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TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2025 SALE OF PRIME CATTLE & PRIME SHEEP

PRIME CATTLE - 16

What can only be described as a strong and vibrant trade was witnessed in the Prime Cattle Ring at Wigton this week, with prices matching – and even exceeding – those at any other local outlet.

Top price per kilo was secured by Messrs Miller, Allerby Hall, with a superb Limousin X heifer weighing 617kg, which sold for an outstanding 458pkg, totalling £2,822.78. The heifer was purchased by RA & EJ Harrison Ltd for their Main Street Butchers Shop in Cockermouth.

Top gross price of the day went to the Dixon family of Lesson Hall with a tremendous Limousin X heifer, tipping the scales at 738kg and achieving 441.5pkg, amounting to a staggering £3,258.27. This heifer was originally purchased through Hopes from Messrs Armstrong, Triermain, and was snapped up by Paul Harrison on behalf of RJ Harrison for the King Street Butchers Shop in Wigton.

The top-priced steer of the day came from JJ Crichton, Loughrigg, with a well-finished Limousin weighing 698kg, selling for 407.5pkg. The steer grossed £2,844.35 and was bought by Jamie Chapman for his Wishaw Butchers Shop.

More Prime Cattle are required each week, please contact David Fearon on 07500 173273.

| Overall Averages - | Bullocks 392 | 2.51pkg Heifers 4 | 18.85pkg |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Bullocks | Sold 1 6 | Average pkg | Max pkg. |
| 551-650kgs | | 399.50 | 399.50 |
| 651+kgs | | 391.48 | 407.50 |
| Heifers | Sold | Average pkg | Max pkg. 457.50 |
| 591+kgs | 9 | 418.85 | |

| Top 5 Bullocks |
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| Pence per kg | Weight | Breed | Vendor |
|--------------|--------|----------|------------------------------|
| 407.5 | 698 | Limousin | JJ Crichton, Loughrigg |
| 401.5 | 715 | Limousin | Messrs Miller, Allerby Hall |
| 399.5 | 641 | Limousin | Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards |
| 389.5 | 760 | Limousin | D Hodgson, Croft Farm |
| 389.5 | 731 | Limousin | D Hodgson, Croft Farm |

Top 5 Heifers

| Pence per kg | Weight | Breed | Vendor |
|--------------|--------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 457.5 | 617 | Limousin | Messrs Miller, Allerby Hall |
| 441.5 | 738 | Limousin | J Dixon & Sons Ltd, Lesson Hall |
| 429.5 | 594 | Limousin | Messrs Miller, Allerby Hall |
| 421.5 | 760 | Limousin | JJ Crichton, Loughrigg |
| 415.5 | 614 | Aberdeen Angus | A & C Park, Sea View |

PER KILO

BULLOCKS - 7

Limousin 407.5 Loughrigg (Crichton) 401.5 Allerby Hall (Miller) 399.5 374.5 Kirkland Guards (Cape) 389.5 x 2 Croft Farm (Hodgson) 387.5 Mechi (Bowe)

HEIFERS - 9

Limousin 457.5 429.5 Allerby Hall (Miller) 441.5 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 421.5 Loughrigg (Crichton) 399.5 Mechi (Bowe)

Aberdeen Angus 415.5 Sea View (Park) 409.5 Loughrigg (Crichton)

British Blue 404.5 Lesson Hall (Dixon) 395.5 Sea View (Park)





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PER HEAD BULLOCKS - 7

Limousin £2960.20 £2847.25 Croft Farm (Hodgson) £2870.73 Allerby Hall (Miller) £2844.35 Loughrigg (Crichton) £2771.30 £2560.80 Kirkland Guards (Cape) £2759.00 Mechi (Bowe)

HEIFERS - 9

Limousin £3258.27 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £3203.40 Loughrigg (Crichton) £2880.40 Mechi (Bowe) £2822.78 £2551.23 Allerby Hall (Miller)

British Blue £3037.80 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £2748.73 Sea View (Park)

Aberdeen Angus £2579.85 Loughrigg (Crichton) £2551.17 Sea View (Park)

PRIME LAMBS – 1235

A more commercial show this week, but a firmer trade for all classes, showing a 2p improvement on the sale average, to level at 313.85pkg.

Top today at £280 for an outstanding Gimmer Lamb from Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards, with several others in excess of £200.

Commercial lambs £90-£100 over their weight and more could easily have been sold, please contact David Bowman on 07721616786 or David Fearon on 07500 173273.

