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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION
WEEK ENDING 26th FEBRUARY 2025

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1198



TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE	TO 392P/KG & £2646	CULL COWS/BULLS	TO 285P/KG & £2506
SPRING HOGGS	TO 358P/KG & £179	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £150
STORE HOGGS	TO £146	CALVES	TO £540
REARED CALVES	TO £1000	DAIRY	TO £1490
STORE STEERS	TO £2180	STORE HEIFERS	TO £2180

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● Inside the Zone ●

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If you require any assistance in this matter and would like to speak to one of our team please see numbers below:-

☎ Frome Market office 01373 830033 ☎ Bradley Towell 07496 263916

☎ Trevor Rowland 07968 480401 ☎ Tom Rogers 07384 462288

Details for licence application:

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WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

All categories of stock wanted with calves an exceptional trade for all those consigned. Prime cattle and cull cows just as dear on the week with prime hoggets a level trade

**TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
905**

PRIME CATTLE (45) to 392p/kg and £2646

AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 *Start 12.30pm*

A few less forward with the averages reflecting the overall cattle to 392p/kg and £2646.

TOP PRICE STEER	392p/kg for an Angus from HG Perkins & Sons		
TOP PRICE HEIFER	366p/kg for a Charolais from CR Hartley Son		
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG
STEERS			
Light 100-500kg	9	213.00	360.00
Medium 501-590kg	12	240.00	362.00
Heavy 651kg+	2	364.00	392.00
HEIFERS			
Light 100-500kg	2	211.00	231.00
Medium 501-590kg	17	224.00	360.00
Heavy 590kg+	3	294.00	366.00

UTM STEERS (23) Max. 392p/kg £2646

Quality in the steer section again this week with a super well bred and fed Angus from HG Perkins achieving 392p/kg also achieving the top gross price of £2646. Simmental x from CW Butcher not far behind at 364p/kg grossing £2457. Angus from AE Weaver 362p/kg and £2262. Herefords from LM Maidment to 330p/kg and £1930 with handy weights steers 332p/kg from HG & RHJ Davey.

UTM STEERS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	392.00	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill	2646	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill
Simmental	363.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2457	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes
Hereford	332.00	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick	1930	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham

UTM HEIFERS (22) Max. 366p/kg £2196

Best Continental heifers to 366p/kg grossing £2196 from CW Butcher & son and others from the same consignments to 360p/kg coming to £1903. Angus from CW Butcher 356p/kg and £1990 and 344p/kg coming to £1779 from AE Weaver.

UTM HEIFERS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Simmental	366.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2196	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes
Charolais	359.00	CR Hartley & Son, Bath	1969	CR Hartley & Son, Bath
Angus	356.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	1990	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes
Hereford	332.00	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick	1930	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham
Limousin	290.00	Snook, Yeovil	1534	Snook, Yeovil

CULL COWS (30) Beef to 265p/kg Dairy to 236p/kg

AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Cows a fast trade again this week with the best meated Grade 1 cows to 265p/kg and £2264 from CW Butcher. Blue feeding cows to 260p/kg and £1671 from Hares Partnership and Simmental x to 259p/kg grossing £1949. Grade 1 Friesians to 236p/kg and £1628 with others 226p/kg and 215p/kg. Grade 2 Friesians to 236p/kg and £1628 with others 226p/kg and 215p/kg. Grade 2 Friesians 175p/kg to 210p/kg.

