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MARKET NEWS FOR TUESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

Manager's Muttering

The numbers today are 479 head of cattle and 4,071 head of sheep forward. Tom reports a busy day back on his return, with store lambs the dominant section this week. Trade in general not very different in the fat sheep to the previous week, with little export trade meaning meat usually intended for other shores arriving in home markets instead. In actual fact, and although it would be little consolation, the fat trade is not dissimilar to previous years at this time.

Store lambs continue to be hotly contested, and the number forward no doubt due to the lack of grass about. Hopefully now the rain has come, things will pick up a little and there will be more confidence about. Breeding sheep continue to be low, with many farmers not having the confidence to buy more to lamb and/or not having the grass to keep them even if they want them. Next week is the annual Ram Fayre, which has about 100 rams entered. These will be sold in the pens at 11am. Catalogues will be available from Thursday. A sale to remember, the Show and Sale of ewe lambs is on 16th October this year. Entries are starting to trickle in, so please speak to Tom if you have any to bring

Ben mentioned that generally trade was easier across the board, though some cattle at a premium and fought over with many quality buyers in place. The Strong Stores topped at £1,005 for Steers and £850 for Heifers both 16 month old Limousin x from FB Kirk & Sons of Plungar. The reared Section achieved £830 for GH Jarrom & Sons of Diseworth for a 12 month old Limousin x Steer and £760 for J & H Porter of Broughton Astley and his 15 month old Limousin Heifers.

Barrie had over 200 calves again in his section with the highlights for his small reared section being £590 for a 6 month old Limousin Steer from CW Sutton of Horncastle and £515 for a 9 month old Charolais Heifer from TRH Jackson Partners of Great Ponton.

H & BA Witcomb of Asfordby again topped the Prime Section with a Limousin Heifer at 214ppkg, a few good quality cattle about but many too big for the butchers. Barren Cows remain a firm trade with plenty of competition for them.

On the 23rd October we are holding a Catalogued Show and Sale of Store Cattle, the Farmers Guardian sponsored 'Marts the Heart' with prize money on offer for best Steers and Heifers, further details to be announced.

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Breeding Sheep entered for Tuesday 2nd October

TA & S Ward, Withcote
40 North Country Mule Theaves

P Watchorn, Whissendine
20 North Country Mule Theaves

L & J Gregory, Weston Underwood
6 Bluefaced Leicester Theaves and 10 North Country Mule theaves

C G Walker, Withcote
50 Suffolk x North Country Mule Theaves

C Hewerdine, Brentingby
70 North Country Mule Theaves

P Illsley, Ashby de la Zouch
12 Cheviot x LLeyn Theaves and 17 Cheviot x LLeyn 2yo

R Gillespie, Langton
Flock Dispersal to include 30 Texel x LLeyn ewe lambs, 30 Texel x
LLeyn Theaves and 60 Texel x LLeyn flock age ewes

A J Adams, Medbourne
Part of a Flock Dispersal comprising 100 North Country Mules and
Masham flock age ewes

TUESDAY SALE TIMES



RING 1

BARREN COWS 10.00am
Followed by PRIME CATTLE & BULLS

RING 3

REARING CALVES 10.00am

RING 2

REARED CALVES 11.00am
Followed by COWS & CALVES & DAIRY COWS
Followed by STORE CATTLE

SHEEP CENTRE

PRIME LAMBS 10.00am
Followed by CULL EWES
STORE LAMBS 11.30am
Followed by BREEDING SHEEP & RAMS

FIRST & THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

PIGS 9.00am

SALE YARD

FODDER etc 12.30pm

PLEASE CALL TO ENTER YOUR STOCK

Cattle: Tim Webster 07949 173180 or 01664 562971
Ben Shouler 01664 560181 or 01664 502950

Sheep: Tom Greenow 07775 758586 or 01664 562971
Simon Allam 07889 178256 or 01476 530216

Pigs: Barrie Williamson 07541 400919

SHEEP

Auctioneer:
Tom Greenow
on 07775 758586

Slaughter Sheep (1,595)

Prime Lambs (1,081)

Trade virtually identical to last week, with only the heavies taking a drop. London markets flooded with meat by firms looking to shift lambs which otherwise might have ended up elsewhere. As seems to be the case across the country, lots of hard done lambs which has a definite impact on the averages. Meat still readily sought after, though no real bonus for the best, with the usual crowd still to get stuck in and buy with 8 buyers on 15 accounts.

