

Thursday 8th February – Darlington Farmers Auction Mart had forward:

127 Bulls sold to 244ppk & £1804

28 Steers sold to 239ppk (2) & £1478

82 Heifers sold to 271ppk & £1544

1855 Hogs sold to 274ppk & £133

874 Cast Sheep sold to £118

6 Pigs sold to 116 ppk & £87

Bulls- A better show this week resulted in trade being sharper on the week. Top price was 244ppk for a Limousin bull consigned by WI Suddes & Son, South Farm he realised £1466 and was purchased by J & B Fitton Ltd, Cowlshaw. The lead grossing bull was £1804 for a homebred Limousin from AC Simpson & Son, Mcneil Farm and was purchased by Worsley Wholesale Meats.

Bulls –Top prices per kilo 244 238 236 232 WI Suddes & Son, 238 232(2) 231(2) 229 AG Watson & Son, 238 236 235 WJ Scott Ltd, 237 235 230 229 227 LW Aconley & Sons, 237 232 F & JS Gargett, 235 234 232 229 JH & D Wise, 233 WF & DM Metcalf, 233 229 M Marshall, 233 231 230 D Richardson & Co Ltd, 232 JA & M Boyes Ltd, 231 LR Welsh, 229 AC Simpson & Son, 227 C Harle & Sons

Lead Grossing Bulls- £1804 £1797 £1747 AC Simpson & Son, £1798 £1650 £1619 D Richardson & Co Ltd, £1778 £1645 £1623 £1607 £1600 LW Aconley & Sons, £1740 £1656 M Marshall, £1740 £1695 £1681 £1663 £1647(2) £1635 £1624 AG Watson & Sons, £1726 £1679 £1628 JA & M Boyes Ltd, £1698 £1605 JH & D Wise, £1691 £1664 TW Clark & Son, £1661 £1630 F & J Gargett, £1640 WJ Scott Ltd, £1637 £1599 JA Matten & Sons, £1617 WI Suddes & Son, £1584 C Harle & Sons.

Friesian Bulls- Top price per kilo 178 177 175 172 R Ormston, 178 R Hall & Son, 175 174 D & CA Henry, 173 168 161 JA & A Herbert, 171 JC Simpson.

Lead Grossing Friesian Bulls £1229 R Hall & Son, £1197 £1164 £1149 £1072 £1044 R Ormston, £1102 £1007 D & CA Henry, £1090 JC Simpson, £1053 £905 JA & A Herbert

Clean Cattle- Trade would be much sharper on the week with all classes short of buyer's requirements. A top price of 271ppk for a Limousin cross Heifer was achieved from MF Hall, Woodhall which realised £1365 and was purchased by J Penny & sons, Rawdon. The lead grossing clean beast was Blonde from IR Appleton Pudding Poke, which realised £1544 and was purchased by Bowland Foods, Preston.

Steers- Top prices per kilo 239 IR Appleton, 239 212 211 RO Gilson, 235 M Marshall, 225 WJ Scott Ltd, 221 G Beadle, 221 219 JM Hall, 213 Askwiths, 203 AJ Marr & Son, 201 GW Dodd & Son.

Lead Grossing Steers £1478 £1457 £1663 £1642 JM Hall, £1465 £1407 £1334 £1263 RO Gilson, 1463 GW Dodd & Son, £1435 M Marshall, £1374 WJ Scott Ltd, £1320 Askwiths, £1300 IR Appleton, £1253 G Beadle, £1244 AJ Marr & Son.

Heifers – Top prices per kilo 271 250 244 240(2) 238 MF Hall, 264 261 IR Appleton, 256 Askwiths, 253 238 P & E Ellis, 252 B Walker, 249 244 JE Suddes & Son, 248 (2) 242 DW Humphrey, 246 242 WJ Scott Ltd, 245 240 Neasham Grange, 245 241 JJ Kemp & Son, 244 AJ Marr & Son, 243 LR Welsh, 239 G Beadle, 239 W Swinbank & Sons, 239 238 P & JH Davison, 238 TN Callender, 238 Cheesbrough & Son.

