### FROME LIVESTOCK

### **AUCTIONEERS LTD**

# SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 22ND NOVEMBER 2024

### **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1196**



#### TRADE AT A GLANCE

TO 220P/KG & £1576 PRIME CATTLE TO 294P/KG & £1842 CULL COWS/BULLS SPRING LAMBS TO 324P/KG & £155 CULL EWES/RAMS TO £130 STORE LAMBS TO £125 CALVES. TO £390 REARED CALVES TO £760 DAIRY TO £2000 STORE STEERS STORE HEIFERS TO £1680 TO £1600

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# FROME LIVESTOCK AUCTIONEERS LTD CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

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WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NORMAL MARKET TO INCLUDE STORE CATTLE/PIGS

THURSDAY 19TH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NO MARKET BUT OFFICE OPEN MORNING ONLY

MONDAY 23RD OFFICE OPEN MORNING ONLY

TUESDAY 24TH MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY 25TH | MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED

THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED

MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARKET OPEN FOR ALL STOCK (EXCLUDING PIGS)

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JANUARY

TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY 3RD NO MARKET BUT OFFICE OPEN

#### To book in stock for Monday 30th December please call:

Bradley Towell	Cattle/Cull Cows	07496 263916
Tom Rogers	Calves	07384 462288
Ross Whitcombe	Sheep	07815 985737
Clive Peach	Sheep	07970 620859
Trevor Rowland	Dairy	07968 480401

#### WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

Increased demand and competition in all sections this week. Prime stock wanted for Christmas kill reflected in the prices achieved. More prime cattle forward selling to an unbelievable trade. Cows faster again this week and lambs firmer. A good quality entry of genuine Dairy cattle selling to a crowded ringside. Calf and reared calf numbers strong for the time of year.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 874

# PRIME CATTLE (49) to 294p/kg and £1842 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Prime cattle unbelievably dear driven by strong demand and competition in the lead up to the festive period. Up to 15 buyers present and represented looking to source numbers ensuring all well sold. Mostly standard quality R and O grade cattle forward.

TOP PRICE STEER	294p/kg for a Hereford from AR Smith						
TOP PRICE HEIFER	PRICE HEIFER 291p/kg for a Blue from MJ Berry						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG				
STEERS							
Light 100-500kg	12	208.00	294.00				
Medium 501-590kg	18	200.00	284.00				
Heavy 651kg+	1	271.00	271.00				
HEIFERS	HEIFERS						
Light 100-500kg	9	234.00	275.00				
Medium 501-590kg	5	269.00	291.00				
Heavy 651kg+	4	244.00	288.00				

#### UTM STEERS (31) Max. 294p/kg £1842

Hereford steers from AR Smith topping this section at 294p/kg and 289p/kg for well bred nice shaped steers. Similar quality from LM Maidment & Sons 284p/kg coming to £1621 in the lump. Top price per head £1842 at 271p/kg for Limousin x from BWR Hasell & Son with others 273p/kg grossing £1771 and lighter weights 281p/kg grossing £1469. Angus from MJ Berry 278p/kg £1587 and 278p/kg £1659 from S Powell. Simmental x from Waddon Farm 261p/kg and Angus 254p/kg grossing £1631. Well fed British Friesians also from Waddon Farm to 250p/kg and £1596.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	REED MAX (p/kg) VENDOR		MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Hereford	294.00	AR Smith, Swanage	1669	S Powell, Horton		
Limousin	282.00	BWR Hasell & Son, Wellow	1842	BWR Hasell & Son, Wellow		
Angus	279.00	S Powell, Horton	1659	S Powell, Horton		
Simmental	274.00	S Powell, Horton	1487	S Powell, Horton		
Blue	264.00	PG Apsey, Wincanton	1496	PG Apsey, Wincanton		
Friesian	250.00	Waddon Farm Ltd, Shepton Mallet	1596	Waddon Farm Ltd, Shepton Mallet		

#### UTM HEIFERS (18) Max. 291p/kg £1799

Blue x heifers with conformation and finish from MJ Berry sailed to 291p/kg and £1713 with others 273p/kg. Limousin heifers from BWR Hasell & Son 285p/kg coming to £1699. Two super Angus heifers from AD Rawlings reached 287p/kg and 285p/kg grossing £1799 and £1741 respectively. Angus from CA AC Alvis 285p/kg and £1553. Hereford from MJ Berry 275p/kg, 269p/kg and Beef Shorthorn 259p/kg.

