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PRIME HOGGS - 2422

Auctioneer - Richard Hyde

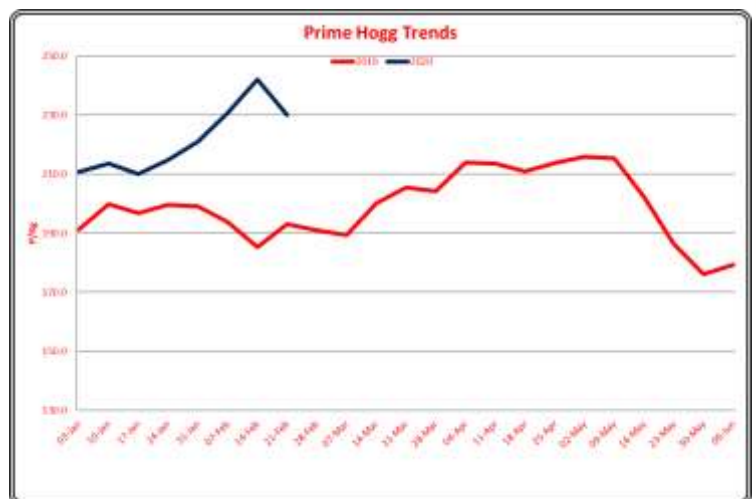
A much larger entry than expected met a selective trade at 230.1p SQQ. Definite resistance from the meat trade as many sheep have been 'blowing money' up £10 - £15 per head and that cannot be sustained. Euro is at 83p which is wonderful for holidaying in Europe, but completely useless for exporting sheep to Europe. Every sheep averaged £96.68 but not the £100+ seen last week. Everything must be sustainable to continue and 250p/kg for hogs was not going to last forever. No one too upset with trade as these prices are still the highest ever at this time of the year. Heavies to £126.50, best export hogs 273.5p, 2500 can be dealt with every week without affecting trade.

	TOTAL NO.s	LIGHT		STANDARD		MEDIUM		HEAVY		+ HEAVY	
		PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME
PRIME HOGGS	2,422	266.7	222.8	273.5	230.0	258.0	229.2	243.9	227.1	231.4	216.5

Today In History - p/kg

HOGGS	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
	230.1	193.1	207.9	170.0	185.7	186.0	189.0

PRIME HOGGS 230.1p SQQ
Average - 227.6p/kg
Top price/head £126.50
for hogs grading 61kg



Top Ten p/kg

Top Ten £/head

Kg	Vendor	£	/kg	Kg	Vendor	£
34.0	W J & E Williams	93.00	273.5	61.0	E L Evans & Co	126.5
30.0	M T J Price & Son	80.00	266.7	57.0	Jethawk	125.5
35.0	D Meredith	93.00	265.7	60.0	R J Watkins	125.0
39.0	M T J Price & Son	103.00	264.1	55.0	M A T Skyrme	124.5
37.0	M Lloyd	97.00	262.2	52.0	R Williams & Son	122.5
38.0	B Watkins	99.00	260.5	55.5	J R Badham & Sons	121.5
33.5	B Watkins	86.50	258.2	52.5	S Morgan & Sons	121.5
40.5	J M Smith	104.50	258.0	51.5	L & D Morgan	121.0
44.0	R Williams & Sons	112.50	255.7	61.0	R Williams & Son	120.5
29.0	B Watkins	74.00	255.2	51.5	J R Smith	119.5

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

WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY

7,000 SHEEP

2000 PRIME HOGGS - 9.30am

2000 CULL EWES - 11.00am

100 EWES & LAMBS - 11.30am

600 IN-LAMB EWES - 12 noon

To include a dispersal on behalf of the
Abberley family Penlangrug, Builth Wells

150 improved Welsh ewes - flock ages

Scanned in-lamb to BFL & Welsh rams

Lambing mainly from 5th April

25 BFL ewes - yearlings & 2 year olds

Scanned to BFL ram due 5th April

2500 STORE HOGGS - 12 noon

To include 100 NCM ewe hoggs run dry

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.45am

Sheep/calf entries close Monday 24th February at 5.00pm

THURSDAY 5th MARCH

At 11.00am

600 STORE CATTLE

CONTINENTAL & NATIVE BREEDS

To include

BEEF TYPE COWS/HEIFERS

IN OR WITH CALVES

STOCK/FEEDING BULLS

BARREN COWS

Entries for catalogue by Wednesday 26th February at 12 noon

And at 10.30am sale of

PIGS

WEANERS, STORES, CUTTERS,

BREEDING & CULL STOCK

Pig entries to the office by Tuesday 3rd March at 2.00pm

COUPLES - 117 EWES & 180 LAMBS

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

Fortunately the weather has not diminished the appetite of our couple purchasers, with a sharp trade every bit as good as last week, best double couple being Suffolk 3 & 4 year old ewes with Texel lambs from Messrs Cheacker to £238. John Whistance sold Suffolk doubles to £227, several lots then between £170 and £198. 10 yearling Suffolks with 15 lambs and at £170 with singles to £166. 10 Suffolk 3 year old ewes with 17 lambs to £198. 9 North Country ewes (full mouth) with 17 lambs to £190. Suffolk ewes (4 year old) with singles to £174. Overall average per head of £165 and £65.00 per life.

