

WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH 2018

TOTAL HEAD SOLD: 1,463

PRIME CATTLE Av. 185.28p/kg

BARREN COW Av. 122.75p/kg

PRIME HOGGET Av. 225.31p/kg

DAIRY HEIFERS TO £1,720

CALVES TO £385

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BEEF CATTLE (65) AUCTIONEER: MARK NORTHCOTT 07798 645 274

Overall another very good trade with fresh buyers present and all grades keenly sought, more wanted to satisfy the current demand. Overage in short supply.

UTM STEERS (42) Max. 209.5p/kg & £1,365 (Av. 185.74p/kg) Quality steers met another cracking trade and dear with J & W Collins Angus topping the day at 209.50p/kg & £1365.18, with a further 5 Angus steers selling over £1300. Blue's to 194.5p/kg from WD Guley & Sons, Charolais to 201.5p/kg from S C Norman, Herefords to 189p/kg from J Powell & Son and Limousins to 194p/kg from K & N Crang. Young bulls to 189.5p/kg from P G Apsey.

UTM STEERS					
BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	191.62	209.50	J & W Collins, Codford	1365	J & W Collins, Codford
Charolais	192.13	201.50	S C Norman, Salway Ash	1327	S C Norman, Salway Ash
Blue	192.50	194.50	WD Guley & Sons, Melksham	1288	WJ EM SJ Masters, Wookey Hole
Limousin	186.00	194.00	K & N Crang, Yeovil	1321	JR Griffin & Sons, Devizes
Simmental	183.20	190.50	Messrs Snook Ltd, Yeovil	1352	J & W Collins, Codford
Hereford	186.75	189.00	J Powell & Son, Frome	1273	J Powell & Son, Frome
Shorthorn	179.50	179.50	JR Griffin & Sons, Devizes	1154	JR Griffin & Sons, Devizes
Friesian	164.50	169.50	K & N Crang, Yeovil	1145	G & D Wyatt, Beaminster

UTM HEIFERS (17) Max. 204.5p/kg & £1,260 (Av. 183.38p/kg) Dave Selby's smart Angus heifer topped the day at 204.5p/kg equal with THJ Denbee's Blonde also at 204.5p/kg. A smart Blue sold to £1260 from H G Perkins & Sons, Charolais to 198.5p/kg from THJ Denbee, Herefords to 181p/kg from H Selby, Blues to 199.5p/kg from WD Guley & Sons, Friesians to 148.5p/kg from Winfrith Fields Farm LLP.

UTM HEIFERS					
BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	192.63	204.50	DR & JL Selby, Shaftesbury	1134	H G Perkins & Sons, Bath
Blonde	201.50	204.50	THJ Denbee, Wedmore	1200	H G Perkins & Sons, Bath
Blue	192.83	199.50	WD Guley & Sons, Melksham	1260	H G Perkins & Sons, Bath
Charolais	189.17	198.50	THJ Denbee, Wedmore	1150	THJ Denbee, Wedmore
Hereford	181.00	181.00	H Selby, Shatesbury	908	H Selby, Shatesbury
Shorthorn	156.17	172.50	N & MJ Ashwin, Pilning	871	N & MJ Ashwin, Pilning

OTM FAT CATTLE (6) Max. 185p/kg & £1,228 A small entry met a good trade with Austin Smith's MRI steer topping at 185p/kg and £1228.40. A Friesian heifer topping at 146.5p/kg from Les Tuffin & Son, other Friesian steers to 164p/kg from A R Smith. More could have been sold.

BARREN COWS (75) AUCTIONEER: MARK NORTHCOTT 07798 645 274

A few more cows forward met another excellent trade and very dear with demand continuing to exceed supply.

BEEF COWS (23) Max. 164.5p/kg & £1,264 Another cracking trade with F Burkeman's Devon topping at 164.5p/kg and £1132. Blue x cows sold exceptionally well to £1264 from BS Garret. Angus to 147p/kg and £1034 from Jacob Hares, Shorthorns to 134p/kg from K J Osborne & Ptnrs, Herefords to 147p/kg from J Smart, Limousin x to 132.5p/kg from N A Samways, and Blonde bulls to 120p/kg from ER & MJ Webb.

DAIRY COWS (52) Max. 164p/kg & £1,190 Quality Friesian meat cows again very dear and urgently wanted topping at 151.5p/kg from R F Stratton & Co and £1190 from P R Kimber with a further 7 selling over £1000. Fleshed Brown Swiss sold to £164p/kg from D Mortimer & Sons. Manufacturing cows also sold to a fantastic trade and desperately wanted by all buyers with plain types at late rates and only the boners selling below 80p/kg.

BARREN COWS

BREED	AV P/KG	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Devon	144.94	164.50	F Burkeman, Salway Ash	1132	F Burkeman, Salway Ash
Shorthorn	134.00	134.00	D Mortimer & Sons, Melksham	916	K J Osborne & Ptnrs, Radstock
Friesian	117.48	151.50	R F Stratton & Co, Warminster	1190	P & R Kimber, Wincanton
Blue	148.50	149.50	B S Garrett, Shaftesbury	1264	B S Garrett, Shaftesbury
Angus	123.42	147.00	Jacob Hares, Wells	1034	Jacob Hares, Wells
Hereford	147.00	147.00	J Smart, Bristol	1121	J Smart, Bristol
Blonde	137.00	137.00	Jacob Hares, Wells	854	Jacob Hares, Wells
Shorthorn	134.00	134.00	K J Osborne & Ptnrs, Radstock	916	K J Osborne & Ptnrs, Radstock
Limousin	100.50	132.50	N A Samways, Sherborne	908	N A Samways, Sherborne
Simmental	123.50	123.50	M Baker, Trowbridge	831	M Baker, Trowbridge

