

Thursday 20th April – Darlington Auction Mart had forward 278 Cattle, including 118 Bulls, 35 Steers & 125 Heifers. 51 New Season Lambs. 2434 Hogs. 609 Cast Ewes & Tups. 24 Prime Pigs.

Bulls – A plainer show of bulls forward – with over a third of them being Black & White, trade however would be sharper than the last sale. The top price bull ppk and lead grossing bull was a Limousin consigned by L S Staley, Bluestone House Farm. He reached 228ppk, realising £1682 and was purchased by P Honeyman, Hutton Rudby.

Bulls – Top prices per kilo 228 220 L S Staley. 227 226 220 216 J & A Layfield. 226 223 217 216 215 213 212 A G Watson & Sons. 221 215 F & JS Gargett. 220 Corner Bros. 218 212 E W Grieves. 217 G F Tuer. 215 Cheesebrough & Sons. 217 J Stanwix & Sons. 214 211 S H Watson & Son. 214 JK & CE Farming Ltd. 213x2 J T Layfield & Sons. 211 206 JH & D Wise. 210 JK & CE Farming Ltd. 210 W Wallis & Son. 210x2 T F Bothroyd & Son. 209 JM & S Walton. 207 J Richmond. 204 JA & A Herbert.

Lead Grossing Bulls £1682 £1570 L S Staley. £1661 £1654 £1600 £1586 £1585 £1566 £1545 £1514 £1500 A G Watson & Sons. £1652 £1573 £1520 £1484 J & A Layfield. £1640 G F Tuer. £1635 £1577 £1459 E W Grieves. £1634 JM & S Walton. £1567 J T Layfield & Sons. £1562 £1550 F & JS Gargett. £1547 JK & CE Farming Ltd. £1536 S H Watson & Son. £1509 £1447 Cheesebrough & Sons. £1485 £1427 W Wallis & Son. £1474 T F Bothroyd & Son. £1447 £1444 JH & D Wise.

Friesian Bulls – Top prices per kilo 182 166 A S Chapman. 175 173x2 170 169 164 G Bird & Sons. 174 171 N Howard. 174 173 169 J Stanwix & Sons. 172x2 171 170 J M & S Walton. 168 153 J Musgrave. 173 G W Dobson & Son. 173 163 JK & CE Farming Ltd. 172 171 R Ormston. 163 157 Lupton. 161 157 R Hall & Son. 157 152 R H Blair & Ptnrs.

Lead Grossing Friesian Bulls £1183 £1085 N Howard. £1152 £1118 R Hall & Son. £1141 £1093 JK & CE Farming Ltd. £1127 G W Dobson & Son. £1107 £1105 £1048 G Bird & Sons. £1101 £1038 J M & S Walton. £1060 £1054 £1004 R Ormston. £1059 £1054 £1039 J Stanwix & Sons. £1046 Lupton. £1040 R H Blair & Ptnrs. £1034 J Musgrave.

Clean Cattle – A lot of weight forward – however all cattle a good trade on the week, with all classes keenly bid for. Top price was 248ppk for a Limousin Heifer consigned by M F Hall, Woodhill Farm. She realised £1331 and was purchased by H Taylor & Sons, Darlington. The lead grossing clean beast was a homebred Limousin Heifer consigned by J Leiper & Sons, Black Heddon, she realised £1644 and was purchased by Worsley Wholesale Butchers.

Steers – Top prices per kilo 232 224 220 W J Scott Ltd. 228 217 J Leiper & Sons. 227 G & J Y Marshall. 225 220 L W Martin. 224 B Walker. 224 A J Marr & Son. 220 A G Watson & Sons. 220x2 H Clark & Sons. 218 J E Beadle & Son. 217 Corner Bros. 215 T Watson. 215 J M Hall. 212 J R Spink.

Lead Grossing Steers £1628 £1485 £1405 W J Scott Ltd. £1618 £1509 J Leiper & Sons. £1570 £1526 A G Watson & Sons. £1512 £1457 £1441 £1432 £1402 J M Hall. £1479 Corner Bros. £1465 £1421 H Clark & Sons. £1388 £1332 L W Martin. £1319 B Walker. £1318 J E Beadle. £1310 GW & L Marsay.

Heifers – Top prices per kilo 248 247 231 228 M F Hall. 247 238 236 234 Askwiths. 246 235 I Marshall & Sons. 244 234 Cheesebrough & Sons. 243 236 J J Kemp & Son. 242 237 235 J E Suddes & Son. 240 238 J Henderson. 238 234 228 W J Scott Ltd. 237 D H Lawson. 236 234 230 J B Luck. 236 W F Hustwit. 236 J R Knox & Son. 235 J R Spink. 235 A J Marr & Son. 234 JE Beadle & Son. 232 B Walker. 231 R A Patterson. 231 228 226 P & E Ellis. 230 L R Welsh & Co. 229 G & Y Marshall. 225 J Leiper & Sons.

