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Market Reports For Monday 17th December 2018

Market At A Glance

Prime Steers to 227p/kg & £1478
Prime Heifers to 240p/kg & £1320
Prime Lamb SQQ 199p/kg (1633)
Prime Lambs to 248p/kg & £119
Ewes to £96 (833 Avg £66)
Calves to £350

*******Christmas Opening Dates*******

Friday 21st December Sheep only 11am

Monday 24th December CLOSED

Monday 31st December Sheep & Calves only

Return to normal on Monday 7th January

**Friday 21st December
Christmas Poultry Sale 6pm**

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CATTLE: 132

PRIME CATTLE:18 HEAD

A typical pre-holiday market with a small entry forward, some firms and butchers wanting to top up stocks, several buyers not forward due to slow demand and sales. Several regular vendors busy with Christmas poultry and late shopping. Those farmers who sold would be delighted with the trade received from the ringside in particular those selling heifers.

STEERS:5 HEAD

An entry dominated by weight, with saw demand strong throughout with all weights in demand and more could have been sold to advantage. The section was topped at 227p for a Limousin from Messrs Ferguson Ltd who travelled up from Kent with a load of well finished cattle. Others sold to 226p from Frank Page, heavyweights sold to £1478.04 from Lodge Farm House.

HEIFERS:13 HEAD

Some tremendous quality runs of continental heifers with meat in abundance, and demand was strong at ringside from the butchers present. A storming Belgium Blue topped the section and sale at 240p from Frank Page who sold others to 233p. Messrs Ferguson sold others to 227p for a Limousin. Top price per head was £1320 from Page Bros, who sold others to £1290.82.

Farmers; We return with Prime Cattle sales on MONDAY 7th JANUARY, where hopefully all buyers will be in attendance and looking to buy stock, if you have cattle give me a ring over the festive period to talk trade as I will be in contact with the buyers. Finally may I wish you all Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Auctioneer: Craig Thompson

STEERS & BULLS:			
Top prices per head			
Limousin x	654kg	£1478	Page Bros
Limousin x	608kg	£1380	DW Ferguson
Limousin x	676kg	£1251	R W Cross & Partners
Limousin x	663kg	£1220	R W Cross & Partners
Limousin x	591kg	£1087	R W Cross & Partners
Top prices per kilo			
Limousin x	608kg	227p/kg	DW Ferguson
Limousin x	654kg	226p/kg	Page Bros
Limousin x	676kg	185p/kg	R W Cross & Partners
Limousin x	663kg	184p/kg	R W Cross & Partners
Limousin x	591kg	184p/kg	R W Cross & Partners

HEIFERS:			
Top prices per head			
Limousin x	550kg	£1320	Page Bros
Limousin x	554kg	£1291	Page Bros
Limousin x	558kg	£1283	Page Bros
British Blue	571kg	£1256	DW Ferguson
Limousin x	563kg	£1239	GR Fontaine
Top prices per kilo			
Limousin x	550kg	240p/kg	Page Bros
Limousin x	554kg	233p/kg	Page Bros
Limousin x	558kg	230p/kg	Page Bros
Limousin x	520kg	227p/kg	DW Ferguson
Limousin x	563kg	220p/kg	GR Fontaine

CALVES: 15 Forward

A mixed show of quality in the calves today, with buyers cautious due to ongoing calf health problems that the warm winter is causing. Top in the baby calves today to WAC Gilbert & Son selling Limousin x Bulls to £230 at just under a month, with Phil Dyson showing his normal quality to see £220 for Angus x Bulls at 2 weeks. In the weaned section Midland Meats LTD sold Hereford sired bulls to £350 at 4 months. Next calf sale is Monday 31st December.

Already entered
2 Black and Whites

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

SHEEP:2799

PRIME LAMBS: 1633 Forward SQQ 199p/kg

A woefully short entry in comparison to the number of lambs expected today and buyers furious at the lack of supply on the one Monday when a lifted demand seemed a certainty. Those that did show though selling to a strong trade that got dearer throughout the sale to level at an SQQ of 199p/kg. Best fed and meat lambs in high demand with a returning exporter after the best sorts. In the Euro section a top ppk of 248p/kg for a pen full of Beltex at 36.5kg from D Mitchell. P A Barnes & Son, Tamworth sold meated Texels to 237p/kg at 40.5kg and SJ Basher 34kg to 235p/kg. A lorry load of sheared lambs from Garth Weston, Thame sold to 232p/kg at 38kg whilst Chris Osborne, Leighton Buzzard saw 223p/kg for 40kg. In the heavies meat chased ferociously topping at 200p/kg at 46kg from Humphrey Livestock equal with B C Burton whilst smart meat 50kg 195p/kg. In the lump Euro lambs really clocking up today to top out at £97 for 44kg from B C Burton whilst Messrs Barnes 40.5kg to £96 with £95.50 for 20 from B C Burton for 44kg. Overall a top of £119 for 75kg Rams from R & B Smith with J T Jeyes & Son the last man sold taking £113 at 63kg and BMF Smith £112.50 for a pen of 11 at 65kg. Today 143 lambs turning over three figures. Trade to be monitored and we go again on Friday with sheep once again. Please do book in turning up.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Spring Lamb: SQQ 199p/kg) under 45.5kg			
Per kilo			
Beltex x	36.50kgs	248p/kg	D Mitchell
Texel x	40.50kgs	237p/kg	PA & M Barnes
Charollais x	34.00kgs	235p/kg	SJ Bain
Charollais x	38.00kgs	232p/kg	G Weston
Beltex x	40.00kgs	223p/kg	R J Osborn & Son

