

TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2022

An improvement in trade in the sheep shed this week, saw lambs up to 270p/kg and £147.60 to average 235p/kg. More lambs required every week! Cull ewes sold up to £159 but plenty of leaner ewes forward to return an average of £73.

Another strong trade for fat pigs with prices reaching 198p/kg with quality selling around 175p – 190p/kg.

Barren cows sold on a brisk trade with a top price of 187p/kg for a Longhorn, and average of 139.19p/kg. A small entry of clean cattle sold up to 227p/kg.

A mixed quality entry of dairies this Tuesday but trade still brisk, seeing heifers to £2620 and cows to £2500.

Another large entry of calves met a strong trade, seeing Blue bulls to £385 and heifers to £210.

BARREN COWS (37);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

A reduced entry and trade similar to other outlets with the best cows to 187p/kg for a 640kg Longhorn from R W Potter & Co, Yaveley. A 830kg Limousin sold for 185p/kg from R & M Hunter & Sons, Hollinsclough and 182p/kg for a 690kg British Blue from J Deaville, Bucknall.

Other top prices include;

179p 805kg Angus - S Pennington & Son, Altrincham

176p 635kg Friesian - N D Gibbs, Butterton

173p 790kg Angus - S Pennington & Son, Altrincham

168p 495kg Hereford - B W Swindells, Onecote

166p 740kg Holstein - Red Earth Farms, Rudyard

165p 615kg Shorthorn - G K Tunnicliffe & Son

163p 680kg Charolais - JH & IEA Bennett & Sons

162p 785kg Friesian - W H Townsend & Son

Overall average of 139.19p/kg or £920.51.

Top headage price of £1535.50 for the 830kg Limousin from R & M Hunter, with Angus' to £1440.95 & £1366.70; Friesians to £1271.70, British Blues to £1255.80 and Holsteins to £1228.40.

CLEAN CATTLE;

Selling time – Following the Barren Cattle

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

A decent entry selling to 227p/kg for a 575kg Limousin bull from Home Farm, Rushton, who also sold a 720kg British Blue heifer for 218p/kg. A 560kg Angus bull realised 194p/kg for MJ & VP Oliver & Sons, Toft Green.

Other heifers at 200p/kg for a 595kg Angus from Glyn Redfern, Onecote who also sold a 595kg Angus for 191p/kg. A 565kg Angus sold for 198p/kg from S Pennington & Son, Altrincham.

A 715kg Simmental steer realised 209p/kg for B J Bailey, Biddulph Park.

Top headage price of £1569.60 for the 720kg Blue heifer with other heifers at £1190 & £1136.45, with steers to £1494.35 and bulls to £1305.25.

DAIRIES (40);

Selling time – 11:30am

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

A very mixed quality forward on Tuesday however the best continue to sell exceptionally well.

Andrew Weston of Litton topped the day at £2620 for a 30kg heifer with another heifer from Derek Davenport of Sandbach close behind at £2580.

Cows peaked at £2500 for a second calver from Phillip Brocklehurst of Mobberley.

Next week we have the herd dispersal on behalf of the Hollinshead family. Robot cows, they are strong and milky. Catalogue can be viewed online.

PIGS (134);

Selling time – 9:15am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894).

A strong trade once again with some excellent prices achieved and buyers after quality stock. Porkers sold to 184p/kg for a pair of 71kg pigs from PJ Saunders, with 183p/kg for 68kg pigs from Alan Worth and 181p/kg for 75kg pigs from J & B Fentem.

Cutters topped at 188p/kg for 80kg pigs from J & B Fentem who sold other cutters for 183p, 182p, 171p & 170p, with Massie Farms selling up to 186p/kg for 82kg

gilts. 180p/kg for 77kg pigs from P J Saunders and 176p/kg for 81kg pigs from Ray Rowlinson.

