



EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

MARKET REPORT

JANUARY 2025

Friday 10th January – Store Stock Market



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379 STORE CATTLE & STIRKS – 10:00 AM

Auctioneer: Simon Alford 07789 980203

Store Steers to £2240

Store Heifers to £1900

Cull Cows to £2030

Although we are all now getting used to these higher store cattle prices as seen from the turn of the year, Fridays trade still saw some unbelievable returns with a super quality entry on offer and sold in front of a ring full of buyers once again. Top of the day in the steer section was a massive £2240 given for a couple of grand British Blue bullocks (25m) from the Keast Family of North Tawton whilst the same sellers also parted with further pairs of Blues (again 25m) for £1950 and £1910 with younger (20m) ones eased to £1870 for Sandy Harvey of Broadwoodwidge. Brian Vallance and Family up next when selling sublime red Limousin steers (20m) to £2180 (x4) and £2100 (x2) followed by John Ridd and Family, Alverdiscott back for a second week and selling an eye catching pen of six Limousin and Charolais steers for £1990 apiece. Other steers to tip over that £2000 mark were a pair of strong South Devons (24m) at £2010 for Chris Lentern in from Chagford whilst Charlie Gregory up from St Columb saw his pair of Simmental bullocks (20m) draw an impressive £1890 each. Other continental steers prices of interest included British Blondes (22m) at £1860 for Andrew Down of Charles, Barnstaple followed by good Charolais of a similar age making £1830 for Dave Sluggett and Family in from Broadclyst whilst Sandy Harvey saw her smart Charolais bullock (21m) rise to £1800 and neat Salers steers (24m) from Phil Skelley of Shaugh Prior realised £1740. Best of the Hereford store steers (22m) came from the Rowland Family up from Plympton with one racing away to £1790 with other native breed bullocks reaching £1700 for an Aberdeen Angus (20m) from Jack Foan of East Village, also, smart Beef Shorthorn steers (18m) from Phil Skelley again, ran to £1600 and Holstein Friesians (25m) from returning vendor Tom Pascoe of West Cornwall saw £1460. Store heifers saw some blinding prices and topped at £1900, firstly for Steve Cockrem of Plympton with the better of his fine bunches of South Devon bred females (21m) followed by tremendous pens of Charolais heifers (26m) from John Ridd and Family also at £1900 and younger sorts (21m) still reaching £1850. Aberdeen Angus heifers up next when Dave Parris and Family of Upottery parted with a couple of well bred and farmed sorts (25m) for £1820 apiece whilst an aged Hereford from Ben wood of Moreleigh sold readily at £1760, also, a pair of spirited Limousin heifers (21m) from Quiney and Spears of Moretonhampstead fetched £1760 a life. British Blue heifers (24m) sold to £1730 for the Keast Family with Simmentals (24m) just a bid back at £1720 for Roger Calcraft of Aylesbeare. Miles East, Payhembury sold a nicely covered Devon heifer (22m) at £1290 and also saw keen demand for his tank of South Devon cull cow which earned him a considerable £2030.

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100 STIRKS & SUCKLED CALVES

Auctioneer: Ian Caunter 07813 068935

Exactly 100 head of youngstock on offer this week and as with their older counterparts in the store cattle section they were an unbelievable trade too. Top of the morning was £1250 given for a pair of quality beef bred yearling Simmentals from Mark Stephens of Plympton whilst Sandy Harvey was not far back with her lovely trio of Charolais steer calves (8m) coming back at a creditable £1240 apiece, Sandy also saw a smart pair of Stabilisers bullocks (9m) rise to £1190 each and Herefords of a similar age reach £960. Jonathan Cuming of Feniton saw his better pen of five smart South Devon steers (9m) ease to a very decent £1080 a life whilst young (6m) Limousin steer calves still reached £960 for a pair from William Hosegood and Family of Zeal Monarchorum and young British Blues saw £900 for Jack Blake in from South Molton. Chris and Katie Steer, Modbury saw their pen of eight neat Aberdeen Angus steers (9m) make £715 apiece and tidy but small Simmentals (5m) saw £610 for William Hosegood and Family. Heifers reached an enormous £1200 given for a pen of six eye catching Charolais (8m) from Sandy Harvey whilst Mark Stephens followed up with more Simmentals (11m) at a price and a half when his heifers topped out at £1040. Sandy Harvey back when parting with Stabiliser heifers (8m) for a decent enough £790 with Chris and Katie Steer also returning when selling eight Aberdeen Angus females (8m) for £670 apiece.

