

TUESDAY 22ND AUGUST 2023

A busy Tuesday in Leek with the Dairy section kicking off with some beautiful Calves topping at £275 for a 36 day old Heifer.

A good show of lambs this week and lots of quality selling on a solid trade. Best lambs up to 300p/kg and £140.16, to average 253p/kg overall. Cull sheep well sought after, with the best to £169 and average of £91.

Not enough barren cattle for the buyers and more required each week please! Top prices of 169p/kg for Bazadaise.

Pigs continue to sell at a pace, Sows on fire to 145p and Stores to £104/head.

Less Calves on offer this week but sales still looking similar and plenty of buyers on hand.

BARREN COWS (15);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)

Barren cows are in short supply but a firm trade up to 169p/kg for a 495kg Bazadaise cow for G Mason of Macclesfield.

Other top prices:

149p/kg – 710kg Shorthorn	D Burton
147p/kg – 670kg Holstein	D & J Moseley Ltd
139p/kg – 680kg Holstein	C W Pearce
136p/kg – 685kg Holstein	R J Clowes & Sons

Top Headage Price £1057.90 for a Shorthorn for D Burton

CLEAN CATTLE;

An entry of cattle generally requiring further finishing saw good competition up to 224p/kg for a 460kg Aberdeen Angus Steer from E T Simpson and another 420kg Aberdeen Angus Steer from the same vendor at 218p/kg

A 605kg Hereford Steer for T J Partington of Burton-on-Trent achieved 215p and a 590kg Hereford Steer from the same vendor 213p.
Top headage price £1300.75

PIGS (139);

Selling time – 9:15am

Auctioneer – Ed Groves (07964 510145)

Well what a trade the averages very much do speak from themselves and long may it continue No fats below 210p today topping at 243p. Sows on fire to 145p and Stores to £104/head.

Porkers topped at 236p from J&B Fentem. DH & J Poulson, Carmarthen had porkers to 234p and R Watson, Chester had pigs to 230p.

Cutters topped at 242p from J&B Fentem who had others to 241p, 240p, 238p. DH&J Poulson had pigs to 239p R&L Vernon had boars to 227p.

Baconer topped at 243p from Massie Farms who had others to 242p, 242x3, 240p x2. MC&EA Beattie had pigs to 241p x2, 240p, 239x2, DB Goldstraw had pigs to 240p and PF+PD Parsons had pigs to 239p.

Sows topped at 145p or £338 from DH&J Poulson who had another to 122p.

Abbotsholme School had a nice pen of 8 Store pigs weighing 40kg realising £104/head.

Pig Averages.

Porkers (5);	av 233.71p/kg or £152.38/head
Cutting Pigs (37);	av 231.94p/kg or £187.94/head
Bacon Pigs (87);	av 236.40p/kg or £222.11/head
Cull Sows (2);	av.132.18p/kg or £323.18/head

DAIRIES (30);

Selling time – 11:30am

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

The sale commenced with some beautiful calves from Richard Toon and the Sigley Family at Consall.

Topping at £275 for a 36 day old Heifer from the Sigley's and Mr Toon topped at £245.

In the milkers, top call at £1800 twice for both cows and heifers.

Oliver Easom at Broom House Farm topped the cows with a pedigree second calver sold giving 43kg to PJ Yates at Kedleston.

The heifers, again at £1800 for the Riley's of Longnor, sold giving 28kg and recently calved, caught the eye of Dave Clowes at Lower Above Park Farm.

Stronger British Friesian type heifers in the £1400 - £1500 range for those 25kg and above.
Several Herd Sales coming up.

SHEEP SECTION

Selling time 11:00am

Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)

SPRING LAMBS (1060);

A good entry saw a lesser trade, but early indications show it looks well against other outlets on the same day. Best sorts to 300p/kg for light weights and best type lambs still generally 275p/kg and better.

Best big lambs at £140.16/head.

Overall average of 253/kg.

Sample prices;

300p	32kg	W Smith, Basford
280p	32kg	EF & JE Beswick, Grindon
286p	37kg	GG Burton, Repton
286p	38kg	KR Spencer & JD Jones, Butterton
294p	42kg	F Hudson, Stoke-on-Trent
292p	42.6kg	F Hudson, Stoke-on-Trent
288p	45kg	FW & JF Brookes, Crakemarsh
270p	46kg	GG Burton, Repton
292p	48kg	S Johnson, Cheadle
265p	53kg	J Gilman & Partners, Bosley

CULL SHEEP (303);

A surprising lift in numbers saw a solid trade again with best types at £169 for Texels and £128 for best mules, with best horned ewes at £70 plus.

Overall average at £91 for a mixed quality entry.

CALVES (111);

Selling time – 10:00am

Auctioneer - Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)

Less on offer after the big show last week and trade generally similar with a few continental heifers looking easier to buy.

27 Continental Bulls

Less numbers but a solid trade with the best particularly looking well sold. 5 best topped £360 with an Andy Williamson special at the top of the pile at £398 for a Blue.

13 Blue Bulls av £263 to £398 – RG & AS Williamson
4 Sims av £162 to £280 - S & M Huxley
5 Lims av £253 to £370 - K W Cresswell
2 Char/Blo av £372 to £375 - D & G Tudor
2 X Bred INRA95 av £246 to £258 – J Hughes

47 Continental Heifers

Generally, a little less money with the best good but some medium calves good to buy. 12 best topped £200 with a lovely Limousin for KW Cresswell at £290. Medium £130 - £170 with smalls around £100.
36 Blues av £150 to £235 – Woodward Partners
5 Sims av £150 to £230 - S & M Huxley

6 Lims av £145 to £290 - K W Cresswell

23 Natives

Good to sell, native heifers better than the Continentals.

4 Hereford Bulls to £165 – GJ Tideswell

4 AA Bulls to £192 – PE Holmes & Son

4 Hereford Heifers to £120 – DI Ball

10 AA Heifers to £140 – PE Holmes & Son

14 Black & White Bulls

Better sold throughout with more interest in all qualities. Friesians to £125; Holsteins to £105; Swedish to £100 and Monty's to £210. Smaller sorts £33-£60 today.

Average £79.

NEW TB RULES FROM THE 1ST AUGUST 2023

If your farm holding is in an Edge or Low Risk Area then cattle purchased onto that holding from a high-risk area (as mapped at <https://tbhub.co.uk/>) must be Post-Movement Tested. I.e. Cattle must be Post-Movement tested 60 to 120 days after purchase on your holding. If your farm is in a High Risk Area then you don't need to post movement test. For more details, please speak to our Market Office

Customers selling Livestock at Leek Auctions must have fully completed movement forms which declare what TB-test interval takes place on your holding so that we can pass this information onto the purchasers.

SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST

Fortnightly Sale of Store & Breeding Cattle

Entries close Friday 18th August

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER - 10AM

****First Sale of the Season****

Catalogued Sale of Store & Breeding Sheep to

Include Special Show & Sale of Shearlings

Sale to Commence 10am

Entries Close Friday 25th August

TUESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Dispersal of the 24 In-calf Heifers & 60 Youngstock on behalf of the Sigley Partnership, Park House Farm, Consall, S-O-T.

SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

Sale of Store & Breeding Pigs - 10.30am

Sale of Store & Breeding Goats - 11am

TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Dispersal of the Entire NMR Recorded Herd (Approx 265 Head) On behalf of A C & M T Bentley, Ewelme Farm, Marsh Gibbon, Bicester, Oxon.