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MARKET REPORT FOR THURSDAY 8TH MAY & MONDAY 12TH MAY 2025

MARKET AT A GLANCE

Prime Steers to 440p/kg & £3369
Prime Heifers to 435p/kg & £2762
Prime Bulls to 413p/kg & £2980
Cows to 330p/kg to £2120
Hogg SQQ 322.24p/kg (1642 Avg. £140)
Hoggs to 423p/kg & £180
Springers SQQ 380.64p/kg (487 avg
£156) Lambs to 430p/kg & £172
Ewes to £270 (395 Avg £159)



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THE 2ND WEEK OF JUNE

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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. <https://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 Abattoirs 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 severely lame i.e. must be full weight bearing.

These sheep are being rejected at abattoirs around the Country

STORE CATTLE - 8TH MAY



Less about with the beginning of May following a record April. A fair lump due for the next Sale. A quieter day but in all seriousness perhaps the dearest Sale so far for the quality on offer.

Starting in the Cows & Calves £2050 9 year old Blue x dairy Cows with 2m Angus Calves on from JD Weaver whom sold others at £2000. A flyer of a start for young sorts with 6m Angus Bucket Steers to £900 from Warden and then Bucket Blues down from Staffordshire saw Jimmy Redfern with a pen full of Heifers 5m at a massive £920. 9m Beef Shorthorns £1480 from J Plant before Wolverton Farms saw £1560 for Simmentals 13m. Whilst 13m Charolais Heifer from Sophie Atkins took £1380. Another run from E C Parker saw his last draw perhaps his dearest with Charolais 13m at £1810, £1750, £1660 and £1480!! Townshend Partners then up with the Astley branch selling to £1540 for Blonde Heifers and Bucket Blues £1450. Dairy men reaping the rewards now selling £1590 at 13 & 15m for Limousin with sisters to £1570 2m older. Neil and Sophie Lewis with a super run of grown Cattle topping at £2010 for 13m Steers, Blues then went on selling to Wales 15m at £1780 and sisters £1660.

Jane Gilbert sweeping in with the quality to see loads of interest for better bred sorts selling to a top of £2930 for Limousin Steers 21m she sold Limousin Steers at 18m and 15m at £2300. Heifers to £2300 18m. A returning Customer next when the MJ & JR Taylor sold the best run of aged Blue Buckets you are likely to see. Topping the run at £2500 for 20m others sold at £2320, £2280, £2260, £2260 and £2140 all 19 - 21m. Charolais from the same £2320. Last man in, a new Customer with TB4 Cattle over from Ely saw Mr C Attle take a marvellous run of Blondes. Steers 21m at £2180 and £1980 with Sisters £2120. But then a huge specimen from Mr Attle saw a 21m old Blonde the size of a house in need of feeding but full of frame take a new Market record £3180!!!!

More about next week with a large single Vendor entry booked in and we expect 300 or so

BABY CALVES - 8TH MAY



A change of voice in the calf ring today as the normal auctioneer takes a week away at the royal court.

Simply put trade on fire and with the army of buying power at ringside today 200 calves could be sold. Please get your entries booked in for Thursday 22nd sale so we can make buyers aware.

Best end Continental bull calves to £620 for Simmentals from Andrew Hall, with the same home to £600. PS Hemmings sold Limousin bulls to £580, with Beef sired Simmental Bulls to £570 from RS Beaty.

Continental heifers to £500 for Simmentals from GTA Hall, with Limousins from Mike Pearson to £495. Blues from RJ Cole sold to £450 and £445 with RC & J Mann selling Angus to £355.

Fortnight old Hereford heifer calves sold to £305 for Border Holdings, with Black and White Bulls from the same home to £130.

CATTLE : 79 Forward



Prime Cattle-

A tidy show of prime cattle today and trade holding firm against the continually dropping deadweight sector. Meat remaining the key to maximising returns and numbers continue to be wanted by a plethora of both butcher and wholesale buyers at ringside.

Bullocks-

A real corker from Cecil and Family topping at 440p/kg for a super Limousin sired steer, with the same home seeing big lads to 433p/kg. Robert and Tom Reeve saw Limousins to 422p/kg, with homebred steers from JD Stephens selling to 405p/kg, ahead of J & P Seymour selling to 399p/kg.

In the lump today big fella's from CW Thomas topped at £3368.74, with the Reeve stable to £3072.16. Ivor Caswell saw heavyweight to £2847.00 with the Newbury stable selling to £2738.24. Plenty of cattle today with weight trading upwards of £2500 today.

Heifers-

Topping the heifers saw Cecil flying high to 435p/kg, with Parry Walters selling to 426p/kg, with the Thomas stable to 423p/kg and 422p/kg. John Stephens sold to 417p/kg with NG & HR Wagstaff seeing 399p/kg for Limousins.

