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## **Market Reports For Monday 9th September 2019**

### **Market At A Glance**

Prime Steers to 171p/kg & £1257  
Prime Heifers to 212p/kg & £1438  
Prime Bulls to 166p/kg & £1038  
OTM Cattle to 120p/kg & £896  
Prime Lamb SQQ 171.52p/kg (2004)  
Prime Lambs to 208p/kg & £90  
Ewes to £111 (1060 Avg £67)

### **Saturday 14th September**

Blue Texel, Beltex, Wiltshire Horn, Lleyn &  
Smallholders Sale

### **Monday 16th September**

Sale of Store Cattle

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## **CATTLE: 39 Forward**

### **PRIME CATTLE:41 HEAD**

The beef industry, seems to be in turmoil, with autumn numbers coming forward, large national firms continuing to lower the prices. As ever large amounts of boxed beef available at low prices, Christmas just 13 weeks away. What to do regarding selling cattle stick or twist! Farmers keep asking what is trade going to do, I believe we will see trade at this level for some time, we are fortunate that at RUGBY we have several independent wholesalers and butchers buying at ringside. The one plus this year is the weights of the cattle coming off grass, which would be 50-80 kilo's heavier on the year.

### **BULLS:3 HEAD**

A small entry of mixed quality, met good competition from ringside, selling to a top of 166p for 18 month old Simmental from Steve Eales. A 29 month used Holstein sold at £1.00 and grossed £762.

### **STEERS:7 HEAD**

Numbers short of demand, with an abundance of weight throughout the entry, saw trade 3p dearer on the week. Top price of £1257 was paid for a South Devon from Messrs Lee and Son, who sold others to £1241. As ever more are needed to supply growing buyer demand at ringside.

### **HEIFERS:22 HEAD**

A good show of heifers with some outstanding well finished cattle forward. Trade would be sharper on the week with butchers, having quality and quantity everywhere. Top price per kilo was 212p for a super limousine from Messrs Trevitt, who sold others to 210p. Frank Page sold a tremendous Blue at £1438, other heifers sold to £1320 from Frank Hodgkin. The top 7 heifers averaged 205.6p and grossed £1305.67. Commercial heifers found strong competition at ringside selling between 170-192p and looked well sold.

### **OTM'S:7 HEAD**

Extra numbers were easily accommodated, when offered for sale, topping the section and sale was a Simmental from Messrs T.H. Morris and sons at 120p. Top price per head was £896 paid for a Hereford from Joe Adams, Watford. More could easily be sold to vendors advantage.

***Auctioneer: Craig Thompson***

STEERS & BULLS:			
Top prices per head			
South Devon	744kg	£1257	Lee & Son
South Devon	776kg	£1242	Lee & Son
Simmental (Bull)	649kg	£1038	W R Eales & Son
British Blue	687kg	£1031	Showell Farms
Hereford	589kg	£995	D J Sharlot
Top prices per kilo			
British Blue	516kg	171ppk	S Powell
South Devon	744kg	169ppk	Lee & Son
Hereford	589kg	169ppk	D J Sharlot
Simmental (Bull)	590kg	166ppk	W R Eales & Son
Simmental (Bull)	649kg	160ppk	W R Eales & Son

HEIFERS:			
Top prices per head			
British Blue	698kg	£1438	Page Bros
Limousin x	660kg	£1320	F Hodgkin
Limousin	605kg	£1283	RW & HER Trivett
Limousin x	640kg	£1280	F Hodgkin
Simmental	763kg	£1267	W R Eales & Son
Top prices per kilo			
Limousin	605kg	212ppk	RW & HER Trivett
Limousin	595kg	210ppk	RW & HER Trivett
Limousin x	571kg	208ppk	GR Fountaine
British Blue	698kg	206ppk	Page Bros
Limousin x	660kg	200ppk	F Hodgkin

## CALVES NEXT WEEK

**60 Expected**  
**Including a large amount of Continentals**

## **SHEEP:3247**

### **Prime Lambs: 2004 Forward SQQ 171p/kg**

Trade as difficult within the Nation as we have seen for some time with very little explanation needed other than an over supply to the Export market and little or no interest being shown in the marketing of lamb domestically. A pen just over 2000 lambs today in the aisles albeit we had tried to tailor the yarding to 1500 with an additional 500 appearing unannounced mainly as a result of a que of customers unhappy with their returns from last weeks deadweight returns. 9 Buyers today buying on 12 different accounts, if nothing more ensuring a transparent cross section of National and Export demand is provided. Trade though hard work with Abbatoirs only buying what they can sell. An SQQ Of 171p/kg in the top few of the country and a result only of depth of Customers. 171p/kg at 46% kill out results in a dead equivalent of £3.72p/kgdw with no grid to face. Best end lambs still hotly contested. Selling today to a top of 208p/kg for Beltex 36kg from M J Woodward ahead of R Richins, Oxford 41kg to 205p/kg with K R Evans, Southam 39kg at 203p/kg. Weight and shape from Buckingham's AEJ & FJ Claridge 40kg to 200p/kg. Heavies rewarded for finish topping at 175p/kg for 51kg from Phil Darby Structures ahead of overnight lambs from B C Burton 48kg to 173p/kg. In the lump a top for export weight lambs of £85 for 45kg from Messrs Claridge with 41kg £81 from Messrs Richins. Heavies the trade of the day but in all honesty a trade tempered nationally by cheaper breaking Red meats on the market such as Beef. Top today £90 for J & BD Tustian, Towcester . Phil Darby and R Elliott, Crick £89 at 51kg.

