

MARKET REPORT FOR WHITLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET FOR
SATURDAY 20th MAY 2017

The fast store trade at Whitland over recent sales brought another big entry of cattle and the trade took up where it left off a fortnight earlier. 22 grazing cows was a decent entry and sold to an average of 122ppk with a top price of £1045 (173ppk) for a Welsh Black cow from Darran James, Rose Park. The heifers followed and trade was brisk, achieving prices over £1000 again and again. A great looking bunch of Charolais heifers from Canton, Saddlers Cottage topped the heifer prices at £1320. Heifers sold to an average of £792. Steers were as in demand and the quality of the entry was matched by the trade getting to a high of £1340 for Sheila Harries, Croft Farm who topped the steer prices for the second successive sale.

Store Cattle (449)

Averages	Ave.	Top
Heifers 0-15m	588	1040
Heifers 16-24m	895	1320
Heifers 25-30m	931	1200
Heifers 30m+	825	1065
Steers 0-15m	685	1065
Steers 16-24m	861	1340
Steers 25-30m	971	1280
Steers 30m+	953	1055

Breed Report

Heifers	Ave.	Top	Vendor
Friesian	890	890	Langdon Mill Farms Ltd
British Blue	842	1035	Canton, Saddlers Cottage
Hereford	695	1100	Mathias, Westfields Farm
Aberdeen Angus	802	1245	Saer, Rhosgoch
Charolais	1185	1320	Canton, Saddlers Cottage
Simmental	652	955	Saer, Rhosgoch
Limousin	772	1150	Howells, Henllan

Steers

Friesian	602	890	Rhosgadw Farm Services
Blonde D'Aquitaine	740	740	Wade, Penrhiwgoch Uchaf
Montbeliard	970	970	Rees, Avola Farm
Welsh Black	1150	1280	Bowen, White House
British Blue	798	1220	Mathias, Westfields Farm
Hereford	791	1180	Mathias, Westfields Farm
Aberdeen Angus	906	1100	Rhosgadw Farm Services
Charolais	1074	1340	Harries, Croft Farm
Simmental	774	840	Thomas, Tynewydd Farm
Limousin	905	1290	Roberts, Parke

Cows & Calves

The dispersal of Gelbvieh sucklers on behalf of G R Lloyd, Plasybeili sold to an average of £1295 and top price of £1500. Top price of the day was £1550 for a Hereford heifer with a Blue heifer calf from D Thomas, Tynewydd. Incalf heifers sold to £1020 from Waters, Great Bishops Court and the Gelbvieh bull from Plasybeili topped the breeding bull prices at £1520. It is suggested that Suckler cows are now sold at the new Mid-month sale dedicated to suckler cows and weaned calves where prices from the first sale topped at £1750 and averaged £1385.

Breeding Sheep (50)

Less couples entered as the season draws on but the trade held up averaging £127 per ewe and topping at £160 from Phillips, Goitre Uchaf.

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 more numbers is definitely needed to satisfy the buyers in attendance and to draw even more buyers. To enter or for any information call Huw now on 07976 328177.

Next Dairy sales – Upcoming dairy sale – Tuesday 30th May, 11.15am.
Collective Dairy sale including the herd dispersal from DP & J Evans, Glanleddau, Dwrbach, Fishguard.

Next Store Sale - Saturday 3rd June, 10.15am.
Barren Cows and Store Cattle with Breeding Sheep at 12midday.

Mid Month Sucklers and Weaned Calves Sale - Tuesday 20th June, 1.30pm.
The second dedicated sale for Suckler Cows and Breeding Stock at Whitland Mart will also invite entries of weaned calves up to 12 months. The first sale saw an extraordinary trade with a ringside full of buyers there specifically for cows and calves. The trade topped at £1750 and averaged just short of £1400. Due to demand we will also take entries for weaned calves.
Entries for catalogue closes on midday Monday 12th June. Further entries taken on the day.

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