BRIDGNORTH LIVESTOCK MARKET WEEKLY REPORT

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216 PRIME CATTLE

Auctioneer - Mark Burgoyne 07831 192603

A lack lustre cattle trade which was well in line with Monday market reports. Out of specification cattle which have been easily sold in past months have seen a hefty devaluation since the New Year. Farm Assurance was a benefit on heavier cattle today, with more buyers now looking for stock with the Red Tractor label. A ring full of very discerning buyers helped to produce an overall average of 185p/kg.

Several weighty steers forward which begs the question; where were they all before Christmas? Best quality bullocks sold to 230p/kg.

With heifers running to fat more quickly than steers, it was surprising how many heifers were left to January to market with the trade flying in December. These over fat beasts were hard to sell, with leaner more conformed cattle in better demand. Butchers heifers sold to 266p/kg with two others passed 250p/kg.

There were a few less bulls forward – probably just as well on this occasion with large numbers of bulls coming forward as the large abattoirs move the goalposts on producers i.e. over 16 months. Handy weight Continentals sold to 207p/kg. Meat Holsteins sold to 174p/kg.

25 COWS & 1 STOCK BULL SOLD TO AV. 101P/KG

Cow trade held its own but there is no real bite in the trade, with cow beef less valuable in Europe.

Young Simmental cross cows from Robert Hartley sold to 160p/kg, with Shorthorn crosses to 140p/kg for 760kg for Steve Perkins.

There were no best meat Holsteins forward with steaking cows to 90p/kg from Graham Barker.

1090kg Blonde bull sold to 107p/kg for Guy Needham.

165 CLEAN CATTLE

58 steers sold to average 184p/kg. Some super Limousins from Robert Turner sold to 230p/kg and 228p/kg for 650kg and 652kg to head this section. British Blue bullocks from LH Wardle sold to 229p/kg and 225p/kg for 574kg or 608kg. 698kg Lims from Alistair Beedles sold to 211p/kg. Charolais 778kg from John Elgin sold to 207p/kg or £1610.46. Holstein steers hit 167p/kg from Sam Jones.

107 heifers sold to average 193p/kg. A super 496kg Limousin from Neil Perkins sold to 266p/kg, closely followed by Richard Parkes' cracking run of Continentals which was headed by his 510kg British Blue achieving 256p/kg. Robert Hartley's tucked up Blue took third spot at 253p/kg for 536kg. Miss Kirkham's handy weights sold to 244p/kg and 246p/kg. 728kg Limousin at 21 months realised £1674.40 for John Elgin. Over fat heifers met a difficult trade.

ONLY 51 YOUNG BULLS SOLD OV AV. 165P/KG

A mixed bag of bulls saw trade holding its own. Out of spec cattle, especially if they are too big or lean, coupled with too old, are becoming less saleable.

536kg Limousins from David Preece sold to 207p/kg, with 576kg Limousins from Stuart Bebb selling to 206p/kg. Well-finished Blondes from Howard Mold sold to 197p/kg for 620kg at 19 months.

Mary Beaumont's Holsteins were decent meat and consequently achieved above 170p/kg to 174p/kg.