Overall Averages – Prime Lambs 313.85pkg SQQ – 319.44pkg

| Prime Lambs | Sold | Average pkg | Max pkg |
|--------------|------|-------------|---------|
| 32.1-39.0kgs | 24 | 329.77 | 447.40 |
| 39.1-45.5kgs | 544 | 319.06 | 466.70 |
| 45.6-52.0kgs | 598 | 311.34 | 560.00 |
| Over 52.1kgs | 69 | 293.68 | 335.80 |

Top Five Lambs Averages £: £181.25 for 8 from P Rae, Greenah Hall

£168.91 for 34 from Messrs RR & G Bainbridge, Belmont Farm

£167.82 for 22 from Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards

£166.71 for 7 from D Jones, The Croft

£161.67 for 9 from Messrs E & P Skelton, Sycamore House

Top Five Lambs £: £280 for 1 weighing 50kg from Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards

£210 for 1 weighing 45kg from RR & G Bainbridge, Belmont Farm

£202 for 1 weighing 51kg from P Rae, Greenah Hall £202 for 1 weighing 46kg from P Rae, Greenah Hall £198 for 1 weighing 47kg from P Rae, Greenah Hall

Top Five Lambs pkg: 560.0 for 1 weighing 50kg from Messrs Cape, Kirkland Guards

466.7 for 1 weighing 45kg from RR & G Bainbridge, Belmont Farm

447.6 for 1 weighing 42kg from P Rae, Greenah Hall

447.4 for 1 weighing 38kg from Round Hill Farm Limited, Round Hill Farm

439.1 for 1 weighing 46kg from P Rae, Greenah Hall

PER HEAD

Texel £280 £175 £171 £170 x 2 £169 £166 £164 £159 £155 Kirkland Guards (Cape) £210 £190 £181 £178 x 2 £173 £168 £166 x 2 £164 x 2 £161 Belmont Farm (Bainbridge) £192 £173 £164 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £179 £175 £170 £168 £164 x 2 £160 x 2 West Farm (Miller) £179 £170 £167 £161 £156 Low House Farm (Skelton) £174 £171 £163 £157 £155 Sycamore House (Skelton) £174 £165 £162 x 2 £161 x 2 Allerby Hall (Miller) £172 Westward Parks (Brockbank) £170 £163 £161 The Thwaites (Dixon) £170 £161 £158 Round Hill Farm (Round Hill Farm Ltd) £170 Beech House (Whitfield) £166 £165 Mid Farm (Bewley) £166 £157.5 £156 Howgill Farm (Brough) £165 £162 Mechi (Bowe) £162 Newtown Farm (Thompson) £161 £155 Greensyke Farm (Palmer) £159





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Broomhills Farm (Marrs) £159 Newbiggin Grange (Maitland) £158 £157.5 West Park Farm (Brough) £156 Silverdale (Birkett) £155 High House (Norman) £155 Low House (Dickinson)

Beltex £202 x 2 £198 £188 x 2 £162 £155 x 2 Greenah Hall (Rae) £175 £170 £165 £164 The Croft (Jones) £166 £164 x 5 £163 £159 £155 £153 x 2 Bothel Parks (Bowe)

Dutch Texel £173 £165 £163 £157 £142 Mechi (Bowe)

Suffolk £166 Broomhills Farm (Marrs) £165 Mechi (Bowe) £157 The Croft (Brough) £157 West Park Farm (Brough) £156 £151 £146 £141 £138 Costins (Ramsay) £148.5 Wood Farm (Wilson) £147 Low House Farm (Skelton) £144 x 2 Low House (Dickinson) £144 Allerby Hall (Miller) £138 £134 £132 Bridge Mill (Hunter) £134 £129 £127 Scales Demesne (Mashiter) £127 Cherry Tree Farm (Brough) £120 Stoneraise (Armstrong)

Hampshire £143 Belmont Farm (Bainbridge)

Cheviot £140 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite) £125 Laypool (Taylforth)

Dutch Spotted £136.5 Thethwaite Farm (Bell)

Mule £133 Greensyke Farm (Palmer) £123 Broomhills Farm (Marrs)

Blue Texel £132 Beech House (Whitfield)

Herdwick £113 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite)

PER KILO

Texel 560.0 367.4 350.0 342.0 338.8 337.8 336.6 Kirkland Guards (Cape) 466.7 380.0 362.0 356.0 341.1 335.8 Belmont Farm (Bainbridge) 447.4 374.4 336.2 Round Hill Farm (Round Hill Farm Ltd) 436.4 402.3 347.1 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) 410.1 Newtown Farm (Thompson) 375.0 352.7 342.5 341.0 The Croft (Sharpe) 374.4 368.2 x 2 361.9 355.1 350.0 345.1 341.2 335.6 Allerby Hall (Miller) 373.9 340.8 Westward Parks (Brockbank) 373.2 Broadings (Wright) 369.6 364.6 351.0 West Farm (Miller) 353.2 352.5 351.5 350.8 350.4 344.2 340.8 338.8 Low House Farm (Skelton) 341.6 Howgill Farm (Brough) 341.5 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite) 340.9 Sycamore House (Skelton) 340.2 The Thwaites (Dixon) 338.8 Mid Farm (Bewley) 337.5 Pasture House (Midtown Farming) 335.5 Silverdale (Birkett)

