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EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

MARKET REPORT MAY 2024

Monday 20th May – Prime Stock Market



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52 PRIME & CULL CATTLE - 10:45 AM Auctioneer: Simon Alford - 07789 980203

Prime Steers to £2000

Prime Heifers to £1830

Barren Cows to and Cull Bulls to £1590

Weighbridge not in action this week so all prime and cull cattle sold outright!

Steers topped at an impressive £2000 given for an outstanding Beef Shorthorn (26m) from Peter Webber of Tiverton followed by more cracking sorts from Adrian and Bradley Bowden of Drewsteignton who saw their better Limousin steer (24m) reach £1680. British Blue steers (21m) from David Slade, Chagford ran to £1470 and £1450. More quality Prime in the way of Limousin heifers saw a shapely black one (26m) from Peter Webber rise to £1830 whilst a younger (23m) and much lighter red Limousin female from Adrian and Bradley Bowden realised £1340. The Barren cow section was headed by David Harris up from Stoke Fleming with a couple of strong Charolais which sold to £1440 and £1380 whilst Salers cows returned to £1390 for Russell Boundy and Family of Winkleigh. South Devon barreners returned £1280 for Micheal Vooght of Hennock followed by a grand cull bull of the same breed from Manaton's Andrew Phillips at a mighty £1590.





4512 SHEEP - 09.30 AM Auctioneer: Russell Steer 077<u>88</u> 318701

Spring Lambs to £231 & 465ppk Mature Sheep to £200 & 385ppk

Prime Hoggs to £256 & 395ppk
Cull Ewes to £268 & Rams to £215

2051 PRIME SPRING LAMBS

Another busy market with just over 4500 sheep forward and sold however the trade in the lambs took a

seasonal dip, whilst both hoggs and ewes were similar on the week. A few less springers but still nicely over 2000 on offer selling to an SQQ of 407ppk, back 34p on the week with all lambs averaging 400ppk and £170 per head. Overweights peaking at £231 for Tim & Amy Heywood of Rackenford as Pauline and Michael Scanes of Cheriton Bishop made £221, Rob Webb of Crediton claimed £215 and Richard Brayley of Jacobstowe made £211. Several pens of heavies over £200 too, with Andrew Hodgson of Silverton selling 49kgs at £214, 48's to £209 for Tim & Amy Heywood who also had 52's at £208, Phil Lee of Tedburn St Mary made £210 of 51kgs and Trevor Selway of Sidmouth had 47kgs at £208 or 443ppk. David & Mary Stark of Denbury sold smart 46kg lambs at £200 as the best of the 45's reached £199 (442ppk) again for Pauline & Michael Scanes with others at £191 for Anne Bond of Axminster and £190 for Rob Austen of Bovey Tracey.

A tremendous display of generosity occurred in the middle of the lamb market today when Robert & Christine Steer of Avonwick donated a 43kg lamb in memory of John Coate and the families chosen charity, Alzheimers Research UK. The lamb sold at £200 no less than ten times, firstly to myself Russell Steer, then Kivells auctioneers, Alex Lennox of Essex, Dan Westmore on behalf of AC Hopkins of Taunton, John Wood on behalf of PC Turners of Hampshire and then on behalf of Yorkshire Halal Meats, Osset. Trefor Roberts on behalf of Pickstock Food Group, John Rowlands on behalf of J & SM Rowland & Son of

PRIME LAMBS					
Weight	No.	Top Hd	Top ppk	Av. Hd	Av.ppk
33-39	379	170.00 (-25.00)	439 (-65)	150.05 (-18.52)	398 (-49)
40-45	1435	200.00 (~)	465 (-18)	171.48 (-14.45)	410 (-31)
46-52	225	214.00 (-6.00)	443 (-3)	190.98 (-2.63)	401 (-5)
53+	12	231.00 (-3.50)	428 (+10)	211.17 (-4.83)	377 (-4)
PRIME HOGGS					
25-32	26	114.00 (-3.00)	356 (-21)	97.08 (+17.80)	306 (+42)
33-39	150	123.00 (-45.00)	336 (-95)	106.75 (-19.95)	300 (-46)
40-45	233	176.00 (-9.00)	391 (-34)	141.75 (-13.01)	337 (-21)
46-52	323	205.50 (+2.50)	395 (-18)	174.81 (-5.43)	354 (-17)
53+	265	256.00 (+6.00)	392 (-10)	195.92 (-10.58)	346 (-8)
Mature Sheep	155	200.00 (-10.00)	385 (+21)	153.14 (-2.55)	281 (-26)
		Тор		Average	
EWES	1295	268.00 (+18.00)		130.13 (-0.67)	
RAMS	14	215.00 (+21.00)		145.93 (+15.52)	

Compton Dundon before selling to Richard Coate on behalf of Euro Quality Lamb of Shropshire and then finally selling and remaining with the firm that John bought for right up until the end, Pak Mecca Meats, Bishops Street, Birmingham. Well done to all those involved on raising £2000 to this very worth while cause.