A top price per kg of 180ppk for W J Miller and H A Thornton and per head of £84 for J B Cooke, J R Pick and Mark Turner.

SQQ – 168.22ppk

<i>Number of head</i>	<i>Weights kg</i>	<i>Up to p/kg</i>	<i>Average p/kg</i>	<i>Top gross £</i>
56	32.1-39	178	170	69.50
671	39.1-45.5	180	168	78.50
345	45.6-52	180	164	84.00
9	52+	157	156	84.00

Cull Ewes (514)

Less about but still very sluggish. There were plenty of grazing jobs still on the go to at least hold the bottom end up, but trade difficult. Ewes across the country out in force and the market is being flooded with meat. A top price of £95 for P I Jenkins, Bretford.

Overall average £49.90

Store Lambs (1,660)

*Auctioneer:
Tom Greenow
on 07775 758586*

A better show of lambs with some runs of good sorts catching the eye. Trade very strong right from the first to the last pen, with all types in super demand. Increased buying support present and that because we knew we had plenty coming in. Please continue to enter your stores with the office or myself so we can let buyers know. A top price of £73.

Strongest Stores to £73 average £66.81
Medium Stores to £63.50 average £58.67
Small stores to £50 average £49.26

Overall Average - £52.64

Breeding Sheep (816)

A steady trade once again following last weeks show trade. Generally plenty of people to bid for sheep, but at a price which would look far from exciting. The odd few pens would catch the eye and these sold to strong demand, everything else was what it was. In general continentals easier to sell than mules. Older ewes harder to place this week also, however this is surely inevitable as theaves can be bought for so little.

North Country Mules Theaves to £118

Texel x Theaves to £147

Masham theaves to £134

CATTLE

Auctioneer:
Tim Webster
07949 173180

Slaughter Cattle (49)

Another mixed bag of cattle this week, a few quality cattle around but just a bit too big for the butchers. Barren cows a firm trade again. Top price for H & BA Witcomb with a Limousin Heifer at 214p/kg.

Overall Average: 187.88p/kg

<i>Type</i>	<i>No of head</i>	<i>Up to p/kg</i>	<i>Vendor</i>	<i>Average p/kg</i>
<i>Light Steers</i>	1	182	R & S Anderson	182.00
<i>Second Quality</i>		-		
<i>Medium Steers</i>	9	195	JF Greaves & Son Ltd	180.68
<i>Second Quality</i>		178		
<i>Heavy Steers</i>	7	189	J Bunning	180.75
<i>Second Quality</i>		178		
<i>Light Heifers</i>	1	194	J Bellamy & Son	194.00
<i>Second Quality</i>		-		
<i>Medium Heifers</i>	3	210	JF Sharp & Son	188.67
<i>Second Quality</i>		154		
<i>Heavy Heifers</i>	6	214	H & BA Witcomb	195.89
<i>Second Quality</i>		180		
<i>Medium Bulls</i>	1	152	AP Danvers	152.00

***Please could all cattle be easily identifiable with 2 clean tags, the right sex on the passport and an entry form correctly filled in including TB status to accompany all cattle
Thank you in advance***

Type	Top Gross £	Vendor
Steers	1,596	J Bunning
	1,574	J Bunning
	1,447	J Bunning
	1,283	WA Sturgess
	1,228	WA Sturgess
Heifers	1,388	H & BA Witcomb
	1,281	H & BA Witcomb
	1,271	H & BA Witcom
	1,233	DA & JD Draycott
	1,198	H & BA Witcomb

OTM Cattle (30 - 36 months)

***Auctioneer:**
Tim Webster
07949 173180*

Type	No of head	Up to p/kg	Average p/kg
Steers	-	-	-
Heifers	1	160	160.00
Barren Cows Grade 1	3	179	171.33
Barren Cows Grade 2	1	136	136.00
Barren Cows Grade 3	4	127	124.50
Barren Cows Grade 4	9	117	96.88
Cull Bulls Grade 1	1	157	157.00
Cull Bulls Grade 4	2	117	115.50

Type	Top Gross £	Vendor
Barren Cows	1,281	G Hogg
	1,240	JA & SM Tyers
	1,063	JA & SM Tyers
	958	G Hogg

Cattle Entry Forms can be downloaded from the website
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Store Cattle

Auctioneer:
Ben Shouler on
07966 398987

Strong Store Cattle (104)

Buyers looking for good cattle and those are selling very well, lesser quality are finding it harder to get the trade they were achieving. Trade is still good. Top price today goes to FB Kirk & Son selling 15 month old Limousin Steers to £1,005.

