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Market Reports For Monday 25th April 2016

Market At A Glance

Prime Heifers to 197p/kg & £1,143
Prime Bulls to 170p/kg & £1,075
Cows to 167p/k & £998
Spring Lamb to 233p/kg & £98
Spring Lamb SQQ 222.56p/kg
Hoggs to 217p/kg & £112
Hogg SQQ to 193p/kg
Cull Ewes to £140
Calves to £300

9TH MAY SALE OF STORE CATTLE

14TH MAY BREEDING CATTLE SALE INCLUDING PEDIGREE BEEF SHORTHORN SALE

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There will be <u>NO</u> Cattle on Bank holiday Monday 2nd May

From Monday 2nd May Spring Lambs will be sold first at 10.30am followed by the Hoggs

There is no longer any need to fill out Anthrax forms when you bring stock into the market

The funeral of the late Ted Lane will take place at 11.30am on Monday 9th May at St. John Baptist Church, Wolvey

CATTLE: 25 forward

Prime Cattle: 14 forward

A yarding as lacklustre as the trade with only one clean beast in the ring that even resembled an R grade. Buyers only keeping up appearances and no trade for any sort really.

Butchers Heifers the most wanted and Parry Walters selling to 196p/kg looking a good shot.

Bulls to 170p/kg from J Hart and looking a good shot on the trade.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

HEIFERS: 6						
Top prices per head						
Limousin x	580 kgs	£1,142.60	DTP & PA Walters			
Limousin x	594 kgs	£1,021.68	DTP & PA Walters			
Hereford x	700 kgs	£952.00	FE & CJ Barnett			
Hereford x	627 kgs	£877.80	FE & CJ Barnett			
Beef Shorthorn x	610 kgs	£866.20	GM & LD Robson			
Top prices per kilo						
Limousin x	580 kgs	197 p/kg	DTP & PA Walters			
Limousin x	594 kgs	172 p/kg	DTP & PA Walters			
Beef Shorthorn x	610 kgs	142 p/kg	GM & LD Robson			
Hereford x	627 kgs	140 p/kg	FE & CJ Barnett			
Hereford x	700 kgs	136 p/kg	FE & CJ Barnett			

Friday Store Cattle: 614 forward

A record entry for a spring sale through this ring with 630 passing through for the Spring Show and Sale. This year our sincere Thanks to Hugh Brightwell of Irthlingborough for casting his expert eye across the cattle. Perhaps not the overall quality on show this year compared to last but Hugh did pick some excellent cattle for Champions and Reserve Champions. Champions for both Steers and Heifers this year to John and Denise Davies and Reserve Champion right behind from Chris and Bridget Price. Hugh later commented how close a competition it had been to his mind, with quality throughout both exhibitors consignments. We started with three small herd dispersals or part dispersals. First in the ring some smart Cows and Calves from Richard Lowe saw 2013 Limousin Cows with calves at foot to £1600 and £1420. £1400 x2 and £1310. Hussey Farms dispersed there April calving herd of commercial Cows to see aged Cows 2009 to £1330 with its 3 week old Hereford Bull Calf whilst Stabiliser Cows 2009 sold to £1030. A good run of out-wintered in-calf Cows from W J Chase saw 2007 Angus cows due in June to £990 with aged Cows £800 to £970. Then followed 5 incalf heifers due to Autumn calving from C H Evans saw Simmental Heifers 18 months at £1160 to £1030. Spring was in the air, despite the weather, when selling Stock Bulls. A young Limousin from Hornesberie Farms sold to £1950 but the Star of the show a 5 year old Limousin from Richard Lowe with Dinmore FC.UK returning £2800.

On into the Store cattle. When reporting I always make a point of trying to express a clear and honest appraisal and trade today can be described only as very good, with buyers given all they could to stay invested in the Beef industry. It is true to say that the worst bred or done cattle are increasingly hard to find customers for. Cattle though that hit spec, showed future potential or honesty met a fair trade throughout. Young Angus from the Familie Wathes took £625 for 6 months with Sisters £500. Power rewarded and second prize Steers from CBE Price saw Limousin pens at £800 7 – 8 months whilst Heifers showed shape power and tonnes of potential equal money. Champions of the day though to JL & DA Davies who went on to sell 10 month old Limousin to £820 and 11 month old £850 whilst Champion Heifers sold to £840 at 9 months. Brian Mawby showed stylish cattle at 12 months to see £910 for Limousin Steers with 14 months £980 and 11 months £845 sisters to the same £740. Messrs Semple stepped up to show continued strides forward in breeding to show 12 and 13 month Limousin Steers to £940 x 2 and £920 x 5 and even sisters to £825. Moving up the ages just as much trade with 14 month old Angus heifers from R A Stephens taking £900. John Stephens then continued the momentum at £865 for 11 month Limousins with others £815

