

BRIDGNORTH LIVESTOCK MARKET WEEKLY REPORT

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Prime Cattle Report (Red Market) – Auctioneer Mark Burgoyne 07831 192603

289 Prime Cattle

An absolutely belting trade with plenty of beasts really 'ringing the bell'. An overall average of nearly 142p/kg resulted, with 16 beasts grossing above £1000. The normal ring of buyers produced some very competitive bidding, with cattle at least as dear at the end of the sale.

A storming steer section with bullocks to 168p/kg. Steers are now averaging more per kilo than heifers which is indicative of the larger supermarket abattoirs being short of product. Butchers cattle met a flying trade with heifers to 184p/kg with many lots over 160 pence per kilo.

The bulls really got the market buzzing this morning with some better quality forward with suckler bulls selling to 164.5p and passed 160p on other occasions. Holstein Friesians were a particularly sharp trade passing 130p on four occasions to 134.5p/kg

45 Over Thirty Month Cattle

42 O.T.M. cows sold to average 102p/kg – trade much dearer especially on the meat cows. 760kg Limousin cows sold to 126p with 532kg to 122p/kg. Best Holstein cows sold to 114p for 730kg and 112.5p for 580 & 784kg. Steakers passed 90 pence on most occasions with boners beyond 75p unless ultra plain. 722kg Limousin steers to 130p with 694kg Charolais heifers to 132p. 940kg Hereford stock bull to 91p/kg.

MORE O.T.M. CATTLE NEEDED

195 Clean Cattle

57 steers sold to average 148p/kg. A useful run of cattle from W Evans & Sons sold to 168p for 562kg with 638kg to 164p (£1046), 646kg to 162.5p (£1049) and 640kg to 158p all Limousins. 698kg Limousins to 163p (£1138), 658kg Lims to 158p (£1039) & 738kg Blues to 158p (£1166) all from Neil Dalton. 550kg Lims to 160p from John Johnston with handy 430kg Blondes and 566kg Lims to 158p from Ray Bason. Dairy bred Charolais 834kg realised £1151 at 138p from Richard Gough, with another from Steve Lewis to £1101 at 816kg (135p/kg). 726kg Charolais cross sold to £1059.96 for Colin Davies with John Johnson's 708kg Charolais to £1033 (146p/kg). Hereford x Friesians steers to 135p.

138 heifers sold to average 143p/kg. Neil Preece set a new record this year when his 512kg Limousin sold to **184p/kg**. Two Blondes from Tom Barker sold to 171p & 164p for 464kg & 424kg. Ian Bebb's Limousin soared to 166 & 161p for 610kg (£1012) & 602kg. 452kg & 502kg Blondes sold to 164p & 165p/kg respectively from Ray Bason, with 516 & 478kg Blondes to 165 & 164p from Mathew Parkes. 570kg Blues to 163p from David Froggatt. 530kg Lims to 161p from Richard Morgan with 546kg to 161p from Robert Watkins. Hereford x Friesian heifers to 130 & 128p from Tom Jones with Holstein heifers to 115p from Martin Osbourne.

94 Young Bulls ov. av. 136p/kg

A much improved number of bulls as last year's suckler crop come ready although our entry still included 32 Holsteins.

Andrew Craig's superb run of homebred Limousins sold to 164.5p, 153.5p x 2, for 530kg, 508kg & 548kg respectively. Heavier sucklers

to 163p, 157p & 156.5p for 652kg (£1062), 600kg & 588kg Charolais from Dave Digwood. Not to be left out Ed Green's 576kg, 578kg & 578kg Lims sold to 163p, 158p, & 154p/kg. John Hewitt's Lims sold to 149.5p for 750kg (£1121) and 718kg to 144p (£1033.92). 788kg Blondes to 139p (£1095.32) from Howard Mold who also sold 742kg Welsh Blacks to £983 (132.5p/kg) 702kg Lims to £1038.96 (148p) from Dave Preece. 586kg Blues to 154p from Goulburn Farms.

Black & Whites sold to average 117p/kg including some devastation. Adrian Robinsons hopper fed bulls sold past 130p to 134.5p on three occasions, with David Glover achieving 131p/kg. Perhaps rearing Holstein bull calves/weanlings is looking more viable?

AT LEAST 100 BULLS REQUIRED NEXT WEEK PLEASE

Leading Vendors

Steers

168p/kg	562kg	W Evans & Sons
164p/kg	638kg	W Evans & Sons
163p/kg	698kg	LH Dalton
162.5p/kg	646kg	W Evans & Son
160p/kg	550kg	JJ Johnston
158p/kg	430kg	JG Bason & Son
158p/kg	566kg	JG Bason & Son

Heifers

184p/kg	512kg	M Preece & Co
171p/kg	464kg	P Barker & Son
166p/kg	610kg	IR Bebb Ltd
165p/kg	502kg	JG Bason & Son
165p/kg	516kg	Forest Vale Growers
164p/kg	452kg	JG Bason & Son
164p/kg	424kg	P Barker & Son
164p/kg	478kg	Forest Vale Growers

Bulls

164.5p/kg	530kg	TR Craig & Sons
163p/kg	652kg	DJ Digwood & Sons
163p/kg	576kg	JB & EJ Green
158p/kg	578kg	JB & EJ Green
157p/kg	600kg	DJ Digwood & Sons
156.5p/kg	588kg	DJ Digwood & Sons

We are open at 06:30 a.m.

