

SOUTHERN COUNTIES AUCTIONEERS

Salisbury Livestock Market 30th March Tuesday 2010

Head Of Stock (805)

Barren Cows (18) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: Cows prices continue on a very strong path in contrast to the younger finished beef animals. Top price today 110p per kilo for a well bred Limousin grazing cow from Mr D J Sheppard with Angus to 108.5p from Messrs R J Carpenter & Son, Hereford x to 108.5p from Duncan Coward, Simmental x to 107.5p from Jim Hann and Friesian 98p from Mike Babey.

Cows 110p to 74.5p av. 98.19p per kilo or £796.06 to £314.42 av. £590.81
Friesian to 98p (£655.62) Hereford x to 108.5p (£713.93) Limousin to 110p (£624)
Simmental x to 107.5p (£796.06) Angus x to 108.5p (£768.18)

OTM Clean Cattle (6) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: This section starting to suffer in line with younger clean with the lesser conformation, leaner animals holding their value better than the butcher's types. Top price of 129p per kilo to a useful Simmental x steer from Messrs Head Bros.

Steers 129p to 99.5p av 117.45p per kilo or £786.90 to £590.04 av £703.50
Heifers 111.5p to 105p av 108.13p per kilo or £607.95 to £600.99 av £604.47
Steers Simmental x to 129p (£786.90) Friesian to 114.5p (£658.38)
Heifers Angus x to 111.5p (£607.95)

UTM Finished Cattle (27) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: Demand for beef cattle for steaks and roasting joints remains weak with sales reported as slow and abattoirs backing up cattle in the pipeline, with most of the major retailers promoting beef over the bank holiday this may move more volume but will not help the small independents. As we move into April and certainly May availability of cattle should fall as the yards empty and it is predicted that prices will start to rise again. Top price today 146.5p for a nice lean Limousin x steer from Messrs R & B Long & Son with others to 144p for Simmental x from Messrs Head Bros, 138p for Angus from Ray Long (again) and Hereford x 135.5p from Mr & Mrs R P Cobden & Son, who topped the heifers with a Charolais at 141.5p. A good run of Continentals from Stuart Crook reached 140.5p for a Simmental as did the same breed from Cora Dawe. A small entry of bulls made to 130p for a well covered Limousin from Messrs A L Bonney & Son. With the Easter holiday upon us please enter your cattle for next week on my mobile 07971 571608. Please remember to use the new V2010 entry forms which include the Food Chain Information now required at abattoirs. Many thanks.

Steers (6) Top price 146.5p per kilo

Mediumweight 146.5p to 144p av. 145.23p
Heavyweight 138p to 123.5p av. 130.87p
Overall average 135.32p per kilo
Limousin x to 146.5p (£789.64) Simmental x to 144p (£799.20) Angus x to 138p (£820.42) Hereford x to 135.5p (£810.29)

Young Bulls (6) Top price 130p per kilo

Mediumweight 100p to 73p av. 86.71p

Heavyweight 130p to 82.5p av. 118.42p

Overall average 109.04p per kilo

Limousin x to 130p (£819) Angus x to 129p (£835.92) Friesian to 100p (£514)

Heifers (15) Top price 141.5p per kilo

Mediumweight 131p to 116.5p av. 124.15p

Heavyweight 141.5p to 101p av. 131.2p

Overall average 129.94p per kilo

Charolais x to 141.5p (£955.13) Simmental x to 140.5p (£820.52) Limousin x to 133.5p (£660.83) Angus x to 131p (£626.18) Hereford x to 114.5p (£603.42)

Sheep (648) Auctioneer Simon Whaley

Trade. A few less numbers on offer today, hoggets improved by 3.5p per kilo across the weight ranges with mediumweights showing the biggest increase. Top price lightweights 169.9p from Stan Harris of Ibberton. Standardweights to 178.1p from S J Shearman of Bramdean, mediumweights to 202p from Stan Harris again, heavyweights to 178.8p from Stan Witcomb of Horndean and overweights to 166.6p from Steve Garrett of Coombe Bissett. Ewes once again a flying trade with averages increasing week on week. Top price today £125 from Clive Bevin of Corfe Mullen.

Vendors please note that dirty sheep which cannot be killed will be heavily discounted by buyers. Please clip out where necessary. Vendors many thanks to those who notified us of their likely entries for today's market, for those who didn't please be kind enough to do so next time as early as possible and in any case by 4pm Monday either to my mobile 07971 571612 or to our Salisbury Office 01722 321215 so that prospective purchasers may be informed of likely numbers coming forward - thank you.

