

MARKET REPORTS

WEDNESDAY

13th March 2019

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PRIME HOGGS - 1431

Auctioneer - Richard Hyde

An excellent trade with SQQ 200.1p with best export to 216.9p. Heavies much better than expected to £92. Euro still at 86p but it appears that the loss of lambs last March may be coming home to roost with numbers becoming very tight and a rise in trade resulting. Every sheep sold averaged £84.03. More quality lambs needed every week with the highest lambs especially good demand.

2000+ per week can be sold without affecting trade

	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	>
		PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME
PRIME HOGGS	1431	195.3	176.3	216.9	204.3	213.1	199.1	196.8	182.4	169.8	156.9

Today In History - p/kg

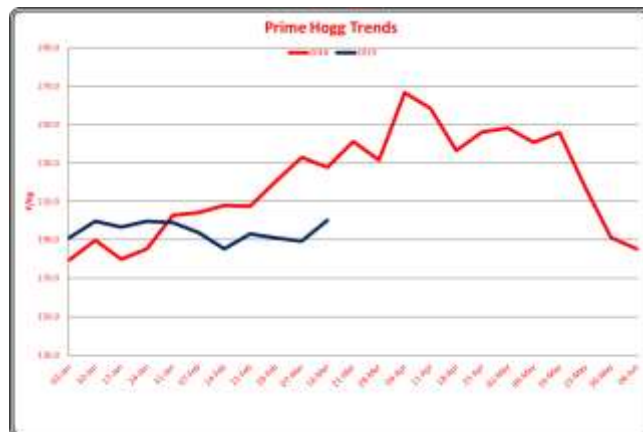
2019 - 200.1p 2018 - 227.8p 2017 - 176.4p 2016 - 198.0p 2015 - 198.8p 2014 - 214.0p 2013 - 202.0p

HOGGS SQQ Average 200.1p/kg

Top Price/Head £92

for Hoggs grading 47kg

Overall average £84.03/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>
35.5	F D Grosvenor & Co	77.00	216.9	47.0	W J & E Williams	92.00
38.5	W J & E Williams	83.00	215.6	52.0	P J Hope	92.00
42.0	W J & E Williams	89.50	213.1	47.0	B L Thomas & Sons	91.50
38.5	S & G E Bowen & Son	82.00	213.0	50.5	D & M Whitcombe	91.50
35.0	P R Dawes	74.00	211.4	46.5	J Heath Partnership	91.50
36.0	M A Bowkett	76.00	211.1	49.5	M T Price & Son	91.50
35.0	B Watkins	73.50	210.0	47.0	B L Thomas & Sons	91.00
37.0	A J S & S C Hughes	77.50	209.5	50.5	M T Price & Son	91.00
35.5	W H & E B Gwillim & Son	74.00	208.5	50.5	E J Davis	90.50
43.5	A G Baker	90.50	208.1	43.5	A G Baker	90.50

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

WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH

6,000 SHEEP

2000 PRIME HOGGS - 9.30am

2000 CULL EWES - 11.00am

400 EWES & LAMBS - 11.15am

500 IN-LAMB EWES - 11.15am

1500 STORE HOGGS - 12 noon

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.45am

Entries close Monday 18th March at 5.00pm

THURSDAY 21st MARCH

At 11.00am

Spring show & sale of

700 CONTINENTAL CROSS STORE CATTLE

TO INCLUDE NATIVE BREEDS

Kindly sponsored by Townergate Insurance

BEEF TYPE COWS/HEIFERS IN OR WITH CALVES

90 FEEDING/STOCK BULLS

To include pedigree British Blue bull - 2016 - Newpole Luther

Also pedigree Angus bull - 2017 - Dark Lane Egbert

40 BARREN COWS

Catalogue available

And at 10.30am sale of

PIGS

Weaners, stores, porkers, breeding stock

Entries to the office by Tuesday 19th March at 2.00pm

THURSDAY 4th APRIL

At 11.00am

Sale of

CONTINENTAL CROSS STORE CATTLE

To include show and sale of

HEREFORD CROSS STORE CATTLE

Sired by registered Hereford bull

Kindly sponsored by Hereford Cattle Society

Catalogue entries to the office by Wednesday 27th March at 12 noon

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HOGGET DENTITION
COMPLETE U-TURN

I am disgusted to say that our government has now done a complete 'U-turn' from the statement produced earlier in the year, and for another year we will have to proceed with this farce of 'mouthing' hoggetts to determine as to whether or not their carcasses have to be split. This is another farce related to Brexit as apparently the UK government don't want to upset the Europeans by implementing what we thought was common sense after nearly twenty years of nonsense.

