



# EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

# MARKET REPORT NOVEMBER 2024

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Store Stock Market



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**324 STORE CATTLE, SUCKLED CALVES & BREEDING STOCK – 10:00 AM**

*Auctioneer: Simon Alford 07789 980203*

**Store Steers to £1880**

**Store Heifers to £1400**

A decent turnout of cattle on Friday, especially considering the inclement weather conditions seen the previous day when we again saw store cattle selling to another searing trade, not just for those better sorts, but right across the board and in particular those spring and summer 2023 born dairy bred steers and heifers which were in tremendous demand. Store steers sold to an impressive top of £1880, firstly given for a grand overage Hereford (34m) from David Withers of Whimble followed by a powerful Limousin bullock (20m) from Barry Mildon and Family in from Cadbury which also went on to reach £1880. Further Limousin steers of note included another (20m) from Barry Mildon and Family at £1850 together with one (35m) drawing £1785 for David Withers and a couple (23m) making £1775 apiece for Dan Tooze of Broadsands. Simon Booty from Poundsgate brought a super run of strong stores and parted with a single, eye catching Aberdeen Angus steer (21m) for £1800 before also seeing his better trio of top quality South Devon Bullocks (20m) ease to £1790 a life. Dan Tooze back when selling a pair of mighty Charolais steers (25m) for £1790 apiece whilst Phil, Dawn and Tom Cleave returned for a second week and although they didn't quite see the mind blowing trade they had last Friday, they did still saw fabulous yearling Charolais bred steers soar to £1620. British Blue stores aplenty this week with strong ones (18m) realising £1780 and £1770 for Barry Mildon and Family followed by others (30m) also to £1770 for David Withers and decent sorts (21m) making £1580 and £1560 for Michael Grigg of Cheriton Fitzpaine and Keith White and Family, Sandford respectively. The latter also saw parted with a neat Simmental steer (18m) for £1330. British Blue heifers dominated that section when David and Andrew Mortimer, Sowton Village saw their shapely Blues (23m) come back at £1400 and £1365 followed by others (21m) drawing £1310 for both Martin & Kate Pratt in from Buckerell and Mervyn Bate of Tresmeer, Launceston. Very young, but smart Blue females (10m) easily reached £1010 for James Warren up from St Buryan. Simon Booty sold his trio of strong looking Aberdeen Angus heifers (21m) to a premium when they reached £1290 apiece followed by younger Angus females (16m) at a creditable £1200 for Steve and Susan Sallis of Jacobstowe and younger ones still (10m) to £920 for a pair from James Warren. Simmental Heifers (24m) flew to £1190 for Simon Jervis of Ideford whilst young (13m) Limousin heifers saw £1010 for Rob and Lizzie Buxton of Talaton, also, six Holstein Friesian heifers (20) from Evershot Farms of Abbotsbury came away with £995 a life. Andrew and Jayne Lawrence made the long journey up from Mullion with a lorry load of good grazing cows and heifers and were well rewarded with their best to £1295 for a pair of British Blue Over Thirty Month heifers with Limousin cows to £1270 and Blues at £1190.

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## STIRKS & SUCKLED CALVES

Auctioneer: Ian Caunter 07813 068935

Extremely tight numbers forward with the adverse weather preventing a number of lots forward. Those who presented stirks and suckled calves were well rewarded with Josh Webber of Yarcombe selling dairy bred Blue steers (11m) to £1110, £1075 & £1040. Nutwell Farms Ltd in from Exmouth presented Blue steers (9m) which raced to £795 whilst Angus steers (6m) from James Skevington of Harbertonford achieved £725. Heifers topped out at £675 for the Dymond Family of Liskeard presenting Herefords (7m) whilst the best of the young Bulls saw South Battisborough Farm top out at £430 for Hereford crosses (4m).

## 78 CALVES 10.15 AM

Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

A smaller entry of calves following the bad weather conditions over the last 24 hours. An excellent trade in general with just some of the medium sorts a shade easier. Top of the day was £520 for a weaned British Blue bull from Messrs RH & MJ Hurford of Axminster. Young Blue bulls sold to £370 for Mr DW Rowe & Son of Axminster who sold others to £310. Others to £360 for Roger & Emma Phillips of South Molton. Charolais bulls to £365 for John Simmons of Poltimore and Simmental bulls to £310 & £300 for Ross Govier of Longdown. Native calves saw a good trade topping at £330 for an Aberdeen Angus bull from Messrs Blackmore & Son of Honiton who sold others to £310 x 2 & £250. Other young sorts to £242 for John Simmons & £225 for Messrs MF Yendell & Son of Crediton. Heifer calves topped at £350 for a British Blue heifer from Messrs RH & MJ Hurford with young Blue heifers to £290 for Mr DW Rowe & Son. Charolais heifers to £280 for John Simmons and £250 for Messrs PA & JK Dymond of Liskeard. Aberdeen Angus heifers to £240 for Leonard Chappell of South Molton with others to £200 x 3 for Messrs Blackmore & Son. Friesians another good trade topping at £300 for a reared sort from Messrs RH & MJ Hurford with young sorts very well sold at £140 for Messrs PA & JK Dymond and £99 for Ross Govier. Ayrshire bulls to £108 for Messrs Nicholls of South Molton.

