



EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

MARKET REPORT MAY 2024

Monday 6th May – Prime Stock Market



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24 PRIME & CULL CATTLE – 10:45 AM
Auctioneer: *Simon Alford – 07789 980203*

Prime Cattle to 270ppk and £1809 Barren Cows to 266ppk and £1810

Decent numbers of prime and cull cattle forward for a Bank Holiday Monday and an excellent trade for all on offer too. Prime cattle saw a top per kilo of 270 pence given for a smart Limousin heifer from Adrian and Bradley Bowden in from Drewsteignton which at 554kg realised £1493 whilst a grand, lean steer of the same breed and off the same farm eased to £1809 (762kg x 238ppk). Some smashing barren cows on offer this week, not leased those from Andrew Cleave of Christow who saw a shapely British Blue cross cow return a massive 266ppk (572kg and £1518) and Limousin barreners to £1647 (650kg x 254ppk). Micheal Vooght of Hennock saw his mammoth Charolais cow come back at an impressive £1810 (840kg x 216ppk) followed by another eye catching cull cow from Adrian and Bradley Bowden in the way of a British Blonde which reached £1589 (650kg x 245ppk). More top notch sorts saw a Hereford from FJ Wood and Son of Moreleigh fetch £1383 (750kg x 185ppk) and a solid looking Devon Cow from S May of Ivybridge rise to £1278 (616kg x 208ppk)



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Spring Lambs to £210 & 533ppk
Mature Sheep to £218 & 357ppk

Prime Hogs to £240 & 438ppk
Cull Ewes to £365 & Rams to £305.

A mammoth Bank Holiday market at Exeter in the sheep pens with nearly 3557 prime sheep over the bridge and 1494 cull sheep meeting another strong trade in all sections with a full compliment of buyers forward as Exeter continues to lead the way with huge numbers of sheep.

2188 PRIME SPRING LAMBS

A larger entry of 2188 Spring lambs saw a strong trade with top of the day being £236 for a single 57kgs lamb from Olly Eavis of Farringdon. Other heavy weights saw 68kgs lambs at £215.50 for Jack & Alexandria James of Shaftesbury, 57kgs at £210 for Sign of the Owl Birds of Ugborough and £209 for a 53kgs lamb from Tom & Steve Hammett of Broadclyst. 52kgs topped at £209 for John & Julie Tucker of Upottery with other similar weights to £208 for Victor Pitts and £207 for Stuart Middleton of Cullompton. 49kgs to £206 for a cracking pen of smart sorts from Aplins Farm Ltd of Honiton. Other similar weights to £205 for Jim Elworthy of Cullompton, £205 for Ellen Yandle of Oxton with Tom Yandle seeing his best pen to £204. Best of the handyweight lambs to £201.50 or 480ppk for a smart pen of 42kgs from Messrs DH & SM Churchill of South Chard. 43kgs & 463ppk for Robin Irwin of Kingsnympton with other similar weights to £195 for Messrs DP Giles of Thorverton, Roger Wills of Newton Abbot and Graham Perkins of Coryton. A single 39kg Texel lamb from Will Braund of Whitstone topped ppk at 485 making £189 with other 39kgs to £186 for Martins Farming of Honiton, £185 for Phillip and Dan Dennis of North Tawton & £184 for Dan Gould of Taunton. 38kgs to £184 & 484ppk for Martins Farming. SQQ back 9p on the week at 435ppk with the overall average levelling at 430ppk or £181.52.

**** VAN or Farm Assurance NOW A MUST FOR ALL SPRING LAMB PRODUCERS please with all major firms requiring one or the other. Without it you are severely disadvantaged!****

PRIME LAMBS					
Weight	No.	Top Hd	Top ppk	Av. Hd	Av.ppk
33-39	284	189.00 (-19.00)	480 (-53)	162.99 (-9.94)	428 (-26)
40-45	1649	201.50 (+1.00)	480 (-8)	182.93 (-2.98)	436 (-4)
46-52	230	209 (-1.00)	435 (-3)	194.02 (+4.34)	405 (+10)
53+	24	236 (+27.00)	414 (+27)	202.85 (+4.41)	342 (-25)
PRIME HOGGS					
33-39	126	126 (-14.00)	346 (-32)	113.78 (-1.45)	311 (+2)
40-45	261	175.00 (+1.00)	393 (-5)	150.90 (-1.46)	352 (-5)
46-52	577	194.00 (-34.00)	417 (-17)	177.81 (-0.98)	367 (+3)
53+	332	280.00 (+40.00)	391 (-28)	199.44 (+4.61)	342 (+2)
Mature Sheep	72	220.00 (+2.00)	400 (+43)	153.69 (-2.14)	280 (-15)
		Top		Average	
EWES	1447	300.00 (-65.00)		148.98 (-6.19)	
RAMS	47	210.00 (-95.00)		133.32 (-48.71)	

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1296 PRIME HOGGS & 72 MATURE SHEEP

