

TUESDAY 6th MARCH 2018

Hopes Auction Co, Wigton held their weekly sale of Primestock when there was an entry of 31 Cattle, 3 Bulls and 1333 Prime Sheep including 43 Ewes.

Today saw the Anniversary Show and Sale of Primestock.

The cattle were judged by Steven Wilson, Butcher, Corby Hill, Carlisle who awarded the following prizes:

A super show of meat for the Anniversary Show and Sale and trade up on the week for all classes to a top of 248.5 p/kg for a 535kg Limousin Heifer from Messrs Watson, Cunningarth. Bullocks also seeming dearer on the week. The Show was expertly Judged by local Butcher Steven Wilson, who chose a tremendous Limousin from Messrs DA Harrison as his Champion the 629 kg Heifer realised 245.5 and was purchased by the judge. Reserve Champion from Messrs Miller, West Farm was a 699 kg Heifer which came to the days top gross of £1674.

Young Bulls

Again a super show of meat with a show of bigger bulls selling to a gross of £1682 for newland farming Co. Champion Bull in the Show today was a Limousin Bull again from Messrs Miller, West Farm which weighed 737 kg and made 222.5 p/kg (£1639)

Heifer sired by Limousin

1st and Overall Champion – DA Harrison, Hill House, Aldoth sold for 245.5p and purchased by S Wilson Ltd, Butcher, Corby Hill, Carlisle.

2nd and Reserve Champion – RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria sold for 239.5p per kg.

Heifer sired by Charolais

1st – N Dixon, Low Whinnow Farm, Thursby sold for 228.5p

2nd – N Dixon, Low Whinnow Farm, Thursby sold for 222.5p

Heifer sired by Any Other Breed

1st – Messrs Watson, Cunningarth, Wigton with a British Blue sold for 206.5p

2nd – DA Harrison, Hill House, Aldoth with a British Blue sold for 204.5p

Steer sired by Limousin

1st – Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards, Mealsgate sold for 239.5p

2nd – Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards, Mealsgate sold for 223.5p

Bull sired by Limousin

1st – RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria sold for 222.5p

2nd – Newlands Farming Co sold for 207.5p

Bull sired by Charolais

1st – WJB Cleasby, Linden House, Temple Sowerby sold for 197.5p per kg.

The top price of 248.5 p per kg was paid for a Limousin Heifer shown by Messrs Watson, Cunningarth, Wigton. The top price per head for heifers was £1674.11 paid to RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria for another Limousin Heifer.

Steers sold to a top price of 239.5p and £1377.13 which was shown by Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards, Mealsgate and purchased by W Kirkup & Sons, Butchers, Longtown.

Bulls sold to 222.5p and £1639.83 paid to RE Miller, West Farm, Aspatria for a Limousin.

HEIFERS

Limousin 248.5 Cunningarth 246.5 238.5 Greenlands Farm 245.5 235.5 223.5 222.5 Hill House 240.5 226.5 Greenhill Farm 239.5 213.5 West Farm 239.5 231.5 Mechi 234.5 210.5 Loughrigg 228.5 226.5 224.5 East Mill

Charolais 228.5 222.5 Low Whinnow Farm

British Blue 206.5 Cunningarth 204.5 Hill House

STEERS

Limousin 239.5 223.5 Kirkland Guards

BULLS

Limousin 222.5 West Farm 207.5 Newlands Farm

Charolais 197.5 Linden House

HOGGS

This was the Anniversary Show and Sale of Prime Hogs and 1324 sold to an average of 262.4p and the SQQ was 268.49p or £108.50 per head.

The Show was kindly sponsored by the Beltex Sheep Society and judged by Haig Murray of Dunbia. There were twenty four fantastic pairs of lambs forward for the judged and he selected as his Champions a pair of Beltex weighing 41 kgs shown by RN Scott, West Micklethwaite, Wigton which were purchased by family Butcher Richard Harrison & Sons, King Street, Wigton for £185 each or 451.2 p per kg. Reserve honours went to Robin Slade of Hereford who sold 37.5 kgs Beltex for £140.

There was 112 hogs that sold between £130 and £185. 589 Beltex hogs were sold which averaged £122 and 306.12p per kg.

John and Joanne Hall, Inglewood Edge again had a fantastic run of 31 inside fed Beltex hogs which had an average weight of 38.1 kgs and averaged 330.49p and £126..23. There were many more consignments with average over £3 per kg.

