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MARKET REPORT FOR THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY & MONDAY 3RD MARCH 2025

MARKET AT A GLANCE

Prime Steers to $431p/kg \& \pm 3160$ Prime Heifers to $430p/kg \& \pm 3199$ Prime Bulls to $375p \& \pm 3178$ Cows to 310p/kg to ± 3178 HOGG SQQ 366.08p/kg (2433 Avg. ± 158.74 HOGGS to $433p/kg \& \pm 201$ Ewes to ± 310 (497 Avg ± 144.35)



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Sunday lairage is now open from 9am-3:00pm Gates close 3:00pm **STRICTLY.**

VET ATTESTATIONS

From 13th April 2024, all producers selling livestock for slaughter will require a Veterinary Attestation, or evidence of membership of a qualifying assurance scheme. Producers should prepare now for the changes Follow the link below to our FAQs for livestock markets and producers to find out more. <u>https://</u> www.laa.co.uk/news/5126/veterinary-attestations-faqs-for-livestock-markets-

WELFARE STATEMENT

Following a meeting with Warwickshire Trading Standards & the FSA on Monday we have been asked to highlight the Welfare Issues being reported from the Abbattoirs regarding Cull Ewes. These mainly relate to MASTITIS & LAMENESS. Condition Score i.e being very thin.

Please remember that an animal must be fit for the intended journey, it should not be ill, injured or severley lame ie. must be full weight bearing.

These sheep are being rejected at abattoirs around the Country

STORE CATTLE 27.02.25 : 242 Forward

Increased Numbers for the last sale of February saw a full yarding and a flying trade throughout. Starting young Weanlings the trade and demand was hot. Mark Peebles carried on flying along saw Limousin & Blue Bucket Steers at 5 months to £770 with Heifers to £760 & £755. J Redfern down from Staffordshire saw Blue 4-5m £760, £700 for Steers and Heifers £705 and £625. Bucket Weanlings a nice trade an in big demand.

Into the Stores and a flying start for B L Lay selling Limousin 10 -11m Steers to £1625, £1615, £1495 and £1470 and Sisters to £1200. Bucket Stores saw 11m Blues from Cummins & Bickford at £1250 for Steers. A large Cornwall consignment this week saw a run of Red Limousin yearlings all off one farm top at £1875 for a pair of Limousin 9m with others £1780 and plenty in the £1600's. Sisters topping at £1600 & £1500. New Customer J Hubbard & Son selling Limousin Steers 7 – 9m at £1640 and £1590. Heifers £1210. Aberdeen Angus from the same saw 16m Steers £1865.

Master of Calf rearing Tom Lambert next saw massive demand for Angus Steers 15 – 16m top at £2020, £1990 and large pens at £1870. Blues to £1855. Sisters saw Blues at £1550 and £1490.

Another week of strong Cattle from RS Beaty & Sons saw Simmental Heifers £2210, £2010 & £1900 16 - 19m. RM & JE Hart up from the Cotswolds next saw Steers at £1960 at 20m and others slightly older £1870.

Angus x South Devons from H Lawton & Son saw Steers to £2090 at 16m and South Devons £1690 and £1600. Jane Gilbert always brings the goods and this week she didn't disappoint at £2400 for Limousin Steers 21m and Angus 16m at £2020. New vendor W S Gabb Ltd again from the Cotswolds saw Bucket Steers 14 – 16m at £1310 for Limousin Steers and £1265 for Charolais. Heifers topped at £1500 for Charolais x. Local Vendor A Sabin in next with strong Bucket sorts at 24 – 26m seeing Blues at £1945 for a pair with others £1740, £1700 and £1640. Cotswolds calling again from NG & RA Hart topping at £2200 20m with others £2060 and £1950.

Worcestershire turn next with E W Boden & Sons selling Piedmontese Buckets at £1690 25m and British Friesians £1590.