I am very sorry to say that the old regime will be back in place and we will be mouthing again as has been done over the last number of years.

Richard Hyde

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 40

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A nice selection of calves witnessing an improvement in the trade.

Best rearing British Blue heifers to £225, (twice), and generally from £180 to £210. Blonde x bull calves to £200. Hereford bull calves to £185, heifers to £180, (twice), smaller Hereford bulls around £100. A consignment of British Friesian bull calves sold from £25 to £85.

Just a handful of weaned calves on offer, with Hereford heifers to £305, British Blue heifers to £245 and Angus x steers to £240.

BABY REARING CALVES

Can purchasers of young calves please make certain that they are removed from the market by 3.00pm on the day of sale at the very latest.

MORE CALVES, BOTH REARING & WEANED 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 6th February 2019 or since can be sold from farms that are TB clear without needing to be tested at our next sale on 20th March 2019

Please telephone Mike Evans 07768 601999 or Rob Meadmore on 07774 763791

IN-LAMB EWES - 229

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

This in lamb ewe sale never ceases to amaze, with an insufficient entry and customers for all sorts all day long.

Barry Boseley showed and sold a nice consignment with Suffolk 2yr old ewes to £123 and again at £112. Mules to £115 and Beulah 2yr olds to £74 and £72. Other Welsh Mule 2 and 3yr olds running with rams to £95, £94 and £91. Texel 2yr old ewes to £110, with hogs at £85 and £70. Older Beulah ewes to £45, Clun ewes to £64 and Easycare to £68.

It looks like there is still life in the section's demand, so if you are considering sales of in lamb ewes, sooner rather than later - contact Rob Meadmore.

EWES & LAMBS - 343 / 517

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

A lovely show for the Three Counties Farmers Cup, although several entries not forward due to the previous day's weather conditions. Judges Dudley and Andrew Williams made an excellent job of adjudicating and eventually awarded Champion pen for the second year running to Lawrence Buckland, Stonebow Farm. The judges then backed their placing by giving the top price of the day of £195. Keiran Jones next at £182, Keith Williams, Raglan, at £179 and Myra Powell, Old House, at £178 and £175. Plenty of pens then between £140 and £170 resulting in an overall average of £142.60 an outfit.



*L-R: Dudley Williams (Judge), Mr L M Buckland, Stonebow Farm
Sue Griffiths for The Hereford Times, Andrew Williams (Judge), Rob Meadmore (Auctioneer)*

SHOW AND SALE OF EWES AND LAMBS

SPONSORED BY THE HEREFORD TIMES

BEST PEN OF 10 OR MORE BLACK FACED EWES WITH LAMBS

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| 1) 822 - Myra Powell, Old House | £175 |
| 2) 861 - S Page, Bosworth | £172 |
| 3) 832 - J Beaumont, Pentre | £162 |

BEST PEN OF 10 OR MORE LIGHT FACED EWES WITH LAMBS

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| 1) 854 - L.M Buckland, Stonebow | £195 |
| 2) 826 - Myra Powell, Old House | £178 |
| 3) 818 - Jill Lewis, Westhills | £170 |

BEST PEN OF 10 OR MORE MULE EWES WITH LAMBS

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| 1) 835 - G.G Davies & Son, White House | £152 |
| 2) 809 - A.F & A.G Slatter, Naunton | £112 |
| 3) 840 - G.G Davies & Son, White House | £122 |

CHAMPION PEN AWARDED THE THREE COUNTIES FARMER PERPETUAL CUP

CHAMPION: 854 - Mr L.M. Buckland, Stonebow Farm - £195

Judges: Dudley and Andrew Williams, Wormelow

STORE HOGGS - 1685

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

Exceptionally dear trade with the hogs bid for by a very large crowd of purchasers, again a strong south west contingent all keen for numbers and for the second week running 3000 hogs could have been sold. Strong hogs short in number but topping at £82.80 for a big bunch of Suffolk x hogs. Other strength all £78 to £82.50. Welsh Mule ram hogs to £82.50, Welsh ram hogs to £79.80!

