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# THURSDAY 31ST AUGUST 2023 SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS, DAIRY CATTLE AND STORE LAMBS

## CALVES & STIRKS – 70

The sun was shining today and produced a great mixture of cracking Calves and Stirks, with skins shining, they sold to a packed ringside of buyers once again.

Heifer Stirks leading the way today, with a fantastic 9-month-old Red Limousin, selling to £820 for G Moor, Maplewood, who also sold a 10-month-old Aberdeen Angus Heifer Stirk to £550.

Bull Stirks sold to £495 for a 3-month-old British Blue from regular vendor RG & W Whitfield, Balladoyle Farm, whose run of 8 Stirks sold to an average of £481.25.

Steers sold to £710 for a Dairy Bred 7-month-old British Blue from J & I Watson & Son, Moorhouse Farm.

Tarnrigg Ltd, Tarnrigg Moor sold a run of 4 younger British Blue Stirks to £470 and an average of £462.50. Once again, regular vendor and good stocks person, Kate Bailey, Moorhouse Hall sold a fantastic 6-week-old British

Blue Bull Calf to £435, taking her run of three calves to an average of £356.67.

Heifer Calves sold to £315 for a two-month-old British Blue from Messrs Eilbeck & Son, Plumbland Farm, who produced a fantastic run of 19 super quality young British Blue Calves to an average of £271.84.

Holstein calves sold to £120 for Messrs Bowness, Chapel Farm

More Calves and Stirks required for our next sale please, to be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Overall averages: -Bulls Averaged: £297.58 Heifers Averaged: £328.68 Steers Averaged: £512.00

Leading Averages: G Moor, Maplewood - £685.00 for 2 RG & W Whitfield, Balladoyle Farm - £481.25 for 8 Tarnrigg Ltd, Tarnrigg Moor - £462.50 for 4 Messrs J & I Watson & Son, Moorhouse Farm - £426.50 for 10 J Bailey, Moorhouse Hall Farm - £356.67 for 3

Limousin Bull Stirks £470 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £315 Flatt Bank (Harrington)

Limousin Heifer Stirks £820 Maplewood (Moor) £445 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)

**British Blue Bull Stirks** £495 £490 £485 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £490 £365 Flatt Bank (Harrington) £470 £340 Moorhouse Farm (Watson)

**British Blue Heifer Stirks** £515 £500 £450 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £430 £420 £415 Moorhouse Farm (Watson) £390 £360 Flatt Bank (Harrington)

British Blue Steer Stirks £710 Moorhouse Farm (Watson) £470 £465 £460 £455 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright)

**British Blue Bull Calves** £435 £335 £300 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey) £365 £325 £310 £305 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck)





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**British Blue Heifer Calves** £315 £285 x 4 £275 x 3 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck) £310 Bolton Cottage Farm (Brough) £305 £260 Flatt Bank (Harrington) £295 £290 x 2 £270 Chapel Farm (Bowness)

Aberdeen Angus Bull Stirks £400 Moorhouse Farm (Watson)

Aberdeen Angus Heifer Stirks £550 Maplewood (Moor) £375 x 2 £300 Moorhouse Farm (Watson)

Holstein Bull Calves £120 Chapel Farm (Bowness)

Fleckvieh Bull Calves £120 Chapel Farm (Bowness)

## DAIRY CATTLE – 7

Some strong Dairy Cattle forward today, selling to £1580 for a fresh three week calved British Friesian Heifer, giving 28 litres from WM Dotchin, Cumcatch Farm, with 2<sup>nd</sup> Calvers selling to £1520 for Messrs Harrington, Flatt Bank.

Fantastic 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Calvers sold to £1450 and £1420 for cows giving 30 litres from Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm.

Next sale of Dairy Cattle will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023, please advise entries for advertising purposes.

Friesian Heifers £1580 Cumcatch Farm (Dotchin)

Holstein Cows £1520 £1300 Flatt Bank (Harrington) £1420 Fairladies Farm (Clark)

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### STORE LAMBS - 1031

The Store Sheep ring came back with a bang at Hopes Auction on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August. Another tremendous run of 1031 Store Lambs were forward with buyers present once again for all sizes and qualities.

Top quality sheep proved in the highest demand, with a top price being achieved by Messrs Dempster, Castle Hill Farm, making the lengthy journey from Tundergarth, Dumfries, worth while and securing the top spot of £143 for a pen of 6 with the whole consignment of 26 averaging up at £135.31.

Messrs Milburn, Wallend Farm, Greenhead also consigned a tremendous run of Beltex and Dutch Texel Lambs,



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Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm sold two good cows - left 7<sup>th</sup> Calver, 4 weeks calved, giving 30 litres, 3.74% Protein and 3.69% Butter Fat to £1420 and right a 6<sup>th</sup> Calver, 4 weeks calved, giving 30 litres, 3.81% Protein and 4.01% Butter Fat to £1450



Messrs Eilbeck, Plumbland Farm sold a fantastic run of 19 British Blue Calves to £365



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which sold beyond all expectations selling to a top of £139, with their run of 48 selling to an average of a very respectable £133.04.

Messrs Peile, Yew Tree Farm consigned a lovely run of 51 Texel X Mules selling to top out at £98 a head and averaged up at £92.35.

First cross type Lambs also sold very well with vendors commenting on how pleasing the trade was compared to other local markets.

Leading Averages: Castle Hill Farms - £135.21 for 26 TR & EA Milburn, Wallend Farm - £133.04 for 48 Messrs M & M Byrne, Thornthwaite Close - £119.53 for 15 Messrs Knight, Stephney Farm - £115.75 for 101 AW Hague, Mill Street - £112.23 for 61

The next sale will be a Show and Sale of Store Lambs and will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023, please contact David Fearon on 07500173273 for any further information.

**Beltex** £143 £134 £132 Castle Hill Farms (Dempster) £136 £130 £129 x 2 £119 £110 x 2 Stephney Farm (Knight) £132 £124 £118 £108 x 2 £106 Mill Street (Hague) £131 £110 Wallend Farm (Milburn) £130 £106 x 2 Buttermere Close (Dunn) £129 £128 Thornthwaite Close (Byrne) £123 £112 £110 £109 x 3 £108 x 3 Barkbeth (Ewart) £120 £109 £106 Prospect House (Hodgson) £116 £114 £113 High Park Foot (Telford) £110 £106 Sycamore House (Skelton) £110 High Aketon (Miller) £107 Howgill Farm (Brough) £107 Low Buildings Farm (Wetherell)

**Texel** £139 £138 £136 £128 £124 Wallend Farm (Milburn) £128 £110 £100 £98 £96 Bothel Craggs (Thirlwall) £112 High Aketon (Miller) £105 Stephney Farm (Knight) £105 Low Buildings Farm (Wetherell) £104 Cowgate (Gardhouse) £100.5 Brewery House Barn (Ridley) £98 Waverhead (Bell) £98 Yew Tree Farm (Peile)

Millenium £116 £111 £98 x 2 £97 Rosemount (Jackson)

Suffolk £108 Cowgate (Gardhouse)



AW Hague, Mill Street sold a lovely run of 61 Beltex Store Lambs, this pen of 5 sold to £132 and the whole consignment averaged £112.23.



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