

Whitland Livestock Market Report - Tuesday 04/04/2017

Calves (92) 10.00am

The weekly calf sale are beginning to find some consistency in numbers forward and will hopefully continue to grow, especially with the top trade that the sale has been appreciating throughout. Beef bred bull calves average £288/head with top price going to B Roberts, West Marsh for his Angus bulls that sold for £545. Heifer calves topped at £225 for a British Blue heifer from Davies, Bryntrogin. The poorest show of dairy bull calves in months saw the average come in at £37/head but the better quality black & white continue to sell well getting to £105 and £100 for Davies, Bryntrogin and Phillips, Lanfro respectively.

Breed Report

Bull calves

Breed	Ave	Top	Vendor
Friesian	37	105	Hefin Davies Ltd, Bryntrogin
British Blue	203	268	Raymond & Lawrence, Pointz Castle
Hereford	178	255	Brown, Lower Llantydwell
Aberdeen Angus	383	545	Roberts, West Marsh
Limousin	411	450	Thomas, Lower Haythog

Heifer calves

Breed	Ave	Top	Vendor
British Blue	151	225	Hefin Davies Ltd, Bryntrogin
Hereford	106	152	Roberts, Brynaeron
Aberdeen Angus	74	110	Howells, Nantygof

Fat Lambs (112)

Old season lambs average 172ppk to highs of 185ppk (£84.50) while New season numbers are also beginning to show and sold to a top of 330ppk (£93) and averaged 212ppk.

Quotations

Light Lambs (32.1-39.0)	max.	330ppk	ave.	211.32ppk
Standard Lambs (39.1-45.5)	max.	215ppk	ave.	210.92ppk
Heavy Lambs (45.6-52.0)	max.	179ppk	ave.	179.00ppk
Old Season (32.1-39.0)	max.	157ppk	ave.	157.00ppk
Old Season (39.1-45.5)	max.	185ppk	ave.	174.18ppk
Old Season (45.6-52.0)	max.	177ppk	ave.	168.28ppk

Cull Ewes (114)

The same number of cull sheep forward as the previous week but a big jump in trade averaging £73/head and up to £114 for ewes from Price, Holly Thorn.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Calf Sales – Now **WEEKLY**, every Tuesday, 10am. The trade we have been seeing at Whitland for both calves and weaned calves has been very competitive and is drawing the attention of new vendors and purchasers. Special entry of Aberdeen Angus weaned calves next week from Raymond & Lawrence, Pointz Castle.

Next Dairy sales – Upcoming dairy sale – Tuesday 11th April, 11.15am.

Purely Pedigree IV, collective dairy and special entry of Pedigree Holsteins from the Aberlleine herd that includes 7 Freshly calved heifers, incalf heifers, bulling and maiden heifers and heifer calves. Further information and entries to Huw on 07976 328177.

Whitland Store – next sale **Saturday, April 15th 2017 - 10.15am**

Last sale saw steers to £1330 and heifers to £1190. Whitland's Saturday trade currently unrivalled.

Entries and enquiries to Whitland Mart on 01994 240665 or Gareth on 07812 127824/Huw on 07976 328177