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### SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

### **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1316**



### **TRADE AT A GLANCE**

PRIME CATTLE TO 300P/KG & £1946 CULL COWS TO 211P/KG & £1896 SPRING LAMBS TO 310P/KG & £144 CULL EWES/RAMS TO £170 TO £2400 STORE LAMBS DAIRY TO £40 PIGS TO £340 CALVES TO £470 STORE STEERS TO £1495 STORE HEIFERS TO £1780

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### WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

A busy market today with good entries in all sections. Some excellent consignments of Dairy cattle met a packed ringside of buyers. A good entry of prime cattle and lambs with a few more cull cows about. Calves a fast trade and pigs dearer on the fortnight.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1008

#### PRIME CATTLE (58) to 300p/kg and £1946 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Another good turnout of prime cattle forward this week selling to a firmer trade overall. Some well finished cattle overall in high demand from wholesale butchers and the leaner cattle wanted to feed on. All grades dearer on the week particularly the standard quality O grade sorts with good finish.

TOP PRICE STEER	300p/kg for a Limousin from WA Waterman							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	287p/kg for a Blue from RE & AM Hicks							
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	No MIN P/KG MAX P/KG						
STEERS								
Light 100-550kg	7	256.00	294.00					
Medium 551-650kg	22	230.00	300.00					
Heavy 651kg+	7	219.00	253.00					
Light 100-500kg	9	240.00	287.00					
Medium 501-590kg	12	215.00	269.00					
Heavy 651kg+	1	260.00	260.00					

#### UTM STEERS (36) Max. 300p/kg & £1946

A good show of steers overall selling to a faster trade. Best grade steers with shape and cover from WA Waterman topped at 300p/kg and 298p/kg for two cracking Limousin steers grossing £1677 and £1683 respectively. A super run of steers from RE & AM Hicks reached 294p/kg for handy weight Blue steers and £1678.

Charolais x from RE & AM Hicks to 287p/kg and £1684, Blonde x to 283p/kg and £1610 with others from 274p/kg to 282p/kg. Top gross price steer to £1946 for a Hereford from JA Davey. Angus to 279p/kg for handy weight well fed steers. A cracking run of Hereford x steers from RH & JA Amor to 278p/kg, 269p/kg, 266p/kg up to £1669. Blues to £1860 from WJ EM & SA Masters and Simmental to £1616 from CA AC Alvis. 36 steers averaged 266p/kg overall.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	300.00	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton	1683	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton		
Blue	294.00	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning	1860	WJ EM SJ Masters, Wells		
Charolais	287.00	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning	1744	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning		
Blonde	283.00	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning	1610	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning		
Angus	279.00	S Powell, Horton	1515	S Powell, Horton		
Hereford	278.00	S Powell, Horton	1946	JA Davey, Tadwick		
Simmental	241.00	CA AC Alvis, Oakhill	1616	CA AC Alvis, Oakhill		
Friesian	219.00	DO Webb, Stratton on the Fosse	1525	DO Webb, Stratton on the Fosse		

### UTM HEIFERS (22) Max. 287p/kg & £1946

A good run of handy weight Continental heifers from RG & AM Hicks topped at 289p/kg for British Blue x and 280p/kg for Limousin x. Hereford heifers from N & MT Ashwin reached 269p/kg and 265p/kg from MJ Berry. Suckler bred Angus with good cover from KE & AM Rostigina to 268p/kg and £1354. Top gross price £1506 for an OTM Limousin heifer from CA AC Alvis. 22 heifers averaged 259p/kg overall.

UTM HEIFERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR		VENDOR		
Blue	287.00	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning	1363	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning		
Limousin	280.00	RE & AM Hicks, Pilning	1506	CA AC Alvis, Oakhill		
Hereford	269.00	N & MJ Ashwin, Pilning	1491	MJ Berry, Castle Cary		
Angus	268.00	KE & AM Rostigina, Brokenhurst	1551	BJ & EM Yandle, Martock		
Charolais	265.00	AH Collins, Congresbury	1311	AH Collins, Congresbury		
Speckled Park	260.00	N & MJ Ashwin, Pilning	1157	N & MJ Ashwin, Pilning		
Friesian	215.00	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury	1256	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury		

### CULL COWS (34) Beef to 211p/kg Dairy to 180p/kg

A few more cows forward this week selling to a consistently strong trade for all grades. Meat grade 1 cows wanted topping at 211p/kg for British Blue x and £1719 for Simmental x. Angus with good cover to 204p/kg and £1554 and Fleckvieh to 198p/kg and £1651. Stabiliser cows to 195p/kg achieving the top gross price of £1896 from J Fielding & Son. Grade 3 and 4 cows wanted with feeding potential and to kill.

