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#### Market Reports For Monday 18th September 2017

#### **Market At A Glance**

Prime Steers to 200p/kg & £1603
Prime Heifers to 220p/kg & £1300
Cows to 138p/kg & £1037
Spring Lamb SQQ 178p/kg (1408)
Spring Lambs to 203p/kg & £109
Cull Ewes to £102 (818 Avg £65)
Store Cattle to £1500

FRIDAY 29TH ANNUAL RAM FAIR INCLUDING BREEDING & STORE SHEEP

MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER FINAL SALE OF BREEDING SHEEP

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#### CATTLE:188

Prime Cattle: 28 Forward

Another week of a more sensible yarding and trade again fast with numbers attracting another buyer from our busy Sheep aisles to take a small sample of Cattle. We hope that they do him well and he goes again next week.

Steers to 200p/kg for Angus from Messrs Tivey with other Steers mainly 0- or seriously overweights. Weight pays though and a top of £1604 for Lee & Son, Peatling Parva.

Heifers wanted as ever selling to 220p/kg from Ralph Tustian ahead of Richard Heckford at 218 and 214p/kg all with middleweight heifers. Top gross £1300 for R J Heckford.

#### Bulls

A disappointing entry of Bulls but selling to 194p/kg for lightweigts from G Walker.

STEERS & BULLS: 9				
Top prices per head				
South Devon	876kg	£1604	Lee & Son	
South Devon	843kg	£1517	Lee & Son	
Aberdeen Angus	547kg	£1094	J & I J Tivey	
South Devon	571kg	£994	R T Coley & Partners	
Red Poll	545kg	£883	F H Loggin	
Top prices per kilo				
Aberdeen Angus	547kg	200p/kg	J & I J Tivey	
Simmental	408kg	194p/kg	G Walker	
Simmental	400kg	192p/kg	G Walker	
South Devon	876kg	183p/kg	Lee & Son	
South Devon	843kg	180p/kg	Lee & Son	

HEIFERS: 20				
Top prices per head				
Limousin x	596kg	£1299	R J Heckford	
Charolais x	570kg	£1254	R J Tustian	
Limousin x	574kg	£1228	R J Heckford	
Simmental	622kg	£1182	P J Incley	
Charolais x	602kg	£1168	R J Tustian	
Top prices per kilo				
Charolais x	570kg	220p/kg	R J Tustian	
Limousin x	596kg	218p/kg	R J Heckford	
Limousin x	574kg	214p/kg	R J Heckford	
Charolais x	558kg	208p/kg	R J Tustian	
Aberdeen Angus	512kg	206p/kg	G Walker	

COWS: 13 Forward

Really wanted and selling to 130p/kg for a grade 3 from J Peebles, Shipston on Stour with Red Polls to 123p/kg and a top gross of £1038 for 45 month old Hereford Steers from DJ Pittom.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

**CALVES: 7 Forward** 

A good show of calves forward today. Top from D&E Trice striking £345 twice for British Blue x bulls at about a month old, with others at £320 and £310. Black and Whites to £80 from the same home, with P Warden reaching £320 with a British Blue x bull.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

#### **SHEEP:2645**

#### Spring Lambs: 1408 Forward SQQ 178p/kg

Trade is what it is and another strengthen of the pound. Trade of 178p/kg SQQ represents the dearest centre in the country and so far ahead of deadweight comparison it is unreasonable. Trade though is dictated by Supply and Demand which in turn is referenced to cost or export and purchase. Trade therefore, currently just reacting to economic factors rendering it less saleable. Competition key though and our trade is a tribute to our buyers. In the Euro a top of 203p/kg for R Hornsby & Daughters for 37kg Texels ahead of Midland Environmental at 196p/kg for 45kg and S Morris 193p/kg at 45kg. In the heavies a top of 200p/kg for B C Burton at 46kg and 198p/kg for a smart 55kg from Boulton Bros. In the lump Euro lambs to £88 for Midland Environmental at 45kg with S Morris £87. B C Burton £87 for 45kg. Top gross overall £109 for 55kg from Boulton Bros whilst Bristol traveller A Cook £107 for 65kg and R & B Smith £105 for 60kg. H & S Herwood also £101 for 64kg.

Trade shows no signs of a boost, but numbers may remedy or indeed a slow in investment in the pound. We wait to see.

Spring Lamb: SQQ 1780p/kg) UNDER 45.5kg				
Per KILO				
Texel x	37.00kgs	203p/kg	R Hornsby & Daughters	
Beltex x	37.00kgs	203p/kg	R Hornsby & Daughters	
Charollais x	45.00kgs	196p/kg	Midland Enviromental	
Charollais x	45.00kgs	193p/kg	S Morris	
Texel x	43.50kgs	193p/kg	R & B Smith	
Per HEAD				

Per HEAD				
Charolais x	45.00kgs	£88.00	Midland Environmental	
Charolais x	45.00kgs	£87.00	S Morris	
Texel x	45.00kgs	£85.00	B C Burton	
Texel x	45.00kgs	£85.00	R & B Smith	
Texel x	45.00kgs	£84.00	B C Burton	

