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## **Market Reports For Monday 16th September 2019**

### **Market At A Glance**

Prime Steers to 204p/kg & £1328  
Prime Heifers to 214p/kg & £1350  
Prime Bulls to 150p/kg & £1101  
OTM Cattle to 150p/kg & £960  
Prime Lamb SQQ 170p/kg (1832)  
Prime Lambs to 205p/kg & £95  
Ewes to £97 (553 Avg £66)  
Calves to £310

**Friday 27th September**  
Ram Fair plus Breeding Sheep Sale

**Friday 11th October**  
1st October Store Cattle Fair

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## **CATTLE:235 Forward**

### **PRIME CATTLE: 43 HEAD**

A mixed show of cattle with the majority coming off the grass, saw trade similar on the week. All regular buyers were in attendance, but were more selective in their purchases.

### **BULLS: 5 HEAD**

Quality was mixed throughout the entry, with several animals would have benefitted with an extra 50 kilo's . Top price was 150p paid for a Simmental from Messrs C.H. Evans and Son. Dairy bred sold to 148p from Mr.P.C.Cox. Top price per head was £1101.

### **STEERS: 15 HEAD**

Mixed quality, saw trade there for the right types and buyers were looking for meat at any weight. Topping the section was a heavyweight steer at 204p from Terry Kennealy, other's sold to 181p for Angus. Heavyweight's sold to £1328 for continentals, native breeds sold to 1301. As ever more could be easily sold.

### **HEIFERS:18 HEAD**

The largest section saw demand strong for butcher types while commercial was the same as last week. Terry Kennealy topped the section and sale with a superb Limousin which realized 214p, sisters realized 200p. Top price per head was £1350, followed at £1283 for a blue.

### **OTM's: 5 HEAD**

Bidding was strong from all corners of the ring, and more could be easily sold to vendors satisfaction. Topping the section was an Charolais at 150p from R.A. Deeley. Top price per head was £960, from Lower Farm.

***Auctioneer: Craig Thompson***

STEERS & BULLS:			
Top prices per head			
Simmental	651kg	£1328	TV & J Kennealy
Aberdeen Angus	719kg	£1301	C D Harrison & Sons
South Devon	788kg	£1221	Lee & Son
British Blue	702kg	£1186	B T Caswell & Son
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Top prices per kilo			
Simmental	651kg	204ppk	TV & J Kennealy
Aberdeen Angus	719kg	181ppk	C D Harrison & Sons
British Blue	702kg	169ppk	B T Caswell & Son
Hereford	568kg	167ppk	D C Hancock
South Devon	660kg	167ppk	Lee & Son

HEIFERS:			
Top prices per head			
Limousin x	675kg	£1350	T V & J Kennealy
Limousin x	651kg	£1282	CJ & MJ Clayton
Limousin x	544kg	£1164	TV & J Kennealy
British Blue	629kg	£1094	CJ & MJ Clayton
Limousin x	594kg	£1057	RB Wathes
Top prices per kilo			
Limousin x	544kg	214ppk	T V & J Kennealy
Limousin x	675kg	200ppk	T V & J Kennealy
Limousin x	651kg	197ppk	CJ & MT Clayton
Simmental	552kg	180ppk	T V & J Kennealy
Limousin x	594kg	178ppk	RB Wathes

## **CALVES: 113 Forward**

A lovely show of calves forward today, from the best end continentals to as good a show of Friesian Bull calves that you would find in the midlands. Continentals today a strong trade, with best end British Blue x Bulls to £310 from Stuart Cartwright, with stablemates to £285 and £262. Best Blue Heifers to £245 twice from Phil Dyson, with rearing sorts between £120-£150. Strong native calves topping at £218 for Angus x Bulls from Pete Hemmings with others to £202 for Hereford x Bulls from Pilkington Farms. Heifers saw Angus to £155 from Pete Hemmings, with Herefords to £145 from Pilkingtons. Rearing sorts selling between £100 and £140 for Bulls, with heifers £60-£100. Dairy Bulls bucking the national trend seeing a strong trade throughout. MRI x Bulls to £192 from AW & J Brandreth for a monster calf, with best end Friesians to £80 from Pilkingtons, with others and £78, £72 and £70. RR Barrett & Sons sold Holsteins to £72 with KC & DA Hughes £69. Buyers today from as far afield as South Cheshire, Wiltshire and Kettering. My thanks again to the volunteer staff for helping the sale run smoothly.

***Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd***

## **SHEEP:2536**

### **Prime Lambs: 1832 Forward SQQ 170p/kg**

A stand on trade with an SQQ of 170p/kg albeit truthfully trade down on the week with a number of orders proving to have no desire for lambs at all. GoOd meated lambs wanted but those short of meat a real struggle with Abbatoirs reporting massive shortfall in sales of lambs. Best lambs rewarded to 205p/kg for 38kg from R Richins, Oxford with Showell Farm, Nuneaton 42kg to 193p/kg and J B Elkington 192p/kg at 38kg. In the heavies meat wanted but fat or lean lambs not chased at all. A top of 177p/kg for 47kg from Showell Farms and 176p/kg for 51kg from Di Hopcraft. Export lambs topping at £81 for 42kg from Showell Farms with H Collins equal weight at £79.50 and R P Hutchings, Shipston on Stour £79. Overall thick meated lambs to £95 from MM Clarke & Sons at 59kg with equal money for 56kg from Trudy Burman and £91 from R & B Smith, Slapton at 47kg. Today 333 Lambs grossing over £80 despite the fall in trade again swathes of dedicated deadweight vendors washing up on these Shores. Trade is very difficult as reflected all around with the price being paid not the worst issue more the very few numbers being killed at the moment.

***Auctioneer: Tom Wrench***

Prime Lambs : under 45.5kg SQQ 170p/kg			
Per Kilo			
Beltex x	38.00kg	205ppk	R Richins
Texel x	42.00kg	193ppk	Showell Farms
Beltex x	38.00kg	192ppk	J B Elkington
Texel x	36.00kg	192ppk	V Manning
Texel x	38.00kg	192ppk	V Manning
Per HEAD			
Texel x	42.00kg	£81.00	Showell Farms
Beltex x	42.00kg	£79.50	H Collins & Son
Charollais x	44.00kg	£79.00	R P Hutchings
Charollais x	45.00kg	£79.00	Poulson & Co
Texel x	43.00kg	£79.00	A & R Rothen

Prime Lambs: OVER 45.5kg			
Per kilo			
Texel x	47.00kg	177ppk	Showell Farms
Charollais x	51.00kg	176ppk	PD & DM Hopcraft
Charollais x	46.50kg	174ppk	R H Burman
Charollais x	46.00kg	174ppk	Page Bros
Charollais x	46.00kg	172ppk	BM & LE Aries
Per HEAD			
Charollais x	59.00kg	£95.00	M M Clarke & Sons
Charollais x	56.00kg	£95.00	R H Burman
Texel x	57.00kg	£91.00	R & B Smith
Charollais x	58.00kg	£90.00	S J Cartwright Ltd
Charollais x	51.00kg	£90.00	PD & DM Hopcraft

### **Store Lambs: 151 Forward**

Trade looking dear compared to the fat, seeing Charollais x Ram Lambs to £67 from GM Knight, with Texels to £62 from PA & M Barnes. Short Keep sorts £56-£62, mid-term £50-£54 with long term £45 and under.

***Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd***

## Cull Ewes: 553 Forward

Ewes a slightly lesser trade but still holding up. J Morris sold Charollais to £97, with Ben Burton selling Suffolk x to £95, with Texels from the same home to £91 and Suffolks to £90.50, with A&T Shaw to £89. Top Mules today from BM & LE Aries to £80.