Grade 1 cows 194p/kg to 211p/kg

Grade 2 cows 179p/kg to 192p/kg

Grade 3 cows 163p/kg to 180p/kg

Grade 4 cows	126p/kg to	146p/kg
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CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Blue	211.00	I & J Holmes & Co Ltd, Foxcote	1275	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley		
Angus	204.00	Kingsdown Farm Ltd, Longbridge Deverill	1554	Kingsdown Farm Ltd, Longbridge Deverill		
Simmental	200.00	HJ Marklove, Swindon	1719	DAM Markove, Swindon		
Fleckvieh	198.00	G Patch, Chilcompton	1651	G Patch, Chilcompton		
Stabiliser	195.00	Fielding & Son, Worton	1896	Fielding & Son, Worton		
Charolais	190.00	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley	1481	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley		
Hereford	190.00	S Powell, Horton	1313	B Chamberlain, Cheddar		
Limousin	180.00	Kingsdown Farm Ltd, Longbridge Deverill	1181	Kingsdown Farm Ltd, Longbridge Deverill		
Welsh Park	189.00	CB Cooper Partnership, Swindon	1321	CB Cooper Partnership, Swindon		
Friesian	180.00	PJ JM & Evans, Colerne	1229	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham		

We are all very sad to learn that John Ponzo passed away last week at his home suddenly.

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#### SHEEP (480) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737

### PRIME LAMBS (313) Max 310p/kg £144

A respectable entry of lambs forward which sold to a stand on trade. Best lambs still over 300p/kg topping at 310p/kg from Stuart Coombes of Bridgwater and £144 from regular supporter Sue Bishop. Light weights topping at 310p/kg from TFT Handy and £114.50 from TM & RM Godwin. Handy weights to 310p/kg from Stuart Coombes and £139.50 from Pat Apsey. Heavies to 291p/kg and £144 from Sue Bishop. Over 52kg to 257p/kg from BL Tayler & Partners and £135 from TFT Handy. More lambs needed each week as more buyers now looking for feeding types.

PRIME LAMBS					
KG	£	Vendor			
48.50	144.00	SA Bishop, Bristol			
48.00	142.00	RJ Lyons, West Harptree			
50.50	140.00	E Bowen, Keynsham			
43.50	135.00	S Coombes, Ashcott			
43.00	130.00	DR & PS Osborne, Queen Charlton			
40.00	120.00	TFT Handy, Purton			
39.50	116.50	TM & RM Godwin, Romsey			

### CULL EWES & RAMS (162) Max £170

A larger entry of ewes which enjoyed a faster trade with best flying to £170 from M Camilleri. Plenty of ewes £140 - £160. Mules to £125 with plenty £110+. Plainer ewes £100+ with only the very small under £70.



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#### PIGS (230) Start 10.15am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A reduced entry this week sold to another flyer for all forward. All fat pigs selling well to an impressive £207.46. A new market record!

### FAT PIGS (92)

The usual good entry from PB Weeks & Son sold very well to £244, £240 twice and £224. Other heavies to £235 from N Welch of Sparsholt. Lighter sorts from J Bodman sold well to £205 and others to £204 from N Legge of Herefordshire. Coloured lighter fat pigs selling well to £190 from T Powell of Droitwich.

### **STORE PIGS (66)**

More stores forward selling to a good trade again. Numbers nationally still very tight. Stronger stores to £80 from C Tucker. Nice 9w/o Duroc x Saddleback stores to £70 from PJ Snook. Younger 6w/o White stores to £66 from CE Tombs.

### CULL SOWS & BOARS 72()

Best culls topping at £340 from JR Bodman with others to £298 from C Down and £272 and £270 from B Johns. Overall average £192.94.

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#### DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Calved Heifers to £2400, £1980

A terrific day in the section with close to 100 head penned for sale. The ring was full of buyers and bidders who were all keen for the different Dairy types on offer. Fresh milk very much in demand which saw top spot to RJ Goss & Son for their 'Rookhay' daughter at £2400. Plenty of fresh milk £1750 - £2000 with good smart 'Applejax' daughters from Michelmersh Manor at £1980. Two excellent consignments of in-calf heifers forward this week. The first saw 32 sweet British Friesian August – October calving heifers from the Drake family (auctioneers having dispersed the herd). Bidding and interest was excellent and all averaged £1308 and peaked at £1600.

Next up were 25 quality Montbeliarde, Friesian and Norwegian Red cross bred heifers from Rotherfield Estate. Bidding was strong and twice to £1520 seeing an average of £1400! We then turned to the bulling heifers which saw 15 super 15-16mo home bred Friesian Holsteins from Mark & Jody Reed averaging £860. Older 22mo Friesian x bullers selling well to £900. Friesian Holstein heifer calves to £80. Overall, an excellent trade and day in this section with marvellous support from vendors and buyers alike. Well done and thank you.