Lead Grossing Heifers £1544 IR Appleton, £1515 £1406 £1403 DW Humphrey, £1483 DH Lawson, £1478 £1432 £1372 £136 WJ Scott Ltd, £1443 £1370 B Walker, £1439 £1436 JE Suddes & Son, £1406 £1398 £1378 £1365(2) MF Hall, £1395 £1325 £1315 P & JH Davison, £1380 £1339 TN Callender, £1357(2) WJ & A Bowes & Sons, £1357 £1329 Neasham Grange Farms, £1355 £1308 W Swinbank & Sons, £1347 G Beadle, £1333 £1304 Askwiths, £1333 JJ Kemp & Son, £1323 P & E Ellis, £1302 LR Welsh.

Hoggs- Yet again Darlington proved the place to be with the overall sale averaging 207ppkg, more could have been sold to vendor's advantage. Top price was 274ppk for a pen of 3 Beltex crosses from JD Brannen, Red Barns they realised £115 and were purchased by JA Jewitt, Middlestone Moor. A top price of £133 was achieved for a single Hogg consigned by CS & V Whitfield, The Barn, which was purchased by A Atkinson.

Hoggs- Top prices per kilo 274 240 230 229 JD Brannen, 261 236 R & W Todd, 258 253 252 249(2) 235 220 M Robinson & Sons, 258 221 R Errington & Son, 256 209 WF Dove & Sons, 252 233(2) 218 W Robson, 249 229 219 TW Brown, 248 232 225 220 215 AJ Spilman & Son, 248 237 227 RE & L Frank, 242 WE Frank & Son, 240 235 C Binks, 234 232 222 216 CS & V Whitfield, 231(2) W Johnson & Son, 229 228 223 222(2) AS & G Donaldson, 228 209 Askwiths, 224 EA Hinton, 223 D Rutter, 219 O & L Welford, 218 213 K & MM Henderson, 217 216 IM Maughen, 217 213 KO Stones 216 W & C Icton, 216 21 P Kirk, 215 WJ Scott Ltd.

Lead Grossing Hoggs £133 £100 CS & V Whitfield, £130 £124 £118 WJ Scott Ltd, £130 £117 J & RA Speed, £127 £123 £119 £118 £117 £116 £115.50 £115 AC Simpson & Son, £127 £123 £116.50 £115 £114 £108.50 £108 £101 M Robinson & Sons, £126 £115 £114.50 JD Brannen, £119(2) £106 £105 J & A Layfield, £119 £118.50 £116 £115.50 J Thompson & Son, £118 £1030£102.50 PE & EJ Clark, £118 RE & L Frank, £115(2) £114.50 WF Dove & Sons, £115 £108.50 R & W Todd, £115 £105.50 JA & A Herbert, £115(2) £104.50 C Binks, £115 WH Brown, £114.50 £107 £104 Askwiths, £113.50 I Curry, £112.50 TK Smith & Sons, £111 £103.50 W Robson, £110.50 £107(2) £106 £105 £104 AJ Spilman & Son, £110 P Kirk, £110 R Errington & son £109.50 £107.50 CS & V Whitfield, £109 £102.50 RE & L Frank, £108.50 TW Brown, £106.50 WE Frank & son £104.50 £104 KO stones, £104.50 JH & D Wise, £104.50 IR Appleton, £102.50 W Walker & Sons, £100 D Rutter

Cast Sheep- Well fleshed ewes very much in demand with all buyers fighting for their share. Ewes sold to a top of £118 for a pen of 5 Suffolk Cross Ewes consigned by TJ Ball, Newbiggin Farm.

Lead Grossing Cast Sheep £118 TJ Ball, £117 £107(3) £92 Wytherstone Farms, £115 £108 WJ Scott Ltd £114 £109 £95 £92 £90 J Johnson, £111 £105 RA & J Blyth, £110(2) DW Robinson, £110 £100 £93 G & GH Tomlinson, £109 RH Dixon & son, £109 £95 £94 JN Howie & Partners, £108 C & E Gaskin, £107 W & JM Clifford, £103 £100 £95 CS & V Whitfield, £99 £98 GM Blair, £99 £95 A Crowder, £98 £95 £90 M Jopling & Son, £95 AS & G Donaldson, £94 J Pallister & Sons, £93 £90 J & RA Speed, £91 KA & V Armstrong, £91 R & MJ Lee, £90 Wolsingham Park Farms.

Pigs- Top price per kilo 116 108 J Mitchell & Son

Lead Grossing Pigs £82 £78 J Mitchell & Son