Another similar entry of Hoggs saw a fairly similar trade overall with a new market record top price for a Hogg at £280 set by a tremendous 100kg Texel from Messrs EW Quick & Son of Crediton who also sold a 76kg at £236. Other heavyweights saw 83kg to £256 from Reg and Annie Pedrick of Ashburton and £250 for Malcolm and Kim Coumbe of Liskeard. Martin & Adam Crabb of Luppitt came back with another quality load and topped at £240 for a 63kg with a smart pen of 64kg at £233.50, 60kg at £232 and 59kg at £228 with their 38 averaging £228. Peter Tucker of High Bickington sold a 70kg hogg at £231 whilst the best of the 50kg Hoggs sold to £194 for Phil Lee of Tedburn St Mary with others to £194 for David & Tom Bright of Stockland & £190 for DWJ Skinner of Exeter. 46kg to £192 for John Laramy of Honiton, £188 for Kim Turner of North Tawton and £187 for Roger & John Dennis of Tedburn St Mary. 45 kg to £175 for John Laramy, 44kgs to £173 for DWJ Skinner & £170.50 for Josh Sibley of Beaminster. Best of the Mature sheep sold well topping at £220 for a pen of 75kgs for Messrs DJ & J Burrough of Chardstock who also sold 50kg at £200. A single 60kg at £202 for the Venelle Partnership of Down St Mary. A 59kg made £200 for Martin & Adam Crabb, 52kg at £186 for Jim Elworthy and a pen of 60kg from Messrs JH Neale & Son made £181. Hogg SQQ still respectable at 340 with an overall of 353ppk or £170.75.

***** Prime and cull sheep must not be found to be lame or in-lamb, any farmers found breaking these rules may trigger a Trading Standards or APHA on farm inspection.*****

1782 CULL EWES & 60 RAMS

Another excellent entry of 1447 Ewes & 47 Rams sold to an excellent trade, not just as fast as last week but still very strong! Top of the day was £300 twice for a smart Charollais from Colin Smallacombe of Bow and a smart Texel from Kevin & Becky Matthews of Launceston who sold others at £290. Will Braund of Whitstone sold two smart Texels at £278 whilst Angus & Sue Howie sold a single at £275. Messes EW Quick & Son were close behind with their best two Texels at £272 with another at £260. Amy Coumbe of Liskeard sold her best Texel at £260. Other Charollais x ewes to £242 for Messrs C & J Halford of Farway and £240 for a pen of 10 from Roy Endacott of Spreyton. Best of the Suffolk x Ewes to £216 for Douglas & Chris Horton of Kingsbridge with others to £202 & £196 for Adrian Rich of Halwell, £198 for RP Pedrick, £196 for Merv Hutchings of Launceston, £195, £194 & £192 for Messrs Westcott & Son of Cullompton with countless other pens between £180-£190. Mashams to £180 for Merv Hutchings. A big pen of Wensleydales to £170 for Baker Bros who also sold Teeswaters to £144. Best of the Mules to £170 for Chris Walters of Launceston with many of the best between £150-£160. Rams topped at £210 for a pen of Charollais from Gary & Helen Woodman of Chulmleigh and Texels to £200 for Will Braund. Overall average still very strong with 1447 Ewes levelling at £148.98 and 47 Rams at £133.32.

John Coate



On behalf of the whole team at Exeter, we are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of John Coate on Wednesday 24th April, aged 91.

John was a great supporter of Exeter market and bought cull ewes (and spring lambs seasonally) with great capability right up until the end, buying from us just back on 26th February for what was to be the final time. A real legend of the sheep world and “market man” who used to frequent most markets in the South West at one time or another but in recent years focused solely on Exeter and became Exeter market “through and through”. I feel privileged, like many, to call him a friend and he will be sadly missed by us all here on the sheep team in Exeter. Our thoughts are with Jean his widow, his son Richard who continues to support us, and all the family at this difficult time. Russell.
Funeral arrangements to follow.

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FORTHCOMING SALES

MONDAY 6TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

BANK HOLIDAY - Weekly Prime Stock Market

WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Dorset Horn & Poll Dorset May Fair Sale

FRIDAY 10TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Sale of Dairy Cattle and Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 13TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 14TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Sale of Dairy Cattle

FRIDAY 17TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market

MONDAY 20TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 21ST MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 24TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Beef Breeding Stock inc Sale of Cattle for the South Devon Cattle Breeders Club & Fortnightly Pig Sale.

MONDAY 27TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

BANK HOLIDAY - Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 31ST MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Organic Cattle & Sheep, Sale of Dairy Cattle and Early Sale of Accredited and Non Accredited Stock Rams.

MONDAY 3RD JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

BANK HOLIDAY - Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to Sale of Hogg Couples and Fortnightly Pig Sale.

MONDAY 10TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 14TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to 36th Annual June Sale of Early Breeding Ewes & Rams including Show & Sale of Dorset Cross Shearling Ewes.

MONDAY 17TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market