

# BRIDGNORTH LIVESTOCK MARKET

## WEEKLY REPORT – 10.05.22



### 104 PRIME CATTLE

**Auctioneer – Mark Burgoyne 07831 192603**

Decent numbers of clean cattle forward today, but with depleted bull entries. The edge was taken a little off some of this trade today as several abattoirs and cutting plants had reported staff shortages and breakdowns. Selling the beef is not an issue, as long as you are able to process it! New buyers in attendance for heavy bulls and steers – they will be looking for cattle next week.

Not a bad show of steers but with only two best sorts selling to 276p/kg. Heavy steers sold to £1830 in the lump.

Best butchers' heifers held their own with five above the magic 300p/kg figure, to a top of 312p/kg. Heavy females sold to £1718 in the lump. A small show of bulls with trade a little slower here generally, but with heavier, better-quality types in strongest demand to 263p/kg or nearly £1900 in the lump. Dairy bulls to 214p/kg.

Two cows forward saw young Blues selling to 160p/kg for 638kg

### 73 CLEAN CATTLE

#### 13 STEERS SOLD TO OV. AV. 240P/KG

624kg red Limousins, from the Dalton stable, shone at 276p/kg, with their Charolais' stacking up nicely at £1830.08 (688kg). Rita Corfield-McCowan, under the watchful eye of her son Stuart, also sold their British Blue to 276p/kg for 588kg. 632kg Limmos from Robert Watkins sold to 255p/kg, with Chris Jones selling to 246p/kg for 632kg Limousins.

#### 60 HEIFERS SOLD TO OV. AV. 259P/KG

Evans (Curdale) were top dog here, selling 522kg smart Limousins to 312p/kg, with their 542kg model selling to 301p/kg. Two stars from the Parkes stable both achieved 307p/kg, with a handyweight Limmie to 301p/kg for Marcus and Jack Whitehouse. The Whitehouse family sold their shapely Blue 618kg for a grand total of £1718.04.

#### 31 BULLS SOLD TO OV. AV. 227P/KG

718kg red Limousins from John Hewitt topped at 263p/kg or £1888.24 in the lump, with 570kg Lims from Andrew Preece a close second at 262p/kg. Fleckviehs sold to 214p/kg from Bob Mayer, with his Holsteins to 196p/kg.

Strong buyer support anticipated next Tuesday.

### STEERS P/KG

276p/kg	624kg	24m	LIMx	LH Dalton & Son
276p/kg	588g	13m	BRB	Corfield-McCowan
266p/kg	688kg	23m	CHx	LH Dalton & Son
255p/kg	632kg	26m	LIMx	GAJ Watkins & Son
246p/kg	632kg	26m	LIMx	TE Jones & Son
241p/kg	622kg	17m	LIMx	LH Dalton & Son

### STEERS £/HEAD

£1830.08	688kg	23m	CHx	LH Dalton & Son
£1722.24	624kg	24m	LIMx	LH Dalton & Son
£1718.64	744kg	25m	LIMx	TE Jones & Son
£1712.88	732kg	23m	LIMx	TE Jones & Son
£1704.00	710kg	25m	LIMx	TE Jones & Son

### HEIFERS P/KG

312p/kg	522kg	15m	LIMX	RC Evans (Curdale)
307p/kg	536kg	14m	LIMX	EP Parkes & Sons
307p/kg	530kg	14m	LIMX	EP Parkes & Sons
301p/kg	482kg	23m	LIMX	DS & MA Whitehouse
301p/kg	542kg	19m	LIMX	RC Evans (Curdale)
296p/kg	546kg	22m	BAX	DS & MA Whitehouse
290p/kg	524kg	14m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Sons
289p/kg	546kg	19m	LIMx	JN Morris & Son
286p/kg	550kg	18m	LIMx	JN Morris & Son
286p/kg	480kg	13m	LIMx	CO Watkins & Co
285p/kg	464kg	15m	BAX	CO Watkins & Co
280p/kg	488kg	14m	LIMx	CO Watkins & Co
279p/kg	552kg	13m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Sons
279p/kg	572kg	23m	LIMx	RC Evans (Curdale)
278p/kg	618kg	20m	BRB	DS & MA Whitehouse
278p/kg	492kg	14m	LIMx	P Barker & Son
278p/kg	504kg	14m	BAX	CO Watkins & Co
278p/kg	462kg	11m	LIMx	SC Jones

