Prime Sheep

Wednesday 21st August 2024

On Wednesday Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their weekly sale of 4,648 prime sheep, comprising of 1,892 prime lambs & 2,756 cast ewes & rams.

A smaller show of lambs was forward to average an SQQ of 319p/kg (£142.80 per head). The top price paid today was £212, this was achieved for a superb single Texel tup lamb weighing 68kg from Grange Walls, selling to Mr A Dawson. This same home sold a pen of nine 62kg Texel lambs to realise £197 (318p/kg). Top price per kilo on the day was 396p/kg (£178) for a 45kg Beltex lamb from Messrs R W Sowerby & Sons, Sycamore Rise. This home sold a lovely run of 40 Texel & Beltex lambs to average £164 (352p/kg) for 46.6kg.

Messrs Lyle, Staingills, sold a pen of five Beltex lambs weighing 40kg to average £155 (388p/kg). This home's run sold to average 364p/kg (£154) for 42kg lambs. Messrs Gribbon, Waterside Farm, sold a pen of fourteen 40kg Beltex lambs to achieve £153 (383kg). Mr R A Crichton, Rottington Hall, topped the Suffolk section at 333p/kg for a pen of 14 weighing 46kg to achieve £153.

Messrs J G & R W Nevinson & Son, High House Farm, sold a run of twenty-one meaty pet lambs to average £170 for 52kg.

Meaty, well-fed sheep continue to be short of buyers' requirements, weight is still the easiest to sell.

Boom! Just like that demand rises and the trade sharpens for all classes, orders were left short and many more could have been sold to vendors' advantage. The sale topped at £300 for a pen of superb Texel ewes from Mr A Straney, Glenroyd, purchased by Pak Mecca Meats, Birmingham.

Suffolk ewes topped at £245 from Mr H McRae, Shethin Farm, purchased by Mr D Kemp, with numerous other pens achieving in excess of £200.

Huge English Mules achieved a bonanza of a trade, topping at £185 from Messrs WR Wilson, South View, purchased by Mr W Shearer.

Plenty of trade among the horned ewes with all classes dearer on the week, topping at £126 for Swaledales from Mr WJ Wilson, Gill Head, and Scotch Blackface to £120 from Backmuir Livestock.

Cast rams were so simple to sell and more are required weekly, topping at £275 for a pure Suffolk from Messrs TE Irving & Son, East Cliff, with many others realising £200 plus.

All through a very fast trade was witnessed, with most £5-£10 per head up on the week. A total of 16 active buyers forward, all competing strongly on a weekly basis. Do not be fooled

by false marketing and the odd fancy price, here at Penrith we achieve a solid, level and honest trade for all our vendors with competitors struggling to keep up the constant trade.

Please take advantage of our large ringside of competitive buyers. Please advise entries to Andrew Maughan on 07717611952, or Paul Gardner on 07552 589141.

Leading Prices

Prime Lambs p/kg

Beltex – 396.0 Sycamore Rise; 388.0 Staingills; 383.0, 380.0, 358.0 Waterside Farm; 359.0, 345.0, 335.0 Home Farm; 338.0 Inglewood Edge

Texel – 373.0, 370.0, 368.0 Grange Hall; 373.0, 367.0, 344.0, 343.0, 341.0 Sycamore Rise; 368.0, 360.0, Inglewood Edge; 367.0, 353.0 Rottington Hall; 364.0, 335.0 Staingills; 362.0, 337.0 High Harberwain; 360.0, 351.0 Galleywreay Farm; 358.0, 356.0 North Gill Bank; 356.0, 338.0 Clea Mire; 355.0 Town Head (Richardson); 350.0, 341.0, 335.0 Grange Walls; 347.0 Greenacres; 346.0 Lodge Farm; 346.0 Home Farm; 345.0, 343.0 Hole House; 345.0 Castle Bank; 344.0 Irton House; 343.0 High Moss; 342.0 Langton Gate; 341.0 Ploveriggs; 340.0 Ghyll House; 337.0 Braithwaite Shields

Continental – 380.0 Inglewood Edge; 379.0, 373.0, 351.0 Anns Cottage; 335.0 Town Head (Richardson)

Rouge – 345.0 Fenton Farm

Suffolk – 333.0, 322.0 Rottington Hall; 332.0, 322.0, 317.0, 314.0 Hole House; 322.0, 318.0, 315.0 Grange Walls; 322.0, 318.0, 311.0 Inglewood Edge; 321.0 High Head Chapel; 319.0 Holme House; 318.0, 315.0 East Cliff; 316.0 Braithwaite Mill; 315.0, 312.0 Ghyll House; 313.0 Low Snab; 312.0 Midtown Farm; 312.0 Greenacres; 311.0 High Harberwain; 311.0 Friarbiggin; 310.0 West Foreshield

