

## MARKET DRAYTON MARKET LTD

Market Drayton Market Report The Following Trade:



## THURSDAY 20 MARCH 2025 436 HEAD ORANGE MARKET

Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

**343 Calves -** Good numbers forward and better quality calves on offer selling to a fast trade. The third quality calves hard to sell this sale. Best continental type calves a top trade as £400 plus for bulls topping at £470 and £350 plus and heifers topping at £460.

Bulls	Top		Heifer	s Top	Av.
Friesian	£180	£94	BB	£460	£246
British Blue	£470	£287	AA	£190	£106
Shorthorn	£200	£150	Long	£60	£50
Angus	£450	£170	HFĎ	£80	£66
HFĎ	£235	£92	Char	£380	£360
Simmental	£455	£330	Simm	£370	£315
Limousin	£330	£225	Limm	£320	£202

**28 Weanlings** - A very nice show on offer dominated by Blues topping at £700 for Blue heifers and £680 for Blue bulls (4 to 5 months). Best types £580 to £650 and younger ones £440 to £500 all looking well sold.

**65 Stores** - Something for everyone today with a fantastic run of suckler bulls forward together with feeding cows and the normal store cattle. Bulls topped at £1,780 for a Charolais and averaged £1,620 for the run all being 10 to 12 months old and around 450kg to 480kg. Best yarding cattle again up to £2,000 with most big stores £1,500 to £1,750.

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<b>Steers</b>			<u>Heifers</u>	
BB	£1,870	562kg	AA £910	344kg
AA	£1,480	465kg	Char £1,940	526kg
AA	£1,010	341kg	Char £1,766	480kg
Stab	£1,010	341kg	Simm £2,000	620kg
Char	£1,620	434kg	Limm £1,590	432kg
Limm	£1,570	412kg	Limm £1,360	394kg
Bulls				
Friesiar	ո£640	333kg		
BB	£920	324kg		
Saler	£1,780	487kg		
Charol	£1,780	490kg		
Charol	£1,650	452kg		



PIGS Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)
- NEXT PIG MARKETS -

Monday 7 & 21 April / 5 & 19 May 10.30am Cull Sows & Boars Followed by Prime Pigs All enquires to Ben 07791 791356.

# MONDAY 24 MARCH 2025 127 BARREN COWS, CULL BULLS & OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE (Green Market) Auctioneer: Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

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Humble number forward which seems to highlight tight cattle supply at present, hence the headline prices being achieved and the level of trade being experienced ring side. Trade extremely buoyant and dare I say it many more could be sold to vendors advantage and please do not forget how active for further finishers to buy your younger leaner cattle to feed.

Headliners this week traded to 355p or £3,175.90 for sucklers, bulls to 344p or £3,234.40, clean to 342p or £1,539.00 and dairy to 301p or £2,126.46. The overall market average returned at 246p or £1,577.98.

92 Dairies - An entry which certainly offered something for all types of buyers and all easily absorbed on a flying trade. Young black and whites sold to 301p (£1,480.92) from RJB Farming Ltd, Marbury which went out to feed and 258p (£1,594.44) etc. Allen Family Farm Ltd, Hanmer saw 266p (£1,649.20) for their black and white, Mr Barry Chittem, Worthen saw 259p (£1,901.06), Billington Farms, Beeston cows to 258p (£1,780.20), 255p (£1,208.70) etc, Mr Ivor Edwards & Family, Bronington cow to 256p (£1,428.48) and Wincham Holsteins Ltd, Northwich Montbeliarde to 254p (£1,478.28). In the lump Mr Steve Bailey & Family, Lightwood Green saw their Ayrshire gross £2,126.46 and £2,021.88 to mention a few. The section average returned at 235p or £1,471.23.

**26 Sucklers -** Trade prevalent for all shapes and sizes with exporters and home market keen for cattle and throwing in further finishers a real buzz resumed ringside. Trade peaked at 349p or £3,175.90 for Limousin from Mr Richard Shore & Family, Churton. John & Olwyn Whittingham, Mucklestone saw their continentals to 313p (£2,428.88) and 292p (£2,190.00), The Heath Family, Pipe Gate saw their Limousin to 355p (£2,399.80) and Mr B.H. Birch, Eaton Limousin to 310p (£2,244.40) to mention a few. The section average returned at 290p or £2,008.64.

