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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION  
WEEK ENDING 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

**TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1702**



**TRADE AT A GLANCE**

PRIME CATTLE	TO 285P/KG & £1848	CULL COWS	TO 217P/KG & £1589
PRIME HOGGS	TO 393P/KG & £210	STORE HOGGS	TO £130
SPRING LAMBS	TO 457P/KG & £241	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £200
DAIRY	TO £1050	COUPLES	TO £305
PIGS	TO £280	CALVES	TO £360
STORE STEERS	TO £1792	STORE HEIFERS	TO £1515

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<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>

# WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

An increased entry of prime cattle forward selling to a buoyant trade. Cows remain in very high demand and selling to a strong trade for all consigned. 200 pigs forward selling to competition. Calves wanted with 150 forward. Prime new season lambs wanted and hoggets to 364p/kg SQQ average.

**TOTAL  
HEAD  
SOLD  
942**

## PRIME CATTLE (74) to 285p/kg and £1848

AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Start 12.30pm

A good show of prime cattle forward this week with both quality and quantity. Cattle selling to a firmer trade than expected given the recent drop in dead weight prices. Some well bred and fed consignments selling well overall.

TOP PRICE STEER	285p/kg for a Limousin from JA Ponzo		
TOP PRICE HEIFER	276p/kg for a Limousin from JA POnzo		
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG
STEERS			
Light 100-550kg	7	230.00	285.00
Medium 551-650kg	12	218.00	275.00
Heavy 651kg+	7	232.00	263.00
HEIFERS			
Light 100-500kg	8	205.00	272.00
Medium 501-590kg	34	191.00	276.00
Heavy 651kg+	6	221.00	248.00

## UTM STEERS (26) Max. 285p/kg & £1848

A brisk trade for prime steers with plenty of demand overall. Handy weight steers topped at 285p/kg for a well-bred Limousin from JA Ponzo. Limousin from RE & AM Hicks to 275p/kg and others to 266p/kg, 265p/kg and 252p/kg for a Blue. Top gross price to £1848 for a Hereford from HJ Irvine & Son followed by £1811 for a shapely Limousin from JC Stainer. Native steers to 261p/kg from RE & AM Hicks for Devon with Hereford steers from AR Smith to 260p/kg. Steers averaged 249.06p/kg overall averaging £1730. Friesians to 231p/kg and £1429.

## UTM STEERS

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
<b>Limousin</b>	<b>285.00</b>	JA Ponzo, Pewsey	<b>1811</b>	JC Stainer, Semington
<b>Blue</b>	<b>265.00</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol	<b>1760</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol
<b>Devon</b>	<b>261.00</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol	<b>1536</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol
<b>Hereford</b>	<b>260.00</b>	AR Smith, Swanage	<b>1848</b>	HJ Irvine & Son, Malmesbury
<b>Beef Shorthorn</b>	<b>255.00</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol	<b>1705</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol
<b>Angus</b>	<b>251.00</b>	Waddon Farm Ltd, Shepton Mallet	<b>1740</b>	Waddon Farm Ltd, Shepton Mallet
<b>Welsh Black</b>	<b>247.00</b>	A Powell, Horton	<b>1409</b>	A Powell, Horton
<b>Friesian</b>	<b>231.00</b>	KC & AM Godwin & Son, Chippenham	<b>1429</b>	KC & AM Godwin & Son, Chippenham

## UTM HEIFERS (48) Max. 276p/kg & £1554

A good show of heifers overall selling to competition and a firm trade. Best U grade heifers to 276p/kg and 275p/kg from JA Ponzo. Top gross price to £1554 for a well-finished Blue heifer from JC Stainer. An excellent run of Continental heifers from TJ Rowland Farms saw Limousin x to 272p/kg, 265p/kg and Simmental to 267p/kg, 266p/kg and 265p/kg. Hereford heifers from MJ Berry to 256p/kg and Angus from the same good home to 250p/kg. Angus with good cover from TM Foster to 249p/kg and £1425 from VI & GR Doggrell. R Grade Continental heifers from 250p/kg to 270p/kg and Natives from 240p/kg to 256p/kg. Standard quality O grade heifers with good cover from 235p/kg to 255/kg. Friesian heifers to 234p/kg and £1358.

