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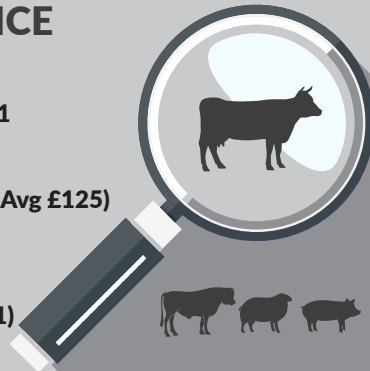
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## MARKET REPORTS FOR MONDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2021

### MARKET AT A GLANCE

**Prime Steers to 237p/kg & £1818**  
**Prime Heifers to 285p/kg & £2161**  
**Prime Bulls to 249p/kg & £1335**  
**OTM Cattle to 205p/kg & £1333**  
**Prime Lamb SQQ 293p/kg (1880 Avg £125)**  
**Prime Lambs to 349p/kg & £168**  
**Ewes to £180 (774 Avg £103)**  
**Store Cattle to £1260**  
**Store Lambs to £116 (350 Avg £91)**  
**Calves to £360 (64)**



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AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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## CATTLE: 174 FORWARD



A funny week with Abbatoirs either deciding to empty all fridges or those with extra demand for the New Year. A customer short but trade not effected. Meat in demand throughout and only very lean hard to handle.

**Steers;**  
All big weighted Cattle in the main today topping at 237p/kg for R W Cross & Partners with heavy weights to 236p/kg from Messrs Keeves. Super Heavies throughout over 220p/kg. In the gross a top of £1818 for Messrs Keeves with others £1760 and £1744.

**Heifers;**  
Much more finish on show albeit no less weight at the top end. The two commodities coming together when super heavies with finish and grade from RF & J Nichols showed super feeding with a 742kg Charolais Heifer U graded at 285p/kg selling to D S Trading, Grimsby Ltd. Smart Heifers as always from the Trivetts this week with weight saw 276p/kg and 272.5p/kg. U Grades from Pete Amor showing plenty of finish returning 270p/kg. R Grades into the 250p/kg region if carrying flesh and O Grades well into 220p/kg plus mark. The lump seeing massive returns at £2160 and £2115. Messrs Trivett £1800.

**Bulls;**  
More Bulls forward saw Bazadaise from P Amor to 249p/kg with others 245 and 230p/kg. Top gross £1335.

**OTM;**  
O Grade 40 month Limousin Steers to 205p/kg with a top gross £1333 from Alan Tacy.

**Cows;**  
Thick Angus Cows up from the South for Red Kite Farming saw 167 and 164.5p/kg for slip Angus Heifers returning a top of £1094. Cows likely to be in greater demand in January albeit trade for Slip Cows today as keen as we have seen.

A Thank you to all those who have sold with us this year. The Board have taken the decision to push the Cattle section with all their Efforts and we hope you have reaped the rewards. Those who have sold have found returns preferable to the deadweight and this is ofcourse our mission statement. Best fed Cattle are too often undersold on the hook and we need these. Please enjoy your well earned Christmas breaks by putting your feet up, Save as for making sure those Ad -lib feeders are topped up daily...

*Auctioneer: Tom Wrench*

### COMMISSION;

SINCE THE SPRING OF 2021 THE BOARD OF RFM LTD HAVE TAKEN THE STEP TO CAP COMMISSIONS ON FAT CATTLE, STORE CATTLE AND PRIME LAMBS. THIS HAS BEEN DONE IN RECOGNITION OF THE FARMING OWNERSHIP OF THE BUSINESS. IT IS THE BOARDS BELIEF THAT THE CURRENT GOOD FORTUNES OF FARMING STOCK SHOULD REWARD THE PRODUCER BEFORE ALL OTHERS AND WITH THIS IN MIND THE COMMISSION CAPS ARE AS FOLLOWS;

