



EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

MARKET REPORT

MAY 2024

Friday 17th May – Store Stock Market



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368 STORE CATTLE & STIRKS – 10:00 AM

Auctioneer: Simon Alford 07789 980203

Store Steers to £1805

Store Heifers to £1385

Grazing Cows to £1540

As big an entry of cattle as we have ever here at Exeter on a Devon County Show week with 300 penned and sold, those brave enough to turn up were well rewarded when a full complement of buyers ensured another strong trade for all on offer. Store steers topped at an impressive £1805 given for the best of a fine run of Organic registered Aberdeen Angus cattle from Christopher Carr of Cheriton Fitzpaine in the way of a grand steer (21m). Younger Organic Angus steers (16m) off the same farm rose to £1245 followed by his bunches of heifers of the same age at £1335 and £1225. Peter Webber of Tiverton was back again this week selling his eye catching sorts and parted with a Limousin steer (25m) for £1770 and a young (13m) beef Shorthorn bullock for £1580. South Devon steers next in line when an overage one from Grendon Farm, Widecombe in the Moor reached £1450 and another single (21m) from Shingleton and Hill of Plymouth was close at £1425. Other south Devon steers of note included one from Eric Palmer up from Thurlstone (22m) which drew £1375 and later born types (13m) from Eric fetched £1210 for a pen of six. Aberdeen Angus bullocks from John Southwood in from Black Dog (22m) returned him £1400 and British Blue steers realised £1280 for AT and VJ Pratt of Honiton. Dan Alford, Tavistock met the trade when selling a Hereford steer (20m) for £1185 whilst a Galloway (16m) from Dan came back at £1160. Best of the heifers came from MA Cake of Rockbeare when his pair of well covered Charolais reached £1385 apiece whilst much younger Charolais females (14m) from Tim Jakins of Crediton made £1120. Plenty of decent Aberdeen Angus heifers on show this week and selling to £1320 (14m) for Jack Tucker of Rackenford with others (25m) to £1290 for Evershot Farms of Weymouth. Jack Tucker back when selling a smart trio of Simmental heifers (16m) for £1245 each and a couple British Blues of the same age for £1220 apiece. Seven young but well grown Friesian heifers (17m) from Evershot Farms reached £1015 apiece followed more youngsters from Kenneth Ellett of Exmouth with Six Angus (16m) at £1015 and DJ and J Burrough in from Chardstock with a group of seven Limousin heifers (16m) a £1005 apiece. Several good grazing cows about this week when Grendon Farm saw a pair of South Devons rise to £1540 apiece with a trio of South Devon cows from Eric Palmer close at £1495 each.

75 STIRKS & SUCKLED CALVES

Auctioneer: Ian Caunter 07813 068935

A smaller entry of stirks and suckled calves saw a top of £850 for the Gillard Family of Drewsteignton presenting Simmental cross steers (10m). James Williams up from Meavey presented a lorry load of younger cattle with dairy bred Angus steers (12m) realising £790 with South Devon steers off the same farm to £700. AC & ER Hammett in from Kings Nympton presented further dairy bred Angus steers (10m) which obtained £750. Heifers topped out at £710 for the Pincombe Family down from South Motlon presenting Charolais crosses (12m) whilst further suckler bred types saw South Devon heifers from James Williams level out at £500.



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135 CALVES 10.15 AM
Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

A good show of calves saw Blue bulls meeting keen demand with the best topping out at £375 for Waterford Farm Partnership down from Axminster with others from Evershot Farms to £370 and £330 (x2) whilst DG, CM & WA Horton up from Roborough hit £350 for similar types. Tremendous Angus bulls from Nigel Shire of Woodbury Salterton levelled out at £310 with others off the same good farm to £245 whilst

CALVES - 10.15 am						
CALVES	Bulls			Heifers		
Breed		TOP	AVE		TOP	AVE
British Blue	13	375	55	13	262	168
Limousin	3	300	283	5	228	139
Charolais	3	245	230	1	168	168
Aberdeen Angus	44	310	149	31	198	81
Friesian	19	185	10			

weaned Angus bull calves from Gibbins Dairy topped out at £290. Best of the Limousin bulls from DG. CM & WA Horton levelled out at £300 with others from JR Chapple & Son of Axminster realising £285. Charolais bulls from Crokers Grange Farm Ltd of Newton Abbot obtained £245 (x2). Best of the heifers realised £262 from Evershot Farms closely followed by RA & SA Reed of Kentisbeare realising £258 & £225 for similar goods. Limousin heifers from DG, CM & WA Horton topped out at £228 whilst best of the Angus heifers saw Gibbins Dairy Ltd achieve £198 with others to £155 from MF Yendell & Son of Morchard Bishop.

