

REPORTSTORE CATTLE

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*Auctioneers - Matthew Nicholls/Greg Christopher*STORE CATTLE - 425

An extremely pleasing day on the whole. A ring full of buyers all seemingly keen for cattle which was reflected in the trade. The general consensus **between buyers, auctioneers and vendors was that today's sale was dearer** than two weeks ago and so bucking the trend of sale reports elsewhere. A real tremendous show of Charolais steers and heifers forward and these saw rigorous demand throughout. Considering the best cattle have already **been sold today's averages speak for themselves.**

The steers topped at £1345/head for a Blonde x from M/s D H Bentley, Highfields for a 660kg animal with plenty of other steers in the £1100-£1270 bracket. In fact the top 20 prices were all in excess of £1115/head.

A similar story on the heifers topping at £1140/head for a Simmental x from M/s Charles, Birchwood and again any amount of heifers £1030-£1140/head. The strength and frame were easiest sold with any amount of men competing. The steers topped at 246p/kg for a 420kg Limousin from Mr K J Price, The Pippins and a 400kg Simmental x from M/s Mandley & Cooper, Daren Farm. Plenty of steers 220-242p/kg especially those 360-480kg steers. Heifers were much the same topping at 235p/kg for another animal from Mr K J Price and plenty of others at 215-230p/kg. The hardest selling sorts are the smaller native breeds just lacking a bit of scale and scope and were sold from 150-180p/kg.

To include every type sold from the best to the poorest an average of 200p/kg (£905/head) and 185p/kg (£750/head) was achieved on the steers and heifers respectively which bearing in mind the time of year, fodder costs etc. was remarkable. If you keep finding the cattle we will keep finding the men for them!

STEERS - p/kg				
Vendor	Breed	Weight	£	p/kg
K J Price	LIM	420	1035.00	246.4
Mandley & Cooper	SMX	400	985.00	246.3
R J Pearson	LIM	360	870.00	241.7
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	505	1220.00	241.6
R Breakwell	LIM	480	1150.00	239.6
J B C & A M Gwillim	CHX	420	1000.00	238.1
M J Tarrant	CHX	190	450.00	236.8
W T & S M Edwards	LIM	330	780.00	236.4
J B C & A M Gwillim	CHX	360	850.00	236.1
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	465	1080.00	232.3

STEERS/head			
Vendor	Breed	Weight	£
D H Bentley	BAX	660	1345.00
S George & Son	AAX	690	1270.00
S George & Son	LIM	600	1235.00
D Hughes	CHX	540	1225.00
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	545	1225.00
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	505	1220.00
D Hughes	CHX	580	1192.00
D Hughes	CHX	545	1190.00
D Hughes	CHX	575	1190.00
D Hughes	CHX	530	1160.00

HEIFERS - p/kg				
Vendor	Breed	Weight	£	p/kg
K J Price	LIM	400	940.00	235.0
C R Bagley	CHX	360	825.00	229.2
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	440	1005.00	228.4
N L Davies	LIM	400	910.00	227.5
W T & S M Edwards	LIM	295	670.00	227.1
M J Tarrant	CHX	325	730.00	224.6
R J Pearson	LIM	480	1070.00	222.9
G J & J M Watkins	CHX	425	945.00	222.4
M/s Richards Bros	CHX	370	820.00	221.6
I M & G D Davies	LIM	380	835.00	219.7

HEIFERS/head			
Vendor	Breed	Weight	£
T W & C G Charles	SMX	650	1140.00
L J Watkins	CHX	550	1130.00
L J Watkins	CHX	510	1095.00
L J Watkins	CH	550	1095.00
J L & C A Smith	BAX	525	1090.00
L J Watkins	CHX	525	1070.00
R J Pearson	LIM	480	1070.00
S George & Son	BRB	630	1060.00
T & D James	BAX	530	1050.00
D J Farr	CHX	540	1050.00

## FEEDING/STOCK BULLS - 21

An absolutely lovely trade on the bulls. A pedigree Limousin stock bull from M/s D W Bevan & Son flew to £1900 and feeding bulls from M/s W E & N J Powell, Lower Blackhill soared to £1060/head. Any amount of men for those young shapely bulls which resulted in an overall average of no less than 225p/kg up to 248p/kg for a 375kg Limousin from M/s Bigley, Quakers Farm who had a terrific run of bulls forward. Any amount of bulls 215p-248p/kg resulting in an overall average of £950/head. A good show of bulls forward embraced with terrific competition, a host of buyers equalling a bonanza of a trade! More quality bulls needed every sale!

BULLS - p/kg		
Vendor	BREED	p/kg
L & M A Bigley	LIM	248.0
L & M A Bigley	BRB	246.9
L & M A Bigley	BRB	246.1
L & M A Bigley	BRB	243.5
M Drew & Son	LIM	239.5
Llandinabo Farms	AA	234.9

## COWS & CALVES/IN-CALVERS - 24

A real end-of-the-season show of cows and calves particularly in terms of quality. Unless they tick all the boxes in terms of size, **breed and quality it is what they say is 'hard going'**. Some outfits looked worth their money, but they wouldn't be everyone's cup of tea. A nice and genuine dispersal of in-calvers from M/s G F & M E Griffiths, The Woottons that saw stronger and stronger interest as the sale progressed topping at £1180 with others at £1030, £1020, £940 and £920.

## BARREN COWS - 30

A nice entry in terms of numbers but an entry certainly lacking in quality. A lot of poorer meated dairy cross cows forward. The cows are generally less with deadweight firms dropping the price consistently over the last few weeks exacerbated by an apparent waiting list to get cows in. Nevertheless we achieved 100% clearance with cows up to 168p/kg and £765/head. No big strong meated cows forward. An overall average of 90p/kg attained which would include all of those smaller leaner types.

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### Forthcoming Sales

#### **THURSDAY 15th NOVEMBER**

At 11.00am

Catalogued sale of

#### **500 STORE CATTLE**

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

**FEEDING/STOCK BULLS**

**BARREN COWS**

*Entries close Wednesday 7th November at 12 noon*