and older brothers £1010 at 21 months. Tom Lowick showed consistency selling 11 month old Limousin Steers at £800 and sisters £750. Smart heifers from C H Evans took £880 for Simmental x at 13 months with 14 months at £940. The first consignment of Cattle from E A Hull, Essex for 2016 saw some real quality forward and well contested. Steers from Edward saw £920 for a pen of 6 yearling Salers and Limx. Younger cattle 6 months from Edward took £840, £825, £810. Just the one pen of sisters took £725. Power from Charlie Barnwell saw 13 month Steers to £985 for a pen with 14 month £975 and £950. Up the ages and H Lawton & Son, Nuneaton took £900 for South Devon Steers at 17 months whilst 15 month Blue x dairy Steers done well took £810. R J Wright had £950 for Angus Steers at 15 months. R S Beaty showed 16 month Simmental Steers to £1010 for a large pen and others £990 and £960. F S Harwood, Milton Keynes showed Angus Steers at £1030 19 months with 15 months £940. Strong Charolais Heifers from J C Bostock, Kenilworth £1040 for a pen of 5 at 23 months. A marvellous run of 32 Charolais and Simmental from EJ Taylor & Son average £1027 topping at £1180, £1160 x 2, £1155 x 2 £1140 x 3 whilst heifers to £1090 all 22 to 27 months of age. Strong South Devons from Rob Milner to £1045 at 20 months of age whilst T Baker, Gilmorton £1045 for Herefords. RG & RD Robinson showed size and strength to see £1130 at 24 months for Beef Shorthorns. A trade to show a fair return throughout. The importance of buyers and selling catching eventual profit though must be monitored in these times more than ever before.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Calves: 5 forward

A smarter show of Calves forward today, with a strong following for quality. Top today a Blonde x Bull Calf from GE Pountney to £300. British Blue x Heifers from MJ Sharlot to £180 and £140 with only Black and Whites under, still topping at £46. More Calves needed each and every week.

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NEXT MONDAY

1 British Blue x Heifer Calf 5 weeks old 2 Black & White Bull Calves 7 weeks old TB tested 1 Black & White Bull Calf 4 weeks old from RR Barrett & Son

SHEEP: 2,789 forward

Prime Hoggs: 1,959 forward SQQ 193p/kg

Another good yarding and trade ahead of any in the country with an SQQ of 193p/kg buoyed by a number of very good Hoggs sold at the end of the sale. Trade though sticky for the very lean and awkward sorts on offer That said quality wanted and buyers from distance on the phones trying to buy the better sorts in the Euro Spec. Top ppk today to S Clark, Aylesbury with Beltex at 217p/kg for 34.5kg for a pen full on 21, others 210p/kg at 40kg whilst Frank Osborne 206p/kg for 39kg Texels and R Woodward 204 and 205p/kg for 39 and 45kg 145 Hoggs today 200p/kg plus. In the over weights a top of 200p/ kg for R Randell & Son at 46kg for Texels with Roger Woddward 196p/kg for 46.5kg. W S Harrison & Sons 194p/kg for 49kg with Chris Bagshaw equal at 48kg. In the lump Euro Hoggs coming to £92 for R Woodward at 45kg whilst R A Deeley £90.50 for 44.5kg and C J Whitehead & Son 45.5kg at £89. Overall a top today for long distance travellers up from Kent to take £112 for a pen of 11 Texels from P Mays at 68kg. M Morris had £105 for 66kg and Stuart Pearman, Tewkesbury £100 at 60kg. Overall more trade than could be expected but number in the aisles appealing to buyers in preference to shopping at smaller outlets. Please though be aware teeth are cutting fast. Also sheep arrivals seem to be getting ever later. We did have a completely empty sorting race between 8 am and 8.30 today.. thereafter we weighed 2000 sheep from 9 am to 11.30am. Avoid the gue and get your stock in on time please.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Prime Hoggs: 1,959 SQQ (193p/kg)					
Per kilo - EURO under 45.5kg					
Beltex x	34.50 kgs	217 p/kg	S Clark		
Beltex x	40.00 kgs	210 p/kg	S Clark		
Beltex x	39.00 kgs	206 p/kg	FA Osborne		
Beltex x	39.00 kgs	205 p/kg	R Woodward		
Beltex x	45.00 kgs	204 p/kg	R Woodward		
Per head					
Texel x	45.00 kgs	£92.00	R Woodward		
Texel x	44.50 kgs	£90.50	RA Deeley		
Texel x	44.00 kgs	£88.00	AA Fyfe & Sons		
Beltex x	43.00 kgs	£87.50	S Clark		
Texel x	44.00 kgs	£87.00	FA Osborne		