## UTM HEIFERS

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
<b>Limousin</b>	<b>276.00</b>	JA Ponzo, Pewsey	<b>1416</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol
<b>Simmental</b>	<b>267.00</b>	TJ Rowland (Farms), Sturminster Newton	<b>1486</b>	TJ Rowland (Farms), Sturminster Newton
<b>Charolais</b>	<b>253.00</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol	<b>1444</b>	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol
<b>Angus</b>	<b>250.00</b>	MJ Berry, Castle Cary	<b>1424</b>	VI & GR Doggrell, Wincanton
<b>Blue</b>	<b>248.00</b>	JC Stainer, Semington	<b>1554</b>	JC Stainer, Semington
<b>Welsh Black</b>	<b>246.00</b>	A Powell, Horton	<b>1531</b>	A Powell, Horton

## CULL COWS (39) Beef to 212p/kg Dairy to 217p/kg

Trade for cull cows continues very firm with strong demand for all grades and breeds. Best grade 1 Friesians to 217p/kg and £1480 with others to 212p/kg, 211p/kg, 197p/kg and 194p/kg grossing £1477, £1456, £1457 and £1464. Dairy Shorthorn cows to 192p/kg and £1589. Angus to 212p/kg and £1586.

Grade 1 cows with good cover 185p/kg to 217p/kg

Grade 2 cows 162p/kg to 180p/kg

Grade 3 cows with feeding potential to 185p/kg, others from 140p/kg to 164p/kg.

Grade 4 cows to 175p/kg to feed

Grade 4 killing cows 125p/kg to 140p/kg

Very plain cows 110p/kg to 120p/kg.

Cows averaged 170.78p/kg.

<b>CULL COWS</b>				
<b>BREED</b>	<b>MAX (p/kg)</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>MAX (£)</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>
<b>Angus</b>	<b>212.00</b>	HJ Irvine & Son, Malmesbury	<b>1586</b>	HJ Irvine & Son, Malmesbury
<b>Friesian</b>	<b>212.00</b>	SC Eavis, Sherborne	<b>1480</b>	SC Eavis, Sherborne
<b>Hereford</b>	<b>198.00</b>	PH Gulliford, Bruton	<b>1343</b>	PH Gulliford, Bruton
<b>Dairy Shorthorn</b>	<b>192.00</b>	J Sprake & Prtrs, Sherborne	<b>1589</b>	J Sprake & Prtrs, Sherborne
<b>Jersey</b>	<b>159.00</b>	GV Sparkes & Son, West Harptree	<b>821</b>	GV Sparkes & Son, West Harptree
<b>Simmental</b>	<b>158.00</b>	HME Gulliford, Bruton	<b>779</b>	HME Gulliford, Bruton
<b>Norwegian Red</b>	<b>129.00</b>	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury	<b>687</b>	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury



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**SHEEP (669) Start 10.30am****AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737****PRIME HOGGETS (275) Max 393p/kg £210**

A neat entry of hogs which enjoyed a solid trade. Best to 393p/kg from A & L Frizzle and £210 from Chris Tucker. Light weights to 361p/kg and £137 from J & K Walther. Handy weights to £176 from Avon Valley Country Park. Heavies to 379p/kg from MPA & JWP Scadding and £190 from DR & PS Osborne. Over weights to 379p/kg from RJ Mitchell & LA Voke topping at £210 from CMG Tucker & Son. More hogs wanted.