Would you please continue the effort to arrive early to allow a prompt start

Sale Times

Lambs 09.45 a.m. prompt

Ewes 11.00a.m

Young Bulls @ 11.30 a.m. prompt

Followed by Clean Cattle

OTM Cattle to be sold following clean@ approx 2 p.m.

3015 Sheep – Auctioneer Martin Clack 0797706751

2329 Hoggs

Another large entry of Hoggs and trade, as the end of last week just a little easier. The rapid rise in values last week out pricing the Market place. Wholesalers very careful only to give top prices for fed finished Hoggs. A top price this week of 170p/kg for 40kg Texels from Dave Green and a large amount realising over 160-168p/kg. Heavier sheep to 156p/kg 46kg £71.80 and 56kg at 130p/kg £72.80 generally the £70 barrier hard to breech. Only a couple of pens under 32kg selling to 132p/kg..

Leading Prices

40kg	170p/kg	D Green
38kg	168p/kg	IGC Morris
37½kg	168p/kg	IGC Morris
41½kg	168p/kg	N Kinsey
42½kg	165p/kg	R Swift
35½kg	165p/kg	MW & RA Davies

145 Spring Lambs

Spring lambs sold to 218p/kg 32kg from Brian Watkins with butcher's lambs 190p+. More weight in the lambs this week with 37kg at 198p/kg and 42kg 180p/kg.

Leading Prices

32½kg	218p/kg	CO Watkins
37kg	198p/kg	RC Evans
33kg	195p/kg	AG Kirton
38kg	195p/kg	AG Kirton

541 Ewes

After last week's trade all the batteries were replaced in various abattoir operators' calculators and the computers said 'NO' Another complete turn around with last week, ewes short in supply nationally and customers had to have them, to this week large numbers available and customers very price driven. Continental ewes to £79 with strong ewes in the £60 to £70 region. North Country Mules to £47 and leaner ewes hard work for the very plain.

Rams sold to £60 Texels and small Welsh to £26

**MORE EWES REQUIRED FOR NEXT WEEK
STORE REPORT 28.03.08**

189 Store Cattle

Best quality cattle very short in number today but bunches of steers and heifers easily sold to vendors expectations. Second quality cattle a little easier with most being small grazing heifers with the wintry weather not helping as most farmers are busy in the lambing shed.

Prices as follows:-

£500 i/c Charolais cow 1999,	£465 i/c Devon cow 2002
£325 Hereford grazing cow	£290 Charolais grazing cow

Feeding Bulls

250kg £359 Lim 7mths	250kg £350 Lim 10mths
170kg £269 Lim 7mths	225kg £260 Blonde 8mths

Steers

Hereford

285kg £338	10mths	216kg	£285	10mths
330kg	£392	14mths		

Simmental

315kg	£455	12mths	Welsh Black	
			356kg	£380 25mths

Limousin

415kg	£570	21mths	335kg	£440	10mths
345kg	£532	18mths	320kg	£528	13mths
365kg	£490	15mths	325kg	£450	17mths
375kg	£465	23mths	310kg	£440	12mths
260kg	£380	10mths			

Belgian Blue

185kg	£255	7mths	Charolais		
			390kg	£465	24mths

Heifers

Belgian Blue

236kg	£360	9mths	287kg	£320	8mths
210kg	£270	8mths	205kg	£240	14mths
387kg	£520	18mths	372kg	£442	16mths
345kg	£395	15mths			

Heifers

Limousin

195kg	£260	14mths	263kg	£380	10mths
270kg	£300	12mths	212kg	£260	14mths
380kg	£502	18mths	380kg	£460	16mths
335kg	£440	18mths	355kg	£412	15mths
420kg	£540	22mths			

Charolais

270kg	£390	12mths	242kg	£349	10mths
397kg	£508	21mths	340kg	£390	20mths
300kg	£380	12mths			

Hereford

225kg	£245	15mths	357kg	£360	18mths
330kg	£345	18mths	325kg	£328	16mths
422kg	£485	21mths			

Blonde

233kg	£300	14mths	158kg	£200	8mths
309kg	£400	14mths			

Simmental

380kg	£500	16mths	365kg	£442	12mths
320kg	£340	16mths			

Devon

280kg	£330	10mths	Galloway	
			245kg	£150 37mths

Next store sale THIS Friday 4th April 2008

FOR SALE
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Parkside Farm, Boningale, Albrighton
500 ACRES PURE RED CLOVER SEED
In 6 lots from 48acres to 128 acres
For Forage Only
29 ACRES PERMANENT PASTURE & RED CLOVER
For grazing by Organic Sheep Only
Contact Robin Nettleton
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BRITISH CHAROLLAIS SHEEP SOCIETY
£30 VOUCHER TO THE VENDOR OF THE HIGHEST price p/kg lambs sold in Bridgnorth
On Tuesday 29th April 2008 sired by a Charollais Ram

SHRUB SALE
Flowering Trees, Shrubs, Roses etc.
Saturday 5th April 2008
Livestock & Auction Centre
Tasley
10.00 a.m.

David Botley Lime
Ca & Mg Lime & Limex 70 supplied & spread
Super Slag Basic
Containing Phosphate, Magnesium, Manganese
And many more Trace Elements
Soil Testing
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