UTM HEIFERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Blue	291.00	MJ Berry, Castle Cary	1713	MJ Berry, Castle Cary		
Angus	288.00	AD Rawlings, Bradford on Avon	1799	AD Rawlings, Bradford on Avon		
Limousin	285.00	BWR Hasell & Son, Wellow	1699	BWR Hasell & Son, Wellow		
Hereford	275.00	MJ Berry, Castle Cary	1310	MJ Berry, Castle Cary		
Beef Shorthorn	259.00	MJ Berry, Castle Cary	1209	MJ Berry, Castle Cary		
Friesian	244.00	Snook, Yeovil	1513	Snook, Yeovil		

# CULL COWS (41) Beef to 220p/kg Dairy to 215p/kg AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Cows selling to a sharper trade again on the week as supply eases nationally. Grade 1 Charolais cows to 220p/kg from N & S Glover grossing £1514. Feeding cows in demand reaching 217p/kg for Charolais x and 215p/kg for younger Friesians. Heavier grade 1 Friesians to 195p/kg and £1538. Well fed Limousin x to 205p/kg and £1576. Grade 2 Friesians to 182p/kg and £1216. Cows averaged 171p/kg overall.

Grade 1 cows 184p/kg – 220p/kg Grade 2 cows 168p/kg – 186p/kg Grade 3 cows 151p/kg – 216p/kg Grade 4 cows 120p/kg – 147p/kg

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Charolais	220.00	N & S Glover, Yeovil	1514	N & S Glover, Yeovil		
Friesian	215.00	KW Brake & Son Ltd, Frome	1538	RGE Durston, Glastonbury		
Limousin	205.00	N & S Glover, Yeovil	1576	N & S Glover, Yeovil		
Angus	172.00	CA AC Alvis, Oakhill	1323	F Tovey, West Harptree		
Blue	157.00	N & S Glover, Yeovil	1189	N & S Glover, Yeovil		
Simmental	139.00	NR Hitchins, Paulton	700	NR Hitchins, Paulton		

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#### SHEEP (487) Start 10.30am

AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737

#### PRIME LAMBS (355) Max 324p/kg £155

The weather may be cold outside but the trade in the shed today was scorching. Trade nearly 20p/kg dearer again this week with best lambs flying to 324p/kg from Biddesden Farm Partnership and £155 from Alan Dagger. Light lambs flew to 310p/kg and £118 from Steve Bowles and Amy Sheppard. Handy weights to 324p/kg and £143.50 from Biddesden Farm Partnership with heavies to 315p/kg from the same good home and £154 from J Powell & Son. Over 52kg to 280p/kg and £155 from Alan Dagger. More lambs could have been sold to the advantage and more needed each week to keep the buyers coming forward. Prime lambs averaged 50p/kg dearer than this week last year.

PRIME LAMBS					
KG	£	Vendor			
57.50	155.00	A Dagger, Timsbury			
50.00	154.00	J Powell & Son, Frome			
49.00	148.00	S & P Bowles, Bradford on Avon			
47.50	147.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Philip			
46.00	145.00	Biddesden Farm Partnership, Andover			
44.50	143.50	Biddesden Farm Partnership, Andover			
44.00	139.50	J Powell & Son, Frome			
42.00	136.00	Biddesden Farm Partnership, Andover			

#### CULL EWES & RAMS (23) Max £130

Fewer ewes forward which sold to a storming trade. Best flying to £130 from J Powell & Son. Mules to £100 and Welsh ewes to £82. Exmoor Horn tups to £710 from Charles Buckle. Many more could have been sold to the advantage.

