

# MARKET REPORTS

## WEDNESDAY

## 18th JANUARY 2017

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### PRIME HOGGS - 1451

*Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls*

This is more like it! Much more go to the trade with an SQQ of 176p/kg and those 32-39kg lambs averaged in excess of 181p/kg. A top price of 210p/kg achieved for a pen of 42kg lambs from Mr A G Baker, Dunswater and plenty of pens in excess of 185p/kg. Those handy weight 38-43kg were in strong demand and more could have been sold without detriment to the trade. The heavy weights were also marginally better with those 45-52kg averaging £77/head, up to £82/head. Those 52kg+ lambs were also better topping at £88. Overall a much better feel to things and lets hope those January blues are behind us!

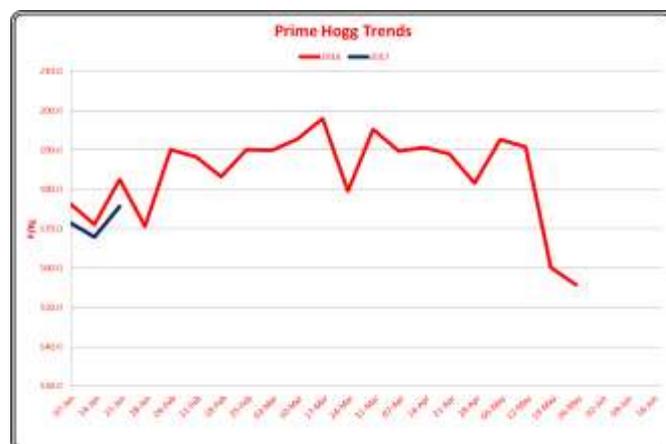
	TOTAL NO.s	LIGHT		STANDARD		MEDIUM		HEAVY		+ HEAVY	
		25.5 - 32.0	-	32.1 - 39.0	-	39.1 - 45.5	-	45.6 - 52.0	-	52.1 - >	
PRIME HOGGS	1451	158	148	193	181	210	174	168	159	154	144

**Hoggs SQQ Average 175.7p/kg**

*Top Price/Head £88*

*for hoggs grading 42kg*

*Overall average £73.39/head*



### Top Ten p/kg

### Top Ten £/head

<u>Kg</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>/kg</u>	<u>Kg</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>£</u>
42.0	A G Baker	88.00	209.5	42.0	A G Baker	88.00
44.0	A G Baker	88.00	200.0	44.0	A G Baker	88.00
43.0	A G Baker	84.00	195.4	65.0	Protheroe Brothers	88.00
34.5	Mrs S M James	66.50	192.8	59.0	E G Morgan	85.00
33.0	W H & E B Gwillim & Son	62.80	190.3	43.0	A G Baker	84.00
39.0	G W & G W Green	73.50	188.5	45.0	A G Baker	84.00
34.0	R Barter	64.00	188.2	54.0	T & P W Richards	83.00
34.0	T J James-Moore	63.80	187.7	63.0	A James	83.00
37.0	C E Jones	69.20	187.0	56.0	T & P W Richards	82.50
34.0	M/s Cresswell & Oliver	63.50	186.8	55.0	Protheroe Brothers	82.00

**Forthcoming Sales**

**A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET ~ GREEN MARKET STATUS**

**WEDNESDAY 25th JANUARY**

**7000 SHEEP**

**1500 PRIME HOGGS - 9.30am**

**1500 CULL EWES - 11.00am**

**40 EWES & LAMBS - 11.30am**

**Followed by**

**900 IN LAMB BREEDING EWES**

To include 24 pure Texel ewes - yearlings, 3 and 4 year olds, scanned in lamb to Texel rams due from 27th Feb

