

Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP – Monthly Dairy Sale Report

Friday 18th September 2026

On Friday, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held its Late Summer Show and Sale of 83 Dairy Cattle.

Another successful day in the dairy ring, even with timings running slightly behind due to a record entry of 444 calves and stirks. Trade for dairy was very strong, with buyers travelling the extra mile for genuine local stock.

Topping the sale at £3,800 were dispersing customers M/s RW & J Bell, Nerewater, Wigton, with a perfectly presented heifer, correct in every way, selling to M/s W. H. Brass, Low Row.

Closely following at £3,500 was M/s J & A. G. Nicholson, Causeway Foot, with a genuinely correct British Friesian heifer giving 28 litres, again selling to M/s W. H. Brass, Low Row.

In the Holstein section, M/s Fisher, Mossthorn sold two excellent heifers giving 30 litres to average £3,025, topping at £3,250, selling to M/s R. G. & W. Whitfield, Balladoyle, Silloth.

A run of three second-calving cows from Mr D. Graham, Melfell View averaged £2,900, topping at £3,000 for a 40-litre cow calved two weeks ago.

M/s G & E. A. Harrison turned out three natural, genuine heifers to average £3,000, topping at £3,400 with an Ayrshire-cross Holstein.

M/s B. R. & H. M. Horsley, Woodhouse sold two pure Jerseys to average £2,075, including a third-calved cow and a heifer which sold to £2,150, purchased by M/s James, Mid Todhills.

M/s A. & G. Innes, Meikle Urchany, Aberdeenshire made the long trip once again, selling a run of dry cows to average £2,100, topping at £2,400 twice, with the same home also selling a heifer to £2,500.

Overall, the trade reflected a welcome priced rise in milk and a little more confidence in the sector, resulting in stronger returns throughout.

Leading Prices

In-milk Heifers

British Friesian - £3800, £2400 Nerewater; £3500 Causeway Foot; £2900 Harrington Parks; £2600, £2300 Crossrigg; £2500 Mount Clifton; £2400 Crib

Ayrshire- £3400 Mount Clifton

Holstein Friesian- £3250, £2800 Moss Thorn; £3100 Mount Clifton; £3000 (2), £2800 Lingy Close; £2800 Melfell View; £2700 Crib

Dairy Shorthorn - £2350 Meikle Urchany; £2100 Rash Mill Cottage

Jersey- £2150 Woodhouse; £2150 Lingy Close

In-milk Cows

Holstein - £3000, £2900 Melfell View

British Friesian - £2800, £2400, £2050 Lodge Farm; £2400 Cowlyers; £2000 Hole House; £2000 Lowick Bridge Farm

Jersey- £2000 Woodhouse

MRI- £1720 Bog House Farm

Ayrshire- £1700 Bog House Farm

In-calf Heifers

Holstein - £2500, £2400 (3), £2300 (2), £2100 Meikle Urchany

Ayrshire - £1920 Bog House Farm

Dry Cows

Holstein - £2400 (2), £2350, £2300, £2250, £2100 (2), £2000 Meikle Urchany

Dairy Stirks

British Friesian - £980, £950 Bog House Farm

Ayrshire- £900 Bog House Farm

Dairy Shorthorn- £900 (2) Bog House Farm