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Market Reports For Monday 4th December 2017

Market At A Glance

Prime Bulls to 200p/kg & £1382
Prime Steers to 301p/kg & £1937
Prime Heifers to 400p/kg & £2516
OTM Cattle 225p/kg & £1415
Prime Lamb SQQ 190p/kg (1818)
Prime Lambs to 624p/kg & £306
Cull Ewes to £155 (704 Avg £71)
Calves to £295

Saturday 9th December

Smallholders Sale
Also Primestock Dinner

Catalogues & Entry Forms available by post, email or on the website www.rugbvfarmersmart.com ~ admin@rugbvfarmersmart.com CATTLE: 67

Prime Cattle: 50 Forward

Show day. Our thanks to Greg Willis for travelling all the way from Pontypool to do a great job of Judging. Show trade obviously skews a couple of the trades as buyers compete for Cards but a strong commercial trade reported in any case.

In the Steers a top of 301p/kg for Page Bros Reserve Champion ahead of John and Denise Davies with weight at 252p/kg and others from Messrs Page 250p/kg. P Jarrom 245p/kg and a credit to his family. In the gross a top £1937 for Steve Timms with a heavy weight Steer headed for a Commercial Wholesale Butcher in the North. Plenty of Commercials north of 230p/kg and all with weight.

Heifers wanted as ever and the Champion 400p/kg for Messrs Page selling to Joseph Morris Butchers at 629kg with Matt Morris selling to 350p/kg. Heifers from F & J Clarke to 252p/kg for nice shape at 603kg. In the lump the Champion taking £2516 and the reserve £2443 with Messrs Clarke £1520.

Bulls: A few about but a mixed bag of lean sorts selling to 200p/kg from Heart of England qhilst weight from T G White seeing 23month Bulls to £1382.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

STEERS & BULLS: 34					
Top prices per head					
Limousin x	846kg	£1937	S J Timms		
Limousin x	597kg	£1797	Page Bros		
Beef Shorthorn	795kg	£1749	S J Timms		
Limousin x	676kg	£1656	P M Jarrom		
British Blue	650kg	£1586	Page Bros		
Top prices per kilo					
Limousin x	597kg	301p/kg	Page Bros		
Limousin x	627kg	252p/kg	JL & DA Davies		
British Blue	632kg	250p/kg	Page Bros		
Limousin x	676kg	245p/kg	P M Jarrom		
British Blue	650kg	244p/kg	Page Bros		

HEIFERS: 16					
Top prices per head					
British Blue	629kg	£2516	Page Bros		
Limousin x	698kg	£2443	M Morris		
Limousin x	603kg	£1520	F & J Clarke		
Limousin x	651kg	£1497	M Morris		
Devon	666kg	£1399	F & J Clarke		
Top prices per kilo	Top prices per kilo				
British Blue x	629kg	400p/kg	Page Bros		
Limousin x	698kg	350p/kg	M Morris		
Limousin x	603kg	252p/kg	F & J Clarke		
Limousin	570kg	242p/kg	M Morris		
Limousin x	651kg	230p/kg	M Morris		

COWS: 11 Forward

As ever wanted and a smart overage Steer from F & J Clarke taking £1416. Cows to 170p/kg for Grade 2 from T G White returning £1313. Grade 3 to 146p/kg and Montbelliarde ex-Parlour Cows from Ed and Emma Hemmings, Obelisk Farm to 145and 138p/kg returning £1116.

FULL SHOW REPORTS AFTER EACH SECTION WITHIN THIS REPORT

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

SHOW CATTLE

The 44th Rugby Primestock Society Show & Sale was held on Monday 4th December 2017 with a fantastic number of entries in the cattle sheep and the introduction of our new home baking and butchers classes.

Greg Willis, of Doug Willis Ltd, Cwmbran, took charge of the cattle judging, with some excellent quality cattle forward. Judging began in the penned cattle classes, with Matt Morris taking 1st and 2nd with his 2 lim heifers in the Halter tied steer or heifer (class 7) whilst Jeff Clarke claimed the pairs with 2 belgian blue steers (class 8). Heart of England succeeded in the bull class and T White claimed Barren cow (class 11).

In the halter led classes, F Page achieved first in both the light weight steer (class 1) and the midweight steer (class 1a) with his Limousin cross and Blue cross entries. The high entry numbers in the steers meant they were 3 classes, and the heavy weight steer class (class 2) was won by S J Timms, whose Lim x steer also took home the heaviest beast in the show prize. Frank Page's smart blue heifer weighing 629kg went on to take first in the heavy weight Heifer class (class 4) and F J Clarke won the lightweight heifer class. SJ Timms' shorthorn steer took first in the Natives (class 5), whilst Matt Morris succeeded in the Young farmers with his lim x heifer (class 6).