### **Auctioneer: Tom Wrench**

Charollais x	£97	J Morris	Suffolk x	£88.50	JW & BA Deacon & Sons
Suffolk x	£95	B C Burton	Suffolk x	£87	D & B Cox
Texel x	£91	B C Burton	Suffolk x	£86	BM & LE Aries
Suffolk x	£90.50	B C Burton	Texel x	£85	GL Pickering
Suffolk x	£89	A & T Shaw	Texel x	£84	JW & BA Deacon & Sons

## Wiltshire Horns peak at 1010gns at Premier Show and Sale

Leading the trade at the Wiltshire Horn Premier show and sale at Rugby Farmers Mart, was the supreme and male champion, Celyn Victor from B & H Thomas & Sons, Anglesey. The 2017 born ram, sired by Celyn Steward, was the WHSS National Show champion 2019 and was bought by Mrs C.S. White, Devon, for 1010gns. Topping the shearling rams at 470gns was the reserve male champion Celyn Wayne from D Thomas, Anglesey, followed by Hoggston Danger, a ram from H N & G E Morris & family's Signet recorded flock, selling at 440gns. Ram lambs peaked at 420gns for Amaroo Ruan a home bred lamb from Miss R G Hamilton, Merseyside.

Demand for females was strong with a clearance rate of 99% across the classes. Leading the females was a shearling ewe from Mrs J. Evans, Oakham with a hammer price of 260gns, closely followed by the female champion from J M Jeyes & family at 250gns with another at 240gns from the same flock. The female reserve champion, a ewe lamb from Mrs C Shepherd's, Daventry, Nene flock sold at 180gns.

### **SHEARLING EWES**

Top 4 averaging £255.94 selling to £273  
19 averaging £158.61 selling to £194.25  
Others to £138.60

### **EWES**

4 averaging £93.45 selling to £94.50

### **EWELAMBS**

6 averaging £92.75 selling to £189

### **SHEARLING RAMS**

Top 5 averaging £447.30 selling to £493.50  
2 averaging £330.75 selling to £367.50  
Others to £189

### **RAM LAMBS**

Top 3 averaging £413 selling to £441  
3 averaging £273 selling to £315  
Others to £157.50

### **AGED RAMS**

4 averaging £409.50 selling to £1060.50

## **Smallholders Report 14th September**

The third smallholders sale of the year saw a nice trade all around. Poultry Highlights saw a trio of Norfolk Black Turkeys to £21 per bird, White Guinea Fowl to £10 per Bird, and a Trio of Welsummers to £15 per Bird. On into a small Cattle section topped by a Polled Red Dexter Bull from Trevallion Stud selling to £860. On to the pigs, with NE & S Lewis selling Saddleback gilts to £65, with PA Woodward selling Pietrain x weaner gilts to £40. The Goat section saw Boer Billys to £100 from RG Thompson, with Boer Nanny Kids to £75 from AF Neal. The Sheep section saw a larger entry forward. Top prices included Blue Faced Leicester Ewes to £110 from Ian Birden with others to £108 from the same home. Jacob Rams to £95 from K Hobbins, with George Fell selling Suffolk x NCM Ewe lambs to £90. Greyface Dartmoor Ewe Lambs reached £80.

***Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd***

## **Store Cattle Report 16th September**

A catalogue entry of 95 store cattle was offered to a good company of buyers. Demand was good throughout the sale for cattle that showed potential, whilst smaller and poor shaped cattle would be cheaper on the previous sale. The sale started with Black-white bulls which realized £185 from Paul Bagnall. Hadley Farms showed a nice run of South Devon calves which sold to £ 500 for the males and £460 for the females. New vendor Brian Dixon sold Blues to £805 for males and £800 for females. Julian White sold a quality pen of South Devons heifers 18-20 months at £855. David Sharlot bought his annual consignment of quality Hereford Stores, topping the sale with his first Pen at £1090 with others £1070 and £1060, heifers sold to £840. Pritchett Farms sold a run of yearling cattle after the catalogue entries in the £400-£645 region.

THE NEXT STORE CATTLE SALE WILL BE 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER PLEASE ADVISE ALL ENTRIES.

***Auctioneer: Craig Thompson***

## **Beltex trade peaks at 2000gns at Rugby**

Topping Beltex trade at Rugby Farmers Mart on Saturday (14<sup>th</sup> September) was a shearling ewe from Andrew and Becky Bishop, Eldersfield, Glos, selling for 2000gns to an undisclosed buyer.

Bishops Dior is by Woodies Beyond Limits and out of a home bred dam by the imported sire Ouragan Des Pres de L'Ernard and previously stood female and overall champion under judge David Thornley of the Dooley Beltex flock, Swadlincote, Derbyshire. She failed to meet her reserve in the ring and later sold on the telephone after the sale.