<b>PRIME HOGGETS</b>		
<b>KG</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Vendor</b>
70.00	210.00	CMG Tucker & Son, Clutton
53.00	201.00	RJ Mitchell & LA Voke, Chew Stoke
51.00	190.00	DR & PS Osborne, Keynsham
45.00	176.00	Avon Valley Country Park Ltd, Keynsham
44.50	174.00	J & K Walther, Petersfield
42.00	165.00	A & L Frizzle, Blandford
40.00	149.00	J & K Walther, Petersfield
39.50	130.00	JG Robinson, Colerne

**PRIME LAMBS (55) Max 457p/kg £241**

A neat entry of prime lambs entered today which sold to a flying trade. Best lambs soaring to 457p/kg from Sue Bishop and topping at £241 from Clive Peach. Handy weights to 457p/kg and £199 from Sue Bishop. Heavies to 450p/kg from Sue Bishop and £220 from C Peach. Best over 52kg to 408p/kg and £241 from C Peach. More lambs needed.

**STORE HOGGS (117) Max £130**

A large entry of store hogs looked well sold. Best to £130 from J & K Walther and overall average of £100.34

**CULL EWES & RAMS (139) Max £200**

A solid entry of cull which flew to £200 for cull rams and ewes to £180 from JE Langley. Overall average to £130 where more could have been sold to the advantage. Best North Country mules to £140, Welsh ewes to £110.

**COUPLES Max £305**

A cracking entry of ewes & lambs which enjoyed spirited bidding. Best ewes & lambs to £305 (£102 per life) for full mouth Suffolk ewes and twin lambs from Steve Carnie. Other outfits to £82.50 per life from the Isgar family.

## **PIGS (200) Start 10.15am**

**AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482**

A reduced entry this week with store and lighter fat pigs in fierce demand.

### **FAT PIGS (101)**

Another good entry from PB Weeks to £212 and £208. Coloured heavier fat pigs to £195 from B Champion with others to £190 from J Bodman. All lighter pigs selling extremely well. Best to £170 from B Long and others to £160 from G Moore and M & O Meat Co.

### **STORE PIGS (40)**

Trade on fire for stores with numbers nationally still short. Strong Saddlebacks to £152 from HP Ablitt of Wales. Others to £86 from Ben Goldsmith. Young 10w/o White weaners to £76 from R Lewis and £72 from MA & KL Webber.

### **CULL SOWS & BOARS (59)**

A nice run from JR Bodman selling well to £280 and £230. Best also from J Woodland to £200. Cull boars to £260 from J Brown of Bridgwater. Overall average to £177.30.

#### **Note to all vendors:**

**Please pre-enter all pigs so we can notify buyers who may be travelling from away.**

**Many thanks.**

## **DAIRY (20) Start 11am**

**AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401**

### **Bulling Heifers to £1050**

Unfortunately, the fresh milk entered were not forward, however, the bulling heifers on offer were of outstanding quality from the Hann family and demand was excellent for these 15mo well grown types. Best bunches peaked at £1050 and others to £885. Leaner heifers running with bull for 3 months topped at £860.

Forthcoming Dairy entries:

Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May - 25 In Calf dry Friesian Holstein Heifers and Cows (to include some Friesian x Jersey Heifers) due June/July to Angus. HB, Closed herd, high health status, genuine dispersal.

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June - 8 Pedigree Holstein Friesian In Calf Heifers Pd+ due 12<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July to Pedigree Angus, closed herd, home bred, genuine dispersal.

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> July - 24 Pedigree Holstein Friesian In Calf Heifers Pd+ due 22<sup>nd</sup> August to Pedigree Angus, home bred, closed herd, genuine dispersal.

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## **CALVES (150) Starts 9.30am**

**AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288**

Another fierce trade with more required to satisfy demand. Medium sorts looking very dear in particular.

## **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £280/ HEIFERS TO £360**

No real best Blue bulls here today but good types from J Sprake & Partners to £280. A marvellous show of Continental heifers saw Blues to £360 again from the Sprake family. Another good run from NF Clothier & Son saw Blue bulls to £272, £260 from BA Marsh, £260 from Radstock Co-op and £250 from Bayley Partners. Heifers a very fast trade with several medium types from A Bullus to £248, £242 from the Sprake family, £230 from Broughton Farms and £230 from AJ Scott. Charolais proving popular with a bull from WJ Doggrell to £260 and heifers to £238 and £230. A good run of young Charolais heifers from Nick & Ben Hutton from £210 - £238.