When it came to choosing the Supreme Champion, 7 fantastic quality beast were put forward, making decision making tough. In the end after careful consideration, Frank Page with his Heavy weight Heifer came out on top. The Supreme Champion later sold, first in the ring for £400pkg bought by Joseph Morris Butches. Reserve champion also went to F Page with his lightweight steer. The reserve supreme champion sold for £301pkg, weighing in at 597kg, and was purchased by Robert Leach on behalf of Carpenters Farm Butchers. A fantastic display of cattle all round.

CALVES: 6 Forward

6 calves from D&E Trice this week, topping with British Blue x bull calves to £295, and shapey British Blue x heifers to £285.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

Next Week

5 Limousin & British Blue x Heifer Calves

SHEEP:2881

Commercial Lambs SQQ 190P/KG

A shorter entry than expected but over 1800 for the aisle of buyers to bid at. Frankly the Commercial trade on fire an unexpected lift. An Sqq of 188p/kg before any account of any lambs sold in the show!!! Smart meat as always wanted with Euro lambs hotly contested. Top commercial lambs to 264p/ kg for S Mockler with her first consignment of lambs at 42kg. Henry Tustian showed his first Root lambs of the year to 206p/kg for 44.5kg Texels and NH Barratt & Partners sold 42kg to 202p/kg. In the heavies a top ppk of 199p/kg for 52kg and 197p/kg for 51.5kg from Rocky and Rita Poulson as best heavies met a miraculous enquiry. B C Burton 47 and 48kg to 193p/kg. In the lump Euro lambs topping at £111 for 42kg from S Mockler ahead of £91.50 for 44.5kg from Henry Tustian and £87.50 for 42kg from S J Lacey. Overall the Commercial lambs topped at £113 for R Laban at 59kg. R & B Smith 57kg to £110 and H L Goode & Son 60.5kg to £109 equal with H Fricker & Sons. Trade just exceptional throughout today with a deadweight equivalent in the SQQ of 410p/kg!!! A farmers day of rewards and as ever buyers giving the trade they can on the day.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Prime Lamb: SQQ 190/kg) UNDER 45.5kg					
Per KILO	Per KILO				
Texel x	42.00kgs	264p/kg	S Mockler		
Texel x	42.50kgs	206p/kg	S J Lacey		
Texel x	44.50kgs	206p/kg	J & H Tustian		
Charollais x	45.00kgs	202p/kg	N & H Barratt & Partners		
Charollais x	30.00kgs	200p/kg	E A Hull		
Por HEAD					

Per HEAD				
Texel x	42.00kgs	£111.00	S Mockler	
Texel x	44.50kgs	£91.50	J & H Tustian	
Texel x	42.50kgs	£87.50	S J Lacey	
Charollais x	44.00kgs	£86.50	S J Denne	
Charollais x	43.00kgs	£86.00	G Scrivens	

Prime Lamb: OVER 45.5kg					
Per KILO	Per KILO				
Charollais x	52.00kgs	199p/kg	Poulson & Co		
Charollais x	51.50kgs	197p/kg	Poulson & Co		
Texel x	47.00kgs	193p/kg	B C Burton		
Texel x	48.00kgs	193p/kg	B C Burton		
Texel x	48.00kgs	192p/kg	B C Burton		

Per HEAD				
Texel x	59.00kgs	£113.00	Laban Partners	
Texel x	59.00kgs	£110.00	R & B Smith	
Charollais x	60.50kgs	£109.00	HL Goode & Sons	
Suffolk x	68.00kgs	£109.00	H A Fricker & Sons	
Texel x	57.00kgs	£106.00	R & B Smith	

SHOW SHEEP

The Sheep classes were kindly judged by John Coleman of John Coleman Butchers, Essex. In the Continental Sire classes, Pete Batchelor achieved first in the lightweight section and heavy weight section (classes 12 & 13). Angela Tarry-Smith and nephew Tom Turnham had started a successful day with first place in the Native sire lightweight and heavy weight classes (class 14 & 15) and consequently overall Native Sire champion. Miss Evie Clarke took the YFC class, for the second year whilst P Batchelor repeated his 2016 triumph in the regular vendor class and for the 3rd year running. New exhibitors to the show Rocky and Rita Poulson & Co were extremely pleased to score first in the Novice class and, last but not least, G & S Gowling won the Native ewe class & Mrs J Fowkes ewes won 1st in the continental cull ewe class also taking the overall cull ewe champion. At the end of the judging a delighted Pete Batchelor was crowned supreme champion for the 2nd year running with his Continental Heavyweight lambs weighing 49kg each and were bought for 624ppk by Rosie Leach, on behalf of Carpenters Butchers. Pete also took the reserve supreme champion lambs with his lightweight continentals weighing 42kg and were sold for 369ppk also selling to Rosie Leach. Congratulations to Pete on another fantastic Primestock show.