774 SHEEP – 10.45 AM
Auctioneer: Russell Steer 07788 318701

Orphan Lambs to £40
Grazers to £147 & Goats to £133

Store Lambs to £149 & Hoggs to £165
Double Couples to £360

Single Couples to £262

16 ORPHAN LAMBS

Orphan lamb season coming to an end with Nicky & Andy Cleave of Bratton Fleming selling strength at £40 (x6) as K & J Services of Bovey Tracey made £21 of their young setting on lamb and the Dracup family of Widecombe made £18 of their best pair.

112 STORE HOGGS & LAMBS

Amongst the 112 stores Jack and Georgie Warwick of UMBERLEIGH reached £165 & £132 with hoggs whilst the best of the rest were £90 to £110 and two nice pens of new season stores sold at £149 & £115 for Martin Harris of Liskeard.

26 GRAZING EWES & 8 GOATS

Fewer grazers saw a Dorset ram make £147 again for Jack & Georgie Warwick as ewes sold at £138 & £127 for Amy Collett of Shaldon and a pen of mixed meat Mules made £109 for the Heard family of Meldon. A handful of goats reached £133 & £95 for Farmer Palmers of Poole who also sold a pen of Pigmy Goats well at £86.

246 EWES/HOGGS & 366 LAMBS (612 LIVES)

The 246 families on offer in the couples lines sold to a big crowd of buyers of onlookers with countless pens over £100 per life. The trade was set early in the sale with Clyde Coaker and family of Widecombe selling a pen of 15 FM Whitefaced Dartmoor ewes with 6-8 week old Suffolk sired singles on them for £205, being the best of a large percentage of hill bred sheep forward. Trade peaked at £360 or £120 per life for a strong Dorset double again from Jack & Georgie Warwick as Sam & Edward Ball and Ben Roberts of Exmouth had a double at £325 and Chris and Katie Steer of Modbury sold doubles at £310, £300 & £285 as well as top price ewes with singles at £258. Further twins at £294 for Mike & Janet Folland of Roborough, £292, £290 & £285 for Adrian Nuthal of East Village and £275 for Raymond and Sheila Palmer of Lustleigh. Singles peaked at £262 for Mule Hogs from Tony England of Tiverton who had a further pen at £240 and the Palk family of Blagdon had Suffolk x hogg doubles at £265 and singles at £238 & £235. A great run of F/BM Mules with strong lambs from the Heard family of Meldon, Okehampton saw their large mixed pens sell well with 17 ewes and 28 lambs achieve £290 (£109.56/life), 13 with 20 made £250 (£98.48/life) and their 11 with 15 rose to £232 (£98.15/life). Smaller hill sorts or those with younger lambs remaining hard work and anywhere from £38 to £58 per life. Overall average of £212 per outfit or £85.16 per life. More needed each week please.

Walk-in COVID-19 vaccinations



Exeter Livestock Centre

Friday 24th May & Friday 21st June


10:00 - 12:00

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FORTHCOMING SALES

FRIDAY 17TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market

MONDAY 20TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 24TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Beef Breeding Stock inc Sale of Cattle for the South Devon Cattle Breeders Club & Fortnightly Pig Sale.

MONDAY 27TH MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

BANK HOLIDAY - Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 31ST MAY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Organic Cattle and Sheep, Sale of Dairy Cattle, Early Sale of Accredited and Non Accredited Stock Rams.

MONDAY 3RD JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to Sale of Hogg Couples and Fortnightly Pig Sale.

MONDAY 10TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 14TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to 36th Annual June Sale of Early Breeding Ewes & Rams including Show & Sale of Dorset Cross Shearling Ewes.

MONDAY 17TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 18TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

TB Restricted Sale of Prime, Cull and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 21ST JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include 1st weekly Sale of Store Lambs & Sale of Beef Breeding Stock & Fortnightly Pigs & Collective Standing Straw Sale

MONDAY 24TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 28TH JUNE – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to include Monthly Sale of Orgnaic Cattle & Sheep & Sale of Dairy Cattle

MONDAY 1ST JULY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

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