Special Catalogued Show & Sale of Suckled Calves

FRIDAY 24th JANUARY 2025
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133 CALVES 10.15 AM
Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

Another decent number forward which saw mixed quality entry. Several stronger weaned crossbred calves topped at £422 for British Blue bulls from William Hosegood & Family of Crediton who also sold Simmentals to £405 & Limousin bulls to £385 & £375 x 3. Other Blues to £420 x 2 for Martin & Caroline Greenslade of Cullompton. Young calves saw a flying trade for what was forward with medium Blue bulls to £345 for Evershot Farms Ltd of Dorset with others to £322 for Messrs GE Ellett & Son of Exmouth and £320 for

CALVES - 10.15 am						
Auctioneer: - Mark Davis – 07773371774						
CALVES	Bulls			Heifers		
	Breed		TOP	AVE		TOP
British Blue	23	422	291	15	280	233
Limousin	12	385	289	15	398	275
Simmental	3	405	246			
Hereford	2	210	175	2	162	153
Aberdeen Angus	12	345	247	28	240	131
Ayrshire	3	112	112			
Friesians	17	170	170			

Stuart Dagworthy of Woodbury Salterton. Young Aberdeen Angus bulls off the clock topping at £345 x 2 for Ben Yendell of Crediton who sold others to £312, £302 & £285 x 3. A Murray Grey bull sold at £245 for Messrs DR Searle & Partners of Crediton. Heifers topped at £398 for weaned Limousin heifers from William Hosegood & Family who sold others to £382 x 3 & £340 x 2. Young British Blue heifers topped at £280 x 2 for Stuart Dagworthy with others to £272 for Roy & Katherine Emmett of South Molton and £270 for Messrs GE Ellett & Son. Young Angus heifers to £240 & £238 x 3 for Ben Yendell and £238 for Messrs MJ & NM Shire of Woodbury. Friesian bulls to £170 & £142 x 3 for William Hosegood and Ayrshire bulls to £112 x 3 for Messrs Nicholls of South Molton.



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2350 SHEEP – 10.45 AM
Auctioneer: Russell Steer 07788 318701

Orphan Lambs to £50 Store Hogs to £157 Grazers to £144
Single Couples to £232 Double Couples £292

Another pleasing entry of 2350 sheep met with continuing strong trades as expected with the confidence currently felt within the sheep trade.

20 ORPHAN LAMBS

20 Orphan lambs met with mixed demand with the stronger “off milk” sorts selling to £50 & £40 for Alan Bickley of Puddington, as Tom Hammett and family of Broadclyst sold a young “setting on” lamb at £49 and Richard Pratt of Gittisham reached £28 with his best. Others mainly £8-£12 to give an overall average of £15.20.

2222 STORE & EWE HOGGS

A much larger entry than expected of 2222 store hogs sold in front of a slightly smaller crowd of farmer buyers which meant those £105 to £125 farming hogs were maybe a pound or two less than last week’s flyer. Strength in short supply today with not many pens in the £140’s and £150’s although the top 20 prices are all over £140 to a top of £157 for Ray & Sylvia Toms of Cheriton Bishop who sold a further pen at £149.50. Jeff Harvey of Hennock reached £155.50, closely followed by Jim & Jonathan Stephens of Sandford at £154 and Phillip Ayre and family of Black Dog at £153. Lots of hill bred hogs forward today with Mules to £118 and Scotch Tups to £99 and many many pens of leaner and lighter hill bred hogs back from that and all included in the overall average of £113, back just three pounds on the week, when many hogs were a similar trade but some farming hogs back £5-£10.

75 GRAZING EWES

Not many grazers this week but trade very much still right up there! A Mule ewe topped at £144 for Robert & Christine Steer of Avonwick with David Skelley of Shaugh Prior at £132 and Mark & John Moore of Rackenford selling a penful of lean Suffolk cross ewes at £114.

15 EWES & 18 LAMBS (33 LIVES)

A weather effected entry of just 15 couples this week saw Brian & Claire Westcott of Exford sell a pair of doubles at £292 or £97/life whilst the best of their singles sold at £232 (£116/life) with others £202 & £200 and RL Down of Barnstaple sold a plain Suffolk x ewe with two nice lambs at £205. Overall averages of £218 per couple and £99 per life.

FORTHCOMING SALES

MONDAY 13TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc Monthly Catalogued Sale of Beef Breeding Stock & Fortnightly Pigs

MONDAY 20TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Sale of TB Restricted, Cull, Prime and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc Sale of Dairy Cattle. Show & Sale of Stirks & Suckled Calves

MONDAY 27TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc Monthly Sale of Organic Cattle & Sheep and Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc February Sale of In Lamb Ewes

MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc St Valentines Fair of Store Cattle, Sale of Dairy Cattle and Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Sale of TB Restricted, Cull, Prime and Store Cattle

FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Stock Market to inc Monthly Catalogued Sale of Beef Breeding Stock