#### STORE LAMBS (109) Max £125

The prime may have jumped but the store lambs have jumped to another planet. Best lambs flying to £125 from D & J Foot of Yeovil. Other lambs to £120 with plenty £110 - £120. Overall average to an impressive to 107.48p/kg. Many more could have been sold to the advantage.

#### DAIRY (45) Start 11am

AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401

CALVED HEIFERS TO £2000 CALVED COWS £1780

The Dairy section really came alive today with a number of super quality cattle coming forward. A strong entry of 20 quality home bred Holstein Friesian calved heifers & cows came from NR & D Norris. Trade was very much lively for these grand types with plenty of heifers in excess of £1800. Although 50 – 100 days in milk, 12 sold over £1800 and 4 over £1900. Top spot of £2000 went to an August calved heifer served to 'Jacko' (sexed) Holstein Friesian. 2<sup>nd</sup> lactation cows from the same vendor £1780. Cross bred and British Friesian January calving heifers to £940. 2mo Friesian Holstein calves looked a good buy £150 - £200.

#### REARED CALVES (81) Start 12.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A smaller entry than of late but no reduction in the trade. Many more required to satisfy demand! Very few Continentals here today but those forward were well rewarded.

#### CONTINENTAL STEERS TO £650/ HEIFERS TO £560

Super Limousin steers from Raymonds Farm (only 4mo) to £650 and Charolais x heifers from the same good home at £560. Smart Blue steers from LA Lewis to £648, their Blue bulls to £620 and tidy Simmental bull to £432. Young Blue heifers from NF Clothier & Sons to £320.

#### NATIVE STEERS TO £760/ HEIFERS TO £568

A cracking pair of Angus steers from AJ Harding to £760. A tidy consignment of Angus x from Howard Tratt saw best steers to £620, £608 and £590; Angus heifers from the same home topping the Native trade at £568, £490 and £460. Hereford again from Raymonds Farm to £498 and £450.

Next Sale of Reared Calves Wednesday 4th December

Future Pig Dates: 27<sup>th</sup> November, 11<sup>th</sup> December, 18<sup>th</sup> December & 8<sup>th</sup> January



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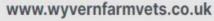


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#### CALVES (175) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

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#### **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £390/ HEIFERS TO £270**

Well-presented Blue bulls from PH Creed & Son flying to £390. Smart younger Blue bulls from RTE Dauncey & Sons to £262, £255 from Henley Grove and £250 from J Sprake & Partners. Blue steers in demand from AK Hosie to £275, £270 and £252; Charolais steers from the same home to £252 and Charolais heifers to £190. A super Blue heifer from AJ Harding sailing all the way to £270. Other good Blue heifers from N & B Hutton to £265, £228 from High House Farm Ltd and AK Hosie & Sons. Young Charolais from NR & D Norris to £168 and Charolais heifers to £155.

#### NATIVE BULLS TO £245/ HEIFERS TO £212

Native calves not trading as fast this week but tidy Angus bulls from Somers Farm Partnership to £245, £212 from N & B Hutton, £170 from GN & KM Langley and £158 from BSJ Ogborne. Angus heifers from PH Creed & Son to £188, £180 from Somers Farm Partnership and £168 from N & B Hutton. Hereford bulls wanted to £192 from RM & CM Johnston and heifers looking a bright trade to £212 from DR & SJ Heal. Longhorn Bull from N & B Hutton to £182.

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#### DAIRY

A bright trade again here with nice rearing Holstein Friesian bulls flying to £205 from High House Farm Dairy. Younger British Friesian bulls from RH & CM Johnston to £95 and £80 from DR & SJ Heal.

Please pre book your calves so we can inform buyers more precisely of stock coming forward. Office: 01373 830033 Tom Rogers: 07384 462288

#### **WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!**

This week's winner of £25 for the top price Continental Sired Heifer under 41 days was a Blue to £270 from AJ Harding.

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# FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 322

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS:

TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401 BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263 916 LESTER WILLIAMS 07778 646 031

STEERS TO £1680

**HEIFERS TO £1600** 

An absolute flyer today from start to finish with all cattle taking a lift in trade again. A good show of proper wintering type cattle saw all to a very competitive trade. A good entry building for next week already. Cattle averaged £1068 overall.