Bacon pigs sold up to 198p/kg for a pen of 86kg pigs from Ray Rowlinson, with Massie Farms selling bacon pigs at 190p, 189p, 184p, 180p, 179p (x3). 185p/kg for 86kg pigs from Bernard Minshull, who also sold a 86kg pig for 182p/kg.

One heavy pig at 110kg sold for 134p/kg from PF & PD Parsons.

Cull sows topped at 75p/kg for a 290kg sow from P J Saunders and also for a 282kg sow from S Richardson, Barnsley who sold others at 74p, 70p, 69p and 64p.

Pig Averages;

Pork Pigs (20);	av 172.51p/kg or £122.92/head
Cutting Pigs (45);	av 174.68p/kg or £140.60/head
Bacon Pigs (82);	av 172.37p/kg or £157.07/head
Cull Sows (12);	av 60.62p/kg or £154.18/head

SHEEP SECTION;

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

LAMBS (876);

A slightly reduced entry sold on a much improved trade, in line with a firming in the national trend.

Best lambs forward topping at 270p/kg and again, the heavier weights meeting faster trade in general. Meat is very much at a premium. Top headage price of £147.60.

Overall average at 235p/kg and many more could have been sold with no detriment to trade.

Sample Prices;

250p	36.8kg	F E Shenton & Son, Hulme End
270p	43kg	Smith & Wardman, Longnor
264p	44kg	TW & EJ Gratton, King Sterndale
264p	44kg	G A Titterton, Milwich
262p	44kg	G A Titterton, Milwich
262p	42kg	D Tomlinson, Peak Dale
261p	42kg	S & J Reeves, Grindley
261p	48.5kg	G A Titterton, Milwich
260p	47.1kg	A G Tomkinson, Thorpe
252p	53kg	E W Lane, Upper Hulme
252p	52.3kg	G A Titterton, Milwich

CULL SHEEP (313);

A few less forward but still a good entry and again, dominated by ewes lacking flesh and showing signs of the lack of keep.

Best ewes sold to £159 and plenty of pens at £140 plus but also plenty of lean sorts at less than £50/head .

Overall average of £73/head.

CALVES (227);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)

Another very big turnout of calves and like everywhere, trade is less. The best at Leek today look well sold.

59 Continental Bulls

Big numbers and trade very good for the better sorts with the top 20 all over £300 and topping at £385 for a Blue from Richard Emmott. Mediums look ok at £200 - £280 with some smaller sorts under £200 look well brought. 42 Blues av £208 to £385 - R G Emmott
6 Sims av £240 to £360 - H & E Bailey
9 Lims av £251 to £360 - RJ & KA Salt
2 Char av £360 to £360 - D & G Tudor

37 Continental Heifers

The heifers are very hard work to sell at present with the buyers looking for quality but some smalls look low money. Best Lims topped at £210 for a nice red calf from PF Hulse. Better sorts generally £150 - £200; mediums £90 - £130 with smalls generally £40 - £70. 25 Blues av £101 to £200 - JP & SR Slack
8 Sims av £95 to £185 - DG & JA Ball
4 Lims av £150 to £210 - P F Hulse

85 Natives

Very little interest except for the best. 26 Angus Bulls av £65 to £200 - D & W Davenport
7 Here Bulls av £139 to £245 - J & W Knight
40 Angus Heifers av £37 to £130 - FA & TM Cotton
12 Here Heifers av £77 to £178 - G J Tideswell

22 Black & White Bulls

No best calves with the majority £20 - £50 today.

24 Reared Calves

Blue bulls 3mths at £300 and heifers to £265 (x6) from Messrs Hague, Knutsford with Limousin heifers at £295 (3mths) from Robinson Partners, Rudyard.

SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER

Sale of 581 Store & Breeding Cattle

Catalogues Available Online

Next Sale: Saturday 22nd October

SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER

Sale of Store and Breeding Sheep

Entries Close Friday 7th October

Next Sale: Saturday 29th October

FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Sale of Breeding Rams

MV & Non MV Sections

Entries Close Friday 14th October
