

TUESDAY 21ST MARCH 2023

BARREN COWS (37);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

Good to see more forward, and they met a solid trade for all, seeing a top price of 230p/kg for a 630kg Hereford, a 655kg Charolais at 224p/kg and a 595kg Hereford at 222p/kg, all from Home Farm, Rushton Spencer.

Black & white's to 187p/kg for a 775kg Holstein from J G Curtis & Son, Basford and 187p/kg for a 860kg Monty from TG Adams & Son, Calwich.

Other top prices include;

186p 800kg Holstein - Morson Bros, Hartington
185p 635kg Holstein - D & G Tudor, Kingsley
181p 595kg Montbeliarde - WG & J Clark, Bradnop
180p 705kg Holstein - Morson Bros, Hartington
178p 705kg Holstein - J G Curtis & Son, Basford
176p 650kg Holstein - D & G Tudor, Kingsley
175p 860kg Angus - G Battram, Quarnford

Overall average of 163.69p/kg or £1023.33 per head.

Top headage price of £1608.20 for a Monty from TG Adams & Son, Calwich, with Angus' to £1505, Holsteins to £1488 and £1449.25 and Charolais to £1467.20.

DAIRIES (89);

Selling time – 11:30am

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

TOP OF £3900 - 31 OVER £2000

Another strong trade for Dairies on Tuesday saw 31 of the 65 Milkers pass the £2000 mark topping at a record £3900.

A superb show of cattle from D N Carter & Co of Rugby attracted massive interest topping at a record breaking £3900 for a fantastic heifer by Mr Frazzled Aristocrat. She went to Andrew Hulme of Basford who also took another heifer by the same bull at £2900.

The Aristocrat daughters were very impressive with another reaching £3250 to Arthur Mayer of Brown Edge who also went on to take a Mr Gen R-Rapid Haze daughter at £3000. Their whole entry averaged a superb £2133.



Two commercial heifers from Messrs Needham of Heaton reached £2400 and £2360.

PIGS (141);

Selling time – 9:15am

Auctioneer – Ed Groves (07964 510145)

More pigs forward this week with 141 on offer. Fat pigs slightly down on the previous week nonetheless still a strong trade with quality pigs forward frequently 185p/kg+. Top price 197p/kg for a pen of 86kg pigs from JG Belfield, Sheen. Better quality sows forward topping at 95p/kg for a 264kg sow from RT Wilson, Oldham.

Porkers a strong trade topping at 193p/kg for a 74kg gilt from S Bailey, Knypersley. J&B Fentem saw 177p/kg for a 72kg pig and 172p/kg for 68kg pigs. J Ball, Betchton had a 72kg pig to 175p/kg

Cutters topped 196p/kg for 81kg pigs from J Ball, Betchton. JA&B Minshull, Buxton had an 81kg pig realising 195p/kg. J&B Fentem, Allsop En-le Dale saw 188p/kg for 84kg pigs. R Brough, Pikehall saw an 82kg pig to 179p/kg.

Baconers topped at 197p/kg for 197p/kg for a pen of 86kg pigs from JG Belfield, Sheen. Massie Farms, Stafford had 196p/kg for 93kg pigs, others from the same home realised 195p/kg x2, 194p/kg x3. R Rowlinson saw 196p/kg for 96kg pigs.

Heavy pigs topped at 157p/kg for a 107kg pig from PF+PD Parsons, Whitchurch. J&B Fentem had a pen weighing 107kg to 155p/kg. SJ Booth, Lymm had a 128kg pig to 132p/kg and a 155kg pig to 129p/kg.

Sows Topped at 95p/kg for a 264 kg sow from RT Wilson, Oldham, another 243kg sow from the same home realised 90p/kg. A 248kg sow from RA Watson, Fenny Bentley realised 76p/kg.

Pig Averages.

Porkers (7);	av 176.35p/kg or £123.44/head
Cutting Pigs (14);	av 175.06p/kg or £142.80/head
Bacon Pigs (96);	av 179.78p/kg or £169.49/head
Heavy Pigs (17);	av 133.05p/kg or £161.54/head
Cull Sows (7);	av. 64.94p/kg or £157.63/head

SHEEP SECTION.

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

HOGGETS (627);

A reduced entry, which is a shame as trade was electric from start to finish with all grades and weights a sharper trade.

Best on offer to 333p/kg and best heavy lambs at £174/head. Plenty at 300p and above for the best shaped.

Overall average at 265p/kg and SQQ of 270p/kg.

Sample prices;

276p	32kg	I G Forrester, Trent Vale
326p	38.6kg	I G Forrester, Trent Vale
307p	38.4kg	S J Pace & Co, Congleton
330p	43.3kg	J Belfield & R Deakin-Gallimore, Leigh
329p	43.1kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
320p	39.3kg	GW & MA Platt & Son, North Rode
318p	43.3kg	GH & M Torr, Bradnop
317p	41.5kg	K Sessions, Alkington
333p	45.8kg	A Mitchell & Son, Knutsford
329p	48.7kg	J Belfield & R Deakin-Gallimore, Leigh
329p	46.1kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
299p	51.8kg	R & S Bailey, Cloudside
307p	55.5kg	J Belfield & R Deakin-Gallimore, Leigh
296p	58kg	J Belfield & R Deakin-Gallimore, Leigh
290p	53kg	KA & KJ Shelley, Blythe Bridge
266p	56.7kg	K Sessions, Alkington

CULL SHEEP (384);

Best ewes very fast indeed, back over £200/head with a top of £202 for an excellent Texel ewe from Martin Lancaster. Plenty at £160 and better for the right goods and best Suffolks to £170, Charolais to £192 and Mules to £128.

Light weight ewes however more difficult to sell in places and certainly no dearer.

The overall average comes in at £98.75. Best rams to £174 to average £121 for 13 on offer.

CALVES (149);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)

Another excellent entry of 149 in the calf section met a packed ring of prospective buyers. The best 10 bulls all over £250/head with top 10 heifers over £200/head with both including native breeds.

Continental Bulls - 46 Average £137

Buyers for all types with British Blues taking the headlines with a 2 month old from the Handford family topping at £395 and top 10 averaging £298.

31 Blues av £131 to £395 - J W Handford

6 Sims av £152 to £218 - P N Holdcroft

6 Lims av £156 to £216 - Woodward Partners

1 Blonde to £180 - W H Townsend & Son

2 Pied av £94 to £100 - FA & TM Cotton

Continental Heifers - 48 Average £105

Once again Blues taking the limelight with a top of £278 for Messrs Clowes and his second selling at £260.

The top 10 Blue heifers average £222/head.

40 Blues av £93 to £278 - R & T Clowes & Son

2 Sims av £170 to £172 - Woodward Partners

3 Lims av £156 to £212 - RG & AS Williamson

3 Blonde av £153 to £192 - W H Townsend & Son

Natives - 21

Demand very brisk for best sorts with Angus bulls to £255 and heifers to £205

Angus Bulls av £128 to £255 - S & J Ryder

Angus Heifers av £92 to £205 - F E Whittaker & Sons

Welsh Black Bulls to £200 - MA & WJ Joliffe

SATURDAY 1ST APRIL

Sale of 531 Store & Breeding Cattle

Catalogues Available Online

SATURDAY 1ST APRIL

First Fortnightly Sale of Ewes & Hogs with Lambs at Foot - Please advise of entries! Sale at 11am.

TUESDAY 4TH APRIL

Easter Show & Sale of Spring Lambs - 11am

SATURDAY 15TH APRIL

Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs - 10.30am

Sale of Store & Breeding Goats - 11am
