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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 8TH MARCH 2024

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 2489



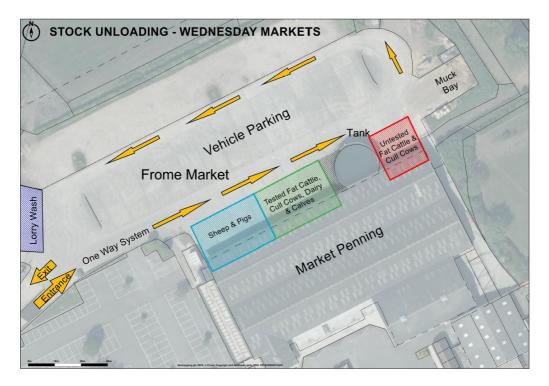
TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE PRIME HOGGS DAIRY PIGS STORE STEERS TO 294P/KG TO 368P/KG TO £1780 TO £220 TO £1740

CULL COWSTO 244P/KGSTORE HOGGSTO £129CULL EWES/RAMSTO £300CALVESTO £465STORE HEIFERSTO £1895

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WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH 2024

Prime hoggets and cull ewes continue to rocket upwards with hoggets to 368p/kg and £210 to an SQQ of 347p/kg and cull ewes to £300! Numbers of ewes increasing week on week with 428 forward this week. Prime cattle and cull cows very much wanted again. A decent show of pigs again with plenty of buyers, more calves forward selling to £465.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1778

PRIME CATTLE (46) to 294p/kg or £1957 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

A fantastic trade seen for prime and cull cattle again this week. Clean cattle just as dear despite talks of the deadweight price easing slightly. Some well finished cattle in the yard as well as some good feeding type cattle with customers present to handle all grades and weight. 46 clean cattle averaged 251.62p/kg and £1417 including a large percentage of standard quality O grade cattle.

TOP PRICE STEER	294p/kg for a Charolais from CR Hartley & Son								
TOP PRICE HEIFER	280p/kg	280p/kg for a Blue from Padfield & Partners							
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG						
STEERS	STEERS								
Light 100-500kg	6	216.00	282.00						
Medium 551-650kg	9	236.00	280.00						
Heavy 651+	5	263.00	294.00						
HEIFERS	HEIFERS								
Light 100-500kg	7	210.00	258.00						
Medium 501-590kg	8	225.00	258.00						
Heavy 590+	9	234.00	280.00						

UTM STEERS (20) Max. 294p/kg & £1957

Steers to a solid trade again topping at 294p/kg and £1957 for Charolais from CR Hartley & Son others from the same consignment to 283p/kg, £1909, 282p/kg, £1888 and 280p/kg, £1735. Blue x from LP Shackell & Son to 263p/kg, £1827 and Herefords from the same good home to 270p/kg and £1759. Handy weight Hereford x from AR Smith to 282p/kg, £1531 and 275p/kg, £1438. A super consignment of British Friesian steers from John Snook sailed to 248p/kg, 245p/kg grossing £1435 and £1393. Steers averaged 261.33p/kg overall.

UTM STEERS								
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR				
Charolais	294.00	CR Hartley & Son, Woolley	1957	CR Hartley & Son, Woolley				
Hereford	282.00	AR Smith, Swanage	1759	LP Shackell & Son, Tadwick				
Simmental	274.00	LM Maidment, & Sons, Corsham	1712	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham				
Blue	263.00	LP Shackell & Son, Tadwick	1827	LP Shackell & Son, Tadwick				
Friesian	248.00	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham	1435	Snook Ltd, Yeovil				
Angus	228.00	PJ JM & A Evans, Colerne	1153	PJ JM & A Evans, Colerne				

UTM HEIFERS (24) Max. 280p/kg & £1690

An excellent consignment of heifers with shape and finish from Padfield & Partners topped at 280p/kg and £1690 for a Blue x with others from the same consignment to 278p/kg, 277p/kg and 268p/kg. Hereford heifers from AR Smith to 269p/kg and £1635 with others to 253p/kg and £1588. Angus x heifers from RJ Phillips & Sons to 258p/kg and £1437. Heifers averaged 247.32p/kg overall with a large percentage of standard quality O grade heifers.