Leading the male section was a shearling ram at 900gns in the form of Saddlestone Dram from Stewart Taylor, Coventry, Warwickshire. This one is a son of Saddlestone Cracker and out of Woodies Wonderful, a Todhall Sumo daughter and was tapped out as male and reserve overall champion. This was one was knocked down to D Mitchell, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

Second highest price in the shearling rams was a call of 550gns for Chiltern Dierdon from Emily South, Fencott, Oxfordshire. This one is by Woodies Beyond Limits and out of Bishops Bootylicious, a Bishops Arnold daughter. Taking this one home was Messrs Bailey and Moore. Lutterworth, Leicestershire.

Shearling ewes saw a top price of 500gns given for Saddlestone Desire, again from Stewart Taylor. By the home bred sire Saddlestone Cracker, this one is out of Freckleton Wakeful and sold to P Batchelor, Rugby, Warwickshire.

**Averages: 1 aged ram £336; 14 shearling rams £435.75; 3 ram lambs £350; 9 shearling ewes £569.33; 2 ewe lambs £304.50 (Rugby Farmers Mart).**

*Press release issued on behalf of the Beltex Sheep Society. For more information, please contact Chrissie Long T: 07909 524483; E: [info@countrygirlmedia.co.uk](mailto:info@countrygirlmedia.co.uk)*

## **Blue Texel ram lamb from Bishops flock leads Rugby sale**

Leading a small offering of Blue Texel sheep at Rugby Farmers Market on Saturday (14<sup>th</sup> September) was a ram lamb from Andrew and Becky Bishop, Eldersfield, Glos.

This home bred ram lamb is by Sams Bluejay and out of a Nantyderri bred ewe by Whatmore Walnut. Taking this one home at 580gns was The Fisher Rural Partnership, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

Topping the shearling ram section was Dulas Cosmo from Messrs Jones and Co Llangammarch Wells, Powys. This one is by a Bishops tup and out of a home bred ewe by a Millside tup and was knocked down at 520gns to S J Timms, Coventry, Warwickshire.

Leading the female offering was the only ewe lamb forward on the day, Eastbury Destiny's Choice from Dave and Kathryn Thompson, Blandford, Dorset. This one is by a Beili Blues tup and out of a Garn bred dam and sold for 450gns to L C Threadgold, Daventry, Northamptonshire.

**Averages: 10 ram lambs £267.75; 6 shearling rams £351.75; 1 aged ram £231.00; 7 shearling ewes £321.00; 1 ewe lamb £472.50 (Rugby Farmers Mart).**



# CHRISTMAS SHOW RICH FRUIT CAKE

Oven Temperature: 300 F, 150 C, Gas 1-2

Ingredients:

12 oz/325 g Currants  
4 1/2 oz/125 g Sultanas  
4 1/2 oz/125 g Raisins  
3 oz/75 g Glace Cherries  
2 oz/50 g Candied Peel  
A little lemon rind  
7 1/2 oz/215 g Plain Flour  
1/2 teasp Mixed Spice  
1/2 teasp Cinnamon  
6 oz/175 g Butter  
6 oz/175 g Brown Sugar  
3 Large Eggs  
1 tablesp Brandy

1. Line an 8 inch round cake tin, using 2 thicknesses of greaseproof paper. Tie a double band of brown paper/newspaper around the outside.
2. Mix the currants, sultanas, raisins, cherries and peel.
3. Cream the butter, sugar and lemon rind until pale and fluffy.
4. Add the beaten eggs and the brandy, a little at a time, beating well after each addition.
5. Fold in the flour. Then fold in the fruit.
6. Put in to the prepared tin, spread evenly.
7. Place in the pre-heated oven on a layer of brown paper/newspaper, in the lower part of the oven. Cook for approximately 2 3/4 hours
8. When the cake is cooked, leave it to cool in the tin, and then turn out onto a wire rack.
9. Store by wrapping in greaseproof paper and place in an airtight tin.

When judging, the cake will have to be cut in half to see the distribution of the fruit etc. Inserting a skewer will only achieve the taste of the cake. The cake can still be covered in marzipan and icing ready for using at Xmas.

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