#### **COWS & CALVES / FEEDING BULLS**

Another strong trade in this section; good younger Angus cows with a steer calf at foot to £1480 from Freeman Bros, with their grazing cows at £1410. Older Angus cows with a Simmental steer at foot £1300 and those with heifer calves £1150. More Angus cows with younger calves £1360 & £1160.

#### YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Although later in the season the demand for the younger continentals is very hot and as the finish product sees price increase it reflects on the younger cattle. Neil & Sharon Glover again presenting quality Charolais steers 7mo with bunches at £1030 & £1025. A super entry of Limousin outwintered steers and heifers from Roger Coombes and family had a wonderful trade; their 8mo steers to £960 and 6mo at £845, 13mo steers to an amazing £1280, 15-18mo heifers from the same home at £905! Hard outwintered dairy x Blue steers 10mo from Sarah Byrne had a cracking sale at £845. Good conformation well grown Blue steers were wanted and 12mo from the Ritchens family topped to £1070. New, but now regular vendor, Scott Kingston saw his 15mo Blue steers at £1145.

#### **ANGUS**

Strong demand with quality wanted and selling well to £1590 twice (only 20mo) from HG & RHJ Davey of Tadwick. Good feeding steers also in demand selling from £1170 to £1445 (18-19mo) from Brian & Megan Taylor of

Chippenham, £1275 to £1430 (21mo) from Steve & Rich Weeden of Weymouth and £1270 (19mo) from Michael & Giles Coleman of Milton Abbas. Fewer heifers forward with best selling to an exceptional £1365 (21mo) from Tom & Martin Bartlett. Bulling heifers equally sought after to £1145 (19mo) from Michael & Giles Coleman, £1070 (19m) from Brian & Megan Tayler and £1005 (15mo) from S Kingston. Yearling steers wanted with keen bidding forcing the best to £1145 (14mo) from PWT Doar of Sherborne and £970 from S Kingston and younger steers to £888 (10mo) from Sarah Byrne of Frome, £800 from Pete Cooke of Yeovil and £785 for AR Barnett of Bridgwater.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Simmental	1595	16mo	SH Weeden t/a HJ Weeden, Weymouth	Simmental	1405	16mo	SH Weeden t/a HJ Weeden, Weymouth
Limousin	1495	16mo	Hares Partnership, Warminster	Blonde	1030	8mo	C & RL Gapper, Wick
Friesian	1145	17mo	PW Keen & Sons, Chilcote	Angus	1005	15mo	S Kingston, Tresham
Angus	1145	14mo	PWT Doar, Sherborne	Limousin	905	7mo	L & H Coombes, Martock
Blue	1145	15mo	S Kingston Tresham	Hereford	812	12mo	M & A Kerby, Gillingham
Hereford	1055	12mo	RVW & LEA Ritchens, Trowbridge	Blue	775	12mo	S Byrne, Frome
Fleckvieh	1030	14mo	HJ Moody & Son, Templecombe				

#### **HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES**

What a trade with outstanding, well-presented cattle forward. The amazing entry from Phil Randall of Wareham took top honours of the day with his forward steers selling to £1680 (only 21mo) and his feeding steers from £1210 to another massive £1500 (20mo). Other excellent consignments equally sold well to an exceptional £1620 (only 20mo) from R Carpenter of Pensford. Heifers from Phil Randall set the trade for the day selling to £1405 (24mo) and his younger heifers from £1150, £1180 to £1295 (only 20mo). Yearling steers also sold to an exceptional trade £1005 to £1055 (11-12mo) all from RVW & LEA Ritchens of Trowbridge and £995 (10mo) from HA Dudden of Cheddar

and his 7mo steers to £815. Yearling heifers wanted and selling well to £812 (12mo) from M & A Kerby of Gillingham.