FAT LAMBS 3.5% OR £4 MAX

FAT CATTLE 3.5% OR £39 MAX

STORE CATTLE 3.5% OR £30

THE BOARD RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE COMMISSION RATES WITH 14 DAYS NOTICE AT SUCH TIME AS RUNNING COSTS AND PROFITABILITY OF THE BUSINESS REQUIRE THE SAME. IT IS THE BOARDS HOPE THAT ALL MARKET CUSTOMERS RECOGNISE THAT RFM ARE THE ONLY SALES OUTLET IMPLEMENTING THIS COMMISSION FREEZE AND THE SENTIMENT BEHIND IT IN REWARDING OUR LOYAL SHARE HOLDERS AND CUSTOMERS.

## STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head				FA
Charolais x	770kg	£1817	W R Keeves & Sons	Y
Charolais x	800kg	£1760	W R Keeves & Sons	Y
Charolais x	784kg	£1733	W R Keeves & Sons	Y
Charolais x	760kg	£1725	W R Keeves & Sons	Y
British Blue	732kg	£1662	R & T Reeve	Y

Top prices per Kilo				
Aberdeen Angus (bull)	536kg	249ppk	P Amor	Y
Limousin x (bull)	486kg	245ppk	P Amor	Y
Limousin x	572kg	237ppk	R W Cross & Partners	Y
Charolais x	770kg	236ppk	W R Keeves & Sons	Y
Aberdeen Angus	586kg	234ppk	A A Fyfe & Sons	Y

## HEIFERS

Top prices per head				FA
Charolais x	854kg	£2161	R F & J A Nichols	Y
Charolais	742kg	£2115	R F & J A Nichols	Y
Limousin	652kg	£1800	RW & HER Trivett	Y
Limousin	604kg	£1646	RW & HER Trivett	Y
Limousin x	608kg	£1642	P Amor	Y
Top prices per kilo				
Charolais x	742kg	285ppk	R F & J A Nichols	Y
Limousin	652kg	276ppk	RW & HER Trivett	Y
Limousin	604kg	272.5ppk	RW & HER Trivett	Y
Limousin x	608kg	270ppk	P Amor	Y
Limousin x	570kg	267ppk	DTP & PA Walters	Y

**MONDAY 27TH DECEMBER - CLOSED**  
**MONDAY 3RD JANUARY- OPEN AS NORMAL**

## COWS

Top prices per head OTM					FA
Limousin x	650kg	£1333	AE & AN Tacy	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	684kg	£1094	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	654kg	£1092	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	714kg	£928	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	
Top prices per kilo					
Limousin x	650kg	205ppk	AE & AN Tacy	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	654kg	167ppk	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	554kg	164.5ppk	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	
Aberdeen Angus	684Kg	160ppk	Red Kite Farm Ltd	Y	



## SHEEP: 2954 FORWARD

### PRIME LAMBS: 1834

### FORWARD SQQ 293P/KG AVG £125

Report of Deadweight kill cancellations Nationally had some buyers back in the cars and heading off before we even started. Thankfully the Exporters didn't get the Memo and trade simply breath taking. Numbers a little shorter today as vendors struggle to find meat. The yard dominated by Export O Grade lambs but all massively rewarded with a deadweight equivalent of £6.30. Best end in massive demand today with not so much quality on show. Top saw real peach lambs from D Mitchell to 349p/kg at 35kg for Beltex with similar goods from G Woodard 335p/kg. S Taylor, Coventry sold Beltex to 334p/kg at 38kg with AEJ & FJ Claridge 39kg to 333p/kg. Humphrey Livestock with quality at 43kg to 330p/kg, and JP Page & Sons 44kg at 330p/kg. Heavy lambs very well chased despite fire sales on the Supermarket shelves. Top today a massive 323p/kg at 47kg from S Leedham, Husbands Bosworth with VJ Roots 52kg to 323p/kg for Beltex. Messrs Claridge 47kg to 311p/kg and Leam Farm Partnership 52kg to 306p/kg. The total column of course the one to keep the bank happy and Export weights back to doing the same. Top in the weight band seeing a top of £145 for 44kg from J P Page & Sons with Humphrey Livestock 43kg to £142 and B Nichols 44.5kg to £141. D Redfern down from Derby to take 45kg to £138.50. Heavies very much in vogue albeit those over 60kg getting no additional benefit for weight. They are just too heavy to handle it seems at the other end. Top though £168 for 52kg from V J Roots with 53kg from Amorise Farms Ltd also £168. D Dashwood £163 at 66kg with £162 for Suffolks from Humphrey Livestock the same selling to £161. FJ Tombs & Son £160 and £161.

