

WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2018

TOTAL HEAD SOLD: 1,400

PRIME CATTLE Av. 183.71p/kg

BARREN COW Av. 119.21kg

PRIME HOGGET Av. 201.77p/kg

DAIRY HEIFERS TO £1,610

CALVES TO £450

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BEEF CATTLE (64)

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A mixed quality entry met another cracking trade with the top end cattle certainly at a premium & more wanted.

UTM STEERS (33) Max. 211.50p/kg & £1,445 (Av. 181.86p/kg) Overall another excellent trade with averages up a good 5p/kg on the week. Cracking continentals from A W Tippetts & Son met a flying demand to 211.50p/kg. Other continentals keenly contested from 185.00p/kg-195.00p/kg. Named sired Angus and Herefords continued to command a premium with the best fleshed Angus grossing over £1445 from H J Irvine & Son. Some useful Friesians on offer today peaking at 170.50p/kg from F J Lessey & Son.

UTM STEERS					
BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Simmental	191.25	211.50	A W Tippetts & Son, Warminster	1075	J & W Collins, Codford
Charolais	196.50	196.50	A W Tippetts & Son, Warminster	1217	T H J Denbee, Wedmore
British Blue	192.25	195.50	H J Irvine & Son, Foxley	1407	H J Irvine & Son, Foxley
Hereford	188.33	192.50	A W Tippetts & Son, Warminster	1220	VI & GR Doggrell, Wincanton
Stabiliser	187.00	187.00	J C Stainer, Semington	1161	J C Stainer, Semington
Blonde	187.00	187.00	L M Maidment, Corsham	1129	L M Maidment, Corsham
Angus	177.33	184.00	H J Irvine & Son, Foxley	1445	H J Irvine & Son, Foxley
Friesian	157.58	170.50	F J Lessey & Son, Wincanton	1115	J R Griffin & Sons, Devizes

UTM HEIFERS (23) Max. 214.50p/kg & £1,217 (Av. 187.96p/kg) A good entry of heifers met a fast trade with Richard Wright's Limousin topping at 214.50p/kg. Other shapely continentals regularly from 180.00p/kg with Charolais to 194.50p/kg from T H J Denbee. Native heifers equally sort with the best to 205.50p/kg from J W Collins. Even the lighter and leaner sorts sold well for their type.

UTM HEIFERS					
BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Limousin	202.17	214.50	R J Wright, Somerton	1200	J C Stainer, Semington
Angus	189.64	205.50	J & W Collins, Codford	1091	J & W Collins, Codford
Charolais	194.50	194.50	T H J Denbee, Wedmore	1217	T H J Denbee, Wedmore
Blue	187.40	192.50	A W Tippetts & Son, Warminster	1093	A W Tippetts & Son, Warminster
Hereford	184.25	185.00	L M Maidment, Corsham	1126	F J Lessey & Sons, Wincanton
Simmental	178.10	183.50	J & W Collins, Codford	1075	J & W Collins, Codford

OTM FAT CATTLE (8) Max. 186.50p/kg & £1,251 A small entry with Limousin steers to 186.50p/kg from A D Rawlings and Hereford heifers at 169.50p/kg from Messrs Snook Ltd. Friesian heifers met a good trade to 151.50p/kg.

BARREN COWS (67)

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BEEF COWS (17) Max. 189.50p/kg & £1,474. All cows continue to meet an exceptional trade up 15p/kg on average against this time last year (today's av. 119.21p/kg). Today's beef cows were very dear with Richard Wright's cracking Blue selling at 190p/kg £1474 (a near market record). Other good fleshed cows easily over 140.00p/kg with smart Angus to 157.00p/kg and Limousins to 154.00p/kg. Feeding cows desperately wanted. Bulls to 118.50p/kg from Wintershill Estate. **DAIRY COWS (42) Max. 147.50p/kg & £1,258** Best Friesians sold to a storming trade topping at 147.50p/kg from B J & E M Yandle and £1258.18 with a further 12 cows selling in advance of 130p/kg with many more wanted to satisfy the current demand. Manufacturing cows also very dear with only small crossbreds and boners selling below 88p/kg.

BARREN COWS

BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
British Blue	117.83	189.50	R J Wright, Somerton	1474	R J Wright, Somerton
Angus	133.82	157.00	A W Neish, Maiden Bradley	1250	A W Neish, Maiden Bradley
Limousin	105.50	154.00	RL & CJ Curtis, Sturminster	1401	RL & CJ Curtis, Sturminster
Devon	104.10	148.00	Wintershill Estates, Durley	1087	Wintershill Estates, Durley
British Friesian	103.64	147.50	BJ & EM Yandle, Martock	1258	BJ & EM Yandle, Martock
Holstein Friesian	118.79	147.00	R G Curtis, East Knoyle	1170	R J House & Son, Wincanton
Simmental	113.08	138.50	West Amesbury Farms, Wiltshire	933	J Leach, Lansdown

SHEEP (1055)