**7 Bulls** - Younger bulls peaked at 344p (£1,878.24) for Blue Cross from The Stubbs Family, Hilderstone and further bull to 338p (£1,814.68). Stock bulls to 311p or £3,234.40 for Charolais from D.&JM. Williams, Basford and further Charolais to 240p (£2,025.60) from Mr T.D. Jones, Newtown to mention a few. The section average returned at 268p or £2,143.45.

Simmental from Partneriaeth Llysmystyn, Foel which was mention a few. The section average returned at 380p or purchased by a further feeder and Hereford to 294p (£1,411.20) from Ivor Edwards & Family, Bronington.

### - RED MARKETS -

Red Market Will Be The Second Monday of Every Month ... Monday 14 April/12 May, 3.30pm. For all cattle including T.B. restricted holdings with a movement licence from Animal Health.

### **WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH 2025 160 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS** Auctioneer: Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Another "stop press" moment here at Market Drayton Market, with trade surpassing some vendors expectations by as much as 40 pence per kilo more than they were expecting!! It's just been one of those days where demand has again outstripped supply!! A huge vote of thanks for all the support from vendors, buyers, hauliers and staff as space was certainly at a premium. The entry akin to "dolly mixtures" of the liquorice allsorts variety with something for everyone and everyone for 107 DAIRY CATTLE something and with trade electric for all types.

Great to see ambassadors for "Lens Light" in the market today and supporting a very, very worth while charity as its always good to talk. Highlighting the trade today and taking pole position would be bulls to 466p or for everyone. £3,612.96, steers to 456p or £3,053.70 and heifers to 435p or £2,853.60. The overall market average returning at 380p or £2,287.96 and please remember Drayton cattle are predominantly dairy bred continentals not sucklers!

Please remember the new order of sale, with tested cattle being sold first followed by non-tested and to conclude with the bulls.

42 Bulls - Wow, what an absolute blistering trade being a barrier! Mr Pete Moseley & Family, Allostock £2,980, £2,950 and £2,850. Limousins to 446p (£3,282.56), 415p (£2,921.60) and 407p (£3,239.72), The Heath Family, Pipe Gate saw their Limousins to 446p (£2,577.88), 428p (£2,811.20) and 404p (£2,480.56). Great to see Mr Richard Reynolds, Woodhouse Eaves back with Blondes to 430p (£2,339.20), 404p (£2,731.04) etc, Mr Martin Edwards & Family, Morton Limousin to 424p (£2,425.28), 412p (£2,364.88) etc, C. Simcock & Sons, Felton Blue Cross to 422p (£2,270.36). In the lump Mr Paul Brereton, Bearstone Blonde grossed £3,61.96. Natives sold to 414p (£2,906.28) for an Angus from our regular Cheshire vendor. Drayton specials saw black and whites to 364p (£2,242.24) from The Johnson Family, Enson Lane. The section average returned at 385p or £2,369.37.

43 Steers - A real corker from Mr Ian Brown & Family, Werrington sold to 456p or £2,653.92 for a Blue securing top slot. Mr Nev Evans & Family, Winnington saw his 34 month Limousin selling to 423p (£2,994.84). Distant supporter Mr Richard Reynolds, Woodhouse Eaves sold Fleckvieh to 420p (£2,385.60), Mr D.H. Bromilow, Golborne Blue Crosses to 409p (£2,691.22), 386p (£2,987.60) etc, Mr Steve Simpkin, Almington Limousins to 408p (£2,913.12) and 388p (£2,987.60). In the lump Mr Eric Slaney & Paul Timmis, Stowe-By-Chartley sold Blonde to generate £3,053.70 who also

2 Clean - Heifers to 342p (£1,539.00) for topped the natives with an Angus to 385p (£2,795.10) to £2,562.55.

> 75 Heifers - An entry which boasted the "good, bad and ugly" but all selling on a tremendous trade and more needed to meet demand. Mr Jonny Warner & Family, Stoke Heath held the gold medal position with a Limousin to 435p or £2,209.80 and 425p (£2,074.00) and 413p (£2,238.46). The Jebb Family, Ford Limousins to 434p (£2.447.76), 431p (£2.275.68), 418p (£2.491.28) etc. J.W. Gosmore & Partners, Tattenhall Limousin to 429p (£2,608.32) and The Davies Family, Cound Limousins to 410p to generate £2,853.60 and 403p (£2,756.52) to mention a few. Natives sold to 388p (£2,560.80) for Angus from Mr M.R. Brassington, Arley. The section average returned at 379p or £2,195.92.