Lamb trade the leading reason for the Auction system. Supermarkets cant sell it this week but Exporters can. Last week the opposite. What other systems reacts in real time? Our job is to supply independent buyers in numbers at ringside and hopefully we do that with today 10 men actively bidding on multiple accounts. Thank you for all your Vendor support this year and congratulations to all sheep farmers whom proved the 'experts' wrong during Brexit. They may undervalue your hard work but RFM does not and as proven neither do our European Customers.

*Auctioneer: Tom Wrench*

## SPRING LAMBS : UNDER 45.5kg SQQ 293p/kg

Per Kilo

Beltex x	35.00kg	349ppk	D Mitchell
Beltex x	36.00kg	335ppk	G L Woodard
Beltex x	35.50kg	335ppk	D Mitchell
Beltex x	38.00kg	334ppk	S F Taylor
Beltex x	39.00kg	333ppk	AEJ & FJ Claridge

Per HEAD

Texel x	44.00kg	£145.00	J P Page & Sons
Texel x	33.00kg	£142.00	Humphrey Livestock
Beltex x	44.50kg	£141.00	B Nichols
Beltex x	43.50kg	£138.50	B Nichols
Cheviot x	45.00kg	£138.50	D Redfern

## SPRING LAMBS : OVER 45.5 kg

Per Kilo

Charollais x	47.00kg	323ppk	S Leedham
Beltex x	52.00kg	323ppk	V J Roots
Texel x	47.00kg	311ppk	AEJ & FJ Claridge
Texel x	51.00kg	307ppk	Leam Farm Partnership
Texel x	52.00kg	306ppk	B C Burton

Per HEAD

Beltex x	52.00kg	£168.00	V J Roots
Texel x	53.00kg	£168.00	Amorise Farms Ltd
Texel x	66.00kg	£163.00	D Dashwood
Suffolk x	62.00kg	£162.00	Humphrey Livestock
Texel x	72.00kg	£162.00	Humphrey Livestock

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## CULL EWES: 770 FORWARD



A little short of numbers and no real quality about but a flying trade with Mules as dear as we can remember. Top today a Beltex Ram from V J Roots to £180 whilst top Ewe a Texel x from D Redfern, Derby at £168. R & M Arrowsmith nipping down the A14 to see £159 for Suffolks and £154 for Texel X. A Wain similar goods to £152. Weight regularly £140 plus. Suffolks topping at £159 for Messrs Arrowsmith and D Dashwood £141 with Humphrey Livestock £137. Suffolks almost all over £125 if weighted. Mules on fire topping at £140 for two Oxfordshire men in John Goodman and Barry Cooper. M Emery £128 and plenty over £116. In general weighted Mules starting at £110.

*Auctioneer: Tom Wrench*

## EWES

Beltex	£180	V J Roots	X Bred	£152	A Wain
Texel x	£168	D Redfern	Texel x	£151	A Freer & Son
Suffolk x	£159	R & M Arrowsmith	X Bred	£148	Hedges & Kerwood
Texel x	£154	R & M Arrowsmith	X Bred	£147	RF Wilson

## STORE LAMBS: 350 FORWARD



Good quality lambs forward and plenty of buyers present.