IN-LAMB EWES - 917

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

Given the recent weather it was to be expected that the shine might go out of the in-lambers. However, lots of good business done for certain commodities especially Welsh Mules with 3 & 4 years scanned 20th March onwards selling well up to £150, and again at £135, £132 etc. Welsh Mule 3 and 4 year olds carrying triplets to £135. A lovely draft of North Country Mules, flock ages scanned to a Cheviot ram each selling around £130 to a top of £134. An attractive pen of 2 and 3 year old pure Texel ewes lambing mid March made the second highest price of the day at £137. Suffolk ewes 2's to 4's to a Suffolk mid March sold up to £130, other pens at £128, £120 etc. After that a lot of ewes unfortunately lacking condition and looking a bit weather-beaten, selling anywhere between £80 and £105. 4 year old Welsh ewes scanned singles to £83 and again at £80 etc. A very nice entry of in-lamb Welsh Mule ewe hogs, scanned to a Poll Dorset lambing 4th April were easily sold, coloured to £120 and white faced to £124 and £110. Blue Faced Leicester hogs to £118 and Suffolk hogs to £118. At the end of the day a near complete clearance effected.

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 29

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A stronger entry of calves sold to a terrific trade with the stronger types in fierce demand selling to £410/head for a 90 day Blue x bull from Messrs Layton, Parkgate. Younger calves 14 to 35 days selling to £260/head for a Blue bull from Messrs Pritchard. Smallest types £60 to £120/head.

Those weaned calves, 3 months old a terrific trade with a run of Blue heifers selling to £320 for a 90 day calf and a 4½ month Blue bull calf selling to £480. All in all everything averaged £198/head. Plenty of buyers around the ring and more urgently required.

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 15th January 2020 or since can be sold from farms that are TB clear without needing to be tested at our next sale on 26th February 2020

Please telephone Matthew Nicholls on 07811 521267 or Rob Meadmore on 07774 763791

STORE & EWE HOGGS - 3225

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

A huge entry of hogs for February, with the reaction to the last ten days' weather, trade and some excellent runs of hogs travelling a long distance all combining for this large entry. Despite ground conditions and the finished trade just slipping the store hogs again exceptional throughout with another huge crowd of purchasers. Many distant customers and some fresh faces which led to the hogs being animated throughout. The strongest hogs a little less, however topping at £108, a super bunch of 23 Texel x hogs to £106. 29 Suffolk x Mules to £104, all strength from £92 to £102 with plenty of large bunches £95 to £99. A super bunch of 50 Charollais x hogs to £99.

Farming hogs another sharp trade throughout - £88 to £96. A superb consignment from Mold, North Wales of 270 continental x hogs to £98.50, with the run averaging £94.20 and all the hogs from this home £92 to £97. 203 Charollais x from another farm to average £94.20, again topping at £99 and ranging from £88.50 to £95.50. All farming hogs with condition £90 to £95 throughout the sale, with the demand for Texels and Beltex types excellent.

Plainer farming hogs looking every bit as dear with the stronger types all £82 to £88. A large show of medium keeping hogs - these trading £80 to £86 for the well bred sorts with condition, plainer and harder bred types generally all £70 to £80 depending on strength and condition.

Longer term hogs forward in good numbers. The well bred types with condition £64 to £72. Harder bred and plainer types from £50 to £65 with only the very small hill bred types and plainer under £50. These looked exceptionally well sold with the current ground conditions although more purchasers forward looking for these types today.

A large entry of ram hogs which was boosted by a large consignment of 480 Texel x and Welsh ram hogs from another farm in North Wales. The strongest ram hogs to £101, with Blue Faced Leicester to £100, all strength £87 to £95 with fewer stronger sorts forward.

A large show of smaller farming types - these £80 to £86, with the consignment from North Wales to £82.20 for Texel x. Welsh Mules to £79, with the Welsh to £70, other big bunches at £68 and £65.20. Smaller sorts well sold from £53 to £55.20.

In general smaller ram hogs with condition £70 to £80, with hill bred sorts from £50 to £70 depending on strength, strongest Welsh to £90. Plainer types from £50 to £65 depending on strength with all sorts keenly sought after.

	MIXED HOGGS (£/head)	RAM HOGGS (£/head)	EWE HOGGS (£/head)
TEXEL	108.00	101.00	-
CHAROLLAIS	99.00	100.00	-
SUFFOLK	104.00	95.50	-
WELSH MULE	83.50	100.00	-
WELSH/CHEVIOT	76.00	90.00	-
SPECKLE	79.00	76.50	-

Overall average - £77.17/head

CULL EWES - 1727

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A bonanza of a trade! Those strongest ewes in serious demand and a good £10/head dearer than last week with Texel ewes flying to £155.50/head for two separate pens from two separate vendors. Any amount of ewes £130/head plus and those best Suffolk ewes to £133/head. Strongest Mules to £120/head. Anything continental or Suffolk and meated were £100/head plus. The lean ewes were just as dear and some looked a serious price. The overall average is similar to last week but that is a reflection of the large majority of smaller plain ewes forward and not the trade. All types in excellent demand from start to finish. More ewes urgently needed.

GOATS - 22

A lovely entry of goats sold to a superb trade topping to £119.50/head and averaging just over £80/head.

Average £78/head

Continental	£155.50, £149.50, £145, £142.50, £140
Suffolk	£133, £130, £129.50, £128
North Country Mule	£120
Welsh Mules	£98
Speckles	£79
Welsh	£86
Cull Rams	£115
Wethers	£90

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

**Staff wanted for our busy sheep scanning team,
based at Hereford Livestock Market.
Every Wednesday, some Tuesdays in the autumn.
Computer knowledge helpful.**

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