Grade 1 cows 215p/kg to 265p/kg

Grade 2 cows 175p/kg to 260p/kg

Grade 3 cows 150p/kg to 212p/kg

Grade 4 cows 120p/kg to 144p/kg

Cull bulls to 209p/kg and £2506. Cows averaged 210.74p/kg

CULL COWS

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	265.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2264	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes
Blue	261.00	Hares Prtrs, Warminster	1964	BA & CM Godwin & Sons, Bath
Simmental	259.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	1949	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes
Hereford	237.00	REH Gould & Son, Farmborough	1650	REH Gould & Son, Farmborough
Friesian	236.00	DW & MA Brunt, Bridport	1628	DW & MA Brunt, Bridport

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SHEEP (605) Start 10.30am**AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737****PRIME HOGGETS (291) Max 358p/kg £179**

A tighter entry of hogs which lacked flesh throughout which held the average back but still a respectable 320p/kg. Best hogs flying to 358p/kg and £179 from Tom & Charlotte Wheeler. Light hogs sold to 333p/kg and £130 from Charles Buckler. Handy weights to 358p/kg and £154 from Tom & Charlotte Wheeler. Heavies to 349p/kg from T Broom and £168 from Tom & Charlotte Wheeler. Over 52kg to 311p/kg from Peckmoor Farming and £179 from Tom & Charlotte Wheeler again. Many more hogs would have been sold to the advantage today. We had a larger entry of hogs from the Blue Tongue Zone which sold to the same trade as those hogs from the outside the zone. Many more hogs could have been sold to the advantage.

PRIME HOGGETS		
KG	£	Vendor
59.00	179.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Philip
58.00	170.00	Purse Caundle Estate Farm, Sherborne
53.00	165.00	Peckmoor Farming, Crewkerne
50.50	168.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Phillip
47.00	164.00	T Broom, Bath
43.00	154.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Philip
40.00	141.00	J Aylesbury, Westbury

STORE HOGGETS (223) Max £146

A larger entry of Store hogs which sold to a flying trade. Best flying to £146 from N Bosley with plenty of hogs £130+. Overall average of £109.97 being achieved.

CULL EWES & RAMS (89) Max £150

A neat entry of ewes which enjoyed a fast trade. Best ewes from Pat Apsey topping at £150. Rams to £135 from S Taylor of Shepton Mallet.

DAIRY Start 11am**AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401****CALVED CROSSBRED HEIFERS TO £1490**

Short of fresh milk, and for those forwards there was plenty of trade. 4 British Friesian x Jersey outwintered calved heifers from Brian Fielding saw keen competition. Although small types best black and white over £1400 topping at £1490 with more Jersey types to £1440.

Next week

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REARED CALVES (141) Start 12.30pm

AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Trade on fire yet again ! Reared calves wanted for spring stirk fair 23rd April 2025 please ring in with your entries!

CONTINENTAL STEERS TO £1000/ BULLS £750/ HEIFERS TO £795

Well presented Limousin steers from Laura Bodman to £1000. Smart Blue steers from Chris and Alex Doel flying to £780 and £765. Younger Blue steers from WFH Frances & Son to £780, £755 (5m) and £625 (4m). Smart bunch of Blue steers from S & G Gould to £740 (6m) and their Blue heifers to £692. Young freshly weaned Blue bulls from NF Clothier (8-10 weeks) to £495. A tidy run of Blue bulls from John & Chris Shepherd of Kings Farm Partnership looking well sold at £750, £655 and £550. Their smart Blue heifers looking a strong price at £750, £720 and £680 all only 5-6mo!! Back to steers and D & P Yeatman with Blues seeing £685 and heifers at £595. Tidy Blue steers from Sarah Byrne to £640 (4-5mo)

NATIVE STEERS TO £775/ HEIFERS TO £795

Another fast trade with the younger 3-5mo types looking very well sold. Best Angus steers to £775 from AW Doel & sons. Younger Angus from WFH Frances to £730 and their heifers to £700. More angus steers from Kings Farm Partnership to £725, £700 from Tim Atwell and £605 from Sarah Byrne. Younger 3-4mo from AW Doel & Sons to £585 and £500 from AJ Langley. Stronger Angus heifers from WFH Francis to £700 and a good hard Angus heifer from DJ Harford to £600 and their Hereford steers to £760. Other Hereford steers from Tim Atwell to £710, £590 from D & P Yeatman and their Hereford heifers to £515.