Trade sadly in the doldrums at a time of National high supply. A matter only of Vendors selling when lambs begin to harm allowing trade to find a sustainable level and continental buyers to wash the bad taste of Brexit from there mouths.

***Auctioneer: Tom Wrench***

Spring Lambs : under 45.5kg SQQ 171p/kg			
Per Kilo			
Beltex x	36.00kg	208ppk	MJ Woodward
Texel x	41.00kg	205ppk	R Richins
Charolais x	39.00kg	203ppk	K R Evans
Beltex x	40.00kg	200ppk	AEJ & FJ Claridge
Beltex x	40.00kg	198ppk	AEJ & FJ Claridge

Per HEAD			
Beltex x	45.00kg	£85.00	AEJ & FJ Claridge
Texel x	41.00kg	£84.00	R Richins
Beltex x	42.00kg	£82.00	AEJ & FJ Claridge
Beltex x	43.00kg	£80.00	LW & M Anderson
Charollais x	45.00kg	£80.00	R Elliott

Spring Lambs: OVER 45.5kg			
Per kilo			
Texel x	51.00kg	175ppk	Phil Darby Structures
Charollais x	51.00kg	175ppk	R Elliott
Texel x	48.00kg	173ppk	B C Burton
Texel x	47.50kg	171ppk	B C Burton
Texel x	46.00kg	170ppk	Page Bros

Per HEAD			
Charollais x	57.50kg	£90.00	J & B D Tustian
Texel x	51.00kg	£89.00	Phil Darby Structures
Charollais x	51.00kg	£89.00	R Elliott
Charollais x	55.00kg	£88.00	C L Bevin
Charollais x	54.50kg	£88.00	R Elliott

## **Cull Ewes:1060 Forward**

A big show of ewes meeting a firm trade, however very lean/poor ewes severely discounted. Top today from Ben Burton selling Continentals to £111, with R Roper selling Suffolk x to £106, with Suffolk x from RG Elliott & Son to £105, with R Roper selling to £102.50 and £100 respectively. Top Mules today selling to £86.50 from R Hicks.

***Auctioneer: Tom Wrench***

Continental x	£111	B C Burton	Suffolk x	£100	R Roper
Suffolk x	£106	R Roper	Suffolk x	£100	R Roper
Suffolk x	£105	R G Elliott & Son	Suffolk x	£99	R G Elliott & Son
Suffolk x	£102.50	R Roper	Suffolk x	£96	P & F Baker
Suffolk x	£100	R Roper	Texel x	£96	Page Bros

## **Store Lambs: 183 Forward**

A stronger show than was seen on Friday saw a top of £67 for Texels from John Hill, with Dorsets to £65 from John Goodman. Short term today £61-£67, with strong mid-term £55-£58, harder bred mid term £48-£52 with the better end of the smalls mid £30's. Harder bred/Hill bred types £25-£30.

***Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd***

## **Friday 6th September Ewe Lambs \*\*\* Ewe Lambs to £143\*\***

The annual Ewe lamb show and sale saw a smaller entry than in previous years with Vendors having killed or traded many of the Ewe lambs in previous months, That said the optimism seen around the Breeders at RFM this year continued with buyers grateful for the specialist sale formats we run.

The annual Suffolk Ewe lamb show and sale again saw much interest with seven quality pens presented through the show ring to be ably judged by Ian Threadgold, Braunston. Our thanks to Ian whom conducted his business wonderfully and met a top three that seemed to attract a unanimous agreement from all. This year results as follows;

Pens of 20 Suffolk Ewe Lambs competing for Modulamb Salver;

1<sup>st</sup> Humphrey Livestock, Helmdon - £134

2<sup>nd</sup> Humphrey Livestock, Helmdon - £124

3<sup>rd</sup> A J Geary, Hanslope - £96

Suffolk trade strong throughout with lambs generally fit enough to take the Tup. Top end sorts contested throughout topping at £134 for the Champions and £124 for second place with Messrs Humphrey Livestock £114.50 for other pens. Tarry-Smith and Nephew sold strength to £100 with others £93 whilst 250 from Andrew and Lisa Geary topping at £96 to see an avg for the consignment bang on £90. Texels seem to be the Shepherds choice for the 2020 lambing season with trend continued for a pen of smart stretchy Texel Ewe Lambs from Rosie Leach selling to £143. Others saw Andrew Geary £98, Clarke Farming Partnership at £97 and Humphrey Livestock £90. Runner Cheviot Mules took a pen of 31 to £76 and Jacobs £65. Trade throughout and a handy day achieved by buyers and sellers.

***Auctioneer: Tom Wrench***

## **Friday 6th September: Store Lambs-1886**

A neat show of stores forward for our second Friday sale, however lacking the quality shown in our first sale. Faces around the ring and buyers coming from as far afield as Suffolk, Heathrow and Aylesbury were all willing to compete, albeit at a trade coming more into line with the sliding fat price. Purchasers obviously nervous of the impending October 31st Negotiations and this also becoming obvious seeing the small end lambs lower. Top today saw PA & M Barnes at £87 for 3 corking Texel x lambs, with Stimson Farming to £75 for strong lambs. JW Pickford to £66 twice with Big Suffolks. The shorter keep lambs today £55-£62, with mid-term better bred sorts £48-£54, and harder bred types £42-£46. Smalls the hardest trade of the day trading £29-£36. Trade today looking considerably less than the first sale, however a lesser yarding of lambs contributing to this also.

***Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd***





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A nurse will be available to do some basic health checks, a massage therapist will offer free neck and shoulder massages, and there will be representatives from MacMillan Cancer Support and farming support charities offering advice and leaflets.

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