

## TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2018

Hopes Auction Co, Wigton held their weekly sale of Primestock when there was an entry of 24 Cattle, 10 Bulls and 832 Prime Sheep including 215 Spring Lambs, 386 Prime Hoggs and 231 Ewes.

Another good show of cattle and increases in trade topping at a massive £1802.74 paid to J Crichton, Loughrigg, Egremont for a Charolais Heifer and purchased by R J Harrison & Sons, Butcher for his King Street, Wigton shop. 10 cattle making over £1600 today and big weights selling well but handy heifers in short supply and more required each week.

The top pence per kg honours went to J Dixon & Sons, Lesson Hall, Wigton with a super 621 kgs Limousin Heifer making 258.5p and £1605 and was purchased by Tony Harrison, Butcher, Main Street, Cockermouth.

Steers sold to a top price of 204.5p and £1425.37 paid for a Limousin shown by Messrs JJ Dixon, The Thwaites, Welton.

More bulls forward again as vendors take advantage of the trade. Top today 230.5 and £1486.73 paid to JG & M Little, Greenhill Farm, Wigton for a Limousin. Dairy bred continentals to 215.5p from Messrs Mattocks, Auldby and Friesians to 194.5p from I Grainger, Kiln Close.

### HEIFERS

**Limousin** 258.5 246.5 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 248.5 247.5 243.5 235.5 Hill House  
240.5 225.5 Welton Farm 233.5 Greenhill Farm 229.5 223.5 East Mill 223.5  
Loughrigg Farm

**Charolais** 239.5 Hill House 224.5 Loughrigg

**British Blue** 236.5 West Farm 211.5 Hill House

### STEERS

**Limousin** 204.5 The Thwaites

### BULLS

**Limousin** 230.5 226.5 220.5 Greenhill Farm 212.5 209.5 Auldby Farm

**Friesian** 194.5 170.5 Kiln Close 175.5 Auldby Farm

### SPRING LAMBS

Spring lambs started with a flying trade with an overall sale average of 346p per kg and £144.47 per head.

The top price was £184 paid to JN Harrison & Sons, Down Hall, Aikton for 44 kgs Beltex lambs purchased by RJ Harrison & Sons, Butchers, King St, Wigton.

Pence per kg honours went to JS Dixon, Lesson Hall, Wigton selling 42 kgs Beltex for 421.4p per kg.

Many pens of lambs over the £150 per head mark and more light weight well meated lambs were well sold. Adam Bell, Hill Crest had 35 kgs selling for £138 and there were many more pens of 35-40 kgs making 350p-400p per kg. More lambs could have been sold to the vendors advantage. Please phone Jimmy on 07827 966377.

**Beltex** £184 £164 £163.50 £160 £155 £150 Down Hall £177 £171 £165 £164 £159 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £170 Loughrigg £160 £156 £150 £146 £140 Hill Crest  
**Texel** £165 £161 £159 £156 £153 £149 Far Broom £164 Loughrigg £162 £161 Bothel Parks £154 Hill House £151 Mechi £151£149 Park House (Brown) £150 £146 Lesson Hall (Steel) £150 £146 Low Blaithwaite £150 £146 Kiln Close £146 Allerby Hall  
**Bleu de Maine** £140 £139 £135.50 Holme Croft  
**Suffolk** £163 £147 £140 Greenhill Farm £159 £158 £155 £153 Greenah Hall £150 £140 Loughrigg £150 Kiln Close £140 £127 Lesson Hall (Steel) £140 £126 Forester Fold £139 £135 Mechi £137 Hill House £130 Hill Crest £126 Spring Hill £122 Pasture House  
**Charollais** £160 £154 £153 Loughrigg  
**Millenium Blue** £160 Loughrigg  
**Rouge** £155 Kiln Close  
**Zwartble** £146 Hill Crest

#### Per Kg

**Beltex** 421.4 402.40 371.70 369.8 352.7 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 418.20 394.0 390.20 385.90 375.0 356.3 Down Hall 414.60 Loughrigg 400.0 394.7 394.3 390.20 383.60 371.20 350.0 346.60 Hill Crest  
**Texel** 377.5 Park House 375.00 353.3 Kiln Close 374.40 Bothel Park 374.40 367.10 366.70 Far Broom 357.80 355.0 Pasture House 356.50 Loughrigg 352.20 Bothel Parks 351.60 Low Blaithwaite 350 Hill House  
**Charollais** 391.60 382.50 340.40 Loughrigg  
**Suffolk** 388.10 Greenhill Farm 359.0 351.50 Loughrigg 359.0 321.90 Greenhill Farm 353.3 352.30 332.60 316.0 Greenah Hall 326.20 Hill House 317.80 Hill Crest 308.20 Kiln Close 306.0 301.1 Lesson Hall (Steel)  
**Bleu de Maine** 368.40 347.40 343.20 Holme Croft  
**Zwartble** 356.10 Hill Crest  
**Rouge** 352.3 Kiln Close  
**Millenium Bleu** 326.50 Loughrigg

#### PRIME EWES

The best show for some time and a strong trade to a top of £142 from RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria. Plenty selling in excess of £130 and more are required each week.

**Texel** £142 West Farm £141 £133 Mechi £137 £133 Bothel Parks £133 Pasture House £130 Bank House Farm £130 £129 £125 Hill House £128 Hudscapes £125 Mechi £125 High Hall  
**Charollais** £141 Hill Crest £100 Bank House

**Beltex** £140 West Farm £124 £114 Inglewood Edge  
**Suffolk** £137 Lesson Hall (Steel) £133 Mechi £130 West Farm £127 Beech Tree  
£122 New House £121 Hill Crest £111 Lesson Hall (Steel)  
**Dutch Texel** £130 £110 £109 Cobble Croft  
**Cheviot** £116 Pasture House  
**Bleu de Maine** £110 Hill House  
**Millenium Blue** 108 Chapel Farm  
**Mule** £92 Bank House £83 Beech Tree £80 Pasture House £74 Birkmire  
**Blackface** £58 Pasture House  
**Swaledale** £57 Pasture House