Other 43kgs sold at £187 for Michael Down of Payhembury as 42's maxed out at £183 for smart Beltex sired sorts from DH & SM Churchill of South Chard as 40kgs reached £176 for Darren Hill of Cheriton Fitzpaine, £175.50 for Tom & Emma Wotton and family of Moretonhampstead and £175 for Dan Gould of Taunton. 39kg lambs claimed £170 again for Rob Austen with Tom Underhill of Beaford at £169.50 and Tom Cole of Heasley Mill at £168. 38's at £167 for both Martins Farming of Dunkeswell and D Laws of Dawlish with 37's at £162 for Roger Wills of Coffinswell.

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997 PRIME HOGGS & 155 MATURE SHEEP

Three short of 1000 hoggs together with 155 mature sheep met with a continuing strong trade for the well fleshed sorts amidst another tail end of the season show, quality wise. Big overweight hoggs continuing to tot up nicely with Pauline & Michael Scanes selling four 68kg hoggs at £256 followed by J Baker of North Devon with similar at £248, Andrew and Simon Walter-Symons of Churchstow claimed £246 and SH Peters of Talaton reached £240 with theirs. Leaner and indifferent overweights harder to place and the 265 in this weight band averaged £196. Heavy hoggs at 52kgs sold to £205.50 or a sale topping 395ppk for Messrs Wyatt and Isaac of Ipplepen as Chris Hayter of Haccombe sold similar at £198, a price matched by Phil Lee of Tedburn St Mary with 51kgs as well as selling a double pen of 49kgs at £186. 48kgs to £182 for Robert & Christine Steer as Norman Pyle of Bow had 47's at £180 and John Laramy of Wilmington had 46's at £178.50. 45's to £176 for KE Turner of North Tawton and £175 for both Robin & Liam Dare of Upottery and Chris Hayter with 43's at £159.5 for Andrew and Simon Walter-Symons and the best of the 41kgs achieved £159 for Oliver Holdaway of Bideford. Brian Webber of Cullompton sold 40kgs at £156 and a large percentage of hill bred hoggs made up the bulk of the lighter hoggs with both Phil & Rochard Coaker of Postbridge and Brian Webber selling 38's at £123 as D Hookway of Buckland Brewer sold 36's at £121 and Tom Friend of Lydford sold a good run of Black Welsh hoggs with 35's at £110, 34's at £106 and a full pen of 32kgs rising to £114. Mature sheep with meat well chased too with three pens at £200 and the best of these being 52kgs from the Rowe family of Somerset realizing the top pence per kilo of 285ppk.

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

1295 CULL EWES & 14 RAMS

Fewer cull sheep at 1309 and overall a very similar trade with the better end perhaps a touch firmer. A neat Texel ewe from Angus and Sue Howie of Cheriton Bishop topped the trade at £268 followed by Merv Hutchings of Launceston with Texel's at £245 and Charollais at £220 & £190. Steve & Rachel Lang of Plympton sold Charollais ewes at £226 & £210 as well as the top price ram being a Charollais at £215. Rachel then followed it up by selling Suffolk ewes at £205 and rams at £185. Continental cross ewes to £225 for J Baker as the Hutton family of Northlew sold Suffolk crosses at £208 followed by Rachel Retter of Cheriton Bishop at £202. Plenty of other crossbred ewes £185 to £198 and looking a fiver dearer on the week. Heavy Dorset's often £160-£175 with the leaner working sorts from £125 to £150 and similar price to the Mules which were unchanged on the week. Hill ewes perhaps a pound or two dearer on the week too with plenty in the £80's and £90's and very few ewes of any breed less than £70. Overall average of £130 is near identical to last week.

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FORTHCOMING SALES

MONDAY 20TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL - 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 and Sheep, Sale of Dairy Cattle, Early Sale of Accredited and Non Accredited Stock Rams.

MONDAY 3RD JUNE - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

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

TUESDAY 18TH JUNE - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 21ST JUNE - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include 1st weekly Sale of Store Lambs & Sale of Beef Breeding Stock & Fortnightly Pigs & Collective Standing Straw Sale

MONDAY 24TH JUNE - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 28th JUNE - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Orgnaic Cattle & Sheep & Sale of Dairy Cattle

MONDAY IST JULY - EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market