UTM HEIFERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Blue	280.00	Padfield & Partners Ltd, Stratton on the Fosse	1690	Padfield & Partners Ltd, Stratton on the Fosse			
Hereford	269.00	AR Smith, Swanage	1635	AR Smith, Swanage			
Angus	258.00	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford	1411	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford			
Welsh Black	239.00	S Powell, Horton	1433	S Powell, Horton			
Longhorn	225.00	S Powell, Horton	1133	S Powell, Horton			
Friesian	219.00	Groves Farming Prtrs, Keevil	1024	Groves Farming Prtrs, Keevil			

CULL COWS (30) Beef to 244p/kg Dairy to 186p/kg

A red-hot trade for cull cows again this week fuelled by demand and strong competition from 12 buyers around the ring. A cracking Blue cow from MD & KE Lanfear topped at 244p/kg and £1906 and Limousins from the same home to 211p/kg and £1307. British Friesian cows to 186p/kg and £1461 with other Friesian cows to 184p/kg, 183p/kg, 179p/kg and 177p/kg grossing £1411, £1301, £1201 and £1080. Native cows with feeding potential to 179p/kg and heavier grade 1 sorts to £1284. Grade 1 cows to 170p/kg+, grade 2 cows to 200p/kg with feeding potential and others 158p/kg+. Grade 3 cows generally 140p/kg to 165p/kg and grade 4 cows 120p/kg and above with extreme plain sorts 110p/kg. Cull cows averaged 164.44p/kg.

CULL COWS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)			VENDOR			
Blue	244.00	MD & KE Lanfear, Pilning	1906	MD & KE Lanfear, Pilning			
Limousin	211.00	MD & KE Lanfear, Pilning	1307	MD & KE Lanfear, Pilning			
Friesian	186.00	Whitehouse Farm (Hardway) Ltd, Bruton	1461	ART Meatyard & Son, Keevil			
Longhorn	185.00	Natural England, Shrewton	1284	Natural England, Shrewton			
Hereford	179.00	G Wallis, Wimborne	965	G Wallis, Wimborne			
Galloway	174.00	CP Groves, Bridgwater	777	CP Groves, Bridgwater			
Norwegian Red	158.00	DA James & Son, Frome	993	DA James & Son, Frome			

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SHEEP (1263) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737 PRIME HOGGETS (628) Max 368p/kg £210

What a day! February records well and truly smashed with an SQQ of 347p/kg across the board. Top price of £210 and 368p/kg being achieved from Brian Godwin & family. Overall average for 628 hoggs soaring to £161.13 per head. Light hoggs to 355p/kg and £133.50 from R Sherry. Handy weights to 368p/kg from Brian Godwin and £163.50 from Dom Creed & family. Heavy types to 366p/kg from Alan Dagger and £175.50 from Will Taylor and Alice King. Over 52kg soaring to 365p/kg and £210 from Brian Godwin & family. Special mention to Richard Coward whose run of 80 hoggs averaged a whopping £188 per head. Many more hoggs could have been sold to the advantage.

CULL EWES (428) Max £300

What an entry and what a trade! Best ewes flying to £300 for cracking Texel ewes from Charlie Coombes of Frome, with other Texel ewes £200+. A strong runs of ewes looking well sold today, heavier ewes might be easier on the week, but small lighter ewes still looking every bit as dear. More ewes needed each week.

STORE HOGGS (208) Max £129

Super runs of store hoggs flying to £129 from PF & J Osborne. Cracking run from the Venn family of Hampshire soaring to £125. Overall average rocking to £107.42 being achieved.

ORPHAN LAMBS Max £15

Small entry of orphan lambs rocking to £15 per head from BA Russell & Son.

PRIME HOGGETS					
KG	£	Vendor			
57.50	210.00	BA & CM Godwin & Sons, Bath			
67.00	201.50	BA & CM Godwin & Sons, Bath			
63.50	200.00	RJ Coward & Son, Warminster			
57.00	199.50	WA Taylor & AHR King, Kingsworthy			
55.00	195.50	AJ Willcox, Sherborne			
54.50	190.00	RJ Coward & Son, Warminster			
53.50	181.00	W Mandry Ltd, Hook			
50.00	172.00	RH Groves & Sons, East Harptree			
46.50	170.00	A Dagger, Timsbury			
45.50	160.50	G Whitcombe, Westhay			
44.00	153.50	G Whitcombe, Westhay			
42.50	152.00	GJ Warren Farming, Martock			

PIGS (222) Start 10am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A good entry again with a strong line up of buyers wanting pigs this week.

FAT PIGS (77)

Another good entry of fat pigs forward to a firm trade again. Best heavies to \pounds 191, \pounds 187 and \pounds 186 from PB Weeks. Others from S & S Gould to \pounds 188 and \pounds 185. A nice run of porker weights from N Legge of Herefordshire to \pounds 176 and \pounds 174. Other light boars to \pounds 170 from S Horn. Best coloured Saddlebacks to \pounds 160 from B Long.