140 Suffolk x 2's to lamb to Texel & Charollais rams due from 1st March, Toxovac

160 Welsh & N/Country Mule - full mouth to Texel due from 20th March

130 Glamorgan Welsh & Cheviot ewes - 4's & 5's to Suffolk/Texel rams due from 1st April

50 Texel x 3's to Beltex ram due from 7th March

40 Welsh Halfbreds due from 14th March

**3000 STORE/EWE HOGGS - 11.45am**

*(note new sale times)*

**WEANED/REARING CALVES - 10.30am**

To include 10 continental x heifers - 8/9 months

*Store sheep/calf entries to the office by Monday 23rd January at 5.00pm*

**THURSDAY 2nd FEBRUARY**

**At 11.00am**

**CATALOGUED SALE OF**

**250 STORE CATTLE**

**BEEF TYPE COWS/HEIFERS IN OR WITH CALF**

To include a draft of 12 Angus x heifers - 23 months

PD in calf - 3/4 months to a Limousin bull

**STOCK/FEEDING BULLS**

**BARREN/FEEDING COWS**

*Entries to the office by Thursday 26th January at 10.00am*

**Also at 10.30am**

**PIGS**

**Sows, weaners, porkers & cutters**

*Pig entries to the office by Tuesday 31st January at 3.00pm*

**TUESDAY 7th FEBRUARY**

**At 2.00pm sale of**

**TB RESTRICTED STORE CATTLE**

*Vendors need to obtain a TB16B licence*

*Purchasers need to have an AFU*

*Entries to the office by Tuesday 31st January at 5.00pm*

## **EWES WITH LAMBS - 23**

**Auctioneer - Michael Evans**

Some good couples on offer, as always strength of lambs is key to sale price. All lots today had lambs 3/4 weeks old. Best selling a bunch of Suffolk x ewes with single Charollais x lambs at foot at £152. Top price of £160 for doubles, others from £110 to £150. Total clearance to average £146.13/couple, £64.45/life.

## **IN-LAMB EWES - 1008**

**Auctioneer - Michael Evans**

An excellent entry to include many strong lowland ewes. Highlight of the sale were 4 pens of pure bred Texel ewes, part of a major dispersal - they sold to £355 for a pen of 3 year olds with others at £235 and £240. The pen of 2 year olds sold at £260. Another 6 pens from the same farm next Wednesday. Throughout the section both Mule and Suffolk x ewes sold at improved prices with the Texel crosses at lesser money. Top price was £148 for a pen of strong Suffolk x Mule 2 year olds in lamb to Texel. Other better black faced ewes from £120 to £136. Plainer sorts from £96 to £114. The largest entry comprised Mules, both Welsh and North Country they sold to £138 for white faced yearlings with others from £111 to £124.

Many of those on offer were 4 and 5 year olds, often scanned with twins they sold from £85 to £105. Younger Mules scanned with triplets ranged from £112 to £116. A good entry of Texel x ewes included yearlings from £110 to £138 dependent on size. Strong 3, 4 & 5 year olds from £98 to £120. Others from £80 to £90. The few plainer ewes on the day sold from £65 to £88. A pen of full mouth Dorsets sold at £98. Total clearance effected. Another excellent entry expected next week to include some hill ewes.

## **STORE HOGGS - 3887**

**Auctioneer - Greg Christopher**

Another terrific entry of store hoggs with trade very similar to last weeks extreme rates. Smaller and plainer hoggs would be easier, however bunches of farming hoggs every bit as dear. Strong stores to £77.20, several hoggs trading from £70 to £75, well bred farming hoggs £64 to £69.50 throughout, with large bunches trading from £67 to £69.50 and look very well sold against the finished trade. Medium term hoggs £60 to £68.50 with men keen for level bunches of both continental and Suffolk x hoggs. Well bred longer term sheep £54 to £59.50, very long term sorts £47 to £53.50, small and very plain types from £32 to £44, with only very small and plain less than £30.

Several ram hoggs forward - these topped at £75. Several strong sorts £62 to £74. Texel and Suffolk x farming ram hoggs from £52 to £60, harder bred and plainer sorts trading from £44 to £54 depending on frame and condition. We have become the capital of Easycare sheep in recent weeks, another draft saw ram hoggs sell to excellent competition and top of £44.50, others from £38 to £44. Only very plain sorts less than £35. Hill bred ram hoggs to £60 for strong Welsh sorts, other stronger hill bred £50 to £55. Smaller and hoggs lacking back trading in the £40's. Although overall average is slightly less the main of the sale would be as dear as last week - overall average £53.54.

## **CULL EWES - 1604**

**Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls**

A reduced entry of ewes met with a variable trade. Those best quality and strongest types are still in good demand topping at £118/head with plenty of others £100/head plus. There was certainly a shortage of those stronger types forward. Again rows and rows of those plainer Speckle, Welsh and Mule types forward from £30 to £50/head which reduces the overall average. Rams a solid trade up to £100.50/head and providing they were meat they would be £80/head plus all day. Once the scanning ewes are out of the way this trade should firm.

