

SOUTH EAST MARTS – HAILSHAM MARKET

Primestock report for

Wednesday 5th February 2020

PRIME CATTLE (UNDERAGE & OVERAGE) (20) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

Sussex reign supreme once again - James Sellers' purebred Sussex steers, top call 176p & 170p per kilo, generally trade remains static, regular supporter. John Ayre has British Blue cross heifer to 170p & Aberdeen Angus cross steers grossing £1051.35

CULL COWS (7) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

Mostly beef bred cows on offer unfortunately few from Red Tractor Approved farms. Heavyweight Aberdeen Angus cross from Tony Spencer 115p per kilo and gross £920, Mason Estates' Sussex 107p little change in overall demand.

CALVES (0) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

No calves on offer.

PIGS (20) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

Greater interest more buying power, John Brooker's quality Landrace cutters to 108p per kilo. Medium weight crossbred sows £113, £95 & £90 per head. Middle White crossbred feeders £21 per head.

SHEEP (1562)

Auctioneer: Nick Young

PRIME HOGGETS (410) Overall average 219.43p per kilo

Tremendous trade for all meat hoggets, provided they are meat and better still if they have been shut up overnight and dagged and bellied. In the words of Bruno Tonioli it was fast, it was furious, from first to last. Many more meat hoggets wanted, the Hailsham price can't be wrong. Top price this week goes to D Blake & Partners at £112, closely followed by D, S & P Humphrey and GN & J West both at £110

Leading prices: D Blake & Partners £112, D,S&P Humphrey £110, £101, G N & J West £110, £105, £104, £100, FW & MJ Akehurst £109, £108, CA Lee & Son £104, £100, Sally Cripps £102, A Wood £101, AGL Ainslie £100, £98, E Sargent £100,

Top prices per kilo: D,S&P Humphrey 241.8p, 237.7p, 234.7p, AGL Ainslie 237.3p, 222.8p, E Sargent 234.6p, FW & MJ Akehurst 230.1p, AJ Skinner & Son 229.4p, 221.6p, J & S Harmer 228.4p, 228.2p, G N & J West 228.1p, FG Coles 227p, D Blake & Partners 224.9p, CA Lee & Sons 223.2p

STORE HOGGETS (823)

Trade is as strong as ever and possibly dearer for big FABBL'd hoggets. However small hoggets look good value to buy and hold for the end of April in particular for the feast of Ramadan. Exceptional sheep from the 'MAESTRO' Andreozzi take top honours at £99.

Leading prices: L Andreozzi £99, C Watkins £95, AM Eales £90.50, J Walker £90, £87, Norton Farm Partnership £89.50, M Lucas £88.50, £85, C Watkins £88, W Visser £87.50, £87, £85.50, £85, I & L Hutchison £87, N Potts £85, Norton Farm Partnership £85

CULL EWES (329)

Definitely the dearest in the South East, although disappointingly the South East price lags behind that of the Midlands and North East probably due to the M5 factor which makes access

to the major national abattoirs easier. Nonetheless no complaints. The lovely Lizzie Sargent has top price of the day at £119 in second place M A Piper & Son, of Wittersham £112
Leading prices: E Sargent £119, MA Piper & Sons £112, £108, D Van Duyne £100, GN & J West £99, £95, HC Grissell £95, J&S Harmer £94, £90, L Andrezzi £94, £85 R&W Brown £90

Next Wednesday 12th February

*90 Suffolk x Mule In-Lamb ewes - 45 x 1 lambers, 45 x 2 lambers
due beginning of April to Texel & Charollais Rams
38 Texel, Romney & Crossbred In-Lamb Ewes, Flock Ages,
scanned 175%, due April to Texel x Charollais*

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**NEXT STORE SALE**  
**MONDAY 17th FEBRUARY**  
***Anticipated entries 250/300 plus***

***Present entries include:***

40 Aberdeen Angus cross Belgian Blue steers & heifers, 6/9 months, from Mark Peters, 35 Limousin cross, Aberdeen Angus cross steers & heifers, 20/24 months, from RW Kemp & Partners, 32 Limousin cross steers 8/12 months, from Mrs PA Greenaway, 25 Limousin cross steers & heifers, 12/20 months, from R Verity, 22 Aberdeen Angus cross steers & heifers, 10/12 months, from M & I Robins, 18 Simmental cross, Bazadaise cross & Devon cross steers & heifers from Bird in Eye LLB ie. Peter Berry, 12 Hereford cross steers & heifers 16/20 months, from MJ & ML McCubbine, 12 Simmental cross steers & heifers, 12 months, from D Hobbs & Sons, 12 British Blue cross steers & heifers, 6 months & 8 Simmental cross steers & heifers, 10/11 months from SD & JJ Feakes, and 12 Charolais cross steers & heifers 8/18 months, from C Howe

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## Sheep Scab Alert

There has been a spate of cases of sheep scab this autumn and the problem is seemingly not going away. Cliffe Farm Vets have been called to diagnose more than a handful of cases, and I am sure that we are only seeing the tip of the iceberg.

Sheep scab is a highly contagious parasitic infection which can cause enormous production losses if left untreated. It is notifiable in Scotland and although not notifiable in England, it is a legal requirement to treat it (effectively) and local authorities have the power to enforce treatment and prevent movement of sheep on common grazing.

The sheep scab mite, *Psoroptes ovis*, can survive on fences, gates and in the environment for 17 days, so it is important to get good advice on which products to use and how and when to use them. Some treatments require a move away from infested pasture for at least this period. Sheep lice can also look a bit like scab and can also coexist on the same sheep at the same time.

Dipping with OP dips is the most reliable way to treat scab. With injectable treatments sheep are more likely to be underdosed or missed. Dipping does not require sheep to be moved from their current grazing, as the treatment is persistent for 28 days.

Shared boundaries, shared equipment, scanning and shearing kits represent a significant risk. It is wise to check that equipment is being disinfected between flocks. Although not licensed, Virkon and Hypochlorite are both effective against scab.

Any gathering of sheep from various holdings unfortunately represent a significant risk for onward spread as mites will survive for 17 days on wool tags and gates. Scab may therefore be transferred to other sheep for over 2 weeks unless equipment is disinfected.

**Visibly itchy sheep should not be brought to any market**

Nick Pile BVM&S MRCVS. Cliffe Farm Vets. Lewes.

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