

**TUESDAY 7TH MARCH 2023**

**A quieter day at Leek this Tuesday with 1194 sheep and 174 cattle forward.**

**BARREN COWS (15);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

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

Unfortunately to small of an entry for the deamnd on offer at Leek seeing prices to 189p/kg for a 760kg Angus cow from S Pennington & Son, Altrincham, with a 865kg Limousin to 185p/kg for J W Hudson, and other Angus' from S Pennington & Son at 180p/kg (860kg) and 179p/kg (660kg).

Holsteins sold to 181p/kg for a 700kg cow from MJ & J Rhodes, Crewe and a 765kg Ayrshire to 178p/kg for MJ & D Needham.

Overall average of 163.38p/kg or £1136.07/head.

Top headage price of £1600.25 for the Limousin from J W Hudson, and Angus' to £1548 and £1436.40, Ayrshire to £1361.70 and Holsteins to £1332.10.

**CLEAN CATTLE (6);**

Again a small entry forward with 3 Friesian bulls selling well to 229p/kg (595kg), 226p (575kg) and 222p/kg (535kg) from J E Archer & Sons, Hilton.

**DAIRIES;**

**Selling time – 11:30am**

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

**DAIRIES TO £2200**

A good trade for any quality with the best to £2200 from the Callwood family of Knutsford who had a second to £2010.

Next week we have the Herd Dispersal of 108 Milkers on behalf of the Gosling family. Catalogue can be viewed on-line.

**PIGS (136);**

**Selling time – 9:15am**

**Auctioneer –Ed Groves (07964 510145)**

A lot more pigs forward this week, trade down on the whole across the board top Price on the day 200p/kg for 88kg pigs from B Vernon, Marston Montgomery. A few sows about and a mixed trade with varying quality on offer.

Porkers short on numbers with only 6 on offer and a few feeding types among those. Topping at 168p/kg for a 67kg pig from DH&J Poulson, Llangadog, who had a 68kg pig realise 150p/kg.

Cutters topped 182p/kg for J&B Fentem, Allsop en-le Dale for 80kg pigs, others from the same home to 180p/kg, 166p/kg and 163p/kg for 84kg, 80kg & 85kg pigs. JA&B Minshull, Buxton had 81kg pigs to 174p/kg.

Baconers topped at 200p/kg for 88kg pigs from B Vernon, Marston Montgomery. Massie Farms, Stafford had a run of pigs to 196p/kg x3, 195p/kg, 194p/kg x2. S Bailey, Knypersley saw 192p/kg for 92kg pigs and PF&PD Parsons, Whitchurch had 188p/kg for 97kg pigs.

Heavy pigs topped at 146p/kg for a 118kg pig from PF&PD Parsons, Whitchurch, who also had a pair of 120kg pigs to 140p/kg.

Sows Topped at 75p/kg twice for K H Fradley, Derby for a 270kg sow and a 237 kg sow. A few plainer feeding sorts were harder to place generally 20-30p/kg.

Cull boars were met with a firmer trade topping at 30p/kg twice for a 293kg boar from K H Fradley, Derby. RA Watson, Fenny Bentley had a 348kg Boar to 30p/kg.

**Pig Averages.**

Porkers (12);	av 158.93p/kg or £107.28/head
Cutting Pigs (31);	av 162.99p/kg or £130.13/head
Bacon Pigs (71);	av 177.02p/kg or £164.84/head
Heavy Pigs (6);	av 134.75p/kg or £159.68/head
Cull Sows (3);	av. 48.96p/kg or £96.65/head
Cull Boars(4);	av. 25.99p/kg or £69.53/head

**SHEEP SECTION.**

**Selling time 11:00am**

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

**HOGGETS (824);**

A good entry sold on a solid trade, with prices slightly up on the week and some excellent run of hoggs forward. Top price today of 295p/kg for 41.5kg hoggs from R & S Bailey, with a heavy lambs coming to £148.26/head. Best quality lambs continue to sell well with the 39kg - 45kg bracket averaging 250.66p/kg!

Overall average of 246.43p/kg SQQ and 239.39p/kg overall.

Sample prices;

294p 37kg J Hodgson, Kettleshulme  
268p 39kg B Pegg, Sturston  
295p 41.5kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside  
294p 43.2kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside  
290p 42kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside  
280p 44kg JJA Venables & Son, Lower Withington  
278p 41kg GH & M Torr, Bradnop  
276p 42.3kg S J Pace & Co, Congleton  
280p 50kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside  
252p 49kg D Williams, Basford  
278p 53.3kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside  
260p 54kg H White, Snelston

### **CULL SHEEP (370);**

An excellent trade throughout to average £110/head overall and again, some excellent run of stronger ewes in demand. Top prices of £186 twice for Texel ewes, and numerous prices £130 plus!

### **CALVES (139);**

**Selling time – 10:00am**

**Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)**

Good numbers again this week but with the weather forecast not conducive to rearing calves, trade was a little easier this week.

### **32 Continental Bulls**

The best good to sell with averages good across the breeds. 11 better calves topped £300 including a tremendous Blue at £435 for Messrs Handford, Birch Vale with Peter Gilman at £395 and Andrew Hulme at £385. Medium bulls £200 - £300 with smaller calves looking value for money under £200.

22 Blues av £242 to £435 - J W Handford & Sons

8 Sims av £291 to £380 - M N Bailey

2 Lim/Blonde to £275 - EJ & VC Gilman

### **29 Continental Heifers**

Harder to sell today with less people looking to 'take a chance' unless at low levels. A good Simmy made £245 with just 5 over £200.

19 Blues av £139 to £228 - A & H Mayer

7 Sims av £161 to £245 - R Cooper & Sons

3 Lims av £111 to £140 - DR & A Shuker & Sons

### **42 Natives**

Good numbers but 3 runs from spring calving herds did nothing for the averages.

2 Hereford Bulls to £188 - W H Townsend & Son

19 AA Bulls to £180 - APS & JR Brocklehurst

2 Hereford Heifers to £66 - Rowland Partners

19 AA Heifers to £140 - W Millington & Co

### **33 Black & White Bulls**

Holsteins to £100 twice but the majority £20 - £60.

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### **SATURDAY 18TH MARCH**

**Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Catalogues Available Online**

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### **SATURDAY 18TH MARCH**

**Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs - 10.30am**

**Sale of Store & Breeding Goats - 11am**

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### **Peak Farmers Group**

#### **March**

For our March event we will be exploring the benefits of the Annual Health and Welfare Review which is now open for expressions of interest. Charlie Mays of LLM Farm Vets and Farm Manager David Howlett will be helping us get to grips with what the new scheme entails and the benefits it will bring. This will take place at Duns Farm, Chatsworth on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 10am-12.30pm, closing with lunch and followed by an optional farm walk at 1pm.

**To book a place at either event please call 07483**

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