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THURSDAY 8TH JANUARY 2026
SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS
FOLLOWED BY SALE OF STORE HOGGS

CALVES & STIRKS – 92

A good show of Calves and Stirks forward today and remaining a good trade throughout the sale.

Topping today at £1280, a cracking pair of 8-month-old British Blue Steers from Tarnrigg Ltd, Tarnrigg Moor, who also consigned equally as good a pair of 9-month-old British Blue Heifers, which sold to £1120, this took Tarnrigg to top today's average table at £1200 for 4 animals sold.

Young Ashley Harrison, Round Hill Farm consigned two 5 month old Simmental Bull Stirks to sell to £1090 and £1000.

Chalkside Farming Co Ltd consigned a nice run of 21 Young Stirks, aged 4 and 5 months old to sell to £920 for British Blue Bull Stirks.

Weaned Calves sold to £670 on two occasions for super 12 week old Charolais Bulls and Heifers from Messrs WJ Wannop, Waverton House.

Calves were in good demand, topping at £490 for Blue Heifers and £470 for Blue Bulls for Graham Farms Ltd, Greenrigg, whose run of 15 Calves went on to average £338.33

More Calves and Stirks required to meet demand, our next Sale of Calves and Stirks will be held on Thursday 22nd January 2026, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

LEADING AVERAGES

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
Tarnrigg Ltd, Tarnrigg Moor	4	£1200.00
AW Harrison, Round Hill	2	£1045.00
Messrs GN Hetherington, Crookdake House	2	£890.00
RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm	8	£870.00
Chalkside Farming Co Ltd, Chalkside Farm	21	£747.62

British Blue Steer Stirks £1280 (2) Tarnrigg Moor (Tarnrigg Ltd)

British Blue Bull Stirks £920 £860 (2) £850 (2) £760 (2) Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd) £870 £730 Round Hill Farm (Round Hill Farm Ltd) £670 £660 x 3 £650 £580 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck)

British Blue Heifer Stirks £1120 (2) Tarnrigg Moor (Tarnrigg Ltd) £890 (2) Crookdake House (Hetherington) £860 £770 £730 (2) £710 (3) Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd) £620 Round Hill Farm (Round Hill Farm Ltd) £610 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck)

British Blue Bull Calves £470 £430 £400 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd) £310 Gerrard House (Gerrard House Farm Ltd)

British Blue Heifer Calves £490 £350 £310 x 2 £300 £270 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd) £350 Gerrard House (Gerrard House Farm Ltd)

Simmental Bull Stirks £1090 £1000 Round Hill (Harrison) £720 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd)

Simmental Heifer Stirks £820 (2) £540 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd)

Limousin Steer Stirks £990 £930 £925 (2) Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £810 £790 £680 Woodhall Farm (Robinson)



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Limousin Bull Stirks £640 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck)

Limousin Heifer Stirks £860 (2) £800 £670 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £660 Woodhall Farm (Robinson)

Limousin Bull Calves £420 £230 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd)

Limousin Heifer Calves £390 £360 £250 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd)

Charolais Bull Stirks £670 Waverton House (Wannop)

Charolais Heifer Stirks £670 Waverton House (Wannop)

Shorthorn Bull Stirk £610 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd)

Hereford Bull Stirks £490 Plumbland Farm (Eilbeck)

Hereford Heifer Stirks £820 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd)

Aberdeen Angus Heifer Calves £280 £270 Griggsfield (Bowe) £270 (2) Gerrard House (Gerrard House Farm Ltd) £250 £160 (2) Blue Dial (Hetherington)

Aberdeen Angus Bull Calves £380 Gerrard House (Gerrard House Farm Ltd) £320 £315 £260 Griggsfield (Bowe) £285 (2) £215 (3) £215 Blue Dial (Hetherington)

Holstein Bull Stirks £290 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co Ltd)

Friesian Bull Calves £180 x 2 £145 Griggsfield (Bowe)

STORE HOGGS – 875

The New Year saw a smaller run of Store Sheep forward at Hopes of Wigton with 875 forward but a trade to blow all expectations out of the water.

An overall sale average of £141.22 was achieved, with maybe a poorer show of sheep with a few cleaning up runs included.

Top price of the day was achieved by Mr John Fell and team, Stanger Hill, Whitrigg, topping the day at a whooping £190 a head, with another pen of 3 selling for £183 a head, with this run of 72 Hoggs averaging a staggering £169.05.

Topping the averages was a run of peaches from David Batty, Cobble Croft, Blennerhasset, selling 74 lovely Beltex Hoggs to top the averages at a staggering £172.58.

All breeds, shapes and sizes sold with ease, with a very busy ring side of buyers ensuring all vendors leaving highly delighted.

A massive mention must go to Graham Rudd, Jenkin Cross who had a pen of 20 Mule weathers to sell to a staggering £148.

Many more Store Sheep are needed going forward with a very strong demand. Our next sale will be held on Thursday 22nd January, please contact the office for advertising purposes or contact David Fearon on 07500 173273.



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Leading Averages

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
D Batty, Cobble Croft	74	£172.58
Messrs Fell, Stanger Hill	72	£169.05
Messrs M Bindloss & Son, Shap Abbey	100	£162.70
Messrs N Fisher, Dufton House	17	£153.76
RI & VA Telford, High Park Foot	40	£153.15
Messrs Mounsey, Wardhall Guards	20	£150.15
JR Gardhouse, Aikton House	5	£150.00

Blue Texel £190 £183 £180 x 3 £176 £171 Stanger Hill (Fell) £168 Wardhall Guards (Mounsey)

Beltex £180 £178 £168 £165 £147 £143 High Park Foot (Telford) £180 £177 £170 x 5 £169 £165 £164 £159 £151 £150 £148 Shap Abbey (Bindloss) £169 £158 £148 High Hall (Thompson) £166 £160 £150 £145 £144 Sycamore House (Skelton) £164 x 2 £160 £152 £147 Dufton House (Fisher) £155 £140 Well Head Farm (Wood) £154 x 2 £148 £147 Aikton House (Gardhouse) £154 £150 £148 £142 Woodside Cottage (Hodgson) £151 £150 £146 £142 High Old Shield (Metcalfe) £142 Little Swinburn (Sparke)

Dutch Texel £180 £177 x 2 £175 £174 £173 £172 £168 £165 Cobble Croft (Batty) £140 £123 £120 Low Houses (Bell)

Texel £162 £156 £140 £139 £134 Wardhall Guards (Mounsey) £153 £150 £142 £136 x 2 Fangs Farm (Clark) £152 £138 £114 Jenkin Cross (Miller) £143 £111 Newtown Farm (Thompson) £138 £136 £132 £128 £126 High Hall (Thompson) £138 £130 £125 £124 £120 £118 Shankfield Head (Armstrong) £137 £134 £130 £110 Little Swinburn (Sparke) £136 Jenkin Cross (Rudd) £130 Stanger Hill (Fell) £128 £114 £112 Skinburness Drive (Carr) £125 Low Buildings Farm (Wetherell) £120 Orchard Drive (Potts) £114 Castlefield Farm (Castlefield)

Mule £148 £130 Jenkin Cross (Rudd) £125 Shankfield Head (Armstrong) £118 High Hall (Thompson)

Kerry Hill £130 Fangs Farm (Clark)

Suffolk £124 Orchard Drive (Potts)

Herdwick £102 Newtown Farm (Thompson) £86 Well Head Farm (Wood)

Black Faced £102 Castlefield Farm (Castlefield)