Spring Lamb: OVER 45.5kg				
Per KILO				
Texel x	46.00kgs	200p/kg	B C Burton	
Texel x	55.00kgs	198p/kg	Boulton Bros	
Texel x	46.00kgs	198p/kg	R & B Smith	
Charollais x	50.00kgs	188p/kg	R F Leach	
Charollais x	46.00kgs	187p/kg	S Morris	
Per HEAD				
Texel x	55.00kgs	£109.00	Boulton Bros	
Charollais x	65.00kgs	£107.00	A C Cook	
Texel x	60.00kgs	£105.00	R & B Smith	
Texel x	64.00kgs	£101.00	H & S Kerwood	
Charollais x	56.00kgs	£99.00	S & J Farming	

Store Lambs: 419 Forward

A mixed show of stores today, with some nice lambs on offer. Top to AC Cook, Dursley with Suffolk x ewe lambs to £91, with top stores to PT Harris & Son, with Texel x to £69. Short term lambs £64-£69 with midterm £58-£62 and longer term lambs £46-£53, with the very long term under.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

**Cull Ewes: 818 Forward** 

An average yarding of over 800, but a quality as poor as seen perhaps ever, with the majority shelly sorts. That said trade difficult in any case with sales reported as very slow following Quarbani. Perhaps a response to a now cheaper supply of lamb. Top today £102 for a Texel Tup from A K Burgess whilst I & T Greenfield £99 for Lleyns equal with Texel ewes from Messrs Seckington. Suffolks to £90 from S & J Farming. Mules still good to sell making £80 for Midlands Meats and B R Temple. Second quality or grazers wanted at less than £50 throughout.

Texel x	£102	AK Burgess	Suffolk	£90	S & J Farming
Lleyn	£99	I & T Greenfield	Texel x	£90	W H Allan
Texel x	£99	Stone House Farming	Texel x	£90	W H Allan
Texel x	£98	S M Thomas	Suffolk x	£90	D Dashwood
Charollais x	£94	S&J Farming	Suffolk x	£90	A Jackson

#### Smallholders Sale

The third smallholders sale of 2017 attracted a strong entry, and resumed trading in poultry. Starting with the poultry saw H Reynolds sell a trio to £18 per bird, while A Amor sold Lock Lomand point of lays to £15, with P Dance reaching £10 per bird for Call Ducks.

Moving into the cattle, the final part of a complete dispersal of the Dexter herd saw Pete Batchelor sell pedigree Dexter Cows, with calves at foot to top at £410 for an '11 plate cow, with the consignment of 12 outfits averaging £341 per outfit.

Next the goats which saw Boer goat families to £322 from Katy Barwell, for a nanny and two kids, with Boer nannies to £190 from the same home. Ex-Parlour nannies to £106 with in milk nannies to £134 from H Wallis, Ross on Wye.

Into the pigs saw coloured gilts to £82 from Lucas Betteridge, with Boars to £100 from J Crowhurst, and sows to £150 from JP Lucas. White weaners sold to £60 from PA Woodward with coloured weaners to £22 from J Crowhurst.

Finally the sheep, which saw a top for Mrs KJ Gaydon, selling a Zwartble ewe and late born lamb to £120, with Zwartble yearling rams from the same home selling to £110. Dorsets from R C Turner sold to £113, with Dorset x Bleu de Maine ewes sold to £110. Herdwick rams from M Glover sold to £108, while Herdwick double theaves from G&V Beech sold to £105. G Fell sold Cheviot Mule ewe lambs to £90, with A Olorenshaw matching the figure for Suffolk x ewe lambs. GK Doyle sold Blue Texel x theaves to £85, with Pete Middletons Cheviot ewe lambs reaching £80.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

#### Lleyn Sale

The second Heart of England Lleyn sale to be held at Rugby, attracting an expanding entry of over 500 pure and cross bred Lleyns. MV Accredited Lleyn Theaves to £167 from WW & JA Mccurdie, with Cecil Thomas selling Double Theaves to £125. In the non MV section, Theaves from TE Barnacle & Son sold to £130, with ewe lambs touching £88 from Barton Abbey Farms. Top rams from TP Radford selling Shearling rams to 602 guineas.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Store Cattle: 140 Forward

A seasonal entry of cattle, with some strong runs of cattle amongst them. A handful of breeders first with Angus x cows and calves to £1300 from Home Farm Enterprises, and Simmental outfits to £1500 from TH Morris & Sons. Part of a genuine dispersal from L Matthews saw black Hereford cows with Angus calves to £1200. Grazing cows from NW Turner to £800. Into the stores saw D Mcmahon sell Angus x Bulls to £660 at 12 months before Tom Greenfield showed a pen full of bucket reared British Blue x heifers to £805 at 15 months. JL & L Burton selling Simmental x Heifers to £800 at 17 months, with Limousin x to £840 at a similar age. TJ Dewes saw South Devon x Steers to £1160 at 19 months of age, before DJ Sharlot sold Simmental x Steers to £1155 at 24 months, with Hereford x Steers £1060 at a similar age. Strong Limousins from NW Turner saw a pen full of Steers at 22 months to £1065, with RL Root & Son selling Angus x to £1200 for Steers at 21 months. Robert Reeve finished the day with Angus x Steers to £1200 again at 22 months.

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