SHEEP (1064) AUCTIONEER: ANDREW DOBLE 07825 812 982

NEW SEASON LAMBS (29) Max 335p/kg & £141 (SQQ 272.21p/kg) A small but excellent quality entry for our Easter show and sale of new season lambs sold to a fierce trade throughout. Champion lambs and first prize in the Native sired class went to 44.5kg Suffolk x lambs from regular vendors Michael Knowles and Sally Withers which sold at £141 to Judge Ed Davies of Stillmans. Other good sorts sold to 335p/kg and £134 for 40kg from Martin Webber and £131, £130, £126 and £120 from Michael Knowles and Sally Withers. Many thanks to Mr Ed Davies for judging and to Mole Valley Farmers for their kind sponsorship.

PRIME HOGGETS (946) Max. 265p/kg & £132 (SQQ 225.31p/kg) An excellent sized entry sold to an improved trade for all weights and grades (generally 10p/kg up on last week). Some good runs of light and medium weights sold exceptionally well with the well bred fleshed types regularly at 230p/kg+ topping at 238p/kg from PM & JE Batstone & Son, 238p/kg from H Curtis & Sons and 235p/kg from RA Barton. Plenty of heavy and overweight hoggets met a flying trade with the best thicker yellow grade hoggets selling to 265p/kg from Keevil Farm Partnership, 251p/kg from AJ & RG Barber and 249p/kg from A Dagger. This resulted in some excellent top prices with the best to £132 from A Dagger, £130.50 from Wallmead Farms, £130 from RW & J Margham, £128 from AJ & RG Barber.

NO.	WEIGHT (KG)	AV P/KG	MAX (P/KG)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
30	32.1-39	210.94	216.00	T Ferris, Chippenham	84.00	AJ & RG Barber, Ditchat
339	39.1-45.5	224.64	238.00	PM & JE Batstone & Son, Alton	107.00	PM & JE Batstone & Son, Alton
369	45.6-52	227.46	265.00	Keevil Farm Partnership, Bath	128.00	AJ & RG Barber, Ditchat
46	52+	220.27	249.00	A Dagger, Timsbury	132.00	A Dagger, Timsbury

STORE SHEEP (61) Max. £87.50 (Av. £76.80) A similar strong trade to recent weeks with the better types to £87.50 for Suffolk x's from Whitbourne Farm, £86.50 from S Godwin, £85.50 from P Gulliford. Medium types regularly £70+ and only the very small longer term sort £40+ **CULL EWES & RAMS (28) Max. £90.50 (Av. £69)** Another firm trade and all grades wanted. Strong Suffolks topped the day at £90.50 from K R Hutton, £85 from H Curtis & Sons. Medium framed ewes £60-£70 and smaller plain ewes either side of £35.

DAIRY CATTLE (11) AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

CALVED HEIFERS TO £1,720. Plenty of demand and interest in this section and more needed to take advantage of the prices being achieved. AF Leighton always presenting some good freshly calved Holstein heifers and his best peaked at £1720 achieving top price of the day. Other quality sorts from the same home £1400-£1600. Regular vendors Paul & Kay Trippick continue to sell their smart homebred calved Holstein heifers which saw their "Milo" sired heifer peek at £1660. Brisk bidding for young heifer calves to a strong £215.

CALVES NON EXPORT (239) AUCTIONEER: TIM HECTOR 07818 056 049

A cracking entry of calves today which saw a good following with additional buyers forward.

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £385 for a nice British Blue from Crutchley Farms, And a Limousin from A R Attrill. Lots of medium sorts £230-£289, smaller sorts to £230. **CONTINENTAL HEIFERS TO £358.** In short supply but well sought to see a bright trade all day, only a couple best calves on offer which sold to £358. All medium and well-shaped calves sold well. Best to £250 plenty over £200, smaller calves harder to place.

NATIVE BULLS TO £302 / NATIVE HEIFERS TO £180 A good trade for well-shaped sorts with plenty of demand for native sired calves. Medium and smaller calves encountered a more selective trade. Angus bulls to £302, Heifers to £180. Hereford Bulls to £258, heifers to £172. **FRIESIANS TO £182.** More life in the trade this week and good demand for all with the best to £182 from Fern Meadow Ltd. Plenty of medium rearers £60-£90, smaller £30-£60.

BREED	BULLS			HEIFERS		
	AV (£)	MAX	VENDOR	AV (£)	MAX	VENDOR
Blue	221.20	385.00	Crutchley Farms, Bridport	170.67	250.00	AJ & RG Barber, Ditchat
Limousin	235.60	385.00	A R Attrill, Isle of Wight	244.00	358.00	A R Attrill, Isle of Wight
Angus	135.03	302.00	P & J Dennison, Dorset	91.41	180.00	James & James, Batcombe
Simmental	253.33	290.00	M J Trowbridge & Son, Wiltshire	137.83	235.00	M J Trowbridge & son, Wiltshire
Hereford	123.66	258.00	AK & AD Parker Ltd, Dorset	79.03	172.00	Mitchell Bros, Merriot
Charolais	230.00	230.00	T Jones, Dorchester	131.00	218.00	K J Osborne & Ptnrs, Radstock