Main man for the day though from the hallow turf of Shipston on Stour when John Peebles sold 15 Angus Steer to Avg £2200. Topping at £2500 with Angus Steers 21m and others £2380. Limousin from the same selling to £2490. Stella Scholes next with strong Heifers selling Blues 22m at £2080. A nice run from JS & N Morley of Suckled Angus next saw 26 – 28m Steers £2370, £2300 and £2290. A single younger 14m old making £1900 and aged Heifers £1940.

Trade serious. Numbers needed as the one advantage of being in the none Blue Tongue Zone is that we can appeal to all buyers around the Country and have a massive demand.

CATTLE : 124 Forward



More forward and a super show of meat with shape and cover at a premium. Fresh buying accounts at ringside saw some going home empty handed unable to keep up with the trade! Steers – 54 AVG 375.22p/kg

Some fantastic bullocks forward today with power and shape really ringing the bell. A real corker of a Limousin steer from W Selmes saw 698kg to 431p/kg. Leicestershire traveller KS Mayfield saw handy sorts to 418p/kg, with AH Chantrell, Thurlaston to 408p/kg, with the Tom Reeve to the same figure for Blondes.

Top gross today saw RF & JA Nichols selling to £3159.88 for heavyweight Charolais steers, with W Selmes also breaking the £3k barrier at £3008.38. KS Mayfield saw steers to £2974.14, with WR Keeves selling to £2920.32.

Heifers – 44 AVG 377.10p/kg

Sweet meated heifers really ringing the bell with the wholesalers and butchers at ringside. Top p/kg today saw Robert Nichols with heavyweight Charolais to 430p/kg, with JH Neale up from Devon selling handy weights to 422p/kg. Parry Walters saw sweet Limousins to 414p/kg with Ivor Caswell to 412p/kg.

Rober Nichols topping the gross section here too with a super heifer selling to £3199.20 with DTP & PA Walters hot on his heels selling to £2748.96. Travelled cattle on the Essex bus saw Edward Hull selling to £2577.60 for properly fed dairy bred Blues.

Bulls – 13 AVG 348.50p/kg

More needed here with a fresh face at ringside looking for bulls. Limousins on the Southwest bus saw DW Nancekivell selling to 375p/kg, with JH Neale up on the same bus selling to 370p/kg. Making the trip from cornwall worthwhileLocal men also represented with Stuart Friswell selling to 369p/kg.

Top gross saw JH Neale to £3178 for heavyweight Limousins with the same home selling to £3145. Cows- 13

Cows wanted in number. Any size, shape and description can be catered for, the good, the bad and the indifferent!

Topping today saw RE Greaves selling properly fed Limousins to 310p/kg, with the same home selling to 299p/kg. Natives also represented seeing S Brodie selling Angus to 269p/kg.

Top gross saw RE Greaves selling to £2589.34, with the same stable to £2237.76.



STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head

Charolais	802kg	£3160	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby	
Limousin x	698kg	£3008	W Selmes, Waterperry	
Limousin	806kg	£2974	KS Mayfield & Co, Melton Mowbray	
Charolais x	832kg	£2920	W R Keeves & Sons, Gobion	
Hereford	932kg	£2908	D J Hull & Partners, Southminster	
Top prices per Kilo				
Limousin x	698kg	431ppk	W Selmes, Waterperry	
Limousin x	638kg	418ppk	K S Mayfield, Melton Mowbray	
Limousin	688kg	410ppk	W Selmes, Waterperry	
Limousin	660kg	409ppk	K S Mayfield & Co, Melton Mowbray	
Limousin x	686kg	408ppk	A H Chantrell & Sons, Leicester	

HEIFERS

Top prices per head					
Charolais x	744kg	£3199	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby		
Limousin	664kg	£2749	DTP & PA Walters, Rugby		
British Blue	716kg	£2578	D J Hull & Partners, Southminster		
Limousin x	660kg	£2561	W Selmes, Waterperry		
British Blue	690kg	£2532	D J Hull & Partners, Southminster		
Top prices per kilo					
Charolais x	744kg	430ppk	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby		
Limousin	524kg	422ppk	JH Neale & Son, Boyton		
Limousin	664kg	414ppk	DTP & PA Walters, Rugby		
Limousin x	494kg	412ppk	B T Caswell, Harlestone		
Blonde	578kg	411ppk	J H B Hart, Market Harborough		