## **NATIVE BULLS TO £265 / HEIFERS TO £168**

A good show of medium type calves with Angus bulls from BA Marsh to £265, Hereford heifers to £178 from AJE Mellish, who also had Hereford bulls to £258, £255 and £250. Angus bulls from C & J Raymond to £242, £235 from Radstock Co-op, £230 from Church Farm Partnership, £228 from Broughton Farms and NF Clothier. Stabiliser bulls from Hemsworth Farm looking well sold at £185 and heifers to £148.

## **DAIRY**

Few and far between today. Holstein Friesian Bulls to £60 from Church Farm Partnership, Ayrshire bulls to £62 from BA Marsh and plenty of Angus heifers out of cross bred cows finding rearing homes at £40 - £60.

**Please pre book calves with Tom Rogers M: 07384 462288, the Market office T: 01373 830033 or email entries to [info@fromelivestock.com](mailto:info@fromelivestock.com).**

**Please state clearly on your entry form if your male cattle are STEERS or BULLS; please don't just enter as male on entry form.**

**NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY  
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**MONDAY**

17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
22<sup>ND</sup> JULY  
19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

**ARE YOU UNDER TB RESTRICTION?**

**TB RESTRICTED SALES/ORANGE MARKET**

**Open to all ages and classes of cattle; Prime, Cull, Store and Calves**

Cattle must be licenced to these sales and licences must be obtained from Animal Health at least one week before the sale.

**ALL VENDORS MUST CONTACT THE MARKET BY THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE TO THE SALE TO NOTIFY US OF YOUR ENTRIES**

Applying for a licence has now changed.  
A TB16B, TB16E OR TB208 application must be completed and either emailed to [csc.tblicensing@apha.gis.gov.uk](mailto:csc.tblicensing@apha.gis.gov.uk) or posted to APHA, Polwele, Truro, Cornwall, TR4 9AD

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Registration is quick and easy – visit <https://ahdb.org.uk/shape-the-future> and fill in some basic details. Once we've checked these, we will contact them again in April 2022 when it's time to get their views.

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We are committed to listening to levy payers and industry stakeholders about the challenges they face, and the role that we can play in enabling success in the farming industry. We want to ensure that the levy collected for each sector works hard for the benefit of that sector.

For more information, visit <https://ahdb.org.uk/shape-the-future> .

# MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

## TB RESTRICTED SALE

**TOTAL  
HEAD  
SOLD  
229**

**Starts 10.30am**

**AUCTIONEERS:**

TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263 916

TOM ROGERS 07384 462 288

**STEERS TO £ 1485 HEIFERS TO £1445**

**A super entry of cattle for our May sale saw a strong compliment of buyers forward for this market.**

### PRIME CATTLE & CULL COWS

Only a handful of UTM Bulls sold to 245p/kg and £1393 (22mo) and longer term finishing bulls to 220p/kg and £1016. A good run of Friesian cows with good cover sold to 189p/kg and £1221 and others to 188p/kg, 186p/kg, 171p/kg and 175p/kg, averaging 181p/kg. More prime cattle and cull cows wanted for the next sale.

### STORES

A very strong entry of cattle for our May sale of TB restricted animals. Trade very firm throughout although the fleshed types (as in our Friday sales) just seeing demand reflecting the easier finished slaughter prices. A number of nice types available with most breeds represented. Buyers continuing to travel considerable distances to support the Orange market.

### CONTINENTAL

Marvellous 23-25mo forward Simmental steers again from AD Mcintosh had a blistering trade at £1370 & £1375. Plenty of Blue x forward steers created competitive bidding £1050 - £1150 and the best to an excellent £1485 from WFH Francis & Son. A number of cracking Blue x heifers were on offer which saw MJ Coleman & Son taking the top 3 slots with pens at £1445, £1330 and £1300. These were closely followed by D & P Yeatman at £1170 and AW Doel & Sons to £1000. Younger feeding sorts £850 - £950. Overall, a good strong TB Orange market this month.