Lead Grossing Heifers £1644 £1503 £1481 £1439 J Leiper & Sons. £1584 £1483 £1373 W J Scott Ltd. £1536 £1401 £1393 £1372 I Marshall & Sons. £1483 £1431 W F Hustwit. £1483 J E Beadle & Son. £1469 M F Hall. £1465 G F Tuer. £1445 £1386 J E Suddes & Son. £1428 J R Spink. £1405 A Guy. £1387 Askwiths. £1380 J B Luck. £1379 D H Lawson. £1358 J Henderson. £1350 Cheesebrough & Son.

New Season Lambs – A lot more demand for lambs, many more could have easily been sold on the day. Top price was 280ppk for a pen of lambs consigned by A & CL Bell, Woodhall Farm, they realised £115 and were purchased by John Penny & Sons, Rawdon. The lead grossing lambs were consigned by BR & RI Routledge, Walworth Moor Farm, they realised £117 and were also purchased by John Penny & Sons, Rawdon.

Lambs – Top prices per kilo 280 270 265 263 A & CL Bell. 279 259x2 254 BR & RI Routledge. 275 250 226 Anna Herbert. 250 212 K O Stones. 238 S Sanderson.

Lead Grossing Lambs £117 £115 £110x2 £108 BR & R Routledge. £115 £112 £111.50 £109 A & CL Bell. £114 £106 £90 Anna Herbert. £106 £95 K O Stones. £101 S Sanderson.

Hoggs – A good trade once again, returning an overall SQQ of 200ppk. Top price was 257ppk for a pen of Beltex x consigned by M Robinson & Sons, East Alwent Farm, they realised £108 and was purchased by Yorkshire Halal Meats. The lead grossing lambs were a pen of Texels consigned by T N Callender, Ox Eye Farm, they realised £112 and were also purchased by Yorkshire Halal Meats.

Hoggs – Top prices per kilo 257 243 236 204 M Robinson & Sons. 249 T N Callender . 241 215 211 207 E A Martin & Son. 229 211 205x2 L Oliver & Ptnrs. 217 S C Barron. 217 W E Frank & Son. 215x2 213 PJ & MP Gilhespy. 214 211 208 206 205 CS & V Whitfield. 214 205 E Blacklock. 214 208 D & M Lowes. 212 206 J Hicks. 210 P Kirk. 208 W Johnson & Son. 208 A Wilson. 207 205x2 204T W Clark & Son. 206 JR Todd. 205 203 L Fowler. 205 P Tindale.

Lead Grossing Hoggs £112 £97.50 £96.50 396 £95.50 £94 T N Callender. £108 £107 £104 £99 £96 £91 M Robinson & sons. £105 E A Martin. £104 £103 £102x2 £100x3 £98.50 £98 £97 £95x3 £94 L W Aconley & Sons. £103 S C Barron. £102 W Wearmouth & Son. £99 £94x2 J Hicks. £98 £96 £95x3 Messrs Fettes Ltd. £96.50 E Blacklock. £96 £95 £93.50 £93 L Oliver & Ptnrs. £95.50 £94 Wytherstone Farms. £95 A C Simpson & Son. £94 J M Hall. £94 T Watson. £94 A Wilson. £93 £92.50 R Ormston.

Cast Ewes & Tups – A flying trade once again! Top price was £160 for a Texel Tup consigned by A F Hall, Redcar House Farm, which was purchased by Lancashire Direct Halal.

Lead Grossing Cast Ewes & Tups £160 A F Hall. £134 £106 WH & KL Wilson. £120 £102 I E Teasdale. £120 £118 £111 £109 £108 W & M Knaggs & Son. £119 £99 J E Beadle & Son. £117 £109 CS & V Whitfield. £111 £107 D Brown. £110 £102 £100 J N Howie & Ptnrs. £108 Wytherstone Farms. £108 S

Sanderson. £108 J Curry. £106 C A Knaggs. £106 K & J Stables. £104 GC & JC Pullen. £103 JR & M Richardson. £103 J M Hall. £102 H S Petch & Sons. £100 A W Sanderson.

Prime Pigs – Top prices per kilo 110 105 95x2 J Mitchell & Son. 110 70 J Barker. Lead Grossing Prime Pigs £89 £84 £76 £75 J Mitchell & Son. £85 J Barker.