AUCTIONEER: ANDREW DOBLE 07825 812 982

PRIME HOGGETS (763) Max. 217.00p/kg & £111 (SQQ 201.77p/kg) Another good sized entry sold to a stronger trade throughout. The very best well fleshed light and handy weights were very keenly contested and sold to 215p/kg and 209p/kg from Jon Pittard, 211p/kg from J & S Ward, 209p/kg from Rushmore Farms. The thicker heavy hogget's sold exceptionally well and topped at 217p/kg from Church Farm Publow, 210p/kg from Corp Bros, 209p/kg from Keevil Farm Partnership with the best topping at £111 and £107 from KC & AM Godwin, £110 from BL Taylor, £110 from Corp Bros, £108 from DR & PS Osborne. Today's SSQ average is 33p/kg higher than this time last year! I would advise anyone with fit hogget's to take advantage of this trade. An early entry of new season lambs sold well to 220p/kg and £90 for 41kg from AM & M Robinson. Others to £89.50 from AR Smith.

NO.	WEIGHT (KG)	AV P/KG	MAX (P/KG)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
58	32.1-39	204.20	209.00	Rushmore Farms, Salisbury	80.50	Rushmore Farms, Salisbury
266	39.1-45.5	201.37	215.00	Jon Pittard, Sherborne	95.50	Jon Pittard, Sherborne
304	45.6-52	201.48	217.00	Church Farm Publow, Pensford	107.00	KC & AM Godwin, Chippenham
85	52+	195.60	206.00	KC & AM Godwin, Chippenham	111.00	KC & AM Godwin, Chippenham

STORE SHEEP (204) Max. £84.00 (Av. £70.83) Another flying trade for all grades and many more would have sold to advantage. A good run of stronger hogget's were very keenly contested and sold to £84 and £80.50 from S & J Symes Ltd, £84 from DR & PS Osborne, £80 from FJ Doble. Medium framed types looked well and sold regularly £65-£78. Smaller long term hogget's met an improved trade and almost all over £48.

CULL EWES & RAMS (88) Max. £80.00 (Av. £45.29) A very mixed quality entry sold to a strong competitive trade for the strong and medium types which topped at £80 from both PH Creed & Son and PM & JE Batstone & Son. Medium sorts generally £60+. Smaller ewes a touch harder to place and generally £40-£59. The very plain ewes with no grazing potential met less interest.

DAIRY CATTLE (51)

AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

CALVED HEIFERS TO £1,610 / IN CALF COWS TO £1,110 A greatly improved entry of dairy was forward this week and all created keen interest. Quality "Ingenios" sired calved Holstein heifers from Simon & David Cheacker topped the scale at a strong £1610. A good consignment of calved heifers from A.F Leighton settled between £1200-£1510. David Foot Ltd presented a nice consignment of Holstein x Swedish x Montbelierde calved heifers produced firm bidding at £1100-£1350. This sale saw our annual entry of crossbred late lactation cows (out of calving pattern) from Simon Martin Farms. A well supported ring of buyers were looking for June calving cows and prices were very trim topping at £1110. Home bred "Alton" sired Holstein Friesians bulling heifer from Dorset were wanted at £630-£710. Overall a much brighter trade as spring is around the corner.

CALVES NON EXPORT (164)

AUCTIONEER: TIM HECTOR 07818 056 049

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £352 A small entry but a super trade with strong demand for all those forward. Best over £300 to the top at £352, medium sorts £260-£300, smaller bulls to £260. **CONTINENTAL HEIFERS TO £312** Very few forward but all sold well with demand outstripping supply. Almost all over £200. A super Blue to £312 and most £250 plus. **NATIVE BULLS TO £315 / NATIVE HEIFERS TO £280** A mix of quality on offer and a fast trade for most, only the very smallest saw a selective trade. Best Angus bulls to £315 with heifers to £230. Hereford bulls to £300 with heifers to £280. **FRIESIANS TO £145** First quality and rearing calves saw a super trade with plenty of buyers forward. Plenty of Friesians over £70 to top at £145. Norwegian Reds saw a very fast trade to top at £162 and average £93. Fleckveih to £450, £390 and £350 from R T J Voizey & Partners.

BREED	BULLS			HEIFERS		
	AV (£)	MAX	VENDOR	AV (£)	MAX	VENDOR
Blue	305.00	352	KAM Farming, Dorchester	262.00	312	B J Stainer and Sons, Melksham
Simmental	280.71	335	Yeoman Longman, Sherborne	242.33	255	RJ & DC Hannam & Sons, Blandford
Limousin	217.00	280	R T E Dauncey, Hornblotton	197.33	235	P G Apsey, Charlton Musgrove
Hereford	231.89	300	B G Newman & Ptnrs, Romsey	175.00	280	B G Newman & Ptnrs, Romsey
Angus	206.79	315	KAM Farming, Dorchester	144.88	230	A J Harding, Radstock
Friesian	42.00	145	Venn Farming, Sherborne			