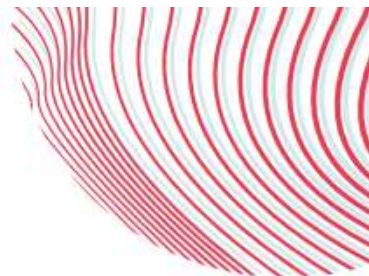
DAIRY

Smart Fleckvieh steer from Kings Farm Partnership to a massive £755. Holstein Friesian steers from Stella Sargent to £555 and £410. Hard Holstein Friesian bull from F Pearce & Son to £320.

Next Pig Sale: Wednesday 5th March

Next Reared Calf Sale: Wednesday 12th March

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AUCTIONEERS

CALVES (80) Starts 10am

AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Another blinding trade with all types moving up a gear in terms of price. All calves 4 weeks or less unless otherwise stated. More Blue Tongue Zone tested here next week!!

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £540/ HEIFERS TO £398

Super sonic trio of Blue bulls from Messrs Daniel & Hole flying to £540, £495 and £490. Other best types from NR & D Norris to £452 and £405 from NF Clothier. Smaller fresher types from Pinniger & son to £300 and their Blue heifers looking very well sold at £380. More tidy Blue heifers from NR & D Norris to £340!! Simmental heifers wanted to £398 from M Carver and £380 from NAC Taylor.

NATIVE BULLS TO £415/ HEIFERS TO £350

Again all under 4 weeks unless otherwise stated. Only medium sorts here today but very much in demand with Hereford bulls to £415 and heifers to £345 both from RG & SE Hawker. Young Hereford heifers to £300 from C & P Milton and £295 from Dan Heal. Older Angus bulls from MJJ & SJ Green to £400 and £362 from GN & KM Langley. Medium young Angus bulls from Godminster Farm to £358, £352 from PF & J Osborne, £332 from Pinniger & Son and £325 from NF Clothier. Angus heifers looking very dear to £350 from MJJ & SJ Green, £320 from Pinniger & son, £310 from PJ & J Osborne and £255 NF Clothier.

DAIRY

Tidy Holstien Friesian bulls flying £190 from DBH Miles, £180 from Pinniger & sons and £120 from NR & D Norris. Dairy Shorthorn bulls from GN & KM Langley to £230 & £250. More wanted to satisfy demand. Get calves blue tongue tested and in the market to take advantage of this trade

Please continue to pre-book it really helps with buyer procurement; text or phone Tom or email the office info@fromelivestock.com

WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price Continental Heifer under 41 days was a Simmental heifer to £398 from M Carver.

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We continue to work with agents Cooper & Tanner, and Symonds & Sampson in your area, and although I'll be out and about around my patch of Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Somerset, Wiltshire, Hampshire, Berkshire and Bristol over the coming months, please still give me a call if you have any questions, or would like to discuss how I might be able to help.

Improving our support

There's been some significant changes at AMC of late too, including the introduction of annual reviews with clients, to try and identify any areas that may need support in the future, and to help them stay safe. We've also introduced new technology to improve the lending journey from application stage to funds being drawn, to keep clients better informed throughout the process, and there's also a new offering of a Defined Break Cost fixed rate loan (for loans under £1m) that provides clients with more information to make informed decisions on their finance requirements.

Our support teams have also significantly improved their service level agreements, with our Security Amendments Team on standby for a potential increase in volumes following the last Budget announcements, and as we head towards the end of the current tax year. If you have any questions or want to know more about how AMC can support your farming business, please contact your local agent or myself.

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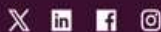
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FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025

STORE CATTLE

**TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
293**

Starts 10.30am

AUCTIONEERS:

TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263 916

LESTER WILLIAMS 07778 646 031

STEERS TO £2180

HEIFERS TO £2180

A shorter entry as expected this week after two busy Candlemas sales with trade very much on a par seeing all cattle very well sold. Not as many stronger cattle forward this week however those consigned achieving some excellent prices with several over the £2000 mark. Some genuine consignments of breeding stock were competitively bid for resulting in all outfits coming to strong money.