> Please keep the numbers coming to meet this flying demand. Please ensure all cattle are accompanied with a FILLED IN DECLARATION FORM signed & correct Farm Assurance details. Thank you.

Auctioneers : Gwilym Richards (07768 020393) Jason Brown (07774 816384) & £3,800 CHAMPION COW

The biggest weekly entry of the year had something

The March Show & Sale supported by the Western Holstein Club, sponsored by Gro-Agri and judged by Mrs Sally Thomasson attracted another high quality entry.

The champion was the first prize pedigree cow from Clayden Farm Partners, Crewe, the second calver CLAYDEN ORACLE AMANDA sold for the top price of £3,800. Their 6 second calvers averaged £2,883 with others selling to £3,200 and £2,900.

The second prize pedigree cow was BIDLEA for all weights, grades and breeds with weight certainly not VAULT PAPOOSE 2 from Ray Brown & Partners, Holmes Sucklers raced away to 466p or Chapel which sold for £3,300. They sold 8 milkers to £3,513.64 for a Limousin from Will & Jackie Forrester, average £3,004 including heifers at £3,400, £3,350,

> Cows dominated the day's proceedings with other pedigree second calvers selling to £3,480 and £2,950 for Hilltop Farming Co, Northwich, £3,080 Ruth Millington, Middlewich, £3,000 J Lomax & Son, Baldwins Gate, £2,980 KJ Morris, Redditch.

> The second prize commercial cow, a Holstein Friesian second calver from RW & EE Edwards & Sons, Whitchurch sold for £2,950. The first prize commercial cow was a Brown Swiss cross from M Weaver, Stone which sold for £2,800.

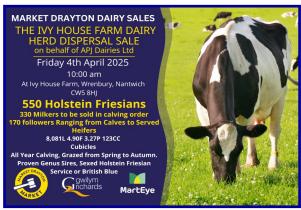
> Heifers generally lacked the superior quality of previous Shows & Sales with Lachstone Farms (J. Platt) selling to £3,000, M Weaver £2,980, M Barnett, Holmes Chapel £2,980, N Stubbs, Hilderstone £2,920, AA Winstanley & Partners, Audlem £2,820 and £2,800, TN Beeston & Son, Moreton Saye £2,800.

Averages (all in): 57 Fresh Heifers £2,371 22 Fresh Cows £2,586

The second consignment of Spring calving crossbreds from IC Edwards, Whitchurch sold to £1,650.

Next Monthly Show & Sale supported by the Western Holstein Club – Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

> PLEASE RING WITH YOUR ENTRIES FOR THE NEXT DAIRY SALE





#### **202 STORE CATTLE**

#### Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

A massive drop in numbers for no reason why but already a good number booked for next week. Trade just as good as previous weeks with plenty of choice all through the sale.

A couple of cow and calf outfits forward today trading at £1,800 to £2,000 and topping at £2,500 for a Limousin.

Premium prices for Friesian steers at £1,500 to £1,600 topping at £1,620. Trade mainly at either side of 300p/kg but topping at 375p.

Yarding cattle continue to ring the bell at £1,800 to Auctioneer: Mark Jones (07813 625787) £2,200 topping at £2,600 for Angus steer from Mr Vincent Powell, Whixall. The dearest cattle are the 400kg to 440kg handyweights with heavier hogs still a struggle. A total stores approaching 380p to 400p/kg.

Nowhere near enough farming and younger cattle to meet demand. We need some proper grazing cattle if anyone has any please get in touch. Better bred cattle MAE Nagington and BP Parsons, Golden Hill Lane. £1,100 to £1,300 with £1,400 plus being achievable for some Limousin and Hereford steers 12 to 15 months old.

300 plus cattle needed every week please - all store enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

Steers averaged £1,600 or 386p Heifers averaged £1,260 or 331p Bulls averaged £1,103 or 342p

#### Special Entry For Wednesday 9 April

- 2 x Pedigree Limousin Heifers (7 months in calf to Pedigree Limousin Bull)
- 1 x Pedigree Limousin Bull (16 Months)
- 2 x Pedigree Bulling Heifers (plus two on Wednesday 2 April)

Steers			
Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
Friesian	£1,620.00	560kg	JS.&JH. Gleave
Friesian	£1,590.00	487kg	D. & D. Parsons
British Blue	£2,030.00	532kg	F.H. Davies & Co.
British Blue	£1,970.00	528kg	Mr G. Pryce Roberts
British Blue	£1,760.00	442kg	WA.&JE. Baker
British Blue	£1,030.00	302kg	GG.&NA. Rees

