

TUESDAY 17th APRIL 2018

Hopes Auction Co, Wigton held their weekly sale of Primestock when there was an entry of 23 Cattle, 7 Bulls and 977 Prime Sheep including 6 Spring Lambs, 769 Hogs and 202 Ewes.

A smaller show but with good quality forward trade remained firm and a top price of 244.5 p per kg was paid for a Limousin Heifer shown by RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria and was purchased by Steven Wilson Ltd, Family Butcher, Corby Hill, Carlisle. The top price per head for heifers was £1571.91 paid to JJ & J Benson & Sons, Kirkland Hall, Wigton for a 694 kgs Charolais Heifer purchased by RJ Harrison & Sons, Butcher, King Street, Wigton. More cattle are required each week as trade exceeded vendors expectations and produced strong returns.

Steers sold well to a top price of 214.5p and £1510.08 paid for a Charolais which was shown by Messrs JJ Dixon, The Thwaites, Welton.

A small show of Bulls met a solid trade and sold to 225.5p and £1362.02 paid for a 604 kgs Limousin shown by JG & M Little, Greenhill Farm, Wigton. Dairy bred Limousin sold to 211.5p from J Pattinson & Son, Uldale Hall.

HEIFERS

Limousin 244.5 237.5 229.5 West Farm 241.5 237.5 226.5 Hill House (Harrison) 231.5 225.5 Greenhill Farm 229.5 220.5 217.5 Kirkland Hall 228.5 206.5 Mid Farm (Scott) 223.5 Lesson Hall (Steel)

Charolais 226.5 Kirkland Hall

Angus 200.5 Lime Kiln Nook

STEER

Charolais 214.5 The Thwaites

BULLS

Limousin 225.5 Greenhill Farm 211.5 209.5 Uldale Hall 208.5 Fell End (Taylor and Gill)

British Blue 220.5 Greenhill Farm

SPRING LAMBS

The top price was £140 and 333.30p per kg paid for a fantastic Suffolk cross Spring Lamb weighing 42 kgs from Adam Bell, Hill Crest, Rosley and was purchased by RJ Harrison & Sons, Butchers, King Street, Wigton.

Suffolk £140 Hill Crest

Texel £95 Dian House

HOGGS

Today saw a decrease in trade of 35p per kg compared to last week. Good sorts still well sold. JP Mason & Sons again had a fantastic run of well fed Beltex

Hoggs which sold to £143 and 350p per kg for a pen of 10. These hoggs averaged £133 per head and 310p per kg.

Horned hoggs were well sold, Mike Lawson had a run of 90 Scotch Blackface which weighed 39.27 kgs and made £93.60 per head (238.36p)

The top price per head was £149 paid to J Dixon & Sons, Lesson Hall, Wigton for Beltex and were purchased by RJ Harrison & Sons, Butcher, King St, Wigton

Pence per kg honours went to JP Mason & Sons, East Farm selling Beltex hoggs for 350p per kg.

Per Head

Beltex £149 £145 £140 £133 £132 £131 £129 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £144 High Airyolland £143 £140 £137 £135 £133 £130 £129 £128 East Farm £130 Allerby Hall £128 Lairdlaugh

Charollais £130 £120 Kiln Close

Dutch Texel £126 £116 £115 £110 £108 Cobble Croft

Texel £124 £114 £109 Braithwaite Hall £121 £120 £116 £108 High Hall £115 £106 Priestcroft £114 £113 £106 Kiln Close £114 Greystoke Castle £113 £111 Kirkland Guards £110 Crummock Bank £108 £107.50 £107 £106 £105.50 Allerby Hall £105 East Mill £105 Allerby Hall

Kerry £113 Greenah Villa

Suffolk £102 £93 Braithwaite Hall

Herdwick £94 Crummock Bank £93.50 Pasture House

Blackface £93.50 Pasture House

Mule £93 Crummock Bank £90 Hillside

Cheviot £91 Town Head Farm

Leicester £90 Eden Park

Jacob £64.50 Crummock Bank

Per Kg

Beltex 350 343.8 337.3 323.9 309.7 East Farm 330.0 311.90 302.10 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 317.10 302.60 Allerby Hall 308.40 Lairdlaugh

Dutch Texel 305.6 300.0 293.0 290.0 287.50 284.50 268.30 262.50 Cobble Croft

Charollais 277.13 Kiln Close

Texel 269.0 263.10 260.0 246.5 242.7 Kiln Close 260.6 240.30 Pasture House 254.8 247.0 245.3 244.2 243.9 243.3 241.6 Allerby Hall 251.20 245.7 244.9 High Hall 248.6 Sleightholme Farm 247.8 Braithwaite Hall 244.4 Crummock Bank 240.0 Town Head Farm

Herdwick 239.7 Pasture House 207.40 Crummock Bank

Blackface 238.20 236.40 236.0 Pasture House

Cheviot 229.6 Town Head Farm

Kerry Hill 226.0 Greenah Villa

Suffolk 221.4 212.5 Braithwaite Hall

Mule 216.3 Crummock Bank 214.3 Hillside

Leicester 204.5 Eden Park

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PRIME EWES

A bigger show and full a full cross section of quality a strong trade which topped at £139 for Texels from Messrs Bowe, Mechi, with a good trade throughout with the extra numbers easily handled. This number can be accommodated each week. Cast Rams to £131 for a Beltex from N & J McQuistin, High Airyolland.

Texel £139 £133 £123 Mechi £138 £132 £128 Bothel Parks £138 £134 £131 £127 Priestcroft £132 Hill Crest £129 £116 Greenah Hall £120 £119 £116 Allerby Hall £119 Greenah Villa £116 Gerrard House £116 Greenah Hall
Suffolk £137 Priestcroft £137 £130 £124 Mechi £127 Allerby Hall £116 £105 Greenah Villa

Dutch Texel £122 Cobble Croft

Blue Leicester £117.50 High Airyolland £90 Bridge Bank

Mule £95 Greenah Villa £92 The Grange £89 £81 Greystoke Castle £84 Newlands £73 Old Silloth Farm

Beltex £79 High Airyolland

Kerry £70 Greenah Villa

Cheviot £63 Pasture House

Swaledale £61 Newlands £60 Carlisle Gate £59 Greystoke Castle

Herdwick £47 Old Silloth

Beltex Ram £131 £119 High Airyolland

Texel Ram £129 Kirkland Guards

Leicester Ram £90 High Airyolland