

Rearing Calves & Stirks

Friday 15th May 2026

On Friday, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their fortnightly sale of 243 calves and stirks.

Numbers continue to roll into Penrith, 243 calves and stirks were forward with younger calves a storm of a trade. The sale topped at £1,460 for a pair of strong Charolais heifers, 11-months-old from Messrs H & EM Hunter & Son, Cape Farm, with another pen of 3 realising £1,420. Messrs JJ, JM & JR Milburn, Stock Farm, sold 5 lovely Saler heifers, 13-months-old to realise £1,330.

Messrs A & A Little, Hollands, sold a packet of 4 Aberdeen Angus and British Blue stirks, 11-month-old to average £1,407. Messrs Dent, Kaber Fold, sold a pair of 7-month-old Beef Shorthorn bullocks to £1,330.

Bulls topped at £1,200 for a dairy-bred British Blue, 7-months-old from Olivia Robinson, Burblethwaite.

Calves continue to fly with no let off in demand or trade, topping at £1,120 for a British Blue bull from Messrs Sherwen, Low Thornley Farm. Donaldsons Dairy, Threapthwaite Farm, sold a 4-month-old British Blue bull to £1,010, purchased by Messrs JH & ME Grainger, Mirefold Farm. Messrs RW & AJ Jackson, Clarks Farm, sold a Limousin X bull at 7-weeks-old to £930. Heifers topped at £820 for a British Blue, also from Donaldsons Dairy. Calves on milk were regularly £600 plus for all classes. Dairy-sired calves topped at £790 for a Montbeliarde bull from Messrs Sherwen, Low Thornley Farm. Messrs RW & AJ Jackson, Clarks Farm, sold 5-week-old Friesian bulls to £490.

More numbers are needed to meet the strong demand here at Penrith. Our next sale will be held on Friday 29th May at 10am. Please contact Paul Gardner on 07552 589141 to advise entries.

Leading Prices

Heifer Stirks

Charolais - £1460 (2), £1420 (3) Cape Farm

British Blue – £1430 Hollands; £1360 (4), £1140 (2), £1100 (2) Dearham Hall; £1200 Cairnhead Farm; £1000 Penny Hill Park

Aberdeen Angus - £1400 (3) Hollands; £1190, £1130 Gall Farm; £1100 (4) Orchard Farm; £1000 Penny Hill Park

Saler - £1330 (5) Stock Farm

Simmental - £1300, £1160, £1100 Gall Farm

Limousin - £1280, £1250, £1120 High Lodore Farm; £1190 Gall Farm; £1050 Orchard Farm

Beef Shorthorn - £1130 Gall Farm

Bullock Stirks

Beef Shorthorn - £1330 (2) Kaber Fold

Limousin - £1180 High Lodore Farm

Hereford - £1030 Penny Hill Park

Aberdeen Angus - £1020 (2) Penny Hill Park

Black & White - £810 Longlands

Bull Stirks

British Blue - £1200 Burplethwaite; £1100 (3) Blacksyke Farm

Charolais – £1160 Burplethwaite

Aberdeen Angus - £1000 Looking Flatt

Black & White - £820 Burplethwaite

Bull Calves

British Blue - £1120 Low Thornley Farm; £1010, £740, £715 Threapthwaite Farm; £780, £600 Nether Colinhurst; £770, £760 (2), £750, £710 Bridge End; £740 Low Moor Dyke; £700 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £700 (3), £695 (2), £670, £665 (2) Cairnhead Farm; £700, £660, £620 (2) Round Hill Farm; £680 Cape Farm; £580 (2) Plumpton Head

Limousin - £930 Clarks Farm

Simmental - £880, £680 Priory Farm

Montbeliarde - £790 Low Thornley Farm

Aberdeen Angus - £730, £650 Bridge End; £670, £660 (3), £650 (2), £635, £630 (2), £580, £575 New Rent Farm; £650 Clarks Farm; £595 Priory Farm

Hereford - £580, £560 (2), £550, £530 Round Hill Farm; £545 (2), £535 (3) Priory Farm

Black & White - £500 (3) Nether Colinhurst; £490, £390 Clarks Farm; £425 (3), £415 (3) Bridge End; £405, £395 (2) Cape Farm; £390 Low Moor Dyke

Heifer Calves

British Blue - £820, £815, £805 (2), £755, £700 (2), £550 Threapthwaite Farm; £820, £810 Low Thornley Farm; £730, £710, £660 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £700 (2), £650, £590, £580 Nether Colinhurst; £685, £670 Bridge End; £660, £590 (2), £550 Round Hill Farm; £650 Low Moor Dyke; £600 (2), £590 (2) Cairnhead Farm

Aberdeen Angus - £800 Low Thornley Farm; £645, £490, £480 Bridge End; £610 (2), £510, £460 (2) New Rent Farm; £480 (2), £450 (2) Priory Farm

Limousin - £660, £530, £500 Round Hill Farm

Hereford - £510 Priory Farm

Longhorn - £500 Nether Colinhurst