STORE PIGS (55)

Young 8w/o coloured stores to £42 from P Luther. Stronger stores to £46 from N Coutts and £88 from S Waite.

CULL SOWS & BOARS (86)

No larger culls forward this weeks and trade till strong for all types. Best to $\pounds 220 \& \pounds 210$ from Mr C Down with others to $\pounds 180$ from J Jones. Average $\pounds 160.03$.

BREEDING PIGS (4)

Young Gloucester Old Spot sows in pig sold well to £190 from Lady Rothermere. Other breeding gilts to £180 from M & O Meat Co Ltd.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH

NEXT PIG SALE: WEDNESDAY 20TH MARCH

ALL PIGS MUST BE PRE-ENTERED TO ENABLE US TO INFORM BUYERS

DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Calved Heifers £1780

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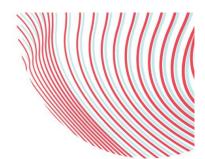


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CALVES (216) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TIM HECTOR 07818 056 04 TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Another good entry of calves forward with mainly smaller framed and medium sorts through the ring.

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £465 / HEIFERS TO £248

Nearly all Continentals forward were Blue and a real mix of quality; mainly medium and smaller sorts which sold strongly. Top quality in short supply to see a Blue bull to £465 from DA James & Son, well-shaped medium bulls £200 - £290. Plenty of medium bulls £150 - £190. Best Blue heifers to £248 from RP Sainsbury & Sons, well-shaped sorts £170 - £190 plenty £100 - £160.

NATIVE BULLS TO £245 / HEIFERS TO £172

Plenty forward and again mainly medium sorts, good demand for all but the very plainest bulls and heifers. Angus bulls to £245 from GN & KM Langley and heifers to £172 from George E Masters. Hereford heifers to £190 from RTE Dauncey & Sons, heifers to £165 from the same home.

DAIRY TO £80

More forward with Jersey bulls making up the majority of the entry. Rearing bulls £30 - £80, smaller bulls to £30.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH PLEASE CALL EITHER OF THE NUMBERS BELOW BY TUESDAY PM TO PRE-BOOK CALVES SO WE CAN INFORM BUYERS OF STOCK COMING Tom Rogers: 07384 462288 Tim Hector: 07818 056049

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FRIDAY 1ST MARCH 2024 STORE CATTLE

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS

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ORGANIC STEERS TO £1690 STEERS TO £1740

ORGANIC HEIFERS TO £1720 HEIFERS TO £1895

A super show of store and feeding cattle selling to an unbelivable trade with quality and quantity in the entry. Charolais heifers sailing to £1895 and Limousin steers to £1740. Some excellent top quality consignments of suckler bred cattle achieiving some fantastic prices.

COWS & CALVES

Like all other cattle, the demand for in calf suckler cows is very strong. Steve & Rachel Stamp saw their Angus older cows due in May regularly over £1300 and peaked at a marvellous £1490. More strong types could have been sold. Senior bulls were also seeing a good trade with 7y/o Angus to £1930.

ORGANIC

What a show of Organic cattle for this month's sale. Close to 100 penned for sale and prices were on fire! Both younger and forward types very sought after and with more on offer more specialist organic buyers were present. Many forward steers and heifers over £1500 and more needed!

ORGANIC STEERS			ORGANIC HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1690	23mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe	Angus	1720	23mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe
Simmental	1670	22mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe	Simmental	1085	22mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe
Hereford	1535	23mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe	Hereford	1010	19mo	Wardour Farms, Semley
Longhorn	1260	23mo	Natural England, Salisbury	Continental	775	23mo	Chave & Foster, Newton St Loe
Continental	1015	23mo	Natural England, Salisbury				

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 711

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

A super show of younger Continental cattle again this week, trade flying along and reflective of the finished market. Plenty of good single suckled Continentals over £1100 today, with a number of "U" grade potential cattle on offer. Dairy x Continentals equally sought with a "real buzz" around the sale ring. Now is the time to market your cattle and take advantage of the immense trade on offer.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
	1740	17mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth		1350	15mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth
Limousin	in 1480 16mo TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth 1235	1235	15mo	MD & KE Lanfear, Pilning			
Angus	1555	16mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth		1315	15mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth
Angus	1455	15mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth	Angus	1270	15mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton
Charolais	1302	11mo	LC Seager, Wareham	Blue	1245	17mo	Pierston Manor Farm, Gillingham
Charolais	1145	10mo	LC Seager, Wareham		980	16mo	JT Jackson & Sons, Southwick
Simmental	1300	12mo	DAM Marklove, Swindon	Charolais	1235	15mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton
Simmentar	1175	11mo	DAM Marklove, Swindon	Charolais	1070	12mo	LC Seager, Wareham
Blue	1300	17mo	Pierston Manor Farm, Gillingham		930	9mo	DAM Marklove, Swindon
Blue	1170	15mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton	Simmental	1255	8mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham
Hereford	1135	12mo	CT Knott, Sturminster Newton	Hereford	910	16mo	J & L Barton, Gloucester