The mainstay was Messrs AO Wooton & Co with 176 forward and averaging over £100 and topping at £111

Though today's top price went to a market legend in Rob Calcott who sold lambs to £116 and he also booked in a further 150 for the next sale on the 3rd January

*Auctioneer: Tim Webster*

#### CLEANLINESS OF SHEEP;

WE HAVE NOW HAD INCIDENTS OF SHEEP BEING BINNED AND REJECTED ON THE KILL LINE DUE TO DIRTY BELLIES. IT IS FSA AND TRADING STANDARDS LAW THAT ANIMALS MAY NOT BE SENT FORWARD FOR SLAUGHTER IN A STATE WHEREBY "THE STANDARDISED PROCESS OF DRESSING CANNOT BE COMPLETED WITHOUT TOUCHING DIRT OR DETRITUS, THEN THE ANIMAL SHOULD NOT PASS ANTI-MORTEM INSPECTION". IN SIMPLE TERMS STOCK SHOULD BE CRUTCHED AND BELLIED TO ALLOW THE REMOVAL OF THE LAMBS INTERNAL ORGANS. LAMBS NOT FITTING THIS DESCRIPTION CANNOT BE PRESENTED IN OUR SALES.



## STORE CATTLE

A return to Store Cattle on a Monday to suit the Christmas timetable. Plenty in attendance and only a few minutes late on the advertised start, a miracle when considering the number of lambs extra to that booked, sold. A good trade from start to finish despite the weather having got into some of the Cattle. Starting with a 16m old Hereford Bull taking £1200 for Messrs Taylor. Wolverton Estates brought cattle from the fields to see 4 x Hereford Steers 8 months of age to £860 and others £835 and sisters £700. DC Leedham, Husbands Bosworth used this ring for the first time to see 7 months at £765 for a pair of Blue Heifers with Charolais £775. Cummins & Bickford saw Steers Blue and Angus Bucket Steers 10 months at £700 with a Jersey 9 months at £710. Then on to the weight and power from EJ Taylor & Son 19 month Charolais to £1225 with 17 months to £1250 and others £1195 and £1170. Heifers £1100. A nice draw from FE & CJ Barnett saw dairy Angus Steers 20 to 23 months see a pen of 4 at £1210 with Heifers £1100 for 4 and £1060. J Jackson, Market Bosworth saw a top of the day £1260 for Limousin Steer 20 months. Hereford Steer 21 months to £1100 and Angus £1105. Mark Jackson showed Limousin Steers 20 months to £1200.

A very rewarding sale and we look forward to replenishing feeders stocks in January.

***Auctioneer: Tom Wrench***

# CALVES: 64 FORWARD



Baby Calves : 50 Forward

A very good show of milk calves forward and good to see a new customer today at Rugby Market in Martin Beaumont of Twycross who sold some lovely fresh calves.

We had good consignments from Knaptoft Hall Farms, Messrs KC & DA Hughes and Beaumont's of Twycross.

Topping the market today was Peter Hemmings and a Limousin Bull Calf at £360

Limousin Bulls.	£230 to £360
Limousin Hfrs.	£128 to £285
British Blue Bulls.	£250 to £350
British Blue Hfrs.	£172 to £270
Angus Bulls.	£132 to £270
Angus Hfrs.	£124 to £205
Sussex Bulls.	£90. to £215
Sussex Hfrs.	to £100
Hereford Bulls.	to £165
Hereford Hfrs.	to £200
Holstein Bulls.	£16. to £40

Weaned Calves : 14 Forward

A few 1-3 months calves about today and plenty of buyers looking for older calves.

British Blue Hfrs.	to £425
Angus Bulls.	£265. to £300
Angus Hfrs.	£115. to £280

Next Calf sale 10th January 2022

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all the calf family

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**Saturday 15th January - Machinery Farm Sale**

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