

BRIDGNORTH LIVESTOCK MARKET WEEKLY REPORT

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

154 Prime Cattle

Demand for beef in the butcher's shop is slightly easier resulting in buyers wanting to give less at the ringside. However with a shortage of quality cattle forward buyers had to give more than they wanted to. This has produced the current re-alignment of prime cattle values to a level perhaps 10p below September levels. An overall average of 146p/kg was produced today with plenty of competition for best cattle. The reduction of cattle being marketed may have some positive effect, as soon as the Irish imports run out.

Very few supermarket cattle forward saw steers to 177p/kg and to £1131.30. A sharpish trade on butcher's cattle saw heifers to 180p/kg on three occasions. Second quality sorts harder to sell with buyers fussier than recent sales.

A better than anticipated bull trade saw best Continentals to 175p for 510kg or to £1196.64 for heavies. Genuine Holstein bulls well finished to 148p/kg.

97 Clean Cattle

Only 27 steers sold to average 141p/kg. Handy Continentals to 172p & 167p/kg for 532kg & 464kg from Ray Bason. 690kg Lims to 155p from John Hammond. Only 3 steers above £1000 this morning but there were few best heavy cattle entered.

Only 70 heifers sold to average 149p/kg. Tony Barker sold Lims & Charolais to 180p/kg for 504kg & 488kg with handy Lims to the same for Ray Bason. Murray Roberts' 476kg model reached 179p/kg. Many others achieved 170p plus. Fat or plain cattle proved less valuable this morning.

57 Young Bulls ov. av. 146p/kg.

Bull trade was generally satisfactory with 8 Holsteins forward. 510kg Limousins from Mike Williams sold to 175p, closely followed by 604kg to 174p from George Evans. Two Blues from Neil Perkins sold to 169p & 167p for 564kg & 602kg with 572kg to 167p from Steve Perkins. 496kg shop cattle to 166p for Ian Mainwaring. 602kg Lims also to 166p from Andrew Griffiths. Martin Parkes' Blonde sold to 164p for 528kg. Dave Evans topped the Black & White section once again at 148p/kg.

59 Over Thirty Month Cattle

Trade here was no worse, although still nowhere near the levels of 6 weeks ago. Charolais cows to 116p for 634kg with Angus cows to 133p for 610kg. Meat Holsteins sold to 93.5p. Very few middle range steaking cows forward with boning cows holding up well usually well above 50p/kg.

Stock bulls have taken the heaviest knock with Blondes to 88p for 1030kg. Clean heifers to 125p for 484kg, 124.5p for 562kg and 124p for 550kg. 464kg lean steers to 104p.

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 09.45a.m. prompt

Ewes 11.00a.m.

Young Bulls @ 11.30a.m. prompt

Followed by Clean Cattle

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

Leading Vendors

Steers

172p/kg	502kg	JG Bason & Son
167p/kg	464kg	JG Bason & Son
158p/kg	556kg	JG Bason & Son
155p/kg	690kg	JVW Hammond
152p/kg	618kg	LR Morgan & Son
150p/kg	532kg	LR Morgan & Son

Heifers

180p/kg	504kg	AT Barker
180p/kg	488kg	AT Barker
180p/kg	442kg	JG Bason & Son
179p/kg	476kg	Murray Roberts & Co
178p/kg	490kg	JG Bason & Son
177p/kg	426kg	JG Bason & Son
176p/kg	486kg	JG Bason & Son
176p/kg	508kg	JG Bason & Son

Bulls

175p/kg	510kg	MJ Williams
166p/kg	496kg	RK & M Mainwaring
164p/kg	528kg	Forest Vale Growers
161p/kg	514kg	CO Watkins & Co
160p/kg	528kg	Forest Vale Growers

743 Sheep – Auctioneer Martin Clack 07977 067519

554 Lambs

A very poor entry of lambs with trade less at the end of last week. Bridgnorth's average of 113p/kg would compare favourably with other auctions but not a viable value for lamb.

The best lambs sold to 130½p/kg for 37kg Texels from Terry Williams with only the very top lambs over 125p/kg. Heavy lambs to 188p/kg and £58.80 with no reduction in pence per kilo for weight.

Lambs under 323kg sold from 110-112p/kg.

Leading Prices

37kg	130½p/kg	RJ Williams & Sons
43½kg	130p/kg	WJ Jones & Son
41½kg	125p/kg	IGC Morris
41kg	125p/kg	IGC Morris
42½kg	125p/kg	IGC Morris
43½kg	124p/kg	WJ Jones & Son

189 Ewes

Continental ewes to £448, Suffolk's £44 and North Country Mules £38, meat sought after with leaner ewes proving a little harder to sell. Hill ewes sold to £18 with Swales to £16 and Welsh £14.

4 Ram/wethers realised £38.50.

**MORE EWES REQUIRED FOR NEXT WEEK – WE ALSO
HAVE CUSTOMERS LOOKING TO BUY GOATS ON A
REGULAR BASIS**

**Bridgnorth Machinery Sale
Saturday 25th October 2008**

Tools & Sundries 10.30 a.m. – Machinery & Tractors 12 noon

St Lukes's Fair Report

Store Sheep 3007

Just over 3000 store sheep penned this year at St Luke's Fair, attracting potential customers from far and wide.