Beltex 447.6 439.1 421.3 396.1 383.7 337.5 337.0 x 2 Greenah Hall (Rae) 381.4 x 2 372.7 361.4 358.6 356.5 353.2 346.8 343.8 Bothel Parks (Bowe) 367.1 366.7 336.5 The Croft (Jones)

Dutch Texel 324.8 320.4 319.6 315.6 311.3 Mechi (Bowe)

Dutch Spotted 319.9 Thethwaite Farm (Bell)

Blue Texel 314.3 Beech House (Whitfield)

Herdwick 313.9 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite)

Cheviot 311.4 Laypool (Taylforth) 297.9 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite)

Suffolk 308.0 306.7 304.9 Bridge Mill (Hunter) 304.2 296.8 293.6 290.4 278.6 Costins (Ramsay) 303.1 Low House Farm (Skelton) 302.4 Cherry Tree Farm (Brough) 301.6 294.9 293.6 Scales Demesne



WS Mashiter, Scales Demesne, sold a run of 38 Suffolk Lambs to £134 for a pen of 14 and 12 Texel Lambs to £135.5 for a pen of 5, taking their average to £131.08 or 298.04pkg



Messrs Miller, Allerby Hall sold a run of 84 Texel and Suffolk Lambs. Texels to £174 and Suffolks to £144 for a pen of 6, taking their average to £143.70 or 317.41pkg



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(Mashiter) 298.5 Wood Farm (Wilson) 293.7 Stoneraise (Armstrong) 290.3 289.4 Low House (Dickinson) 289.5 Mechi (Bowe) 288.0 Allerby Hall (Miller) 278.9 Carwath (Coulthard) 275.4 West Park Farm (Brough) 275.4 The Croft (Brough) 273.6 Broomhills Farm (Marrs)

Hampshire 297.9 Belmont Farm (Bainbridge)

Mule 283.0 Greensyke Farm (Palmer) 254.9 Broomhills Farm (Marrs)

PRIME EWES – 191

A good show of Ewes and another strong trade with all meated Ewes good to sell. Best end £220 plus, to a top of £272 for RE Miller, West Farm, whose run of 19 averaged a creditable £230.63.

Horned Ewes to £95 for a pen of 6 from Messrs Pears, Fellside House Farm, Caldbeck.

A good show of Tups finding ready enquiry, topping at £197 for a pair of Beltex from DA Harrison & Company, Hill House.

Top Four Ewe Averages £: £230.63 for 19 from RE Miller, West Farm

£227.00 for 2 from Messrs Bowe, Mechi

£220.00 for 1 from RM & FC Wharton, Somerfield House £205.00 for 1 from JJT & JS Whitfield, Beech House

More Ewes could easily be sold, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786 or David Fearon on 07500 173273.

Beltex £272 West Farm (Miller)

Texel £252 £250 £245 £235 £232 £225 x 2 £200 x 2 West Farm (Miller) £232 £222 Mechi (Bowe) £220 Somerfield House (Wharton) £218 x 2 £195 x 2 £160 Hill House (Harrison) £208 £192 £190 £175 £168 Heggle Lane (Richardson) £208 £205 £178 Round Hill Farm (Round Hill Farm Ltd) £205 Beech House (Whitfield) £182 Broomhills Farm (Marrs) £178 £175 Croft House (Young)

Suffolk £185 £179 £173 £172 £164 Hill House (Harrison) £165 £160 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £120 Croft House (Young)

Zwartble £170 Oulton Grange (Carruthers)

Mule £160 Scales Demesne (Mashiter) £156 Birkmire Farm (Irving) £128 Hill House (Harrison) £122 Red Gable (Bowe)

Cheviot £144 Hill House (Harrison)

Continental £140 Oulton Grange (Carruthers)

Swaledale £95 Fellside House Farm (Pears)

TUPS

Beltex £197 £195 £178 Hill House (Harrison) £192 Woodhall (Ridley)



NT & L Watson T/AS Norman Farm sold a run of 32 Texel Lambs to £144 for a pen of 15, taking their average to £142.22 or 320.27pkg