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Len Matthews. His funeral will take place on 18th March at 11:30 AM at St Johns Baptist Church Bagington

CALVES 27.02.25



Baby Calves : 24 Forward

Prices still increasing week on week and we still have plenty of buyer's wanting to buy and fighting over them

Today's top price broke the £500 barrier for a 3 week old Limousin Bull Calf selling for £505 sold by Peter Hemmings who had to blood test his calves for Blue Tongue to be with us... His efforts really paid off with other Limousin and British Blues selling £420 to £500

Other farmers had great results Phil Dyson had Limousin Calves £455 to £485, RC & J Mann again had Angus Calves Bulls and Heifers to £275, Border Holdings sold Hereford Bulls £225 to £258 and Heifers to £215

The next Calf sale will be on the 13th March at 10.30am

Limousin Bulls.	£485 to £505
Limousin Hfrs.	£420 to £455
British Blue Bulls.	£490 to £500
Simmental Bulls.	to £275
Simmental Hfrs.	to £265
Angus Bulls.	£175 to £290
Angus Hfrs.	to £275
Hereford Bulls.	£225 to £258
Hereford Hfrs.	to £215

Auctioneer : Tim Webster

STORE LAMBS 27.02.25



Store Lambs : 349 Forward

Numbers now starting to dry up in this section

Today though had the best Lambs fought over with Rebecca Moreton and DA Duckett taking the honours at £137 closely followed by Wendy Taylor at £136 for her Continental Lambs

We also had plenty of small Lambs through, a bit harder to place, but all Lambs were sold

Store Cattle and Sheep still have to be sold on a different day away from our Slaughter only Monday Markets, so please look at the website for further details of future Store Sales

Auctioneer : Tim Webster



Weanlings : 7 Forward

George Pountney sent a consignment of strong calves this morning straight off his cows which was greeted well by a packed ringside

All Calves were 2 to 4 months of age

Simmental Bulls. £295 to £525 Simmental Hfrs. £400 to £570 Angus Hfrs. to £400

Next Sale 13th March 2025

Auctioneer : Tim Webster



SPRING LAMBS 1981 FORWARD SQQ 366.08P/KG AVG £158.74 TOP £201 for RE Greaves & Son

Hoggs; To £201 and all in Avg £159.

2500 Hoggs forward this week with Hoggs from Essex, Gloucestershire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk and all the locals included. Not quite the quality we have seen in recent weeks but better finished Hoggs throughout. Export Hggs very very dear and nearer £8 p/kg dw than £7, but Heavies taking a swift check as large numbers come out across the Country. Large amounts of Heavies around and Abbatoirs reporting little or no margin in the commodity.

Exports a massive trade thoughout and many customers at the weight. AN SQQ of 366p/kg a real return on a yard of not such meat Hoggs. The premium though for best Hoggs are a real trade seeing a top of 433 and 429p/kg for K Crabtree at 42kg with Beltex. R W Harrison with root Hoggs 41kg at 424p/kg equalled by RF & JA Nichols with 41kg and R Harrison & Sons 45kg at 423p/kg. R Hicks 35kg at 423p/kg for lovely City Hoggs. Shape wanted throughout and P & E Roads a pen of 40kg at 420p/kg. Today the top 24 pens of Hoggs selling over 400p/ kg today. Best Hoggs trading into the 400p/kg from 390p/kg. Meat first cross and Hoggs 44kg plus trading 370-390 throughout and lean Hoggs trading 350p/kg plus. Weight again a disadvantage and 38 to 43kg holding the largest audience.

Weight harder to sell throughout as heavy bodies sell at cut prices throughout the Nation as Supply beats demand. Shape and meat though chased and T Addison up from Milton Keynes sold 46.5kg at 394p/kg and Messrs Harrison 46kg at 391p/kg and 47kg at 377p/kg. K Crabtree 46kg at 376p/kg. Weight in general seeing meat 350p/kg but run of the mil weight 320-30p/kg. Overweights 300-330p/kg.