Steers/Bulls	Top price £	Average £
<i>Hereford</i>	620	620
<i>British Blue</i>	845	697.50
<i>Limousin</i>	1,005	890
<i>Simmental</i>	810	772.50
<i>Charolais</i>	745	745
<i>Shorthorn</i>	700	680
<i>Holstein</i>	685	685

Heifers	Top price £	Average £
<i>Simmental</i>	595	595
<i>Charolais</i>	820	708
<i>Limousin</i>	850	727
<i>British Blue</i>	800	697
<i>Aberdeen Angus</i>	785	785
<i>Red Poll</i>	690	690
<i>Hereford</i>	765	620

Reared Calves (102) over 6 month

Auctioneer:
Ben Shouler on
07966 398987

Trade on par with last week, only a few notable highlights. To price of £830 for 11 month old Limousin x Steers from GH Jarrom & Sons of Disworth.

Steers/Bulls	Top price £	Average £
<i>Limousin</i>	830	782
<i>Simmental</i>	805	705
<i>Red Poll</i>	800	626
<i>Aberdeen Angus</i>	780	404
<i>Bazadaise</i>	575	530
<i>Hereford</i>	570	493
<i>Shorthorn</i>	670	585

Heifers	Top price £	Average £
<i>Aberdeen Angus</i>	495	488
<i>British Blue</i>	615	615
<i>Limousin</i>	760	650
<i>Simmental</i>	650	515
<i>Lincoln Red</i>	420	420
<i>Bazadaise</i>	490	468

Auctioneer:
Barrie Williamson
07541 400919

Baby Calves (136)

A few more quality calves this week, peaked at £395 for an outstanding B Blue bull from Stroud & Son of Hose. Latham Farms of Averham also sold B Blue bulls to £325 while W F Mann & Son of Queniborough sold a B Blue heifer for £300, a Limousin heifer for £285 and a Friesian bull for £140. W A Robinson & Son of Hickling sold 2 A Angus bulls for £290 and £255.

<i>Bull Calves</i>	<i>Top price £</i>	<i>Average £</i>	<i>Heifer Calves</i>	<i>Top price £</i>	<i>Average £</i>
<i>Holstein</i>	60	39	<i>Aberdeen Angus</i>	175	107
<i>Hereford</i>	145	125	<i>British Blue</i>	300	176
<i>Simmental</i>	165	160	<i>Hereford</i>	115	98
<i>Friesian</i>	140	47	<i>Simmental</i>	140	125
<i>British Blue</i>	395	261	<i>Limousin</i>	285	150
<i>Angus</i>	290	139			
<i>Limousin</i>	215	153			

**Reared/Weanlings (88)
under 6 months**

Demand for quality continues with the best 6 month old Limousin steers reaching £590 from C W Sutton of Horncastle. Charolais and Lincoln Red heifers from T R H Jackson of Great Ponton made £515 each.

Richard Wingate of Wilksby sold a Simmental steer for £450, 2 B Blue steers for £445 each and 2 Limousin steers for £425.

Hereford steers from G P Frisby of Six Hills and Montbeliarde steers from A J A Dilks of Shottle reached £410.

Throckenholt Farms of Spalding sold 2 A Angus heifers for £405 each.

<i>Bull Calves</i>	<i>Top price £</i>	<i>Average £</i>	<i>Heifer Calves</i>	<i>Top price £</i>	<i>Average £</i>
<i>Holstein</i>	225	165	<i>Aberdenn Angus</i>	405	251
<i>British Blue</i>	445		<i>Hereford</i>	220	205
<i>Limousin</i>	590	395	<i>Lincoln Red</i>	515	374
<i>Simmental</i>	450	385	<i>Charolais</i>	515	
<i>Aberdeen Angus</i>	410	369	<i>British Blue</i>	385	345
<i>Montbeliarde</i>	410	280	<i>Limousin</i>	375	268

PIGS

NEXT PIG SALE **TUESDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2018**

All pigs to be penned by 9am

*Contact the Office
on 01664 562971*

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AUCTION TIMES

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POULTRY - 9.30AM followed by the sale of Rabbits

CAGE & AVAIRY - 9.30AM followed by the sale of Eggs & Game

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