Horned and Mule hogs were also in demand with Mules to topping at £100 from DA Harrison, Hill House and to 231.9p from Stoneraise Farming. Swaledale and Scotch Blackface also met a nice trade with 38 kgs Blackface selling for £90.

Stoneraise Farming had a fantastic run of 157 Mule, Blackface and Continental which averaged £96 or 248p per kg.

More sheep are required weekly, please contact Jimmy on 07827 966377.

Prizewinners

Pair of Hoggs 80 kgs and Under

1st and Reserve Champion – RJ Slade, Orchard Bungalow, Hereford 37.5 kgs Beltex and sold for £140

2nd – RN Scott, West Micklethwaite, Wigton 38 kgs Beltex sold for £131

Pair of Hoggs 81-90 kgs

1st and Overall Champion – RN Scott, West Micklethwaite with 41 kgs Beltex sold for £185

2nd – A & B Fisher, Lairdlaugh, Springholme, Castle Douglas with 41 kgs Beltex sold for £139

Pair of Hoggs 91 kgs and over

1st – J Dixon & Son, Lesson Hall, Wigton with 45.5kgs Beltex sold for £149

2nd – D & HE Batty, Cobble Croft, Blennerhasset with 47 kgs Dutch Texel sold for £159.

Per Head

Beltex £185 £146 West Micklethwaite £157 £151 Parkgate Hall £156 £142.50 £139 Hillside £151 Snade £149 £140 Orchard Bungalow £149 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £147 £143 Inglewood Edge £139 Keskadale £139 Lairdlaugh

Texel £147 £120 High Hall £126 £118.50 Kirkland Guards £124 Woodhouse Mains £122 £118 Thistlebottom £121 Stoneraise Place £120 The Gardens £118 Wellington Farm £118 £117 £115 Kiln Close £117 The Heads £115 East Mill £115 Croft House (Hunt)

Dutch Texel £159 £141 £140 £127 £125 Cobble Croft

Charollais £138 Kiln Close

Blue Texel £132 £125 £123 £120 £114 £113 £109 £101 Stanger Hill

Millenium Bleu £129 £127 Kiln Close £109 £103 Rosemount

Suffolk £125 Kiln Close £117 £111 Crummock Bank £110 Woodhouse Hill £106 Hill Crest £102 High House (Dickinson) £100 Dufton House

Mule £100 Hill House £95 £92.50 Stoneraise Place £93 Stanger Hill

Herdwick £97 Rosemount

Blackface £90 Stoneraise Place £80 Pasture House £79 Hill Crest

Swaledale £90 Stoneraise Place

Per Kg

Beltex 451.2 347.6 344.7 West Micklethwaite 373.3 372.50 370.60 Orchard Bungalow 368.3 365.10 Parkgate Hall 365.0 343.9 Keskadale 362.8 356.4 356.2 Hillside 357.5 354.10 350.0 342.5 341.70 Inglewood Edge 348.6 Upper Cleugh 347.2 Shap Abbey 342.5 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 340.30 338.8 Orchard Bungalow 339.0 336.6 Lairdlaugh 338.3 Snade 337.5 Allerby Hall

Texel 341.9 285.7 High Hall 316.7 305.70 297.30 East Mill 310.3 291.8 277.10 276.10 Stoneraise Place 300.0 279.9 278.0 Kirkland Guards 291.90 273.0 The Heads 281.8 Woodhouse Mains

Dutch Texel 348.10 338.30 325.60 318.20 303.00 Cobble Croft

Blue Texel 312.5 302.7 294.80 287.0 277.7 273.3 258.10 254.60 Stanger Hill

Millenium Bleu 284.3 258.0 Kiln Close 278.4 Rosemount

Charollais 265.4 Kiln Close

Suffolk 258.0 Kiln Close 231.3 Crummock Bank 230.5 Woodhouse Hill 228.4 Hill
Crest 220.5 Duffton House
Herdwick 242.5 Rosemount
Swaledale 239.6 Stoneraise Place
Blackface 238.3 Stoneraise Place 227.7 Pasture House 215 Hill Crest
Mule 231.9 227.5 Stoneraise Place 218 Stanger Hill 212.1 Hill House

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PRIME EWES

Beltex £124 £120 Parkgate Hall
Texel £118 £115 Kirkland Guards £95 Stanger Hill £94 Thistlebottom £
Suffolk £ 106 Low Blaithwaite
Half Bred £98 Low Blaithwaite
Leicester £89 Low Blaithwaite
Cheviot £70 Thistlebottom
Mule £78 Mechi £76 Manor Farm
Texel Ram £124 £60 Sandlands