Per kilo - HEAVIES 45.5kgs plus					
Texel x	46.00 kgs	200 p/kg	R Randall & Son		
Beltex x	45.50 kgs	198 p/kg	J Clark		
Texel x	46.50 kgs	196 p/kg	R Woodward		
Beltex x	45.50 kgs	196 p/kg	CJ Whitehead & Son		
Texel x	49.00 kgs	194 p/kg	WS Harrison & Sons		
Per head					
Charollais x	68.00 kgs	£112.00	PM Mays		
Charollais x	66.50 kgs	£105.00	M Morris		
Texel x	63.00 kgs	£100.00	S Pearman		
Texel x	60.00 kgs	£99.00	R Randall & Son		
Charollais x	61.50 kgs	£99.00	DP Mitchell & Son		

Spring Lambs: 296 forward SQQ 222.56p/kg

Prime lambs beginning to grow in numbers and just shy of 300 penned today to a customer base showing improved demand. An SQQ today of 222.56p/kg representative of increased demand and a better quality of Springer than seen so far this year. Top PPK today to Hyde Lane Farms with 233p/kg for 19 Charolais at 37.5kg with R Taylor equal weight to 232p/kg and P T Harris & Son, Northampton 231p/kg for 39kg. In the gross D Dashwood top man at £98 equal with Michael Peason for 44kg with heavies from A V Boffey also £98 at 47kg. Trade needs monitoring though as alternative centres show returns around the 200p/kg mark.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Store Hoggs: 50 forward

Less about today, and very much an end of season show. Top today £72 for Suffolk x from Linton farms, with Richard Smith hot on his heels at £70 also for Suffolks. Mid keep lambs £62-£70 with long keep and Rams under, £50-£55.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Breeding Sheep: 48 forward

A handful of In-lamb Ewe Hoggs, together with two smart pens of Ewes and lambs making for a neat Breeding sheep section. In lamb Suffolk x Ewe Hoggs to £82. Ewes and lambs from Ted Taylor to £40 per life, or £120 per family.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Cull Ewes: 443 forward

443 Sold today to an average of £83 showing a marvellous return for the quality on offer. Top today a Texel Ewe from TAW Farms returning £140. Blue Texels from H Timms to £126 whilst Colin Whitehead took a pair of Texels to £122. Top Suffolks a pair of Rams from Ted Taylor at £120. Plenty of meated weight Ewes over £100 today. Top Mules today to £96 from J Boulton with R Stephens £88 and Chris Whitehead £84. Keep them coming

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Cull Ewes & Rams: 443 forward							
Suffolk	£140.00	TAW Farms	Crossbred	£115.00	PK Cobley		
Texel	£126.00	HM Timms	Crossbred	£113.00	DJ & EM Fountain		
Texel	£122.00	CL & SJ Whitehead	Suffolk	£110.00	Hyde Lane Farms		
Suffolk	£120.00	EJ Taylor & Son	Suffolk	£108.00	P Bates		
Crossbred	£116.00	S Shedd	Texel	£108.00	R Randall & Son		

Friday Breeding Sheep: 425 forward

A new addition to the RFM Spring Calendar this year of a Ewe and lamb sale to kick of the Spring 'Turnout' Store sale day. Just over 250 Breeding Ewes sold to a inquisitive buying force of new and old Customers. Older Ewes with an average of 1.8 lambs sold between £52 a life and £60 for NCM. Texel and Beltex X lambs FM and broke ewes with doubles from Will Allan £72 per life. Ewe lambs a plenty with Continental with Singles all trading in the £70 to £80 region per life. A good show of North Country Mule Ewe Lambs with singles put forward. N Brown, Broadway showed fresh sheep with lambs to £75 per life whilst young Rory Wagstaff sold 38 ex Bentham Ewe lambs with Texel x lambs to £78. Top of the tree though for the best presented Mules from Hawes sold by Will Allan to £90 and £91 per life. A good show throughout. We repeat the event in May.

PRIVATE TREATY SALE: 25 Texel Ewe lambs with 1.3 lambs at foot. Call 02476697731

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

NEXT MONDAY

12 Texel x Ewe Lambs with 12 Charollais or Beltex lambs at foot On Heptavac P from R Reeve

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Warmest regards,

Trevor & Jackie Johnson

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Forthcoming Sales 2016

9th MaySale of Store Cattle

14th May

Breeding Cattle including the Beef Shorthorn Sale

23rd May Sale of Store Cattle

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