COWS & CALVES

This week, included with our normal sale, saw the dispersal of a pedigree Limousin suckler herd for the Late John Kembery of Camerton. Being a regular supporter of Frome and a well-known figure in the store ring buyers were keen to purchase these grand types. The cows with 1-3mo calves at foot averaged £3000! In calf cows from the same herd always over £2500 and topped at £2800. The 3y/o stock sire 'Stourhead Shamrock' created super interest and saw a strong trade to £3900. A sad day but a wonderful tribute to John. A smart Fleckvieh heifer and her 1mo Angus heifer calf to £1820. A good herd reduction of Herford and Angus in calf cows from Rob and Charlotte Stott were all at top levels £1500-£1720, Fleshed grazing Simmental cows from the same home £1870!

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Charolais steers from Derek & Graham Stevens had a wonderful day to £1500 and heifers at £1375. Purebred 8-11mo Limousin steers £1200 with 'U' Grade heifers at £1150 all from D Beatty Trowbridge. Dairy x young continentals forward from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester easily sold saw their Blue x steers 14-16mo from £1490-£1435 and 12mo at £1225. 10mo Simmental x from LO Clothier well sold at £1020. Tidy Blue x heifers again from the Ractliffe family to £1360. Tim Handy was well rewarded for making the trip from Swindon as his 4mo Blue x heifers peaked at £775! Overall, a super day in this section.

ANGUS

Some good consignments of Angus again this week; not quite the same show of strength on the week with mostly medium and longer term stores. OTM forward stores to £1780 from The Covey, £1760 from PW CC & JC Gould and £1700 from P Harraway & Co. Suckler- bred Angus heifers £1510 from RF & J Horler and dairy x to £1380 from LO Clothier with steers from the same home to £1595. Steers with growth and frame to £1580 for 18mo. Younger suckler bred Angus to £1435 from PJ & Boulton 12mo and £1420 from RF & J Horler 15mo. Well-bred Angus steers from JM Hopkins to £1280 for 12mo and Dairy x to £1380 from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe.

YOUNG STEERS				YOUNG HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1690	17mo	Hayden Farms, Blagdon	Charolais	1375	16mo	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley
Charolais	1500	12mo	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley	Angus	1375	14mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Blue	1490	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester	Blue	1360	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Hereford	1360	14mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester	Hereford	1200	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Limousin	1200	11mo	D Beatty, Southwick	Simmental	1185	17mo	LO Clothier & Sons Ltd, Chewton Mendip

HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES

Framed Hereford steers met a premium selling to £1890 (28mo) from PW CC & JC Gould and £1800 (26mo) from RE & D Woodward of Norton Ferris. More Hereford heifers forward this week selling from £1830 to an amazing £2090 (27mo) from D Harrison & Sons of Bath. Yearling Hereford steers met an outstanding £1360 (14mo) from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester and £1040 (11mo) from JM Hopkins of Devizes. Yearling Hereford heifers also keenly sought after from £1180 to £1200 all from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe. Beef Shorthorn steers from WD Guley & Sons of Melksham met an exciting trade from £1900 to £2060 (22-23mo) and their younger steers to £1780.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Another tremendous trade at Frome with buyers continuing to bid beyond expectations. Joint top of the day went to PW CC & JC Gould of Norton Ferris with their British Blue steers selling to £2180 (28mo) and WJ & MA Whitford of Shaftesbury whose Simmental steers also sold to £2100 with others also selling well to £1980. Limousin steers met keen bidding to £2100 (25mo) from R Adams of Bristol and Blonde steers to £2050 (26mo) from Paul & Olly Hurd of the Deverills; their Parthenaise also selling well to £1885 (29mo). Younger Blues wanted selling to £1785 (18mo) from The Covery Somerton and £1490 (15mo) from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester. Younger Limousin steers (19mo) to £1580 from LO Clothier & Sons Ltd of Chewton Mendip. Heifers wanted and selling well to £1960 (29mo) for Paul & Olly Hurd's well presented Parthenaise heifers. Framed Blue heifers also well bid to £1610 from PW CC & JC Gould and Limousin heifers (36mo) to £1600 from DM & RG Adams. Younger Limousin heifers also keenly bid to £1490 (20mo) from LO Clothier & Son Ltd, similar Simmental heifers to £1450 (21mo) from WJ & MA Whitford and younger Charolais heifers to £1375 (16mo) from Derek & Graham Stevens of Maiden Bradley.