In the lump Export Hoggs to £190.50 for 45kg from Harrison & Sons with 44kg from K Crabtree £184 and 45kg at £182, the same home saw 42kg at £180 and RF & J Nichols 44kg at £180.

Weight harder to sell but £201 top for the day with 57kg for R Greaves & Son, Oxford with real meat. K Crabtree then £194 at 48kg with £190 taken by S Oakes & Son, Derby on three occasions, W Selmes, Oxford and R Greaves & Son.

Trade for everything throughout but Heavies comparably a much harder sell. We must remember though that Export and trade in general well ahead of last years reports.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

HOGGS SQQ 366.08 SQQ p/kg

Per Kilo under 45.5kg

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Beltex	36kg	433ppk	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes		
Beltex	42kg	429ppk	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes		
Beltex	41kg	424ppk	RW Harrison & Sons, Calverton		
Beltex	41kg	424ppk	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby		
Texel	45kg	423ppk	RW Harrison & Sons, Calverton		
Per HEAD					
Texel	45kg	£190.5	RW Harrison & Sons, Calverton		
Beltex	44kg	£184	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes		
Beltex	45.5kg	£182	RW Harrison & Sons, Calverton		
Beltex	42kg	£180	RW Harrison & Sons, Calverton		
Texel	44kg	£180	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby		
Per Kilo over 45.5kg					
Texel	46.5kg	394ppk	T Addison, Milton Keynes		
Beltex	46kg	391ppk	RW Harrison, & Sons, Calverton		
Beltex	47kg	377ppk	RW Harrison, & Sons, Calverton		
Beltex	46kg	376ppk	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes		
Texel	46kg	374ppk	G&E Livestock, Norwich		
Per HEAD					
Texel	57kg	£201	RE Greaves & Son, Oxford		
Beltex	48kg	£194	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes		
Texel	62kg	£190	S Oakes & Son, Derby		
Suffolk	73kg	£190	S Oakes & Son, Derby		
Suffolk	63kg	£190	S Oakes & Son, Derby		



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CULL EWES: 497 FORWARD top at £310



A yarding of ewes that can in truth only be described as mixed. Some super sorts through the entry, with weight and meat rewarded well, however shelly and lean ewes a trickier trade. An all in average of £144.71 not reflecting the quality of the yarding at all.

Top of the tree today saw JH Neale selling Texels to £310, with M Barber seeing heavy Texels to £253. Leaner meated Continental ewes trading between £160 and £180. Heavyweight Suffolks to £222 from FI & EJ Barnes, with RAE Wilson selling to £212, ahead of JA Duggins to £208. Medium Suffolk ewes actively £170-£190, with leaner sorts £130-£150.

Mules with weight and cover soaring, with S Oakes selling to £182, with Armstrong Partners close behind to £178. M Digweed saw heavy Mules to £177, with HS Underwood to £175. Medium Mules actively £140-£160, with lean shelly shorts £90-£105.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

EWES

Texel	£310	JH Neale & Son, Launceston	x Bred	£212	FI & EJ Barnes & Sons, rugby
Texel	£253	M Barber, Buckingham	x Bred	£212	GJ Lawrence, Ascott
Suffolk	£222	FI & EJ Barnes & Son, Rugby	Suffolk	£212	RAE Wilson & Son, Daventry



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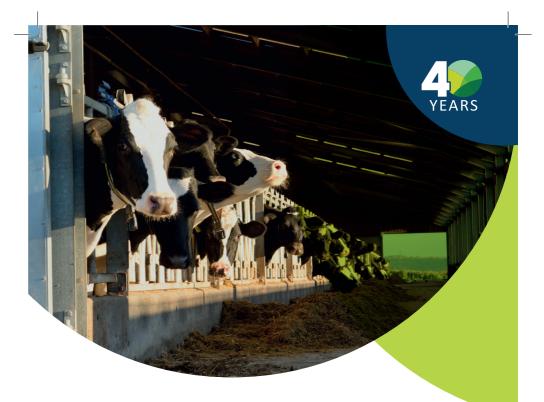
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