Per HEAD			
Beltex x	44.50kgs	£97.00	B C Burton
Texel x	40.50kgs	£96.00	PA & M Barnes & Son
Beltex x	44.00kgs	£95.50	B C Burton
Texel x	44.50kgs	£95.50	B C Burton
Texel x	45.50kgs	£94.00	PA & M Barnes & Son

Spring Lamb: OVER 45.5kg			
Per kilo			
Texel x	46.00kgs	200p/kg	Humphrey Livestock
Texel x	46.00kgs	200p/kg	B C Burton
Texel x	50.00kgs	195p/kg	R & B Smith
Charollais x	46.50kgs	194p/kg	J T Jeyes & Son
Texel x	46.50kgs	191p/kg	Humphrey Livestock

Per HEAD			
Texel x	75.00kgs	£119.00	R & B Smith
Charollais x	63.00kgs	£113.00	J T Jeyes & Son
Texel x	65.50kgs	£112.50	B M F Smith
Texel x	67.00kgs	£110.00	R & B Smith
Charollais x	62.00kgs	£110.00	E J Taylor & Son

Store Lambs: 333 Forward

A neat show of store lambs with a nice bit of quality amongst them. Top today from our very own "Woody" Pecker selling Border Leicester x to £77.50, with J Webster selling Texel x to £76.50. Short term stores £68-£77.50, with mid-term seeing the sharpest increase in trade between £59 and £67. Longer term sorts around £55 with only the very small under £50. Bidders all around the ring firing on stores, with numbers clearly wanted.

Next Store Lamb Sale Monday 31st December.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

Cull Ewes: 833 Forward

Another big yarding forward and seeing a much sharper trade, with middle of the road ewes today as dear as they have been for some time. Top today from J Smith selling Crossbreds to £96, with GJ & SL Gowling selling Suffolk x to £96 with AC & RCW Turney seeing Suffolks at £94 equal with Gowlings Texels. A Tarry-Smith sold Crossbreds to £93.50. Top mules to £76 from M Thornber. Ewes today up to £7 dearer on the week previous.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

X bred	£96	J Smith	Texel	£92.50	A K Wilson
Suffolk x	£96	GJ & SL Gowling	Texel	£90.50	R F Wilson
Suffolk x	£94	A Tarry-Smith	Rouge	£90	I & P Griffith
Texel x	£94	GJ & SL Gowling	Texel x	£90	Midland Slurry
X bred	£93.50	GJ & SL Gowling	Suffolk x	£89	R H Burman

STORE CATTLE: 99 HEAD

A catalogue entry of 100 cattle saw several un-entered lots forward, the value of the auction system was apparent when the sale commenced with all types of cattle forward from the 6mth Jersey bulls, Jersey-Angus Bulls, through the ages to 2year old Angus and Hereford Steers and Heifers, all meeting good competition from the local and distant farmers at ringside. The sale commenced with a Simmental Cow with twin calves from Steve Eales which made £1480. H.M.P. Prison, Hewell Grange run of reared Jersey and JerseyxAngus Bulls topped at £410. Reared calves from Messrs Smith sold between £310-385 for dairy bred steers and heifers. Stronger cattle saw yearlings to £705 from Manor Farm Partnership for a Blue Steer, with the majority £570-680. Strong cattle were in demand selling to £1020 for a Hereford Steer from Mick Taylor, who sold other Herefords to £935, Mick dominated the strong cattle selling a pen of 6 AAx heifers at £850 and a brother for £860.

The next sale of Store and Breeding Cattle will be Monday 21st January, entries are now been taken.

Auctioneer: Craig Thompson



Do join us to sing some carols, enjoy mince pies and mulled wine this FRIDAY 21st. at 5pm. before the market dressed poultry sale.

A date for your diary;

Warwickshire FCN Plough Service at 4pm.on SATURDAY 19th.

JANUARY, St Marks Church, Leamington Spa, CV32 6DL.

A celebration of the farming year when the Bishop of Coventry will bless the plough and farmers.

We wish you all a happy and blessed Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous 2019.

From your Market Chaplains; Barbara and Celia

And all at Warwickshire FCN.

Primestock Update

We just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Show & Sale on Monday 3rd December.

There were a fantastic number of entries across all areas of the show should like to congratulate all prize winners (results were available previously in the yellow pages). Many thanks to all those who were involved in making the day a success, our judges, exhibitors, stewards and particularly to Tom and all the market staff for their hard work and huge efforts both on, before and after the show.

Thank also to all those who attended our Presentation Dinner at the Stoneleigh Deer Park Golf Club. We were delighted that the event was an absolute sell out and 135 guests enjoyed an excellent meal with great entertainment provided by speaker Richard Winterton and magician Angus Baskerville.

As many of you know, the proceeds from events that happen on and around the show, the raffle, hog roast, Mrs Stevens Christmas cake, produce sales to mention just a few, all go towards our Chairladys charity of choice and in 2018 we supported The Stroke Association. Although we are still counting in the last of the donations we think we have raised almost £4,000 which is absolutely incredible.

The decision was made to send the proceeds from the sale of Emma Craig's winning fruit cake to Neuro & Stroke Unit at Pinderfields General Hospital, Wakefield. This is where our sheep judge, Miss Megan Worsley's, father was treated for a stroke just days before the show. It seemed a perfect fit that the money raised by the cake supported a unit that was so close to many people. We are pleased to hear Mr John Worsley has made positive progress. The rest of the charity money will be presented to The Stroke Association in the new year. Thank you to everyone who took part in the Primestock Show and the dinner. We hope you enjoyed it!

All that is left to do is, on behalf of the Primestock Committee, wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2019.



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