

**MARKET REPORT FOR WHITLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET FOR  
SUPER SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018**

More cattle forward and definitely more faces around the sale ring looking to buy. Farming cattle in particular were up on the day due to the demand returning after the recent freshness in the weather. More cull and over age animals than normal selling to the usual high trade with over age steers selling to £1025 and cull cows topping at £990. Top prices in the stores were £1130 for Charolais heifers from Jones, Creigiau and £1240 for Charolais steers from Davies, Summit Cottage.

A special entry of Dexter cattle also attracted new faces to Whitland's Saturday mart and the reduction sale of mostly unregistered cows, that had been with the bull since March, sold to a top of £335 while the stock bull sold for £110. There is quite a strong, but little known, Dexter community in South Wales and the breed has grown in the past 25-30 years with many countries throughout the world with a society for the breed. Dexters are very adaptable cattle and can cope in varying and extreme climatic conditions and many different management systems. They are excellent mothers and are dual purpose cattle with an excellent meat to bone ratio producing a killing out percentage over 56% and the will milk as well. We look forward to the next entry of Dexter cattle at Whitland Mart.

Next Super Saturday is on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Get your entries to Whitland Mart now on 01994 240665 or Huw on 07976 328177 and Gareth on 07812127824.

**Store Cattle (278)**

**Breed Report**

<b><u>Heifers</u></b>	<b><u>Ave.</u></b>	<b><u>Top</u></b>	<b><u>Vendor</u></b>
Friesian	520	830	Thomas, Maesyderi
Welsh Black	680	770	Davies, Summit Cottage
Dexter	150	150	Rimmer, Maesllyn
British Blue	608	800	Hay, Pentir
Hereford	602	745	Cwmbettws Ltd
Aberdeen Angus	713	850	Rees, Avola
Charolais	844	1130	Jones, Creigiau
Simmental	666	870	Cwmbettws Ltd
Limousin	705	960	Thomas, Ffynnonaugleision

**Steers**

Friesian	615	800	Lewis, Clerkenhill
Welsh Black	940	940	Davies, Summit Cottage
British Blue	776	880	Rees, Avola
Hereford	633	960	Solomon, Campbell Farm
Aberdeen Angus	605	830	Harries, Little Holgan
Charolais	904	1240	Davies, Summit Cottage
Simmental	590	870	Evans, Parcypll
Limousin	777	1075	Cwmbettws Ltd

**Averages**

	<b><u>Ave.</u></b>	<b><u>Top</u></b>		<b><u>Ave.</u></b>	<b><u>Top</u></b>
Heifer 0-15m	628	1035	Steer 0-15m	552	1075
Heifer 15-24m	688	1130	Steer 15-24m	719	1240
Heifer 24-30m	752	1000	Steer 24-30m	871	1090

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Calf and Weaned Calf Sales** – Now **WEEKLY**, every Tuesday, 10.15am. To enter or for any information call Huw now on 07976 328177.

**Whitland Dairy – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 11.15am** – Collective dairy sales. Get your entries to Huw now on 07976 328177.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am.** Dispersal of the Treddiog Herd of Pedigree Holstein Friesians. Further details from Huw on 07976 328177

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 11.15am** – Collective dairy sale. Entries to Huw on 07976 328177

**Next Store Sale** - Super Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 10.15am. The best trade in the west without a doubt. Entries to Whitland Mart on 01994 240665

**Monthly Suckler Sale** – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August. Entries to Huw 07976 328177

Entries to date consist of 20 cows and calves including 2 pedigree Charolais Cows with unregistered heifer calves at foot. 4 Pedigree Limousin Bulls from the Maes and Mulloch herds and 2 Pedigree Charolais Bulls.

**September Suckler Sale: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September** – to include the dispersal of the Prizewinning Redskins Herd of pedigree Limousins from Jeff and Kate Brown

**Breeding Ewe Sale – Fortnightly sale of breeding ewes and rams** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August, 11am. Entries to Whitland on 01994 240665

**Farm Sale – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September** – Clear out sale for Mrs Lorna Wynn at Glan y Mor Fach, Poppit, Cardigan.