ANGUS & HEREFORD

Strength and quality in the Angus section today with some excellent consignments of both suckler bred and Dairy x stores. Well bred steers from TWG Bartlett & Son to £1555 for 16mo. A pair of heavy steers from M & T Gregory to £1505 and £1500 from Pierston Manor Farm. Heifers from TWG Bartlett & Son to £1315 and £1275 from Pierston Manor. Super young Angus from Richard Tory were bid to £1100 for 8mo with other young suckler bred steers £1000+. A number of Herefords forward and like other native breeds all seeing excellent demand both for younger and more forward types. Buyers particularly keen for those with better shape and feeding potential. All stronger 22mo+ steers over £1400 and many in excess of £1550! Fewer fleshed heifers available this week. Younger Herefords (10-12mo) saw steers regularly £750 - £850 while heifers £600 - £700. Although fewer special premiums on finished Herefords at the moment demand remaining extremely buoyant throughout.

FRIESIAN

Holstein Friesians to £1290 from Messrs Elworthys for a well grown pen of 5 steers and others to £1245. Medium framed steers with potential £800+.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

An absolute storming trade for forward Continental steers. TWG Barlett's Limousin steers topped at £1740 at 17mo and Parthenaise steers to £1680 from CT Baker. A smashing consignment of Blue x from Pierston Manor Farm topped at £1635 for a super pen of 3 steers. A fantastic pen of Charolais heifers at 26mo from PW Fry & Son hit £1895 for a pen of 4. Simmental heifers from MD & DR James to £1585 and £1475. A large percentage of forward Continentals over £1400 and anything with size and cover £1200+.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Hereford	1695 32mo T Bravin, Lansdown	Charolais	1895	26mo	PW Fry & Son, Calne		
негеюта	1540	T Bravin	21mo	QT Agri Ltd, Sherborne			
Continental	1680	21mo	CT Baker, Trudoxhill	Simmental	1585	22mo	MD & DR James, Nimlet
Continental	1355	22mo	CT Baker, Trudoxhill		1475	25mo	MD & DR James, Nimlet
Blue	1635 18mo Farm, Gil	Pierston Manor Farm, Gillingham	Dive	1385	32mo	PK Frampton, Dewlish	
Blue	1530	18mo	Pierston Manor Farm, Gillingham	Blue	1340	25mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth
Angua	1505	24mo	M & T Gregory, Sherborne	Limousin	1370	23mo	J & S Ward, Nunney
Angus	1500	19mo	Pierston Manor Farm, Gillingham	Angua	1240	20mo	RC Few & Son, Longbridge Deverill
Charolais	1475	18mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton	Angus	1088	26mo	PK Frampton, Dewlish
Charolais	1170	21mo	QT Agri Ltd, Sherborne	Friesian	1040	21mo	Messrs Elworthys, Dorchester
Friesian	1290	20mo	Messrs Elworthys, Dorchester	Hereford	1025	28mo	QT Agri Ltd, Sherborne
Limousin	1190	18mo	J Alvis, Wickwar	Saler	1018	22mo	P & D Trowbridge, Shaftesbury





Chaplain's Prayer

'The Earth is the Lords, and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it! 'Psalm 24 v 1.

We give thanks for all in the Farming community who shoulder so much responsibility for food provision and upkeep of the landscape around us! We remember those in the farming community facing challenges of any kind at present, especially those known to us; and we give sincere thanks for the work that the help agencies can offer those in need of it!? I found this in my correspondence!:



'You can't **Heal** the people you Love...You can't make **Choices** for them....You can't **Rescue** them!? **But....**You can promise that they **Will not Journey**

Alone...You can loan them your map, but this trip is theirs' 🙏

As market Chaplain...and **Farming Community Network** representative it's not my job to tell people what to do?...but to meet them where they are non judgementally and suggest others who can help!? This can be quite a difficult line to tread, as we all seem to love giving advice to everyone...(including me¹)

Here are the contacts you can make if you need advice...or simply **Someone to talk to!**

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Please feel free to approach me, or my colleague FCN rep Paul Watts at the market for a chat ! Please remember your neighbour that you may believe to be struggling in any way?

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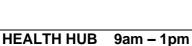
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