Blue Marked Hoggets Top price 202p per kilo

25.5-32 kgs 164p to 169.9p av. 167.3p per kilo or £49.50 to £53 av. £51.45

32.1-39 kgs 100p to 178.1p av. 171.9p per kilo or £55 to £68.50 av. £64.08

39.1-45.5 167p to 202p av. 180.1p per kilo or £72 to £80 av. £75.44

45.6-52 kgs 154p to 178.8p av. 174.4p per kilo or £72 to £87.75 av. £82.89

52 kgs + 147.6p to 166.6p av. 162.3p per kilo or £86.75 to £88.50 av £87.25

Black Marked & Unpresented Hoggets

25.5-32 kgs 108.4p to 154.8p av. 130.9p per kilo or £32.50 to £48.50 av £38.36

32.1-39 kgs 117.7p to 176.3p av. 162.6p per kilo or £42 to £59 av. £55.16

39.1-45 kgs 135p to 184.2p av. 160p per kilo or £55.50 to £74.50 av. £65.59

45.6-52 kgs 153.3p to 174.4p av. 164p per kilo or £30.50 to £86 av. £78.41

Blue Marked Lambs

32.1-39 kgs 220.3p per kilo or £81.50

Best Ewes £83 to £125 av. £92.49

Medium Ewes £64 to £77.50 av. £71.84

Plain Ewes £32 to £63.50 av. £47.38

Ram £34.50 to £68 av. £55.50

Overall ewe average £76

Small Store Hoggets £49.50

Small Store Lambs £30

Black Welsh Mountain Ewe & Lambs £120 per couple

Vendors - if you have not done so already, please consider getting farm assured. Further details - contact abm 01908 844315. This is making a marked difference to prices achieved.

Store Cattle (77) Auctioneer Michael Vesey

Trade: Generally a very good trade throughout but some just a little less money. Cows and calves a very fast trade with a Hereford cow and steer calf from Mrs J Bell, Sussex to a top price of £935. A 12 m.o. British Blue steer from D C Bull, Newbury at £538 (162p). 10 m.o. Aberdeen Angus x steers from A R Parrett & Sons, Fareham sold well to £598 (150p). A quality bunch of homebred Simmental x heifers from Bruce Horn sold well at £545 (148p). Ben Kirby had a good bunch of homebred Aberdeen Angus x and Hereford which made to £680 (151p) for a pair of Aberdeen Angus x steers. John Jenkins had a mixed breed entry and it was a single Limousin heifer which made his top price of £685. Top price both steers and heifers fell to Alan Shipway for his 26 m.o. Charolais x steer at £895. My thanks to all vendors.

	Bulls	Steers	Heifers
Hereford			
18-23 m.o.		£490	£480
Cows and Calf			£935
Red Poll Cow & Calf			£805
Simmental			
9-12 m.o.			£545
Charolais			
2-2 ½ y.o.		£895	
18-23 m.o.			£762
Limousin			
2-2 ½ y.o.			£685
9-12 m.o.		£445	
Angus			
2-2 ½ y.o.			£655
18-23 m.o.		£680	£498-£545
13-17 m.o.		£480	£480
9-12 m.o.		£598-£458	£425-£350
Friesian			
13-17 m.o.		£370	
Shorthorn			
2-2 ½ y.o.		£610	
Belgian Blue			
2 ½ y.o. +			£620-£540
9-12 m.o.		£538-£450	

Calves (8) Auctioneer John Bundy

Trade. Another cracking trade.

Bull Calves

Friesian	(3)	£118 to £35 av. £51	A Wood, Fordingbridge
Swed R/W	(3)	£128 to £32 av. £78.33	A Wood, Fordingbridge
Belg Blue	(2)	£300	T Sutton, Fovant

Weaned Calves (21) Auctioneer John Bundy

Trade: A really outstanding trade for a nice entry with a top price of £408 for Paul and Kath Gulliver's Blue heifers.

Bull Calves

Friesian	(2)	£170	B Bradley, Corfe Mullen
Hereford x	(3)	£261	K Spencer Ltd, Zeals
Aber Ang	(1)	£265	K Spencer Ltd, Zeals

Heifer Calves

Hereford x	(8)	£252 to £206 av. £234.75	K Spencer Ltd, Zeals
Charolais	(2)	£320	P & K Gulliver, Sway
Belg Blue	(2)	£408	P & K Gulliver, Sway
Aber Ang	(3)	£300	P & K Gulliver, Sway