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# THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2024 SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS, DAIRY, FOLLOWED BY STORE LAMBS

# **CALVES & STIRKS - 47**

Calves in short supply as today's sale was made up, predominantly of Stirks, and what a trade they were. Topping today at £810, a pen of three fantastic Limousin Heifers from J & L Nicholson, Cobble Hall Barn, who also topped the British Blue Heifer section with an 11-month-old selling to £710, giving the Nicholsons a very respectable average of £742 for five Heifers sold.

A feisty four-month-old Charolais Steer Stirk sold to £780 for Messrs Carr, Pasture House Bull Stirks sold to £675 for a pen of four, five-month-old Limousins from regular consignors RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm, with their Heifer calves selling to £590 for British Blues and taking George's average to £645 for eight sold.

Once again, a fantastic run of younger milk calves from Kate Bailey, Moorhouse Hall Farm topped out at £460 for British Blue Bulls and £350 for British Blue Heifers, giving Kate the leading average for the younger calves at £395 for four animals.

Next sale of Calves and Stirks will be held on Thursday 22nd February 2024, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

Overall averages: - Bulls Averaged: £504.17

Heifers Averaged: £471.67 Steers Averaged: £612.00

# **LEADING AVERAGES**

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
Messrs Carr, Pasture House	1	£780.00
J & L Nicholson, Cobble Hall	5	£742.00
Messrs RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm	8	£645.00
Messrs Hughes, Seaville Farm	6	£603.33
Messrs Ferguson, Blencogo House Farm	4	£487.50

Limousin Bull Stirks £675 (4) Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)

Limousin Heifer Stirks £810 (3) Cobble Hall Barn (Nicholson)

Limousin Bull Calves £300 £270 £250 Greenrigg (Graham)

Charolais Steer Stirks £780 Pasture House (Carr)

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**British Blue Steer Stirks** £640 (2) Seaville Farm (Hughes) £500 Blencogo House Farm (Ferguson) £500 Crookdake House (Hetherington)

British Blue Bull Stirks £640 (2) Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield)







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British Blue Heifer Stirks £710 £570 Cobble Hall Barn (Nicholson) £590 (2) £580 (2) Seaville Farm (Hughes) £590 (2) Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £510 £470 (2) Blencogo House Farm (Ferguson) £500 £490 £480 £460 Tarnrigg Moor (Wright) £420 Crookdake House (Hetherington) £410 (2) £290 Kirkland Howe Farm (Murray)

British Blue Bull Calves £460 £440 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey) £350 Greenrigg (Graham)

British Blue Heifer Calves £350 £330 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey) £270 £220 (2) Greenrigg (Graham)

Hereford Heifer Stirks £300 (2) Kirkland Howe Farm (Murray)

#### DAIRY CATTLE - 2

Two Dairy Cattle forward today, both from regular consignor Robert Clark, Fairladies Farm, Egremont, selling to £1620 for a Holstein Friesian second Calver, giving 30 litres and rising, with a 4.78% Butter Fat and 3.75% Protein and a Holstein Friesian Heifer giving 25 litres, selling to £1500

More Dairy required for the next sale, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

Holstein Friesian £1620 £1500 Fairladies Farm (Clark)

# STORE LAMBS - 371

The Store Lamb trade starting to tail off now, but that did not reflect in the trade, vendors leaving with smiles on their faces, always a pleasure to see.

Topping today at £157 for a single Beltex Lamb from K Hodgson, Prospect House, taking Keiths run of five lambs to the top average of £148.20.

Texels selling to £140 on two occasions, firstly for a single from E Walker, Chestnut House and secondly for another single Texel from WR & JM Cowx & Son, Hudscales.

A pen of 14 Herdwicks sold to £101 for Mr J Clark, Braithwaite Farm

Our next sale held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February will be for In Lamb Ewes, please contact David Fearon on 07500 173273 to book in.

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Name	Total Heads	£ Average
K Hodgson, Prospect House	5	£148.20
E Walker, Chestnut House	5	£124.80
R & E Norman & Sons, The Bow	44	£123.23
Messrs Holliday, Clea Mire	21	£119.76
Messrs JB & EJ Peile Ltd, Greystoke Castle Farm	59	£118.97

**Beltex** £157 £148 £144 Prospect House (Hodgson) £138 £132 £130 x 2 £128 £126 x 3 £125 £124 £123 £121 x 2 £120 The Bow (Norman) £136 Park House Farm (Brown) £120 Braithwaite Farm (Clark)







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**Texel** £140 £122 £120 Chestnut House (Walker) £140 £111 £100 Hudscales (Cowx) £128 £121 x 2 £105 Greystoke Castle Farm (Peile) £126 £120 £119 x 3 Clea Mire (Holliday) £126 £110 West Park Farm (Brough) £122 £115 £110 Wampool Grange (Morton) £121 £117 Croft House (Young) £118 £115 Braithwaite Farm (Clark) £117 £114 Park House Farm (Brown)

Suffolk £120 Chestnut House (Walker)

Herdwick £101 Braithwaite Farm (Clark)

Mule £99 £85 Wampool Grange (Morton)

Kerry Hill £95 £91 Fell View Farm (Fearon)

Portland £50 Kirkland Howe Farm (Murray)