### NATIVE

Plenty of Angus x forward this month and good numbers of stronger steers over £1200 and peaked at £1285 from MJ Coleman & Son. The Coleman family also saw their Angus heifers top the section at £1220. Medium weight Dairy x Angus steers ranged £950 - £1100 while similar type heifers £850 - £1000. Superb



Hereford steers from HG & RHJ Davey shot away to £1340 closely followed from D & P Yeatman £1000 - £1100, feeding heifers from the same home produced lively bidding ranging £900 - £1100.

## FRIESIAN

As always Friesian steers wanted and the stronger the better. A good entry of quality types from AD Mcintosh regularly £1000 - £1100 and best pen to an excellent £1202.

## CALVES / REARED CALVES

Fewer forward on the month, however a fair trade overall. Best Blue bulls to £270, medium Blue heifers to £74. Well done Herefords 6 – 8 weeks to £140 for heifers, Angus heifers to £162 and tidy Friesian bulls from £50 - £70. Smaller young sorts a harder trade at £5 - £10.

STORES							
STEERS				HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	1485	22mo	WFH Francis & Son, Hemington	Blue	1445	29mo	MJ Coleman & Son, Blandford
Simmental	1375	25mo	AD Mcintosh, Swindon	Angus	1220	29mo	MJ Coleman & Son, Blandford
Hereford	1340	27mo	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick	Hereford	1100	24mo	D & P Yeatman, Sherborne
Angus	1285	28mo	MJ Coleman & Son, Blandford				
Friesian	1202	20mo	AD Mcintosh, Swindon				
Swedish Red	900	23mo	D & P Yeatman, Sherborne				

# FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

## STORE CATTLE

**TOTAL  
HEAD  
SOLD  
531**

**Starts 10.30am**

**AUCTIONEERS:**

TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263 916

LESTER WILLIAMS 07778 646 031

### **STEERS TO £1792 HEIFERS TO £1515**

Store cattle to a seriously dear trade at Frome with all grades just as dear as previous weeks. Forward cattle holding firm in value evident by the excellent prices achieved today. Plenty of buyers for younger, long term grazing cattle seeing all well sold.

Over 750 head of Store cattle sold this week between Monday & Friday sales.

### **BREEDING CATTLE**

Cows & calves to £1860, averaged £1486 per outfit; Breeding bulls to £2150 and In calf cows to £1390

A fantastic trade for all breeding stock. An excellent consignment of cows & calves from AR & A Smith saw Charolais cows with 5mo Limousin calves top at £1860. Angus with 6mo Parthenaise heifer calves to £1760. Similar quality outfits from the same home to £1740, £1700, £1690 and £1600. Angus with Beef Shorthorn calves to £1780 from ER Alvis & Son.

A genuine dispersal of cows & calves from Keith & Vanessa Parkinson saw Angus cows with Angus calves at foot (1mo) to £1850, £1720, £1480 and In calf Angus cows to £1180. Younger outfits to £1580 for Hereford with an Angus heifer calf from JW Saxton & Sons to £1300, £1270, £1260 and £1200.

Breeding bulls to £2150 for a cracking Pedigree Blonde from P Russell & Son (28mo). Hereford bulls to £1680 from Cloverlait Ltd (36mo).

### **YOUNG CONTINENTAL**

Strong demand for young Continental cattle driven by competition and demand for longer-term and medium-term grazing types. Blue x steers from Bown & Son to £1375 (15mo) and others £1210 (13mo). British Blue x steers from DL Clark Partnership to £950 (14mo). Blue heifers to £1160 (13mo). Well bred single suckled heifers with shape and cover to £1125. Hereford x (14mo) and Simmental x £1098 for the same age. A good consignment of pure bred Limousin steers and heifers saw steers to £1000 (12mo) and £945 (10mo) from Des Beatty and heifers from the same home £845 (12mo).

