

MARKET REPORTS

WEDNESDAY

15th JANUARY 2020

PRIME HOGGS - 1513

Auctioneer - Richard Hyde

Very short of numbers - the weather is holding the sheep back but keeps the trade up. SQQ 210.1p with every sheep averaging £87.79 including those of 24kg. There is huge resistance from the meat trade to these prices but numbers are short on a national basis and if the demand is there, which it is, trade will remain buoyant. Heavies to £111.50 with plenty of sheep £100+. Best export 235.4p with all good export sheep 210p+. The lighter sheep are the best trade per kilo. Standards to 234.2p, average 212.9p, mediums to 235.4p, average 210.5p.

41kg - £96.50 - 235.4p 40kg - £94 - 235.0p 32kg - £75 - 234.4p
38kg - £89 - 234.2p 38kg - £88 - 231.6p 43kg - £98 - 227.9p

Export trade leading the field with the home trade having to 'hang on' to compete. Trade well above 'dead price' so please can we have more numbers as they can be sold to great advantage. Competition creates trade so the auction system leads the field and deadweight has to react accordingly. Just imagine if 3 local abattoirs were starved of sheep and had to come out 'guns blazing' to buy them in auction, then you would see a trade! Deadweight is like fire and water - a good servant but a very bad master. Provided the auction system is leading, the sheep prices will remain buoyant. If deadweight is in charge look at the beef price and weep! Euro at 85.85p is slightly better which helps the export 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	1513	234.4	200.6	234.2	212.9	235.4	210.5	214.1	201.9	206.7	195.2

Today In History - p/kg

HOGGS	2020	210.1	2019	179.8	2018	176.1	2017	171.8	2016	192.0	2015	177.5	2014	149.5
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SELL LIVE!!

PRIME HOGGS SQQ

Average 210.1p/kg

Top Price/Head £111.50

for hogs grading 58kg



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>
41.0	A Bishop	96.50	235.4	58.0	E M Morse	111.50
40.0	G W & G W Green	94.00	235.0	54.0	V J Eaton	110.00
32.0	H Pugh	75.00	234.4	58.0	G J & M Smith & Son	110.00
38.0	D P Davies	89.00	234.2	55.0	W J & E Williams	109.50
38.0	G W & G W Green	88.00	231.6	57.0	W J & E Williams	109.50
43.0	D P Davies	98.00	227.9	55.0	S M Jones	109.00
38.0	B Davies	86.50	227.6	52.5	W J & E Williams	108.50
37.0	V J Eaton	83.00	224.3	65.0	J Corrick	108.00
37.0	J Hathway	83.00	224.3	56.0	W J Brewer & Son	107.50
35.0	D J Wood	78.00	222.9	53.0	D L Williams	105.00

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WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY

10,000 SHEEP

2000 PRIME HOGGS - 9.30am

2500 CULL EWES - 11.00am

4500 STORE HOGGS - 11.15am

1200 IN-LAMB EWES - 12 noon

To include:

Flock dispersal of 234 Suf x/ Texel x ewes - yr/ lgs/2's

Scanned to Texel/Charollais rams due 1st March

Mostly out of Hexham Mules

100 w/faced Mules scanned to Texel rams (200%) due

8th March. Hep P/Enzovax/Toxovax

160 Suffolk x Mules and Texel x Mules - 2's/4's

scanned to Texel rams due 15th Feb from one farm

50 EWES & LAMBS

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.45am

Sheep/calf entries close Monday 20th January at 5.00pm

THURSDAY 6th FEBRUARY

At 11.00am

400 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 29th January at 12 noon

And at 10.30am sale of

PIGS

WEANERS, STORES, CUTTERS,

BREEDING & CULL STOCK

Pig entries to the office by Tuesday 4th February at 2.00pm

COUPLES - 46 ewes with 73 lambs

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

Our couple section was a little lacklustre today, probably because of the weather, but nevertheless a complete clearance was effected. Top price of £180 (3 times) followed by £168 (twice) and then from £135 to £165. Figures per life look respectable at £60 to £80.

IN-LAMB EWES - 800

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

Despite the atrocious weather, a wonderful show of in-lambers with all breeds catered for. Best sold on the day was a pen of Suffolk cross 2 year olds scanned to Texel rams 200% at £185 with similar ewes at £162 and £160, and others at £148 etc. 3 and 4 year old Suffolk ewes to £135 scanned to Texel ram, 200% due 4th March, 2 and 3 year old Suffolks carrying triplets due 1st March at £125. A selection of Suffolk ewes, various ages from £90 to £120. A lovely consignment of quality Welsh Mules from Wayne Clark, Penybont really did catch the eye, selling to a full alley and topping at £155 (3 times) for 2 year olds, 3 year olds to £145 and £140, with 4 year olds to £142 and £140 all scanned to Suffolk 200% due 8th March. Texel cross full mouth ewes carrying twins to £137, with a run of white faced ewes, 2 year old, scanned 170% to Texel due end of February generally £116 to £118. Speckle Face ewes, 4 years old to Blue Faced Leicester rams due end of February at £92. As ever an amount of ewes between £60 and £100, various ages, breeds and condition. A very satisfactory total clearance effected at an overall average just shy of £115.