<u>Steers</u>				
230p/kg	650kg	22m	LIMx	TH Turner & Son
229p/kg	574kg	21m	BRB	LH Wardle
228p/kg	652kg	22m	LIMx	TH Turner & Son
225p/kg	608kg	21m	BRB	LH Wardle
218p/kg	576kg	22m	LIMx	TH Turner & Son
211p/kg	698kg	22m	LIMx	RE & RM Beedles
210p/kg	524kg	20m	LIMx	J & J Westwood
207p/kg	778kg	27m	CHx	JR Elgin
204p/kg	598kg	27m	LIMx	J & J Westwood
<u>Heifer</u>				
266p/kg	496kg	14m	LIMx	N & C Perkins
256p/kg	510kg	22m	BRB	EP Parkes & Sons
253p/kg	536kg	21m	BRB	JL Hartley & Son
246p/kg	526kg	15m	LIMx	JE Kirkham
246p/kg	516kg	20m	BRB	EP Parkes & Sons
244p/kg	474kg	18m	LIMx	JE Kirkham
238p/kg	544kg	19m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Son
238p/kg	522kg	22m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Son
238p/kg	516kg	19m	LIMx	EP Parkes & Sons
237p/kg	588kg	17m	LIMx	S & A Perkins
237p/kg	552kg	22m	BRB	JG Bason & Son
<u>Bulls</u>				
207p/kg	536kg	16m	LIMx	A Preece & Son
206p/kg	576kg	15m	LIMx	RT Bebb Ltd
197p/kg	620kg	19m	BAx	HR Mold
195p/kg	598kg	14m	LIMx	H Yates
194p/kg	516kg	16m	BAx	HR Mold
191p/kg	584kg	18m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
190p/kg	688kg	22m	LIMx	JL Hewitt
190p/kg	660kg	22m	BAx	HR Mold
190p/kg	646kg	13m	LIMx	RT Bebb Ltd
189p/kg	602kg	17m	BRB	P Taylor
186p/kg	630kg	20m	BAx	HR Mold
186p/kg	622kg	15m	LIMx	H Yates

<u>OTM</u>				
160p/kg	516kg	33m	SMx	JL Hartley & Son
140p/kg	760kg	76m	SHOx	S & A Perkins
127p/kg	778kg	42m	LIMx	S & A Perkins
124p/kg	782kg	81m	LIMx	N & C Perkins
116p/kg	566kg	186m	BAx	JL Hewitt
115p/kg	630kg	46m	LIMx	JL Hartley & Son
115p/kg	580kg	148m	SALER	JL Hartley & Son
114p/kg	626kg	72m	SMx	JL Hartley & Son
110p/kg	654kg	178m	AAx	J & J Roberts
110p/kg	638kg	151m	LIMx	J & J Roberts
107p/kg	1090kg	66m	BA Bull	GR Needham Ltd

500 HOGGS

Auctioneer: Martin Clack 07977 067519

A disappointing entry and quality very mixed ranging from extremely lean to obese. Finished hoggs sought after although trade easier than last week. Customers reporting very slow sales of lambs and exporters experiencing severe downward pressure on price.

The first pen sold topped the auction at 211p/kg for 39.5kg from John Cotham with the general run 175p/kg to 180p/kg and heavy weights £80 to £88.50, with £88.50 with 47.5kg to 186p/kg, 49.5kg to 160p/kg and 50kg to 160p/kg.

Lighter weights 30kg to 180p/kg Texels and very poor hill lambs at 140p/kg.

Leading Prices

211p/kg	39.5kg	R Cotham
189p/kg	38.5kg	S Moss
186p/kg	47.5kg	R Cotham
184p/kg	43.5kg	R Cotham
184p/kg	36kg	JJ Johnstone

318 EWES

Texel ewes to £85 and Mules £70. Trade a little firmer although well behind last year's levels. As with the lamb trade, sales of mutton very slow and stronger, over-fat ewes realising less than lighter leaner ewes, with some plain mules looking well sold at £60.

Hill ewes to £40 Swales, £43 Nelson and £39 South Country Cheviots.

SPRING LAND & RURAL PROPERTY AUCTION

WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL 2014

Entries invited. For further information & a no obligation appraisal contact Stuart Richards

STORE SALE

Store Cattle, Store/Ewe Lambs, Calves & Weanlings

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY 2014

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Fodder Beet sold to av. £27/tonne last week Square Bale Haylage sold to £19.50/bale

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Mark Burgoyne 07831 192063

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- A chance to quiz the professionals

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- Stuart Richards Surveyor Nock Deighton Agricultural

ON WEDNESDAY 22ND JANUARY 2013 AT 2:00PM

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