Top grossing heifers to CW Thomas selling to £2762.24, with Parry Walters selling to £2751.96, ahead of Limousin heifers from John Stephens to £2735.52. The next 6 top spots shared between Cecil and Parry trading around that £2600 mark.

Bulls-

Topping the bulls saw Jasper Hart selling Blonde Bulls to 413p/kg, with CW Thomas selling Limousins to 400p/kg. South Devons from L Lane & Son sold to 389p/kg with Angus backing up the native section to 360p/kg from Owen Farms Westbury LTD.

Top gross from CH Evans & Son, selling Simmental bulls to £2979.70, with CW Thomas to £2792.00 for Limousin sired bulls. Angus topped at £2678.40 for Owen Farms.

Cows-

A tidy show of young cows forward today saw Blue slips from J Cooper & Son selling to 330p/kg, with the same stable selling to 321p/kg, and 320p/kg. Freeman Farming, Leicester saw 288p/kg for Blue cows with PM Wilks to 280p/kg.

Cows today to a top of £2016.00 for Freeman Farming, with J Cooper & Son selling to £1996.80.

Stock Bulls to a top of 261p/kg or £2119.32 from SJ Cartwright.

STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head

Limousin x	778kg	£3369	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	728kg	£3072	R & T Reeve, Rugby
Simmental	730kg	£2847	B T Caswell, Harlestone
Salers	686kg	£2840	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	688kg	£2738	JWH & MA Newbery, Darlingscott

Top prices per Kilo

British Blue	620kg	440ppk	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	778kg	433ppk	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin	620kg	432ppk	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	728kg	422ppk	R & T Reeve, Rugby
Salers	686kg	414ppk	CW Thomas, Wolston

HEIFERS

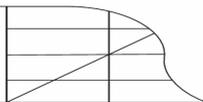
Top prices per head

Limousin x	664kg	£2762	CW Thomas, Wolston
British Blue	646kg	£2752	DTP Walters & Partners, Rugby
Limousin x	656kg	£2736	J D Stephens, Princethorpe
Limousin x	666kg	£2711	CW Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	638kg	£2692	CW Thomas, Wolston

Top prices per kilo

Limousin x	590kg	435ppk	CW Thomas, Wolston
British Blue	646kg	426ppk	DTP Walters & Partners, Rugby
Limousin x	582kg	423ppk	C W Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	638kg	422ppk	C W Thomas, Wolston
Limousin x	630kg	419ppk	DTP Walters & Partners, Rugby

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HOGGS 2193 FORWARD

SQQ 322.24P/KG AVG £156 TOP £180 for PF Edwards

Spring Lambs;

More about and some super genuine Spring Lambs albeit more weight than is needed with real premiums for lightweight Lambs. No real Beltex sorts but some well finished Lambs in the SQQ of 380p/kg together with a fair few grass finished and the odd rare breed and Cade Lambs.

Buyers much more numerous for Spring Lambs than Hoggs. Shaped well finished Texels from C & A Morely saw 40kg 430p/kg with FI & EJ Barnes 40kg 426p/kg equal with Dennis & John Clarke. Messrs Morely then 425 & 421p/kg equal with P Cobby. Well finished Export Weight Lambs 385 - 408p/kg. Grass fed springers 360p/kg mark an lambs fed but 43kg plus 365p - 375p/kg. Weighted heavy Lambs trading at perhaps only a 10p/kg premium of Hoggs.

Nice bloomed Lambs well chased. Top today £172 for 40kg from C & A Morley with £171 for 48kg from MM Clarke & Sons with Messrs Barnes and A Morris still breaking the £170 mark.

Hoggs;

Trade very selective with Hoggs meeting large resistance on the Sales counters throughout. Meat in short supply today and unshorn Hoggs staring to sweat there backs off. Export Hoggs with meat well chased with another Account looking for Spec Hoggs. Heavy Hoggs remain a hard Sale and large amount of plain Heavy Hoggs steady trade today. An SQQ of 322.24p/kg about the highest in the Land and for that a small mercy of appreciation. Top today 423p/kg at 35kg for shaped shorn Hoggs from J Redfern down from Staffordshire. J Hope & Son 40kg 410p/kg for lovely meated Hoggs well appreciated. F A Walker Beltex x Cheviots 394p/kg. Export Weights with meat 360p/kg plus. Export weights shorter on meat 330p/kg plus with 44kg discounted 10p/kg in each case. Heavies trading 250 - 300p/kg for run of the Mill. Top weighted Hoggs 48p/kg to 375p/kg for P F Edwards and 362p/kg at 47kg from Jack Plant down from Buxton and Lilbourne Turf 48kg at 354p/kg. IN the Lump a top today of £180 for P Edwards at 48kg with J Plant £170 equal with Lilbourne Turf whilst Humphrey Livestock £169.