Cheviot – 317.0 Greenbank Farm; 314.0 Inglewood Edge

Mule – 311.0 Grange Walls; 308.0, 293.0 Roanstrees

Prime Lambs £/head

Texel - £212, £198, £197, £194, £184, £183, £171, £167, £166, £162 Grange Walls; £195 Glebe Road; £184, £176, £165, £163 Holme House; £181, £169, £167, £167, £165, £164 Sycamore Rise; £180, £172, £160 Braithwaite Shields; £172 Clifton Moor Farm; £170, £163 Ghyll House; £170 Friarbiggin; £170 Castle Bank; £170 Greenacres; £166 Langton Gate; £166 Kindleysides; £165, £164 Irton House; £165 Galleywreay Farm; £164 High Moss; £162, £161 Hole House; £161 Staingills; £161 North Gill Bank; £159 Salkeld Road; £158 Castle Bank Suffolk - £188, £145 Low Snab; £169 Holme House; £168, £162, £148, £140 Inglewood Edge; £166, £165, £154 Hole House; £164 High Street; £162 Town Head Farm; £158, £138 Braithwaite Mill; £156, £151 Ghyll House; £156, £148 East Cliff; £156 Midtown Farm; £156 Greenacres; £154, £146, £136 Friarbiggin; £153, £148 Rottington Hall; £148, £145, £140 Grange Walls; £142 Longlands; £140, £134 Fair Bank Farm; £140 High Harberwain; £139 West End; £139 Park House; £136 Thorneycroft; £135 Roanstrees; £133 West View Continental - £180, £165 High House Farm; £179, £160, £154, £152, £146, £144, £136 Grange Walls; £175 Belvedene; £164 Town Head (Richardson); £159 Hole House; £156, £144 Inglewood Edge; £144, £138, £134 (2) Reagill Grange; £149, £148 Anns Cottage; £148, £146,

£143 Rottington Hall; £143 Southenby Hall; £140, £133 Midtown Farm; £134, £132 West View; £132 Grange Hall

Beltex - £178 Sycamore Rise

Mule - £140 Grange Walls; £138 Low Snab; £134, £132 Roantrees; £128 Hewgill House

Cast Ewes £/head

Texel (av £173.54) - £300, £275, £240, £200, £178 Glenroyd Road; £295, £245, £203, £190, £188 Holme House; £280, £200 Drumreach Farm; £240, £184 Belvedene; £235, £212, £190 Greenacres; £228, £196, £182 Gate & West Farm; £180 Staingills; £180 Ingledene Continental (av £137.23) - £245, £188 Drumreach Farm; £235, £196 Park View; £209, £188, £182 Holme House; £206, £184, £182 Belvedene; £202, £186 Hewer Hill; £198, £194, £192, £186, £180 Glenroyd Road; £185 Mill Farm; £185 South View; £182 Shethin Farm Suffolk (av £166.73) - £245 Shethin Farm; £230, £220, £210, £195, £184 Glenroyd Road; £200, £185 Valley View Drive; £200 Belvedene; £196 Jardines Farm; £195 Scales Farm; £194, £188 Holme House; £188 Backmuir Farm; £182 Gate & West Farm

Charollais (av £168.46) - £205, £192 Holme House; £182 Glenroyd Road

Beltex (av £139.11) - £192 Huntley Lodge

Mule (av £118.90) - £185 South View; £178, £142 Glenroyd Road; £163 Hewer Hill; £160 Scales Farm; £150 Greenacres; £145 Town End Farm; £144 Drumreach Farm; £140 Huntley Lodge

Bluefaced Leicester (av £148.50) - £156 Lonscale; £152 Bank End Mill

Cheviot (av £99.52) - £148 Gate & West Farm; £147, £130 Shethin Farm; £145, £124 Holme House; £143, £117, £111 Drumreach Farm; £131 Fairbank Farm; £128 Bank House; £120 Belvedene; £118 Backmuir Farm; £114 Dunlichity Farm, £112 Crosby Lodge; £110 Witton Kerry (av £100) - £144 Belvedene

Swaledale (av £68.37) - £126, £81 Gill Head; £107 Stubsgill; £94 Oddendale Hall; £90 Townend; £88 Lonscale; £84 Fell End

Scotch Blackfaced (av £78.95) - £120, £102 Backmuir Farm; £118 Drumreach Farm; £92 Belvedene

Herdwick (av £54.42) - £115 Ingledene; £112 Low Braithwaite Farm; £102 Gate & West Farm

Cast Rams £/head

Suffolk - £275 East Cliff; £215 Glenroyd Road

Charollais - £240 Glenroyd Road

Beltex - £235 Ingledene

Continental - £218 Holme House; £200, £175 Greenacres

Texel - £215 Witton; £205 Westward Park; £190 Home Farm; £175 Holme House