### FORTHCOMING DAIRY ENTRIES

WEDNESDAY24 Pedigree Holstein Friesian In Calf Heifers31<sup>st</sup> JULYPd+ Due 22<sup>nd</sup> August to Pedigree Angus, home bred,<br/>closed herd, genuine dispersal<br/>48 month TB testing – last clear test April 2024



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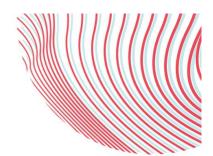


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#### CALVES (117) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A stronger trade on the week and a good entry of quality calves. CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £470/ HEIFERS TO £320

Super sonic Limousin bulls from Richard Durston soaring to £470 and his Limousin heifers to £320. Cracking Blue x Bulls from J Sprake & Partners to £405, £375, £332 and £330. Blue heifers from the same home to £302, £292 and £268. Smart Blue bulls from DA James to £320; older sorts from Elliscombe Farm to £332. A tidy Limousin heifer from RE Trowbridge to £290. Nice Blue heifers from DIVA Ltd to £280. A Charolais Bul from WG Ogborne to £308 and a Simmental bull from DBH Miles to £308.

### NATIVE BULLS TO £275/ HEIFERS TO £250

Older harder Angus bulls from Elliscombe Farm to £275 and heifers to £250. Angus bulls from JAW Bendall to £230, from J Hill also to £230 and Kingston Farms to £225 who also had Angus heifers to £188. Younger Angus heifers looking a firm trade. Herefords and other natives in short supply. A young Longhorn heifer to £72 from JR & DC Hiscock.

### DAIRY

A bright trade with best Holstein Friesian sorts from DBH Miles to £94, £56 from JR Meeker and £49 from PA & VJ Hiscock. Ayrshire bulls from BA Marsh to £73. ARLA black & white bulls a hard sell with best sorts to £32 from WG Ogborne. Smaller cross bred types from £1 - £20. Please pre book calves to enable buyer procurement.

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### FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 308

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS

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### STEERS TO £1495 HEIFERS TO £1780

A good entry of store cattle for the time of year. Some excellent consignments of younger farming/grazing cattle selling exceptionally well influenced by grass growth. Confidence in short-term forward stores and medium framed cattle wanted to feed and graze.

#### ORGANIC

A few extra organics today and all met with a very strong trade. Good dairy cross Angus steers and heifers from Moxeys Farm were eagerly sought. 15/16 month old Angus cross steers to £950, 19 month to £1130 and 29 month steers to an excellent £1440! 16-18 month heifers from the same home at £800.

#### BULLS

Charolais cross feeding bulls to  $\pm 1120$  (12 months) and younger Hereford cross to  $\pm 768$ . Feeding bulls wanted each week.

#### **YOUNG CONTINENTAL**

Plenty of trade for the young continentals as the recent rain bringing a flash of grass. Dairy x Blue 8-month-old steers and heifers seeing very lively bidding with nice types from CJ & CJ Pople £845 & £790 respectively. Suckler bred young stores again dear with everyone keen to purchase. Smart 11 month Charolais steers from C G Young to £1100 and heifers £795. Grand bunches of Limousin and Simmental cross steers from regular vendor Philliols farm all selling to £1135 at just 11 months old! Limousin heifers 8 months from the same home at £828. Ross & Claire Whitcombe saw strong prices for their homebred Charolais heifers 6 months to a marvellous £785! Well done top all who supported this section.

#### FRIESIAN

Demand outstrips supply with all grades selling to advantage. More heifers coming forward with fleshed heifers selling from £1060 to £1140 (24 month) from TC Cox of Dorchester and closely following by £1170 to £1138 (23 to 30 months) from HG Perkins & Son of Radstock. Younger heifers also sold well to £825 from Philip Trowbridge of Shaftesbury.

Steers also met keen competition with British Friesians from £1155 to £1295 (23-24 months) from PJ Mattick of Chilcompton and Holsteins to £1065 (only 16 months) from Colin Pople & Family of Winterbourne Steepleton. Yearling steers wanted and sold to £738 (11 months) from A & M Gregory & Sons of Corsham.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Simmental	1135	15m	Philliols Farm, Wareham	Hereford	895	16m	C Fear, Radstock
Limousin	1115	15m	Philliols Farm, Wareham	Limousin	828	13m	Philliols Farm, Wareham
Stabiliser	1100	13m	C G Young, Wincanton	Angus	800	12m	A & M Gregory & Sons, Corsham
Holstein Friesian	1065	16m	CJ & CJ Pople, Steepleton	Charolais	795	13m	C G Young, Wincanton
Angus	1045	17m	RC Few & son, Longbridge Dervil	Blue	790	10m	CJ & CJ Pople, Steepleton

#### **HEREFORD**

An excellent consignment of Hereford steers from D & N Randall & son topped the steer section at £1340 and medium-term sorts with potential £1185 and £1140 from P & L Gordge. Heifers from D & N Randall & Son £1295 for a pen of 3 and £1200 for a pen of 4. Hereford heifers from TAH Whitcombe £1090 and Beef Shorthorns to £1075. Younger grazing Herefords very dear topping at £715 twice for two nice bunches of 6 and 10 heifers at 8 months from S & G Gould & Son. Steers from the same consignment £700 for a bunch of 7 at 8 months.