### HEIFERS £/HEAD

£1718.04	618kg	20m	BRB	DS & MA Whitehouse
£1689.70	610kg	24m	LIMx	RC Evans (Curdale)
£1654.96	604kg	20m	LIMx	JN Morris & Son
£1645.52	536kg	14m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Sons
£1631.42	542kg	19m	LIMx	RC Evans (Curdale)
£1628.64	522kg	15m	LIMx	RC Evans (Curdale)
£1627.10	530kg	14m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Sons
£1616.16	546kg	22m	BAX	DS & MA Whitehouse



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### **BULLS P/KG**

263p/kg	718kg	22m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
262p/kg	570kg	14m	LIMx	AR Preece
255p/kg	556kg	14m	LIMx	AR Preece
250p/kg	636kg	13m	LIMx	GWA & CA Powell
251p/kg	598kg	12m	LIMx	AR Preece
249p/kg	616kg	20m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
246p/kg	678kg	20m	LIMx	A Preece & Son
246p/kg	618kg	14m	BAX	RC & E Burton & Son
240p/kg	620kg	14m	BRB	RC & E Burton & Son

### **BULLS £/HEAD**

£1880.34	718kg	22m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
£1667.88	678kg	20m	LIMx	A Preece & Son
£1596.36	636kg	13m	LIMx	GWA & CA Powell
£1567.36	632kg	15m	BRB	JL Hartley & Son
£1533.84	616kg	20m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
£1520.28	618kg	14m	BAX	RC & E Burton & Son
£1500.96	636kg	14m	CHx	JL Hartley & Son

### **DAIRY BULLS P/KG**

214p/kg	550kg	15m	FLEC	R Mayer & Son
196p/kg	540kg	15m	HOL	R Mayer & Son

### **OTM COW £/HEAD**

£1020.80	638kg	36m	BRB	JD Williams & Son
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### **OTM COW P/KG**

160p/kg	638kg	36m	BRB	JD Williams & Son
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### **710 SPRING LAMBS**

A much firmer lamb trade this week averaging 338p/kg, for best lambs similar to last week to 374p/kg 40.5kg Texel from Pete Kirton and heavier 44kg Texels to £159.30

Demand for finished lambs seems to be increasing week-on-week, however several leaner, maybe under-finished, lambs would detract from the average. Despite trading at lower prices per kilo, they still gross up from £115 to £120.

### **Top Prices p/kg:**

374p/kg	40.5kg	AG Kirton & Son
372p/kg	40.5kg	AG Kirton & Son
368p/kg	41.0kg	AG Kirton & Son
363p/kg	38.5kg	W Rodenhurst
362p/kg	44.0kg	AG Kirton & Son
362p/kg	41.0kg	AG Kirton & Son
360p/kg	41.0kg	DJ Digwood

### **Top Prices £/Head:**

£159.30	44.0kg	AG Kirton & Son
£152.20	44.0kg	AW Preece
£151.20	40.5kg	AG Kirton & Son
£151.00	41.0kg	AG Kirton & Son
£150.70	40.5kg	AG Kirton & Son



### **1740 PRIME HOGGS**

**Auctioneer – Martin Clack 07977 067519**

No let-up in numbers with plenty of interest in the hogs, despite the months rolling on. Keen bidding in all grades of hogs with all weights, breeds and quality on offer.

Best hogs to 296p/kg from Pete Morris, David Wheeler, Mark Meredith, Keith Swift and Kev Scott. But the most improvement in trade would have been for the heavier hogs selling to £146.25 and 52.5kg at 272p/kg from Gordon Poyner. Almost 700 sheep over 45kg averaging just shy of £130.

Lightweight hogs to 282p/kg, weighing 35kg from Dave Evans, with Welsh hogs to 276p/kg and 42kg. Commercial export-weight hogs 280p/kg to 295p/kg and plainer, under-finished hogs trading at discounted rates.