CALVES - 10.15 am						
Auctioneer: - Mark Davis - 07773371774						
CALVES	Bulls			Heifers		
Breed		TOP	AVE		TOP	AVE
British Blue	14	520	293	12	290	190
Charolais	2	365	282	2	280	265
Simmental	2	310	305			
Hereford				1	150	150
Murray Grey	3	125	118	1	80	80
Aberdeen Angus	15	330	224	16	350	156
Devon	1	155	155	2	165	165
Ayrshire	3	108	92			
Friesians	3	300	179			

## 35 BEEF BREEDING STOCK 12 PM

Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

A decent entry forward for our monthly sale of beef breeding cattle which drew a good crowd of buyers who ensured all sold away well. A super run of Pedigree Aberdeen Angus cows with calves at foot from Stuart Luxton, Okehampton kicked off proceedings and rose to £1850 for a nine year old cow with her April born Bull calf beside her whilst James Skevington up from Washbourne saw his best outfit, a pure bred 2020 born South Devon cow with a May born Aberdeen Angus bull calf at foot rise to £1920. In calf cows eased to £1215 for a shapely British Blue from James Warren, St Buryan, Penzance, she was in calf to a pedigree Aberdeen Angus bull and due to calve early in 2025. Other in calf cows of note included a smart Montbeliarde from the Dymond Family of Liskeard which was due next April to a Pedigree Hereford sire next April and went on to make £1210.

**1088 SHEEP – 10.45 AM**  
Auctioneer: Russell Steer 07788 318701

**Orphan Lambs to £40 Store Lambs to £143 Grazers to £125 Stock Rams to £290**

### **23 ORPHAN LAMBS**

A weather affected market but still well worth doing with nearly 1100 forward and sold. Two vendors in the orphan lambs this week with Tom & Helen Garland of Budleigh Salterton selling part weaned lambs at £40 x4 and £38 x5 whilst their younger sorts sold at £35 x6 and £30 x5 and Graham Hill of Wiggaton sold a pair of young fresh sorts at £34.

### **998 STORE LAMBS**

Just two short of 1000 little woolly nuggets of gold and buyers present to easily handle 2-2500 lambs in spite of the weather with the smaller lambs continuing to look the dearest of the day. Big forward lambs peaked at £143 for well cared for sorts from Pennywell Farm of Buckfastleigh as Graham & Sarah Reed of Bickleigh sold a pen of Dorset ewe lambs at £140 and Brian Cawsey of Torrington sold his best shorn Texel x Mules at £138. A further eight lots between £130 and £133.50 and countless pens selling in the £120's including many longer term sorts often early 30kgs liveweight and nearer £4 per kilo live than 3. Overall average of £114.47 is up another £4.50 on last weeks trade and that's an increase of nearly £20 in four weeks.

### **37 GRAZING EWES, 19 GOATS & BREEDING RAMS**

A small selection of grazers sold to £125 for white headed types from Jessica Smith of Plymtree who also had a Jacob at £104, Tristan Davie of Cadbury sold his Lleyne type ewes at £120, £101 & £94 and Blachford Farm of Ivybridge sold crossbred ewes at £115. A pen of 12 young goats from Nutwell Farms Exmouth sold at £36 and an overall average of £90 for all grazers is a very pleasing result. A handful of breeding rams and still a fair level of demand with Tony England of Tiverton parting with a Texel x BFL Shearling at £290 as Messrs Hill & Copley of Cullompton sold a pair of homebred lightly worked Charollais Shearlings at £210 and Robert Partridge of Teignmouth sold a pair at £200.

### **80 PIGS**

Auctioneer: Andrew Varney 07771 885586

Cull sows sold to another firm trade to average £157.42, selling to a top price of £232 from RJ & V Gibbins from Poltimore, others to £200 from the same vendor and £195 from Messrs Bray & Sons of Bude. £190 x2 from EH & B Dymond & Son from Truro.

Cull Boars averaged £148.33, selling to a top price of £175 from RJ & V Gibbins.

Prime pigs met a good trade with bacon pigs to £185 for 205kgs (90.24ppk). Others to £170 for 213kgs (79.81ppk) all from Messrs Bray & Sons. Pork pigs to £178 for 140kgs (127.14ppk). others to £170 for 123kgs (137.8ppk) all from RJ & V Gibbins.

**Next Pig Sale here at Exeter will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, it is vital that you let us know of your potential entries in plenty of time so we can advise vendors together with prospective purchasers of expected numbers forward.**

# FARMERS' CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

To include:

Charity Auction and  
Hamper Draw

Plus:

Crediton Town Band

Devon YFC County Choir

Guest Speaker Jonathan Kimber

## EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

## TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

6:30pm Drinks and mince pies

7:00pm Carol Service



## FORTHCOMING SALES

**MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

**TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull & Store Cattle*

**FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market to inc. Monthly Sale of Orgnic Cattle & Sheep*

**MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

**FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market to inc. Late Season Sale of Suckled Calves & Stirks plus Fortnightly Pig Sale.*

**MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market to inc Christmas Primestock Show*

**TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull & Store Cattle*

**FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market to inc. Christmas Show & Sale of Store Stock, Christmas Cracker Ewe Sale & Christmas Stocking Filler Dairy Sale plus Extra Pig Sale.*

**MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

**TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE*

**FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market to inc. Christmas Sale of Dressed Poultry*

**MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

**FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market*

**MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

**FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JAUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Store Stock Market to inc January Sale of In Lamb Ewes & Fortnightly Pig Sale*

**MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE**

*Weekly Prime Stock Market*

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