#### FRIESIAN & FLECKVIEH

An outstanding trade with more forward types on offer. Over age Friesian steers selling to an exceptional £1385 (32mo) from Steve & Rich Weeden of Weymouth and others keenly sought after from £1145, £1148, £1150 to £1188 (17-20mo) all from Pat Keen of Wells and £1065 (20mo) from Phil Randall of Wareham. Fleckvieh steers met strong demand with best young steers to an amazing £1320 (only 18mo) and £1260 all from Olly Hares of Warminster and yearly steers to a massive £1030 (14mo) and younger steers to £898 all from HJ Moody & Son of Henstridge.

#### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Trade goes from strength to strength as the finished prices remain firm. Electric bidding forced prices to outstanding levels with Blue steers selling to a massive £1660 (30mo) from B & P White of Castle Cary and £1590 from Steve & Rich Weeden of Weymouth; their younger Simmentals steers also a highlight from £1495 to £1595 (only 16mo) closely followed at £1565 (20mo) from Olly Hares of Warminster. His Limousin steers also selling to an outstanding £1495 (only 16mo) and others to £1400 (17mo) from Tom & Martin Bartlett of Weymouth. Younger Blue steers wanted and selling well to £1450 from HG & RHJ Davey of Tadwick and £1355 from R Carpenter of Pensford. Heifers equally sought after with Limousin heifers selling from £1545 to £1600 (19-20mo) all from Tom & Martin Bartlett, £1470 (20mo) from R Capenter and £1455 from PW, CC & JC Gould of Norton Ferris; their Blue heifers another highlight selling from £1432 to £1545 (28mo) and closely followed at £1505 (31mo) from B & P White and £1380 (19mo) from Olly Hares. Simmental bulling heifers an exceptional demand selling to £1405 (16mo) from Steve & Rich Weeden & Family and £1320 (19mo) from Mike Massey of Stoke St Michael.

FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Hereford	1680	21mo	D & N Randall & Son, Wareham	Limousin	1600	20mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth
Blue	1660	30mo	B & P White, Castle Cary	Blue	1545	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris
Angus	1590	20mo	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick	Hereford	1405	24mo	D & N Randall & Son, Wareham
Simmental	1495	21mo	SH Weeden t/a HJ Weeden, Weymouth	Angus	1365	21mo	SH Weeden t/a HJ Weeden, Weymouth
Limousin	1392	23mo	Hares Partnership, Warminster	Simmental	1330	20mo	M & MR Massey, Stoke St Michael
Friesian	1385	32mo	SH Weeden t/a HJ Weeden, Weymouth				

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Last week was **Remembrance Day** on Sunday 10.... Father of all, remember your Holy promise, and look with love on all your people, living and departed On this day, we especially ask that you would hold forever all who have suffered during war, and those who returned scarred by warfare; those who waited anxiously at home, and those who returned wounded and disillusioned mentally and physically; those who mourned and those Farming communities



that were diminished and suffered loss. Remember those who acted with kindly compassion, those who bravely risked their own lives for their Comrades and who in the aftermath of war worked tirelessly for a more peaceful world. As you remember them, remember us O Lord; Grant us Peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's Kingdom! This, as always, we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour... Amen.'

Please, if you recognize that a farming friend is struggling to cope with life...for any reason call(if they ask you to!) ...or maybe they just need fellowship?...FCN(The farming community network)03000 111 999; <a href="mailto:help@fcn.org.uk">help@fcn.org.uk</a> The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI) 0808 281 9490; Samaritans free helpline 116 123...

All involved with farming will have heard the unwelcome news about the reduction in the Agricultural Property Relief and how this decision will affect whether a farm can viably be handed on to the next generation? British farms are already stretched to breaking point after a decade of tightening margins, cost inflation, and extreme weather events...it will also make producing food more expensive, meaning either the supply chain or the consumer will bear the brunt!? However, farmers are fighting back! Tomorrow (Tuesday 19) NFU are coordinating a mass lobbying event in London... There's still time for the government to accept they've got this impending Legislation very wrong, and it's really not in the best interests of UK farmings future? Bit of better News is that the overall Agricultural Budget for England has been maintained for 25/26 at £ 2.6 billion....Also, The Farming Recovery Fund(to help those affected by extreme weather) has been increased immediately by £10m to £60million

Hopefully you will have a peaceful happy week! For now ... Your Loyal Yokefellow,

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