Primestock Show Lambs				
Per KILO				
Beltex x	49.00kgs	624p/kg	P Batchelor	
Beltex	42.00kgs	369p/kg	P Batchelor	
Texel x	43.50kgs	320p/kg	F & J Clarke	
Texel x	38.50kgs	255p/kg	GJ & SL Gowling	
Beltex x	44.00kgs	252p/kg	P Batchelor	
Per HEAD				
Beltex x	49.00kgs	£306.00	P Batchelor	
Beltex x	44.50kgs	£155.00	P Batchelor	
Texel x	43.50kgs	£139.00	F & J Clarke	
Texel x	66.00kgs	£116.00	A Tarry Smith	
Texel x	53.00kgs	£115.00	Poulson & Co	

Cull Ewes: 704 Forward

A smaller show of ewes this week but meeting buyers seemingly keen for sheep. Top today, show ewes from J Fowkes selling to £155 for Texels, with Jake Mitchell selling Beltex x to £142 and GJ&SL Gowling also selling Beltex x to £140. A Pittom sold the top Suffolks today to £120 with J Fowkes again selling Texels to £116. Top Mules today to £82.50 from M Thornber.

Minimum Commission on Cull Ewes to go up to £2.50.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

Charollais	£155	J Fowkes	Texel x	£112	A A Fyfe & Sons
Continental x	£142	J Mitchell	Charollais x	£110	I & T Greenfield
Beltex x	£140	GJ & SL Gowling	Texel x	£105	J & N Fyfe
Suffolk x	£120	A Pittom	X Bred	£105	J & S Truelove
Suffolk x	£116	J Fowkes	Continental	£102	F & J Clarke

Store Lambs: 359 Forward

A stronger show of store lambs, with nice runs amongst them. Top today from C Baseley selling Zwartble x to £69, with A & ME Dronfield selling Texels to £68.50. Short term lambs a better shot today trading between £64-£69, with mid-term lambs £58-£63, longer term lambs around the £50-£55 with only the hard bred or hard done under £45. Store lambs a sharp trade.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

Keith Evans of Squab Hall Farm, Bishops Tachbrook sadly passed away on 16th November. There will be a Memorial Service on Thursday 14th December at 11:30am at Squab Hall Farm.

With Sadness we report the death of Charles Olorenshaw peacefully on the 2nd December aged 90. He farmed at Broadwell all his life, always traded through Rugby Market and will be remembered for his annual consignments at Martinmas Cattle Fairs.

Charles's Funeral will be held on Friday 15th December at Broadwell Methodist Chapel at 1pm.

Primestock Show

Notable mention goes to George Page, who, from an excellent number of entries forward in the produce classes, achieved the overall Points trophy for Produce for the third year running. George is clearly now the man to beat! The Society would also like to thank Brian Dalby, for judging the produce section. There was also an excellent number of entries forward in the new Butchers and Home Baking classes. Mrs Stevens judged the best fruit cake to be that of Mrs Laban, whilst Mr John Taylor of Coventry judged WF Chapman, Lutterworth as the best pork sausage and best pork pie went to Joseph Morris Butchers. I think it's safe to say the new classes were a great success ad thank you to all those that entered.

On behalf of our chairman, Richard Laban, and the whole society we need to say a big Thank you! Thank you to all those who attended our show and sale and we hope you very much enjoyed the day. The number of entries to the show was brilliant and the exhibitors' hard work in producing and entering quality stock is truly appreciated. Special thanks to all 5 judges, as well as the buyers, sponsors, and all those who worked hard to make the day a success. Thank you to all the members of the Primestock society who helped prepare, run and pack away the day. Finally a huge thank you goes to Tom Wrench and all the staff at RFM for welcoming the society and keeping things running smoothly - it's not an easy task to fit a show and sale in addition to the normal busy Monday market. Finally, many thanks to all those who contributed towards our charity fundraising by buying goods, donating for food or purchasing raffle tickets, we will update you with a total for our charity Crohns & Colitis UK later on. Tickets are still available for the Rugby Dinner on Saturday at Stoneleigh Deer Park Golf Club, featuring guest speaker James Chapman and Magician Angus Baskerville. After that enjoyable evening we draw a close to 2017 and have a short break before planning for 2018 starts at the January AGM! See you next year!

Steph Baker Secretary, Rugby Primestock Society

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