### **Top Prices £/Head:**

£146.30	62.5kg	LH Dalton & Son
£144.60	56.0kg	LH Dalton & Son
£142.80	52.5kg	G Poyner
£140.40	60.0kg	JM & DL Kirby
£140.40	60.0kg	S Wadlow
£140.00	54.5kg	LH Dalton & Son

**Top Prices p/kg (over 40kg):**

296p/kg	40.5kg	CL Wheeler
296p/kg	41.0kg	R Swift & Son
296p/kg	43.0kg	K Scott
296p/kg	45.5kg	WH Meredith
296p/kg	41.5kg	R Swift & Son
296p/kg	40.0kg	IGC Morris

**Top Prices p/kg (over 46kg):**

287p/kg	46.0kg	N Kinsey
284p/kg	47.0kg	WJ Jones & Co
284p/kg	46.5kg	N Kinsey
284p/kg	48.0kg	WJ Jones & Co
281p/kg	46.5kg	N Kinsey
280p/kg	47.0kg	S Wadlow
278p/kg	48.5kg	LH Dalton & Son

**527 EWES****Auctioneer – Martin Clack 07977 067519 and Gwawr Jones 07930 553661**

A large entry, now becoming the normal weekly entry, with trade firmer back up to the highs of last month. Rams over £200 to £216 Charollais and smaller, but good-shaped Texels £183, several pens of cross-bred Texel ewes £165 plus, with Suffolks to £163 for 14 very stylish Suffolk x Mules.

North country Mules also dearer to £139 from Downton Estates, with large but plainer Mules selling for £117 and what might be described as grazing Mules around the £100 mark. Several consignments of smaller Aberfield or cross-bred ewes, which on a lesser trade could have proved hard work, but this certainly was not the case today.

Small white face ewes £116, Cheviot types around £100 and Easy Care to £118 again from Downton Estates. Small hill ewes to £113, Swales from Mike Halford, Improved Welsh £99.50, not-so improved Welsh Mountain £60.50! and small, plain Welsh hill ewes £69. 28 rams to £216 for Charollais, £180 for Dorset, £158 for Suffolk, £152 for Texel and £140 Welsh. Five goats were the dearest ever sold at £152.

**Top Prices £/Head:**

£216.00	Charollais	JM Colley
£183.00	Texel	T Farquharson
£180.00	Dorset	T Farquharson
£178.00	Texel	AG Kirton & Son
£176.00	Texel	C Lloyd
£175.00	Texel	C Lloyd

**STORE SALE REPORT – FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 2022****248 STORE CATTLE****Auctioneer – Martin Clack 07977 067519**

A smaller entry for this year's May Fair, a reflection of the TB restrictions. Trevor Breakwell's herd dispersal attracting customers from several adjoining counties and a selection of suckler-bred stores creating interest, selling to over 300p/kg and heavier dairy-bred steers to £1460.

Cows and calves peaked at £1650 for an 8-year-old Limousin cow and her 6 month-old calf from Will Westwood.

Trevor Breakwell's cows and calves sold to £1920, with 11-year-old Limousins, running with the bull, selling to £1160. Limousin stock bull of 7 years old sold at £3100 and a 4 year-old Angus stock bull sold to £1500.

The annual consignment from Roger and Jason Payton sold to 303p/kg, closely followed by Chris Walkers 355kg Limousin steers 299p/kg. Heavier more traditional breeds over 250p/kg for 400kg Hereford steers from Julian Radcliffe.

Stronger dairy and continental steers sold to £1460 from Steve Lewis, whose entry averaged £1271, and smaller 380kg suckler-bred steers from Chris Walker sold at £1065.

Heifers sold to £1070 at 435kg Charolais and British Blues from Derek Price to £1040 23 month-old average just shy of £1000. 14 month-old Angus heifers from James Radcliffe not quite £1000 at £980, and Roger Payton 410kg Limmos at £1010.

Generally suckler heifers over 250p/kg to 260p/kg, Blondes 375kg from Chris Walker, Devon heifers 10 months-old (300kg) at 242p/kg and Angus to 236p/kg.

Very few bulls to 220p/kg from Phil Stead and £780 Trevor Breakwell's 380kg Limmo.

