

Darlington Farmers Auction Mart held their weekly sale of cast cattle, store and breeding stock on Monday 8th January 2018. Forward were 337 Cattle and 693 Sheep.

137 Cast Cows & OTM sold to 197ppk or £1534

3 Stock Bulls sold to 156ppk or £1247

2 Cows & Calves sold to £1300

35 Young Bulls sold to £980

97 Store Steers sold to £1100

61 Store Heifers sold to £1050

614 Store Hoggs sold to £200

79 Feeding Ewes sold to £42

Cast Cattle - Trade certainly started 2018 on a high as our first offering of cows received a warm welcome from the ringside buyers who bid freely throughout for all classes, the whole sale averaged over 125ppk and £850. No less than 7 cows sold beyond 180 pence per kilo, top of these was a young Limousin cow from J L Marks, Gilly Flatts Farm, Bishopton which reached an incredible 197 pence and £1438, her gross value was outdone by a tremendous 7 year old British Blue from L Booton, Manor Farm, Thornton Steward when she totalled a mighty £1534. Dairy breeds were also in demand as the trade was led by A R & C Booth, Village Farm, Bolton-on-Swale whom reached 159 pence per kilo and J Richmond, East Browson Farm, Dalton had a 12 year old sell to £954.

Cast Cows – Top prices per kilo 197 181 147 J L Marks. 195 194 N G Beveridge. 189 185 184 J Musgrave. 169 L Booton. 168 149 147 144 143x2 W A Wardman Ltd. 167 162 159 147 146 137 G & GH Tomlinson. 166 158 143 139 T F Bothroyd & Son. 165 136 Stainthorpe Partners. 159 AR & C Booth. 159 144 136 J Layfield. 155 W Robson. 152 J & E Waggett. 145 JD & MS Mortimer. 141 DL & D Lovegreen. 140 D T Whitfield. 138 A Wilson. 136 M Jopling & Son. 135 A & AG Moralee.

Cast Bulls – Top prices per kilo 156 130 GT & LM Spence. 129 K & TK Atkinson.

Lead Grossing Cast Cows £1534 L Booton. £1438 £1267 £965 JL Marks. £1415 £1239 N G Beveridge. £1370 £1137 £1119 £1076 £1064 G & GH Tomlinson. £1359 £1109 £1087 J Layfield. £1295 £971 Stainthorpe Partners. £1213 £1039 T F Bothroyd & Son. £1211 J & E Waggett. £1202 W Robson. £1187 £1164 £1059 J Musgrave. £1093 £1078 £1057 WA Wardman Ltd. £1073 £1071 W R Kemp. £1057 J D Bentley & Son. £1056 M Jopling & Son. £1047 W H Brown. £1029 DL & D Lovegreen.

Lead Grossing Cast Bulls £1247 K & TK Atkinson. £925 £811 GT & LM Spence.

Store Cattle - A wonderful trade to start the year Thursday's fine prime trade continues to shine a light on the store producers, no better trade than the prime bulls in Darlington every week and it certainly reflected today as all classes of feeding bulls were well sold, top price

was a 12 month old Limousin from G Calvert & Sons, Hoggarths, Keld which sold for £980. More steers than heifers this week and no less than 20 sold in to 4 figures, the top price came in the shape of a 22 month old Limousin from J C Smith, Manor Farm, Eggescliffe which reached £1100; the heifer trade was led by W B Rutter & Sons, Greengill Farm, Scargill with a 21 month old Charolais which sold for £1050.

Breeding Cattle – Cows & Calves £1300 £1280 D G Collinson.

Store Bulls £980 G Calvert & Sons. £920 £845 W H Brown. £920 £895 £750 £630 AA Thompson. £895x2 £800 GT & LM Spence. £770 £750 J Peart. £765 £690 £630 W Robson. £700x3 £650 J T Forster.

Store Steers £1100 £1060 J C Smith. £1065x2 £1045x2 G S Dowson. £1060x3 £1025 £1000x2 £960 £930x2 J H Johnson. £1055 £1000 £970 D & PH Brown. £1055 3910 M & E Walton. £1055 £1025 £900 W Emerson. £1045 £960 A Rothwell. £1040 M & E Webster. £1010 £905 G Calvert. £970x2 J S Foster. £930 £880x2 H F Ryle. £910 £890 GW & M Singleton & Sons. £900 £870x2 G P Addison. £885x2 D Alderson.

Store Heifers £1050 £1010 £980 £890 W B Rutter & Sons. £1020 D & PH Brown. £995x4 £925x2 £910x2 £905x2 RRC Andrew. £990 £930 M & E Walton. £970x2 J S Foster & Son. £960x2 £940 £920 £890 £860 W H Brown. £940 GW & M Singleton & Sons. £940 D & CA Henry. £905 D Alderson. £900 T T Hall & Son. £900x2 £880 £865 A Rothwell. £890 H F Ryle & Son. £875 £835x2 M & E Webster. £860 W Robson.

Store Sheep - What a start to 2018 in our store sheep ring, an average over £68 on the day was remarkable given the show of lambs on offer, no question the fastest trade seen yet from start to finish. When a pen of 50 Texel hoggs from A & R Thompson, Dimmingdale Farm, Moorsholm came in early in the sale and sold for £82 the mood was set, unbelievably a further 5 pens of hoggs surpassed this price as the day unfolded from Messrs Hodgson, Dyke Nook; Hartley, Low Shipley; Holliday, Woodland House and top of them all G W Dobson & Son, Wood Close Farm, South Wingate who reached a staggering £88.

The Air Ambulance is a charity close to many peoples hearts and a very generous donation from Richard Dennis of Woolpots Farm, Husthwaite and Keith Metcalf, Meadow View, Bolam of an outstanding store lamb will no doubt be greatly received, the Texel Ewe lamb was kindly bought by the Beveridge Family of Low West House, Tow Law for £200 and the money now makes its way to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

Store Hoggs £200 T R Dennis & Son. £88 £65 £61 G W Dobson & Son. £85.50 £79.50 £74.50 £73 J E Holliday & Son. £84 £82.50 £81 J & F Hartley. £82.50 £75 D & HM Hodgson. £82 £69.50 £69 A & R Thompson. £78.50 £70 J Butterfield & Son. £75 C W Cutler. £73 £68 £67.50 R W Dalton. £68 £65 A Swinbank. £72 A Wilson. £70 £65 M W Barker & Son. £65 RW & C Spry. £64 P Davenport. £64 JR Wilson & Son.

Feeding Ewes £42 £38 £34 W & V Burton. £38 F Dixon.