### ANGUS

Angus in dear demand and a firm trade again this week. Mostly medium framed and younger grazing cattle. Forward Angus to £1495 for a well-grown steer from DM & BM Gordge and similar quality from the same consignment £1325, £1195. Angus heifers again from DL & BM Gordge to £1360, £1352 and £1302. Medium framed steers to £1068 for an even pen of 9 and £1045 for a single steer from RC Few & son. Heifers with growth and potential to £1065 and £1042 from CJ & CJ Pople.

Younger Angus in high demand. Single suckled steers in high demand to £835 for 10 months from RJ Hopkins and £830 from PN Drew others to £768 for 9 months from CJ & CJ Pople and 8 months to £738 from RJ Hopkins. Yearling heifers to £800 from A & M Gregory & Sons. Suckler bred Angus heifers to £735 for 6-8 months from RA & CL Whitcombe.

### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Younger forward cattle wanted with bidding exceeding expectations. Top honours goes again to Rob Fry of Calne with his super Charolais heifers selling to a massive £1780 (24m). Rouge Flamande steers also keenly sought after with 23 month steers selling to £1390 from PJ Mattick of Chilcompton. Grazing cattle wanted and sold well with Blue steers selling from £1155 to £1175 (only 20 to 21 months) all from Martin & Paul Few & family of Longbridge Deverill. Younger quality suckle bred Simmental steers equally sold well to £1135 (12 to 15 months) from Philliols Farm, Wareham, and their Limousin steers to £1115 (15 months)Heifers continue to sell well with Rob Fry's other Charolais to £1405. Well grown dairy crosses wanted with Bue heifers selling for £1395 to £1405 (26m) all from Derek Gordge of family and family of Dorchester and Simmental heifers to £1240 from Stuart Perkins & family of Radstock. Well presented Charolais bulling heifers also sold well to £1130 (21m) from Martin & Paul Few.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1495	26m	DL & BM Gordge, Batcombe	Charolais	1780	24m	PW Fry & Son, Calne
Rouge Flamande	1390	23m	PJ Mattick, Radstock	Fleckveih	1480	22m	CJ & CJ Pople, Steepleton
Hereford	1340	23m	D & N Randall, Wareham	Blue	1405	26m	DL & BM Gordge, Batcombe
British Friesian	1295	24m	PJ Mattick, Radstock	Angus	1360	26m	DL & BM Gordge, Batcombe
Blue	1175	21m	R C Few & son, Longbridge Deverill	Hereford	1295	21m	D & N Randall, Wareham

### Chaplain's Prayer

This prayer is especially fitting for a farmer 🙂

'Your Spirit, Lord, is around me in the air I breathe; your glory touches me in the light that I see and the fruitfulness of the earth and the joy of its creatures! You have written for me your revelation, as you have granted me my daily bread; teach me how to receive it with gratitude, thanks and Joy!'



The Last government had published the league tables for the top 20 councils taking firm action against fly tipping..... over half of these councils are in London!? Of the rest, only very few are within what is classed as a rural area Ply tipping is now a major issue for farmers and can cost £000's to have rubbish removed by a licensed contractor. See link <u>Https://tinyurl.com/3pfhnszp</u> for more information....

Here's numbers you will need if you need help with farming or familial problems that you are struggling with and are getting you down **FCN: 03000 111 999** <u>help@fcn.org.uk</u> **RABI 0800 188 4444, Open mental health:** 01823 276892, **Samaritans:** 116 123, jo@samaritans.org

I came across this very appropriate poem entitled '**Don't Quit':** When things go wrong as they often will, when the road your trudging seems all uphill; When the funds are low and the debts are high and you want to sigh; when all is pressing you down a bit, rest if you must but don't you quit... Success is failure turned inside out, the silver tint on the clouds of doubt! And you can never tell how close you are ...it may be near when it seems far? So...stick to the fight when you're hardest hit, cos it's when things go wrong that **you must not quit!**?

At time of writing we are 3 days into the new Labour government! They will want to impress , so let's pray that our strong farming lobby will keep them in line with their promises to help the farming and rural community!?

I can be reached on 07880770887 🙂 Remember to check on a neighbour you may not have seen in a while?

Blessings and love to you all 💙

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