A good show of farming hogs - these similar on the week and trading from £72 to £77.80 throughout with several large bunches of well bred continentals £76 to £80. Some exceptional Texel x hogs to £80.20. Medium keeping hogs very well sought after - these look very well sold throughout trading from £62 to £71.50 with all well bred Suffolk x and continental hogs from £67 to £71. Keep still plentiful and some confidence of a later Easter trade meaning these types are well sought after. Longer keeping hogs from £50 to £60 throughout with all hogs with potential from £55 to £59.50. Harder bred sorts from £47 to £54. Very small all £35 to £40 and looking the dearest.

Ram hogs to £82.50, all strength £72 to £80, farming sorts from £60 to £70 depending on meat and frame. Hill types generally smaller and from £48 to £58. More numbers can be sold each week, vendors - please take full advantage of this current trade.

Overall Average £65.50

	MIXED HOGGS (£/head)	RAM HOGGS (£/head)	EWE HOGGS (£/head)
TEXEL	80.80	78.80	-
CHAROLLAIS	80.50	76.00	-
SUFFOLK	82.80	75.50	-
WELSH MULE	79.20	82.50	-
WELSH/CHEVIOT	77.50	79.80	-
SPECKLES	-	-	-

CULL EWES - 2728

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A tremendous entry of ewes sold to a fabulous trade throughout, soaring to £138/head, with another pen of 8 Texels at £135/head. Plenty of these stronger Texel types £120/head plus and Suffolks to £109/head. A significant entry again of smaller Welsh and Speckle ewes, that sold terrifically well with any amount of Welsh ewes £70/head and some Cheviots to £80/head. Plenty of competition throughout and even with all these smaller ewes forward an average of £69/head was achieved. Ewes from Pembrokeshire and even as far as the Isle Of Wight and with seven separate ewe buyers forward, fierce competition is ensured from start to finish. More ewes required every sale.

Average £69/head

Continental	£138.00
Suffolk	£109.00
North Country Mule	£88.00
Welsh Mules	£81.00
Speckle	£72.00
Welsh/Cheviot	£80.00
Cull Rams	£110.00
Cull Wethers	£84.00
Goats	£81.00

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

SHEEP SCAB

We all know that sheep scab is a recurring problem throughout the country but at Hereford we have had several examples of sheep being presented for sale with advanced 'scab'. This is totally unacceptable and brings the market into disrepute as 'scab' is highly contagious and can spread from sheep to sheep with alarming speed. From now onwards any sheep in such condition will not be offered for sale and will be put back on the vendor's transport to be returned to them at their expense. The NSA guidance for the prevention and eradication of Scab is total emersion dipping. We trust that you will appreciate the stance that we must take regarding Scab as we are selling large numbers of store sheep, breeding ewes etc., to return to farms and the confidence and value of these types of livestock will be greatly reduced if infected sheep are seen on the same premises.

PLEASE HELP US TO HELP OURSELVES

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Merry Millers Fundraising

As many of you will know, the Merry Millers are possibly the largest farmer-orientated fundraisers in the area with approximately £90,000 having been raised for local charities which they wish to push past £100,000 in the next few months. The charities are in Herefordshire, Powys, Monmouthshire and Worcestershire and up to now the donations have been as follows:

St Michaels Hospice	£11,000
St Davids Hospice, Newport	£11,000
Air Ambulance	£6,000
Prostate Cancer	£13,000
Haven Breast Cancer	£13,000
Wye Valley Trust	£26,000 (for a machine to detect the early signs of cancer)

The Merry Millers have asked us to sell any class of livestock you wish to donate for the Merry Millers to get them past their target of £100,000 and we wholeheartedly agreed to assist in every way possible. If you have an animal or animals you wish to donate to the Merry Millers Charity please let our clerks know when the animals arrive in the market to enable us to make a cheque out directly to the Merry Millers. There will of course be no commission deducted, but unfortunately, we don't have any choice but to make MLC deductions where relevant. The Merry Millers have done a tremendous amount of good work over many years and it is unlikely that you or your family have not been involved with any of the charities outlined. Now is your chance to help out with a livestock deduction for which we and the Merry Millers thank you very much indeed. The Merry Millers dance 2019 will take place at The Three Counties Hotel, Hereford on Friday 3rd May. For tickets please contact Ian Pugh on 07970 090000 or Janie Cotton on 07790 374387.