### **Average £/head - £52.88**

<b>Continental</b>	<b>£118</b>
<b>Suffolks</b>	<b>£96</b>
<b>North Country Mules</b>	<b>£81</b>
<b>Welsh Mules</b>	<b>£70</b>
<b>Speckles</b>	<b>£46</b>
<b>Welsh</b>	<b>£50</b>
<b>Cull Rams</b>	<b>£100.50</b>
<b>Cull Wethers</b>	<b>£78</b>

Cull ewe eartags - All cull ewes and rams must have FULL EID TAGS to be sold in Hereford Market

## **REARING/WEANED CALVES - 17**

**Auctioneer - Michael Evans**

Shortage of rearing calves, prices have firmed each week. Purchasers looking for calves. **MORE NEEDED.** British Blue x bull at £295 and £300. Heifers from the same farm £290. Hereford x bulls, 8/10 weeks £290, £295 and £300. Weaned sorts all to demand topping at £525 for a Limousin x steer, £390 for Hereford x heifers. Welsh Black heifers at £355. A bunch of Friesian bulls at £230.

### **ALL VENDORS PLEASE NOTE -**

**PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW IF YOU ARE BRINGING CALVES, WE HAVE DEMAND AND NEED TO KEEP THE PURCHASERS INFORMED**

**Enter by 5.00pm on the Monday before the Wednesday sale**

**Sale at 10.30am**

**Your co-operation is much appreciated**

**MORE CALVES CAN BE SOLD EACH WEEK. VENDORS - PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW BY 5.00pm ON MONDAY PRIOR TO THE SALE IF YOU ARE BRINGING CALVES**

*Calves born 14th December 2016 or since can be sold from farms that are TB clear without needing to be tested at our next sale on 25th January 2016. Please telephone Greg Christopher on 07770 972815 or Mike Evans on 07768 601999 or the market office*

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All ram hogs need to be declared and sold separate to bunches of mixed hogs. Any ram hogs found in a bunch of mixed hogs not declared to the auctioneers will be subject to a price reduction. We have buyers for ram hogs so please do not put them in bunches of clean mixed hogs. Vendors please note - any hogs not presented correct for sale and not declared to the auctioneers will risk being deducted.

ALL HOGGS PRESENTED IN THE STORE SECTION NEED TO BE TAGGED WITH AN ELECTRONIC SLAUGHTER TAG AS MINIMUM. VENDORS ALSO NEED TO PROVE THEIR LAMBS ARE FARM ASSURED AS THIS HAS BECOME AN IMPORTANT FACTOR.

## MOBILE HAIRDRESSER

- RHIAN PRICE

Will be attending  
the market every week  
for your convenience

EAR TAGS - EVERY SHEEP IN  
THE MARKET MUST BE  
ELECTRONICALLY TAGGED. IF  
THEY ARE NOT THEY WILL NOT  
BE SOLD AT HEREFORD

### NOTICE TO VENDORS OF STORE LAMBS

We are having increased incidence of C.Ovis being reported by abattoirs when slaughtering lambs. This condition in the carcase of lambs is caused by worms from dogs which can lead to the carcass being 100% condemned.

Most farm dogs are correctly wormed, but please make certain that your worming programme is up to date and be aware that most incidences of C.Ovis arise from land with public access, footpaths or common land where dogs roam. Unauthorised dog-walking on your land can cause problems - please be aware.

We have been asked to point this out by store lamb purchasers as it is becoming a far more regular occurrence.

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**Tel: 0844 573 0137**

*If you would like this report sent to you via email every week,  
please let the office have your email address.*

### CHANGES TO SHEEP TAGGING AS FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2015

\*\* Updated 22nd March 2016 \*\*

- All sheep born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 have to be tagged with one electronic slaughter tag if going to slaughter or to a store market for further finishing. If intended to be kept for or sold as breeding stock they will need to be FULL EID tagged as has been the requirement since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010.
- Historic flock (the sheep born before 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010 which have been kept as breeding stock) – when these come to be moved/sold either as breeding stock or as cull ewes they will NEED TO BE RE-TAGGED WITH FULL EID (electronic and same manual number).
- Cull ewe eartags - All cull ewes and rams must have FULL EID TAGS to be sold in Hereford Market.
- Hereford Market Auctioneers will not be able to accept sheep for sale which are not tagged correctly. Always have taggers and spare tags available in your vehicle.

EAR TAGS - EVERY SHEEP IN THE MARKET MUST BE ELECTRONICALLY TAGGED. IF THEY ARE NOT THEY WILL NOT BE SOLD AT HEREFORD

Eartags and holding numbers - please note that it is essential that the correct holding numbers are entered onto the licence of sheep coming in to the market and also for those sheep moving out. For those with multiple holding numbers the correct ones must be used not merely the main holding number if it is not relevant to that movement. Please note that Hereford Market Auctioneers Ltd take no responsibility whatsoever for holding numbers on licences whether in or out of the market, or notifications to A.R.A.M.S.