1800 store lambs averaged £39.82 selling over £50 to £54 for the first lot of the day from Messrs Powell for 20 Texel x Suffolk lambs, Suffolk x North Country Mules to £50.80 from J Binnion, Suffolk's with length and sharp heads virtually all over £40 with Russell Sedgley's at £46.20. The annual consignment from David Bradley sold to £45.50 averaging £41.80. Continental lambs to £43 long term Texels with only very small mini or hill bred lambs under £38.

Ewe lambs met a mixed trade with quality making a premium to £54 twice, Brian Wilkinson's and TTE Brown's Suffolk x North Country Mules. Smaller clean headed Suffolk's £44 to £47.50 with a large proportion of the mixed breeds being bought for stores around £40 to £44. North Country Mules ewe lambs to £50 AE Halford & Son.

500 more ewes forward than catalogued met a surprisingly brisk trade to a virtual total clearance. Suffolk x Mule yearlings sold to £77 from D Edwards with an entry of Suffolk x Mules averaging £74.90. North Country Mule yearlings to £69 H Hodson Walker, Texel yearlings to £70 and Continental x yearlings to £66. Older ewes sold around £50 to £54 Texel full mouth £65 2yo Texel and a run of Cheviots ewes averaging £23.50.

46 Rams sold to £330 for a Beltex yearling from Steve Bowdler, £270 Suffolk 2yo BJ Rodenhurst, £245 Texel yearlings. Ram lambs met a selective trade to £210 and Charollais Ram lambs a total clearance to £175

500 Store Cattle

A very busy St Luke's Fair saw trade remaining firm, although perhaps not quite as dear as a fortnight ago. Our Judge Mr Charles Forrester from Wem, a regular buyer at Bridgnorth, presented the HW Pugh & Son Challenge Cup to Mr Andrew Carter, Yarrons Farm, Far Forest for his 1st Prize pen of black 3/4bred Limousin steers. Mr Forrester backed his judgement and purchased the Champion pen at £630 for 329kg (191p/kg). The other prize winners were:-

Best Pen Steers	1 st AJ Carter	329kg	£630 & Champion
	2 nd J Evans	450kg	£750
Best Pen Heifers	J Evans	423kg	£665
Best Feeding Bull	Mrs Owen	530kg	£745
Best Cow & Calf	F Osbourne & Son		£980

Prices as follows:-

Cows & Calves

£1050	Charolais x Cow & bull calf
£980	Belgian Blue x Cow & bull calf
£815	Simmental x Heifer & heifer calf
£815	Aberdeen Angus x Cow & bull calf
£780	Belgian Blue x Cow & heifer calf
£740	Simmental x Cow & heifer calf
£690	Simmental x Cow & heifer calf
£690	Belgian Blue x Cow & heifer calf
£720	Simmental x Heifer & bull calf

Feeding Bulls

350kg	£515	Blonde x
322kg	£468	Charolais x
351kg	£395	M.R.I.
540kg	£750	Blonde x
530kg	£745	Simmental
465kg	£540	Limousin x
500kg	£650	Hereford

Steers

Hereford

385kg	£540	412kg	£520	533kg	£685
489kg	£662	465kg	£630	226kg	£430
375kg	£460				

Charolais

391kg	£580	410kg	£615	431kg	£565
398kg	£615	485kg	£650	330kg	£470
275kg	£450	410kg	£555	450kg	£595
415kg	£588				

Angus

476kg	£650	380kg	£420	263kg	£355
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Blonde

355kg	£560	395kg	£590	435kg	£685
330kg	£572				

Belgian Blue

595kg	£850	615kg	£800	300kg	£350
460kg	£742	450kg	£750	490kg	£660
405kg	£540	370kg	£538		

Limousin

305kg	£355	465kg	£710	384kg	£495
300kg	£450	330kg	£460	530kg	£690
428kg	£622	295kg	£510	267kg	£470
508kg	£750	320kg	£450	465kg	£650
328kg	£540	385kg	£640		

Simmental

465kg	£595	480kg	£655	225kg	£420
320kg	£465				

Heifers

Hereford

460kg	£600	457kg	£580	393kg	£480
365kg	£405	258kg	£310		

Limousin

425kg	£650	510kg	£770	2873kg	£335
312kg	£440	385kg	£495	365kg	£400
313kg	£400	358kg	£435	395kg	£675
380kg	£482	252kg	£455		

Charolais

381kg	£585	395kg	£530	290kg	£350
405kg	£638	260kg	£360	340kg	£500
379kg	£455	360kg	£440	320kg	£360
325kg	£508	375kg	£510	447kg	£530
367kg	£570	360kg	£550	355kg	£515
235kg	£310	265kg	£320	375kg	£505

Blonde

315kg	£440	290kg	£450	356kg	£482
360kg	£495	385kg	£545	260kg	£340

Belgian Blue

462kg	£688	422kg	£560	515kg	£675
362kg	£558	423kg	£665	366kg	£415
500kg	£675				

Angus

240kg	£285	439kg	£490		
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Simmental

235kg	£325	330kg	£360	388kg	£482
330kg	£450	335kg	£420	340kg	£440
293kg	£400				

Devon

263kg	£360				
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Calves

A small entry of calves met a very brisk trade with plenty of buyers around the ring but not enough calves forward.

Blonde Bulls	£240	SB Lloyd & Son
Blonde Heifers	£160	SB Lloyd & Son
Limousin Heifers	£152	J & P Breakwell
British Blue Heifers	£156, £145, £24	SJ Palmer
Holstein x Friesian Bulls	£42, £38, £28, £24	SJ Palmer

NEXT CATALOGUED SALE FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER

Defra Road Show

Tuesday 28th October 2008