

SOUTHERN COUNTIES AUCTIONEERS

Salisbury Livestock Market Tuesday 25th May 2010

Head Of Stock (608)

Cows and Bulls (19) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: Prices still strong although perhaps a little easier, hot weather never did suit the barren trade! However, with some heavy animals forward some excellent returns achieved with a Beef Shorthorn bull from Gambledown Farm grossing £1087.79 and cows coming back at up to £907.44 for Holstein Friesians from J Rook (Manor Farm) Ltd. Top prices per kilo to a nice Simmental cow from Malcolm & Minette Batters with Black and Whites to 107p from John Targett. Please keep the cows coming whilst the prices hold, we need them here.

Cows 109.5p to 86p av. 97.36p per kilo or £907.44 to £393.88 av. £644.03

Bulls at 103.5p per kilo or £1087.79

Cows Friesian to 107p (£907.44) South Devon to 87.5p (£394.63) Simmental x to 109.5p (£716.13) Angus x to 86.5p (£541.49)

Bulls Beef Shorthorn to 103.5p (£1087.79)

OTM Clean Cattle (2) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: A very small entry from Messrs Head Bros, prices still fairly good against the younger animals.

Steers at 124.5p (£824.19) Charolais x

Heifers at 113p (£748.06) Simmental x

UTM Finished Cattle (31) Auctioneer Iain Soutar

Trade: Very similar numbers but trade not getting any easier, although a good quality entry of heifers brought the average for these up a bit. Top price of 137.5p per kilo shared by nice quality smaller animals, being a Simmental x steer from Cora Dawe and a Limousin x heifer from Stuart Cross. Top return of £947.50 to a heavy Angus steer from Robert and Dorothy Coles. The feeling is that numbers must go short soon, but will this be enough to re-ignite the trade? Probably worth trying one or two after the Bank Holiday next Tuesday.

Steers (23) Top price 137.5p per kilo

Lightweight 129p

Mediumweight 137.5p to 111p av. 123.62p

Heavyweight 131p to 104.5p av. 121.97p

Overall average 122.49p per kilo

Simmental x to 137.5p (£889.49) Angus x to 129p (£947.50) Charolais x to 126.5p (£928.70) Friesian to 115p (£847.55)

Heifers (8) Top price 137.5p per kilo

Heavyweight 137.5p to 126p av. 130.96p

Limousin x to 137.5p (£719.58) Simmental x to 127.5p (£725.17) Blonde x to 126p (£783.72) Charolais x to 132p (£852.72) Angus x to 130p (£681.20)

Sheep (485) Auctioneer Simon Whaley

Trade. A few less numbers on offer this week. Hoggets all at less money by about

20p per kilo as numbers and quality decline. The few best quality still in keen demand, but at lower levels. Top price standardweights 158.7p from Messrs Barrett & Thompson of Wylie. Mediumweights to 163p from Messrs Morrison & King of Amesbury and heavyweights to 166.3p from the same vendors. No great numbers of lambs on offer yet but best quality continental x commanding a premium at just under £2 per kilo. Top price standardweights 198.7p from Les Gould of West Orchard, mediumweights to 192.1p from Messrs V & H Christopher of Manston. Ewes of a lesser quality this week and a general slackening of prices lead to averages being easier by some £3 per head. Top price £85 from Messrs R Withers & Son of Shrewton. **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 166.3p per kilo

25.5-32 kgs	150.2p per kilo or £52
32.1-39 kgs	142.9p to 158.7p av. 151.5p per kilo or £50 to £59 av. £54.91
39.1-45.5	150p to 163p av. 155.3p per kilo or £62 to £78 av. £65.85
45.6-52 kgs	152p to 166.3p av. 159.1p per kilo or £73.50 to £79.50 av. £78.75
52 kgs +	157.8p per kilo or £83

Black Marked & Unpresented Hoggets

25.5-32 kgs	112.9p to 141.7p av. 118p per kilo or £29 to £42.50 av. £31.61
32.1-39 kgs	117.7p to 147.6p av. 143.2p per kilo or £50 to £54.50 av. £52.42
39.1-45 kgs	116.7p to 160p av. 131.1p per kilo or £40 to £49 av. £46

2-teeth Hoggets

32.1-39 kgs	111.6p per kilo or £43.50
39.1-45.5 kgs	131.5p to 139.3p av. 133.5p per kilo or £53 to £58.50 av. £54.75
45.6-52 kgs	132p per kilo or £66
52 kgs +	144.8p per kilo or £61.50

Blue Marked Lambs Top price 197.9p per kilo

25.5-32 kgs	178.6p per kilo or £50
32.1-39 kgs	173.2p to 197.9p av. 184.4p per kilo or £62 to £75 av. £67.91
39.1-45.5 kgs	188.8p to 192.1p av 190.1p per kilo or £75.50 to £81.50 av. £77.93

Yellow Marked Lambs Top price 198.7p per kilo

32.1-39 kgs	188.9p to 198.7p av. 195.4p per kilo or £68 to £75.50 av. £73
Best Ewes	£73 to £85 av. £75.90
Medium Ewes	£55 to £72 av. £65.19
Plain Ewes	£24.50 to £52.50 av. £41.86
Ram	£38 to £78 av. £52

Overall ewe average £62.21 per head

Ewes with single lambs at foot	£64 to £117 av. 101.70
Ewes with double lambs at foot	£102 to £134 av. £115.82
Small Black Store Lambs	£20

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 (51) Auctioneer Michael Vesey

Trade: A superb store trade at Salisbury today despite the lack of grass and the difficult finished trade. A good bunch of yearling Angus steers from Peter Harding, Breamore made a very satisfactory £500 whilst the heifers made £385. A smart bunch of Aberdeen Angus x steers from Robert Gates, Winterslow made the days highest price of £700. My thanks to all vendors, please enter your cattle by 2pm Friday preceding the Tuesday sale so that they appear in the catalogue which is posted Friday pm.

	Bulls	Steers	Heifers
Hereford			
18-23 m.o.		£542	£450
Angus			
18-23 m.o.		£700-£605	
13-17 m.o.		£500-£450	£385-£360
5-8 m.o.			£385
Friesian			
18-23 m.o.		£432-£320	
North Devon			
18-23 m.o.		£380	£340

Calves (9) Auctioneer John Bundy

Trade: A tremendous trade.

Bull Calves

Friesian (5)	£90 to £20 av. £76	W G Hedges, Fareham
Belg Blue (2)	£410 to £282 av. £346	Exors N W Rimington, Fonthill Gifford

Heifer Calves

Belg Blue (2)	£285 to £245 av. £265	Exors N W Rimington, Fonthill Gifford
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Weaned Calves (11) Auctioneer John Bundy

Trade: A very fast trade for all on offer.

Steer Calves

Friesian (4)	£222	S J Bridger, Steep
Norw Red (2)	£222	S J Bridger, Steep

Bull Calves

Friesian (4)	£240 to £235 av. £236.25	Mrs J Hopkins, Devizes
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Heifer Calves

Aber Ang (1)	£245	S J Bridger, Steep
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