Several quality consignments promised for next week, 22nd January.

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 24

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A ring packed full of buyers but only 24 calves on offer. Many more calves could have been sold and there was a definite shortage of those quality British Blue cross calves. Today was certainly lacking strength and size in the calves. Nevertheless a nice Blue heifer (end of October born) sold well to £310/head. Some Angus cross bull calves 25 to 40 days sold between £30 and £120 depending on their size.

Stronger weaned calves sold to £350 for a Charolais cross bull. There was a shortage of quality and size today and more could have been sold. The demand is there and a greater entry is required next week.

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 4th December 2019 or since can be sold from farms that are TB clear without needing to be tested at our next sale on 22nd January 2020

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

STORE & EWE HOGGS - 4291

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

A very good entry of store hogs met another animated trade with the hogs every bit as dear as last week's exceptional prices. The average is slightly less - this only due to several very small hill bred hogs and more longer term hogs. The strongest and farming hogs if anything slightly dearer. A larger crowd of purchasers with some travelled purchasers not even starting. A strong Shrewsbury contingent, North and West Wales and into the West Country and more hogs could easily have been sold.

Strongest stores today topped at £97.50 for some Texel ram hogs. A super bunch of 45 Charollais x Texels from W H Morse travelling from just outside Haverfordwest to £96.50! Cheviot ram hogs from the same farm to £89.20. All strength £85.50 to £93, including a good run of Suffolk x Mule ewe hogs - these to £90, with others £88.50 and £87 for large bunches. Strength short on the ground.

A good show of farming hogs - these £76 to £85 throughout with no end of bunches £80 plus. Some super Texel x Mules from M/s Jones to £85 and £84.50. The demand for these well bred Texels and Beltex at present is undeniable and more are needed. Likewise Suffolk x Mules to £86.50, other stronger sorts all £80 plus with no end £75 to £80. A good bunch of shorn Romneys to £78.20, Mule wethers to £79 showing the demand for all types. A larger show of medium and longer term hogs - these finding plenty of trade. Well bred medium keeping sorts £68 to £75, with the better end £72 to £75. Plainer and harder bred types from £60 to £68 depending on strength. Longer term well bred hogs £60 to £65, with the harder bred sorts from £54 to £60. Plainer types maybe a little less although some showing the effects of the last two days of weather! The small hill bred and plainer hogs from £35 to £48, with most £42 plus. Ram hogs in demand throughout, strength £80 to £97.50, generally all £80 plus. Farming ram hogs from £70 to £78 depending on condition and breed. Longer terms sorts were mainly hill bred - these from £45 to £65 depending on strength and condition. Very few under £45 and no less than last week's extreme levels. Vendors, please find some stores for next week, likewise if you are selling your stores elsewhere please think about trying some in Hereford. Well over 20 individual purchasers providing large competition with 5000 store hogs needed each week, today 1150, over quarter of the hogs trading at over £80.

	MIXED HOGGS (£/head)	RAM HOGGS (£/head)	EWE HOGGS (£/head)
TEXEL	90.50	97.50	-
CHAROLLAIS	88.00	96.50	-
SUFFOLK	86.50	78.80	90.00
WELSH MULE	79.00	85.00	-
WELSH/CHEVIOT	65.00	89.20	-
SPECKLE	66.00	-	-

Overall average - £70.26/head

CULL EWES - 2253

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

Another excellent entry of ewes sold to another very buoyant trade with ewes to £160/head. Any amount £130/head plus, 70 ewes in excess of £125/head. An overall average of £75/head achieved to include all types. Mule ewes to £100/head and those best Suffolks to £124/head. All types in excellent demand and with eight buyers in attendance, full competition was guaranteed. Rams also a stronger trade sold to £130/head. A nice entry of goats sold to a serious trade averaging £110/head up to £118/head (21 forward).

More ewes required every week

Average £75/head

Continental	£160, £150, £149, £144, £144, £141, £140
Suffolk	£124, £120, £118
North Country Mule	£105
Welsh Mules	£92
Speckles	£73
Welsh	£75
Cull Rams	£130
Wethers	£84
Goats	£118

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