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# THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023 SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS, FOLLOWED BY STORE LAMBS

#### **CALVES & STIRKS - 70**

A nice sale of Calves and Stirks forward today for the last sale of 2023.

Topping today at £640, four-month-old British Blue Heifers from RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm, with their lovely run of six Blues and Limousins taking the top average accolade at £613.33.

Six-month-old Dairy Bred Limousins sold to £610 for a cracking Bull Stirk from Round Hill Farm Limited, Aldoth. Steers topped at £540 for an eight-month-old South Devon from Messrs Hughes, Seaville Farm.

Once again, regular vendor Kate Bailey, Moorhouse Hall Farm took the top spot for the young calves, with her six-week-old British Blue Bull selling to £420. Heifer Calves topped at £330 for another six-week-old British Blue from the same home.

We would like to thank all vendors and purchasers for your continued support in Ring 3, The Calf and Stirk ring and we wish you all a safe and merry Christmas, we look forward to seeing you all in 2024.

Next sale of Calves and Stirks will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

Overall averages: - Bulls Averaged: £415.63

Heifers Averaged: £413.71 Steers Averaged: £442.50

### **LEADING AVERAGES**

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
Messrs RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm	6	£613.33
Messrs Hughes, Seaville Farm	6	£598.33
Messrs Harrison, Round Hill Farm	9	£483.89
Messrs GN Hetherington, Crookdake House	2	£460.00

Limousin Bull Stirks £610 £590 £400 £300 Round Hill Farm (Harrison) £590 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)

Limousin Heifer Stirks £610 £600 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)

Limousin Bull Calves £410 £300 Hazel Head (Harrison) £230 Greenrigg (Graham)

Limousin Heifer Calves £305 x 3 Weary Hall Style (Forster) £270 Hazel Head (Harrison) £240 Greenrigg (Graham)

British Blue Steer Stirks £490 Crookdake House (Hetherington) £440 £300 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright)

**British Blue Bull Stirks** £585 £515 £430 £415 Round Hill Farm (Harrison) £460 £420 £400 Thackthwaite Hall (Sanderson) £435 £395 Hazel Head (Harrison) £415 £400 £395 £360 Moorhouse Farm (Watson)

**British Blue Heifer Stirks** £640 x 2 £600 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £630 x 3 Seaville Farm (Hughes) £510 Round Hill Farm (Harrison) £430 Crookdake House (Hetherington) £410 £400 £390 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright) £380 £340 Moorhouse Farm (Watson)







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British Blue Bull Calves £420 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey)

**British Blue Heifer Calves** £330 £320 £310 x 2 £300 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey) £320 Hazel Head (Harrison) £290 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright) £270 £200 Greenrigg (Graham) £255 Weary Hall Style (Forster)

South Devon Steer Stirks £540 Seaville Farm (Hughes)

South Devon Heifer Stirks £580 x 2 Seaville Farm (Hughes)

**Aberdeen Angus Bull Stirks** £250 x 2 Thackthwaite Hall (Sanderson)

Aberdeen Angus Heifer Stirks £390 Moorhouse Farm (Watson) £380 x 2 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright)

#### STORE LAMBS - 738

The last Store Lamb Sale of the year, once again an excellent trade with numbers way in excess of last year, with best lambs trading to £138 for a single Beltex Lamb from MA & J Thompson, High Hall. Texel Lambs sold to £132 for a pen of three from BJ Harrison, Beck Farm. Mules selling to £103 for a pen of 22 from GE Rudd, Jenkin Cross. Top average of the Day went to J Oliver & Sons, Walton Wood Head, who sold 53 Beltex Lambs to average £119.68, with their top pen of 10 selling to £124.

We would like to thank all vendors and purchasers for your continued support in the Store Lamb ring and we wish you all a safe and merry Christmas.

Next Sale of Store Lambs will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024, please contact David Fearon on 07500 173273 to book in.

### **LEADING AVERAGES**

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
J Oliver & Sons, Walton Wood Head	53	£119.68
BJ Harrison, Beck Farm	57	£118.04
MA & SJ Lister, Grange Farm	1	£118.00
MA & J Thompson, High Hall	28	£115.50
Messrs G Mitchinson & Son, High Greenhill	26	£114.35

Beltex £138 £118 x 2 £111 £110 High Hall (Thompson) £135 £124 £118 Braithwaite Farm (Clark) £134 £120 £117 High Greenhill (Mitchinson) £131 Low Houses (Bell) £127 Gallowberry (Mitchinson) £125 £122 Beck Farm (Harrison) £124 £120 x 3 £117 £114 Walton Wood Head (Oliver) £122 £120 £118 High Old Shield (Metcalfe) £121 Cardew Hall Farm (Musgrave) £120 Sycamore House (Skelton) £120 High Fell Farm (Bell) £119 £113 Bothel Craggs (Thirlwall) £118 Grange Farm (Lister)

**Texel** £132 £123 £118 Beck Farm (Harrison) £122 £119 £113 x 2 £109 £108 x 2 Wallend Farm (Milburn) £122 £106 £104 £100 x 3 The Bow (Norman) £120 £110 £108 New House Farm (Bell) £113 £102 Low Houses (Bell) £112 £100 Low Buildings Farm (Wetherell) £108 High Park Foot (Telford) £102 High Moss Thorn (Ambler)

Suffolk £114 £108 Cowgate (Gardhouse) £111 Low Houses (Bell) £92 Whins Farm (Hunter)

Mule £103 £97 Jenkin Cross (Rudd)

Herdwick £88 Braithwaite Farm (Clark)