**STEERS P/KG**

303p/kg	267kg	9m	LIM	R Payton
299p/kg	355kg	14m	BA	TL Walker
293p/kg	290kg	7m	LIM	R Payton
290p/kg	365kg	12m	BA	TL Walker

**STEERS £/HEAD**

£1460.00	23m	LIM	IS Lewis & Son
£1410.00	23m	BRB	IS Lewis & Son
£1390.00	20m	CH	IS Lewis & Son
£1370.00	23m	AA	IS Lewis & Son
£1350.00	23m	HE	IS Lewis & Son

**HEIFERS P/KG**

260p/kg	375kg	14m	BA	TL Walker
252p/kg	380kg	14m	BA	TL Walker
247p/kg	400kg	14m	BA	TL Walker
246p/kg	435kg	13m	CH	S Baker
245p/kg	305kg	10m	LIM	R Payton
242p/kg	417kg	13m	LIM	R Payton
242p/kg	296kg	10m	DEV	LAJ England

## HEIFERS £/HEAD

£1070.00	13m	CH	S Baker
£1040.00	23m	BRB	D Price
£1020.00	22m	BRB	D Price
£1010.00	13m	LIM	R Payton
£1000.00	24m	BRB	D Price

## COWS & CALVES £/HEAD

£1650	LIM	J&J Westwood
£1520	BA	T Breakwell
£1500	BRB	RD Payton
£1450	LIM	T Breakwell
£1420	BRB	I Archer

## STORE SHEEP

### **Auctioneer – Martin Clack 07977 067519**

Ewes and lambs met an alleyway full of customers and trade was very brisk, selling to £246 and £119 per life for Lleyne ewes with single lambs from Sandra Whitmore. Smaller but very shapely lambs 11kg and 13kg from Vicky Gatehouse at £91.70 per life. Suffolk hogs with single Charollais lambs at £94 per life and aged Suffolk ewes with 1.5 lambs at £185. A consignment of dry ewe hogs from Chris Faulkes to £123 for Badger-Face crosses and £120 for white-face Mules.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY MAYFAIR SALE**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Sale of sheep at 11.00 am and Cattle at 12.00 noon

**Closing date for Entries is**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00 noon**

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### **COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP APPLICATIONS**

**\*Mid-Tier** – 5 year agreements including a wide range of revenue options and capital items. A competitive application process & deadline for applications of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

**\*Wildlife Offers** – 5 year agreements including a smaller range of revenue options only. A non-competitive application process & deadline for applications of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

**\*Capital Grants** – 2 year capital item only grants, with some options requiring Catchment Sensitive Farming Officer Approval & applicants to be located in high priority areas for water quality (concrete yard renewal, farm tracks, roofing over muck stores/livestock handling areas). Some options including hedgerow works and fencing against water courses are available to a wider range of applicants. A competitive application process, with the application window likely to be open year-round.

*For more information/assistance with making your application, please contact **Camilla** on **01746 762666***



## **AMC - Providing Certainty In Such Uncertain Times**

With uncertainties of a Post Brexit / Post Covid economy now compounded by concern over the possible implications of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, many may be seeking ways to make their businesses more robust, to face whatever the future may bring.

Often referred to as “price takers rather than price makers”, farm businesses often have little control over prices received for their commodities and so it would seem logical to focus on the costs / outgoings of the business, that can be directly influenced, such as finance costs.

During such uncertain times, the long-standing unique selling of an AMC facility are perhaps more valuable than ever and it is therefore worth a reminder of what AMC can offer, in terms of long-term stability, which may currently be lacking in the offering of a high street lender.

### **A Commitment for the Term of the Loan**

While many lenders insist upon reviews throughout the loan term (often including a review of the initial decision to lend), AMC offer a commitment for the term of the loan.

### **Repayment Terms of up to 30 years**

While the future looks so uncertain, minimising the monthly financial commitments can offer more resilience to such volatility.

On a similar rate of interest, the difference between a 20-year term and a 30-year term can be as much as £1,000/m for every £750,000 borrowed.

This, combined with the ability to make additional capital repayments (to a variable rate loan), offers maximum flexibility.

### **Long Term Interest Only Loans of up to 30 years**

Borrowing on a long-term interest-only basis, while existing commitments are being repaid, can make the time-specific opportunity to buy neighbouring land much more comfortably affordable and can leave the next generation with a more viable business.

### **Long Term Fixed Rates**

AMC are one of the few lenders to still offer long term fixed rates of anything up to 30 years.

While fixed rates have recently increased, they still look attractive in comparison to historical interest rates and can offer the certainty of knowing what the monthly commitments will be, regardless of what happens in the wider economy.

If you are interested in discussing what AMC could offer your business, either to finance a new venture or by restructuring existing debt, speak to Rob McCabe on telephone **01746 762666**