from J & B Fentem. Others sold cutters to 181p/kg, 172p/kg and 171p/kg etc.

Bacon pigs sold to 192p/kg for 92.7kg pigs from Massie Farms, Stafford who also sold 95.5kg pigs for 188p/kg. 90kg pigs sold to 186p/kg from the Fentems, who also sold 90kg pigs for 182p/kg and 87.6kg pigs for 162p/kg. D B Goldstraw, Meerbrook sold bacon pigs to 175p/kg and 164p/kg.

A few more heavy pigs than last week, with the best at 106kg for 157p/kg from PF & PD Parsons.

A run of sows from the same home sold at 83p/kg for mixed weights (262kg - 308kg).

Pig Averages;

Pork Pigs (12);

av 172.6p/kg or £117.86/head

Cutting Pigs (16);

av 173p/kg or £140.56/head

Bacon Pigs (83);

av 167.07p/kg or £151.15/head

Heavy Pigs (5);

av 132.7p/kg or £143.11/head

Boars (1);

av 6p/kg or £15.42/head

Cull Sows (14); av 68p/kg or £180.62/head

2 Blondes av £180 to £280 – B E Wain

SHEEP SECTION;

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

LAMBS (1006);

Another solid entry, but dip in overall quality forward with a shortage of meat on the day. Nevertheless, a number of good runs forward selling to a very fast trade, particularly for heavier sorts. Best forward selling to 274p/kg and plenty of the best at 260p/kg and better.

More heavy weights and best meated lambs could have been sold to vendor’s advantage. 48kg and above are in very good demand.

Overall average at 230p/kg looking very good on the show of lambs forward.

Sample prices;

261p	37kg	T Beswick, Earl Sterndale
260p	36kg	B Proctor, Brown Edge
255p	35.7kg	GW & SM Pattinson, Weaver
258p	45kg	WHI Mellor, Stockport
258p	44kg	JM Robinson, Macclesfield
274p	49.6kg	JM Robinson, Macclesfield
273p	51.8kg	AE & B Smith, Uttoxeter
260p	51.2kg	JM Robinson, Macclesfield
256p	47.2kg	JM Robinson, Macclesfield

CULL SHEEP (401);

A strong entry and a solid trade, comprises well to reports of falling trade elsewhere.

Best Texel ewes to £210 from Callum Barks of Newcastle, and other best continentals at £160 plus.

Best Mules to £115/head and best Suffolk’s to £140/head.

A number of growing sorts forward with farmers choosing to prioritise the grass available, but a stronger demand for these generally.

Overall average at £83/head.

CALVES (197);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)

A big entry of calves and reared again and trade was better than expected under the current circumstances. The forthcoming winter coats are certainly weighing heavy on the rearers minds, and they are bidding accordingly.

41 Continental Bulls

Better sold than expected with stories elsewhere that there was nobody to buy them! The 10 best topped £300 with a smart Simmental heifer (23 days) from Robinson Partners, Rudyard selling to Yorkshire. 14 good mediums £250 - £285 range; smaller mediums £160 - £220 range, with 7 plainer or younger bulls under £100.

- 25 Blues av £213 to £338 – J R Johnson & Son
- 6 Sims av £222 to £375 – Robinson Partners
- 6 Lims av £275 to £310 – Woodward Partners
- 2 Char av £327 to £355 – D & G Tudor

34 Continental Heifers

The best actually good to sell but the plainest heifers are hard work, except at a price. A tremendous Limousin (36 Days) heifer found plenty of suitors and sold at £370 for Messer’s Whittaker, Bosley. 6 best posh heifers £255 - £370 range; 3 more good calves at £200 plus; mediums generally £120 - £170 with 12 smaller under £100. No records broken but no disaster.

47 Natives

Always seem to have a premium at Leek.

- 14 Hereford Bulls av £103 to £265 – G J Tideswell
- 12 AA Bulls av £125 to £245 – Woodward Partners
- 9 Hereford Heifers av £81 to £172 – G J Tideswell
- 10 AA Heifers av £42 to £65 – P E Holmes & Son

34 Dairy Bulls

Monty’s to 160, Friesians to £100 and Holsteins to £70 with majority of smaller calves at £20 to £50.

41 Reared Claves

A big turnout that was not expected but all sold at prices in correlation to the quality of calf and standard that they had been reared.

AA Bulls (4 Mnths) to £230; Limousin Heifers (4Mnths) to £225; and AA Heifers (4 -5 Mnths) to £270.

SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle

Entries Close Friday 2nd September

Next Sale: Saturday 24th September

SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs - 10:30am

Followed by Sale of Goats

WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Catalogued Show and Sale of Pedigree Texel Sheep On Behalf of The Derbyshire Texel Club

Catalogues Available

SATURDAY 17 TH SEPTEMBER

Sale of Store and Breeding Sheep

Entries Close Friday 9 TH September

Next Sale: Saturday 1 ST October

TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Monthly Pedigree Sale. Entries Invited.

Including Dispersal of the Entre High Yielding Herd (47 Head) on behalf of P K Brocklehurst, Oak Farm, Mobberley, Cheshire.

TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Dispersal Sale of the Entire Head on behalf of the Boffey Family, Church Lawton.
