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THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2024 SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS, FOLLOWED BY IN LAMB EWES AND STORE LAMBS

CALVES & STIRKS – 47

A great mixture of both Calves and Stirks today, something for both new and regular purchasers. A cracking show of young stock forward, a credit to our vendors, this was reflected in the trade.

Topping today at £660 on six occasions for five-month-old Limousin Bullocks and Heifers from regular vendor RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm, taking George's average to a very respectable £651.25 for eight Limousin Stirks sold. Heifer Stirks topped at £600 on two occasions, firstly for a pair of six-month-old British Blues for Messrs Hughes, Seaville Farm and secondly for a single five-month-old British Blue from Messrs Ferguson, Blencogo House Farms Ltd. Young weaner Calves topped at 370 for three-month-old British Blue Bulls from Messrs Brough & Son, Bolton Cottage Farm, and young milk calves, aged six weeks topped out at £355 for a super run of 13 British Blue Bulls and Heifers from Graham Farms Ltd, Greenrigg



A super run of 13 six-week-old British Blue
Calves selling to £355 and averaging £311.92 for
Graham Farms Ltd, Greenrigg

Next sale of Calves and Stirks will be our Anniversary Show and Sale and will be held on Thursday 7th March 2024, entries to the office for advertising purposes by Friday 1st March at 12 noon or contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

Overall averages: - Bulls Averaged: £446.25

Heifers Averaged: £449.38 Steers Averaged: £603.33

LEADING AVERAGES

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
Messrs RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm	8	£651.25
Messrs Hughes, Seaville Farm	5	£594.00
Messrs Harrison, Hazel Head	2	£590.00
Messrs Ferguson, Blencogo House Farm	5	£529.00
Messrs GN Hetherington, Crookdake House	2	£515.00

Limousin Bull Stirks £660 (4) £640 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £620 Hazel Head (Harrison)

Limousin Heifer Stirks £660 (2) £610 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)

British Blue Steer Stirks £620 Blencogo House Farm (Ferguson) £620 Crookdake House (Hetherington) £570 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright)







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British Blue Bull Stirks £560 Hazel Head (Harrison) £550 Blencogo House Farms (Ferguson)

British Blue Heifer Stirks £600 (2) £590 (3) Seaville Farm (Hughes) £600 £470 £405 Blencogo House Farm (Ferguson) £500 £480 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright) £450 (2) Syke House (Watson) £410 Crookdake House (Hetherington)

British Blue Bull Calves £370 Bolton Cottage Farm (Brough) £355 £350 (2) £345 £340 £335 £310 £300 £190 Greenrigg (Graham)

British Blue Heifer Calves £355 £325 £310 £190 Greenrigg (Graham) £320 £280 (2) Bolton Cottage Farm (Brough)

Aberdeen Angus Stirks £530 Gerrard House Farm (Carter)

IN LAMB EWES – 44

A small but quality packed run of Breeding Sheep was forward with the annual consignment from Messrs Bell, Fitz Farm, consigning thirty lovely continental cross Hoggs. Topping the day at £270 with the following pens selling for £240 x 2, first cross Texel x Mule Hoggs from the same good farming home selling to £210 on two occasions and £205 once.

LEADING AVERAGES

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
JC Bell, Fitz	30	£203.58
GE Rudd, Jenkin Cross	14	£156.00

Texel Hoggs £270 £240 (2) £210 (2) £205 £190 £187.5 £185 (2) Fitz (Bell)

Mule Hoggs £158 Jenkin Cross (Rudd)

Mule 2 Shear £152 (2) Jenkin Cross (Rudd)

Mule Shearling £150 (2) Jenkin Cross (Rudd)

STORE LAMBS - 167

Store Sheep were absolutely off the clock at Wigton with a run of sheep to cater for all needs.

Top price of the day was paid for a tremendous Beltex from Messrs Norman, The Bow, topping the day at £190 with another selling for £180.

The whole run of Store Sheep from top to bottom averaged a staggering £115.05.

A quality run of 115 store Hoggs from Messrs Peile, Greystoke Castle Farm topped at £135 for a pen of 12 Texel Mules, weighing roughly 34-36kg. The same good farming home consigned a pen of 30 Mule weathers selling to £124.

More Store Hoggs of all breeds, shapes and sizes are required for our next sale of Thursday 7th March, please do not hesitate to contact David Fearon on 07500 173273 if you have any questions or queries.







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NameTotal Heads£ AverageR & E Norman & Sons, The Bow30£129.50Messrs Gate, Low House Farm20£119.00Messrs JB & EJ Peile Ltd, Greystoke Castle Farm115£111.55

Beltex £190 £180 £134 The Bow (Norman)

Texel £135 £132 £127 Greystoke Castle Farm (Peile) £135 £131 x 2 £129 x 2 £127 £126 The Bow (Norman) £96 Croft House (Young)

Mule £124 x 2 £91 Greystoke Castle Farm (Peile) £119 x 2 Low House Farm (Gate)

Swaledale £75 Greystoke Castle Farm (Peile)