YOUNG STEERS				YOUNG HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1455	15mo	CJ Wells & Sons, Purton	Angus	1265	17mo	MJ Bendall & Prtrs, Corston
Blue	1375	15mo	Bown & Son Ltd, Haydon	Blue	1160	16mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton
Simmental	1175	14mo	CSA Holdings, Trowbridge	Hereford	1125	14mo	PD & AP Abbatt, Devizes
South Devon	1160	14mo	A & D Robinson	Simmental	1110	15mo	CSA Holdings, Trowbridge
Limousin	1000	13mo	D Beatty, Southwick	South Devon	995	13mo	A & D Robinson, Corsham

## FRIESIAN & FLECKVIEH

Fleckvieh steers led the way with fleshed steers selling to a strong £1415 (33mo) from Paul Hurd and family of Warminster. Younger Fleckvieh steers selling to £1260 (19mo) from James and Katie Read of Marlborough and their British Friesian and Holstein steers both equally sold well to £1260 (19mo) with younger steers to £1230, £1100 and £1060. Good turn out steers wanted selling to £990 (15mo) from Bown & Son Ltd of Wells, £875 from P Smith of Westbury and yearling steers to £870 (13mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd.

## ANGUS

Over 120 Angus on offer today with farm assured, named sire and well grown for age making the best premium trade. Forward steers a highlight with fleshed types selling from £1640 (24mo) to £1648 (25mo) all from Durnell & Sons of Chippenham and closely followed at £1600 (18mo) from Simon Bendall of Bath. Younger well-presented steers also keenly sought after from £1300 - £1455 (15mo) all from CJ Wells & Sons of Swindon, £1405 from James and Katie Read of Marlborough, £1250 (17mo) from A Doman & Co of Bath, £1210 from PC Coward of Shaftesbury, £1125 (15mo) from CSA Holdings of Trowbridge and yearling steers to £1060 (12mo) from CJ Wells.

An excellent show of heifers met an outstanding trade with fleshed heifers from £1265 - £1425 (17-19mo) from Simon Bendall, £1298 - £1415 (23-24mo) from Martin Few and family of Warminster and £1300 - £1310 (all 20mo) from Bryan Read Ltd. Good bulling heifers wanted and selling well to £1145 from P Smith of Westbury, £1100 from Rob and Charlotte Stott of Wells and £1095 (18mo) from Nigel Doman. Yearling heifers sold equally well to a massive £1090 (only 14mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd, £990 (13mo) from CJ Wells & Sons and £920 from Amy and Elaine Sheppard of Corsham.

## HEREFORD

What a show of Herefords with strength wanted as seen from the fleshed steers from Bill and Valerie Masters of Yeovil selling to a whopping £1640 (31mo). Younger feeding steers also sold well from £1400 - £1500 (19-20mo) from Simon Bendall of Bath and £1295 (19mo) from James & Katie Read of Marlborough. Turn out steers wanted and sold to £1035 from WD & BP Rose & Son of Chippenham and £1015 from P Smith of Westbury. Yearling steers also a highlight to £878 (15mo) from Amy and Elaine Sheppard and £860 (13mo) from SN Ellis & Son of Frome. What a show of heifers with wonderfully presented fleshed heifers from NGW & PA Helyer of Salisbury selling from £1350 - £1480 (25-26mo), £1300 (22mo) from Bryan Read Ltd and £1240 from Martin Few and family of Warminster. Good bulling heifers also met a fast trade to £1190 from P Smith, £1130 - £1145 from Bryan Read Ltd and £1095 from Brian Trott of Castle Cary. Bulling size yearling heifers sold well to £1125 (14mo) from PD & AP Abbatt of Devizes and their younger heifers with bulling potential to £900. Other heifers also keenly sought to £875 (15mo) from A & E Sheppard, £810 from Hobbs Bottom Farm of Corsham and £705 (only 13mo) from SN Ellis & Son of Frome.

## FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Thank you to all the vendors and hauliers for presenting an outstanding entry of quality cattle today. British Blues continue to set the trade for the day with well reared steers taking top honours and selling to £1792 (31mo) from Bill and Valerie Masters of Yeovil. Younger Blues were also keenly sought after with the excellent consignment from regular vendors James & Katie Read of Marlborough selling their steers from £1380 to a massive £1560 at only 19mo. Other good entries of Blues also sold well to £1400 (21mo) from Brian Trott of Castle Cary, £1375 (15mo) from Bown & Son Ltd of Wells and £1295 from Colin Ridout and family of Evershot; their Limousin steers showed well and met a fast trade to £1385 (21mo) and just topped at £1435 (23mo) from PJ & SL Bond of Trowbridge. Shapely Parthenaise steers wanted with older steers selling to £1300 from Paul Hurd and family of Warminster. Heifers met another fast trade with Limousin heifers from Bryan Read Ltd topping at £1515 (27mo) and their wonderful show of 14 Blue heifers selling from £1315 - £1385 (all 20mo). Large framed Parthenaise heifers met keen bidding from £1190 - £1205 from Paul Hurd. Young Blue heifers with bulling potential wanted and sold well to £1160 (16mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd. Blonde bullers also met a fast trade to £1110 (21mo) from P Smith of Westbury and Simmental Bullers £1110 (15mo) from CSA Holdings of Trowbridge.



FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
<b>Blue</b>	<b>1792</b>	31mo	WD & VJ Masters, Ilchester	<b>Limousin</b>	<b>1515</b>	27mo	Bryan Read Ltd, Marlborough
<b>Angus</b>	<b>1648</b>	25mo	Durnell & Sons, Chippenham	<b>Hereford</b>	<b>1480</b>	26mo	NGW & PA Helyer, Salisbury
<b>Hereford</b>	<b>1640</b>	31mo	WD & VJ Masters, Ilchester	<b>Angus</b>	<b>1425</b>	19mo	MJ Bendall & Prtrs, Corston
<b>Limousin</b>	<b>1435</b>	23mo	PJ & SL Bond, Trowbridge	<b>Blue</b>	<b>1385</b>	20mo	Bryan Read Ltd, Marlborough
<b>Fleckvieh</b>	<b>1415</b>	33mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill	<b>Continental</b>	<b>1205</b>	33mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill
<b>Continental</b>	<b>1300</b>	32mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill	<b>Blonde</b>	<b>1110</b>	21mo	P Smith, Westbury
<b>Murray Grey</b>	<b>1230</b>	19mo	Bryan Read Ltd, Marlborough	<b>Beef Shorthorn</b>	<b>1000</b>	23mo	WD & BP Rose & Son, Dauntsey
<b>Blonde</b>	<b>1175</b>	20mo	CF Ridout & Son, Ltd, Evershot	<b>Red Poll</b>	<b>915</b>	24mo	WD & BP Rose, Dauntsey

## Chaplain's Prayer

'For Lo the winter is well past...the rain is over and gone(!?) The Flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in our Land!'(Song of Solomon 2 v 11-12) Why do birds compete in beautiful song at dawn? Worth pondering me thinks. This week we give thanks for the commitment of all who's work requires them to rise early, especially those within our farming community, and remember all those for whom the lengthening days bring extra workload!?



However, some are struggling to cope? Remember to check up on your neighbour? Especially those you're not in regular contact with? Here's some contacts who can and WILL help: FCN, call 0300 111 999, or email [help@fcn.org.uk](mailto:help@fcn.org.uk) RABI 0800 188 4444, Open mental Health: 7 days support 01823 276892, Samaritans: call 116 123, or: [jo@samaritans.org](http://jo@samaritans.org)

We had a visit from the Avon and Somerset Police rural affairs team last Wednesday....Recorded crimes went from just over 400 in 21/22 to 500 in 23/24. Crime is under reported!?! I had a long chat with the unit at the market, and was impressed by their commitment and resolve to help Farmers and landowners who need advice re their security for themselves and property! Don't be afraid to ask their advice or to report a rural crime!?! Also, they have 'Farm Watch' posters available for your farm gate and vulnerable premises. Finally!' As the Sun rises, Lord may your hope rise up in us; As the birds sing, may your love flow out of us; And as the light floods into the new Day, MAY YOUR JOY shine through us 🙌🙏❤️ Blessings to you! Neville.. Chaplain at Frome Livestock market, Standerwick (07880770887)



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