FRIESIAN

Well fleshed types met another outstanding trade with best Fleckvieh steers selling from £1900 to £1920 (30-31mo) all from Paul & Olly Hurd and best British Friesian steers to £1495 (28mo) from PW CC & JC Gould. Well presented, framed Holsteins also keenly bid to £1400 (only 18mo) from PW Townsend & Partners of Trowbridge. Fleckvieh heifers wanted and selling well from £1480 to £1595 (19mo) all from Sean Cowling & family.

FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	2180	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	Simmental	2180	24mo	WJ & MA Whitford, Shaftesbury
Limousin	2100	25mo	R Adams, Dundry	Hereford	2090	27mo	D Harrison & Sons, Combe Hay
Beef Shorthorn	2060	23mo	WD Guley & Sons, Melksham	Parthenaise	1960	29mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill
Blonde	2050	26mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill	Blue	1610	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris
Simmental	1980	24mo	WJ & MA Whitford, Shaftesbury	Limousin	1600	36mo	DM & RG Adams, Dundry
Fleckvieh	1920	30mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill	Fleckvieh	1595	19mo	Cowling Bros Ltd, Dinder
Parthenaise	1885	29mo	WP Hurd, Hill Deverill	Angus	1510	22mo	RF & J Horler, Wellow
Hereford	1800	26mo	RE & D Woodward, Norton Ferris				

Chaplain's Prayer

In John 21 chapter 1 v 1-14, a night of unsuccessful fishing for the disciples leaves empty nets...and empty hearts! In his third time appearing to them, Jesus comes to them on the sea shore and invites them to eat breakfast with him...a table of fish, food, Love comfort and Joy! He reinstates Peter and 'briefs' and comforts the disciples in their grief ❤️ Jesus, you meet me where I am, at the waters edge of my



ordinary life with all my problems! You accept me Lovingly, encouraging me; you invite me to abundance. Nourished by the food of your promised word, warmed by the fire of your unfailing love...May I in turn remember those in need... especially my farming neighbours? A listening ear to any who are struggling with life in any way 🙏

Government Land use Consultation...Give Your Views..The government is consulting on it's vision for Land use in England..and how to deliver it? This will inform the development of a Land use framework. Many farmers are now diversifying into all sorts of different uses for the land they farm...and the government realise this is important for farming families to keep them afloat financially!? But the flip side of course is that very often this takes productive land out from producing food?Visit this website to learn more?

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/land-use-framework/land-use-Consultation/>

On 12/13 February a Seminar '**Budget '24 ..what it means for your Farm**' was held at the market here. There were four excellent speakers: Tim Hector, Mike Butler, Frank Collins and FCNs Stephen Dennis. I can confidently say it was a huge success, with 300 people benefitting from the experts advice over the two evenings held! Well done to everyone concerned and especially **Cooper &**

Tanner for putting on the Seminar and feeding everyone Free of charge too!! 🍌 Here's number and email site for FCN if you need help and support: 03000 111 999, help@fcn.org.uk

Please remember to support our Market **Health Hub 9-1** on 2nd and 4th Wed of any month! You can reach me on 07880770887

See you most Wednesdays at Standerwick market! God Bless... Neville Dyke(Chaplain)



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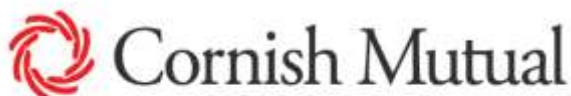
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