

Rearing Calves & Stirks

Good Friday 3rd April 2026

On Friday, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held its fortnightly sale of 242 calves and stirks.

Another excellent day was enjoyed at Penrith, with a strong entry and a blistering trade throughout. Top price of the day was £1700 for a 14-month-old Limousin bull from Messrs T. J. & J. M. Powley, Blands Farm.

Two 7-month-old Limousin bullocks from Messrs J. D. & F. Wharton, Town Head Farm sold impressively at £1510, while Limousin heifers peaked at £1470 for an 8-month-old from Messrs F. R. Crew, The Gall.

Holstein bulls from J. M. & R. M. Haston, Dearham Hall reached £840 for 6 months old. Ayrshire bullocks sold to £860 from Messrs Fawcett, Little Blencowe Farm.

Calves were in exceptional demand, topping at £1040 for 14-week-old British Blue bull from Donaldson Dairies, whose run of 12 averaged £863.

Messrs P. H. Thompson & Partners sold eight quality 13-week-old Angus bulls, topping at £945 and averaging £856.88.

Heifers also met a strong trade, with a standout 12-week-old British Blue heifer from Messrs H. & E. M. Hunter & Son, Cape Farm, selling to £850.

Angus heifers sold to £700 for an 8-week-old from Brackenburgh Farm Ltd.

More numbers are needed to fulfil demand here in Penrith, don't hesitate to get in touch. Our next sale is on Friday 17th April at 10am, please contact Paul Gardner on 07552 589141 to advise entries.

Leading Prices

Bull Stirks

Limousin - £1700 Blands Farm; £1360 Town Head Farm (Wharton)

British Blue - £1430 (2), £1420 (2), £1390 (2) Wyngarth; £1280, £1010 (2) Howes Farm; £1160 (2) Penny Hill Park; £1090 Looking Flatt; £1050 (2) Dearham Hall

Beef Shorthorn - £1560 Nord Vue

Beef Shorthorn - £1310 Looking Flatt

Aberdeen Angus - £1200, £1120 (3) Penny Hill Park; £980 (2), £920 (2) Dearham Hall;

Black & White - £840, £615 (2), £600 Dearham Hall; £740, £610 Bridge End

Bullock Stirks

British Blue - £1610 Cliburn Hall; £1210 Little Blencowe Farm

Limousin - £1510 (2), £1490, £1460 (2) Town Head Farm (Wharton); £1470, £1420, £1360, £1330 High Lodore Farm; £1270 Looking Flatt; £1260 High Barn

Aberdeen Angus - £1490, £1460 Town Head New Farm (Lambert); £1320 Gall Farm; £1120 Park Nook

Simmental - £1400 Park Nook

Hereford - £1180 (2) Little Blencowe Farm

Ayrshire - £860 (2), £830 (4) Little Blencowe Farm

Heifer Stirks

Limousin - £1470 Gall Farm; £1440, £1340, £1260, £1240, £1130 High Lodore Farm

British Blue – £1350 (4), £1310 (4) Wyngarth; £1220, £1200, £1180 (2), £1050 (2) Howes Farm; £1140 (3) Burplethwaite Farm; £940 (2) Penny Hill Park

Aberdeen Angus - £1260 (2) Town Head New Farm (Lambert); £1180 Howes Farm; £1110 (2) Gall Farm

Black & White - £1220 Skirwith Abbey

Belted Galloway - £1200 Gall Farm

Simmental – £1170 Park Nook; £960 (2) Penny Hill Park

Hereford - £1010 Little Blencowe Farm

Bull Calves

British Blue - £1040, £980, £970, £910 (2), £820, £790 Threapthwaite Farm; £925 Skirwith Abbey; £920, £900, £850, £820, £750 (3) Brackenburgh Home Farm; £895 The Harras; £760, £710, £650 Bridge End; £755, £600 Low Moor Dyke; £720 Cliburn Hall

Aberdeen Angus - £945, £930, £860 (2), £820 (2), £810 (2) Greengill Head; £925, £810 Bridge End

Limousin - £850 Cliburn Hall; £710, £645 Skirwith Abbey

Charolais – £750, £600 Holme Wrangle

Hereford - £740, £650 Nether Colinhurst

Danish Red - £640 Bridge End

Black & White - £600, £540, £530 (2), £470 (2), £350 Bridge End; £560, £440 Cliburn Hall; £480, £430, £425, £385 The Harras; £470 Cape Farm; £335 Low Moor Dyke

Heifer Calves

British Blue - £850 Cape Farm; £830, £800 (2), £790, £720 Threapthwaite Farm; £815, £700 (2) The Harras; £795, £685, £575 Bridge End; £790 Skirwith Abbey; £720 (3), £710 Nether Colinhurst; £710 May Cottage; £630, £510 Low Moor Dyke; £610 Cliburn Hall

Limousin - £720, £705, £590, £510, £500 Skirwith Abbey; £695, £600 Southernby Hall

Aberdeen Angus - £700 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £650 Bridge End; £560 Nether Colinhurst; £490, £450 Skirwith Abbey

Charolais - £640 (2) Holme Wrangle