Lots of large under finished Hoggs about today. Vendors are encouraged to shear and not loose faith. Meat is still rewarded.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

EWES & LAMBS - 8TH MAY

Ewes and Lambs-

A very smart show of ewes and lambs forward, with plenty of customers at ringside to compete for sheep.

Hoggs and lambs a real trade with Alan Collett seeing £166 per life for North Country Mule hoggs with single lambs at foot. Other pens from this same good home sold to £162 per life on two occasions. Hoggs with twins from Danny Redfern sold to £100 per life, with the same home to £93 per life.

On into the Ewes with lambs which Steve Cox dominating the top spots, with sharp headed Suffolk x 4 tooth and Beltex lambs selling to £146.50 per life, with the same home selling to £138 per life with Texel 4 tooth and Beltex lambs.

J & H Tustian sold to £136 for broken mouth Beltex ewes and lambs. Older ewes with tidy lambs at foot on the whole saw trade firm, and actively £100-£115 per life, with sharper goods fit to run again trading that £120 per life mark.

A full flock dispersal on behalf of JR Hodgkinson, Stratford on Avon, saw Full Mouth Welsh Mules with Suffolk lambs at foot to a top of £86.50, with others to £81 per life. Tefrom Ewes with purebred lambs at foot sold to £78 per life, with the same home to £76 per life.

Our next sale is Thursday 22nd of May and a good entry is wanted and invited.

HOGGS SQQ 322.24 SQQ p/kg

Per Kilo **under 45.5kg**

X Bred	35kg	423ppk	J Redfern, Hopwas
X Bred	40kg	410ppk	J Hope & Son, Bicester
X Bred	30kg	410ppk	PF Edwards, Alverchurch
Beltex	36kg	394ppk	F A Walker, Birdingbury
X Bred	28kg	386ppk	C McMillan, Congleton

Per HEAD

X Bred	40kg	£164	J Hope & Son, Bicester
X Bred	43kg	£161	PF Edwards, Alverchurch
Suffolk	44kg	£150	J F Fyfe & Nephew, Lutterworth
X Bred	45kg	£150	PD & DM Hopcraft, Newnam
X Bred	35kg	£148	J Redfern, Hopwas

Per Kilo **over 45.5kg**

X Bred	48kg	375ppk	PF Edwards, Alverchurch
X Bred	47kg	362ppk	J Plant, Onecote
X Bred	48kg	354ppk	Lilbourne Turf Supplies, Lilbourne
X Bred	48kg	323ppk	PF Edwards, Alverchurch
X Bred	46kg	320ppk	Turndale Ltd, Hollington

Per HEAD

X Bred	48kg	£180	PF Edwards, Alverchurch
X Bred	47kg	£170	J Plant, Onecote
X Bred	48kg	£170	Lilbourne Turf Supplies, Lilbourne
X Bred	58.5kg	£166	PD & DM Hopcraft, Newnam
X Bred	61kg	£166	J Mahon & Sons, Stratford



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CULL EWES: 395 FORWARD top at £270



More ewes about and trade beginning to firm. Best end ewes the easiest sold, with weight and power commanding a real premium.

Best end continental ewes saw GM Bennett & Partners sold to £270, with J Fowkes topping her run at £262, with the Bennetts again at £252 and J Fowkes at £250, all with strong Texels.

Heavyweight Continentals trading £190-£210, with leaner meated mediums £170-£180 and shelly types £140-£150.

Suffolks with weight a real trade, selling to £218 for a purebred type from JA Duggins, with Ryan Mahon selling to £200. Meated types £180-£190, with leaner goods £150-£160.

Mules the trade of the day today. Mules with weight selling to £205 from R & J Baldwin with JW & HM Charlesworth selling to £181, ahead of JP Page & Son at £180.

Heavyweight Mules £170 plus with smaller but meated sorts £140-£150. Leaner goods £110-£120 with only the very plainest under £100.

Auctioneer: Martin Lloyd

EWES

Texel	£270	G M Bennett & Partners, Gloucestershire	Texel	£250	J Fowkes, Welford
Texel	£262	J Fowkes, Welford	Texel	£248	A Beaumont, Beausale
Texel	£252	G M Bennett & Partners, Gloucestershire	Texel	£229	Humphrey Livestock, Brackley

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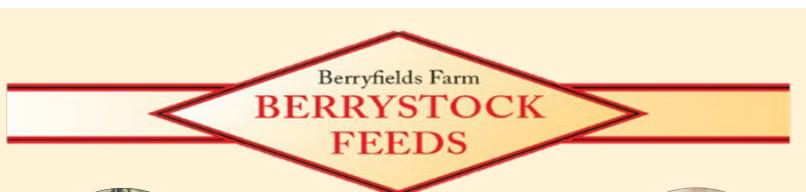
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