Angus	£2,600.00	659kg	Vincent J. Powell
Angus	£2,290.00	556kg	Matthew J. Green
Angus	£2,250.00	563kg	Mr R. Latham
Hereford	£2,280.00	561kg	Winnington Dairy Fm
Hereford	£1,500.00	430kg	S. & G. Mellor
Hereford	£1,180.00	328kg	F.J. Cornes & Son
Hereford	£740.00	206kg	James Kettleborough
Montbeliard	e £960.00	420kg	J.&S. Farming
Charolais	£1,900.00	602kg	Mr D.J. Stubbs
Charolais	£1,790.00	444kg	Mr D.J. Stubbs
Simmental	£2,020.00	546kg	Mr N. Stubbs
Simmental	£1,620.00	460kg	J.&S. Farming
Simmental	£1,580.00	524kg	D. & D. Parsons
Limousin	£2,000.00	486kg	CR&G.Shepherd&Son
Limousin	£1,980.00	542kg	JE.&A. Mitchell
Limousin	£1,540.00	390kg	D. & D. Parsons
Limousin	£1,425.00	376kg	Mr N. Stubbs
Heifers			
Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
British Blue	£2,010.00	544kg	Mr Robert Hares
British Blue	£1,900.00	534kg	Mr Robert Hares
British Blue	£1,700.00	463kg	D. & D. Parsons
British Blue	£980.00	290kg	GG.& NA. Rees
Angus	£1,980.00	541kg	F.H. Davies & Co.
Angus	£1,850.00	546kg	H.A. Barber & Son
Angus	£1,500.00	496kg	J.&S. Farming
Angus	£795.00	232kg	Jennifer Brown
Hereford	£1,650.00	561kg	Winnington Dairy Fm
Hereford	£1,460.00	438kg	S. & G. Mellor
Hereford	£1,350.00	440kg	Mr I.C. Edwards
Hereford	£1,340.00	442kg	JT. & AR. Frank
Charolais	£1,700.00	512kg	Mr D.J. Stubbs
Simmental	£2,000.00	544kg	F.H. Davies & Co.
Simmental	£1,800.00	528kg	J.&S. Farming
Limousin	£1,580.00	440ka	D. & D. Parsons

#### 2,985 PRIME HOGGETS

Limousin

Limousin

£1,100.00

£900.00

Just shy of 3,000 hoggets saw a good trade for clearance was reported and an overall market average was returned at 349p.

286kg

248kg

GG.&NA. Rees

Mr I.C. Edwards

Lights sold to 353p for 30.5kgs to gross £107.67 for

Standards hit 431p for 39kgs to realise £168.09 for B. Lawton & Son, Weston Jones. Other sample prices as follows:- £158.76 (37.8kgs) Mr Matthew Green, £143.19 (38.7kgs) Mr S.R. Scott, £141.96 (39kgs) Mr E.L. Thomas, £140.84 (38.8kgs) Mrs Jane Banks and £140.14 (38.5kgs) Mr A.T. Williamson.

Mediums raced away to 450p for 42.3kgs to accumulate £190.35 for B. Lawton & Son, Weston Jones. Coming a close second was D. & JM. Williams, Basford with 44.2kgs selling to 443p to realise £195.81. Others as follows:- £191.83 (44.2kgs) D.&JM. Williams, £191.80



(44.5kgs) Mr J. Roberts, £190.06 (44.2kgs) D.&JM. BULL CALVES Williams, £185.73 (43.7kgs) R. Swift & Sons and £185.33 FRIESIAN/HOLSTEIN (43kgs) B. Lawton & Son.

Heavies sold to 420p for 45.6kgs to gross £191.52 £305 for Mr Edward Simms, Lach Dennis. The vast majority of heavies traded between 290p and 310p or £148 to £160.

More next week please!

	Sold	Av.
Premium	324	407p
Prime	2,154	346p
Other	507	281p

Lambs Graded:- Lights 353p (£107.67) average 319p (12 - AV.£514.52) (£92.37). Standards 431p (£168.09) average (£122.65). Mediums 450p (£195.81) average (£153.09).Heavies 420p (£196.00) average 312p (£156.21).

#### **383 BUTCHERS EWES**

Auctioneer: Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Ewes sold on a flying trade topping out at £340 for HEIFER CALVES Texel ewes from WL.&JA. Forrester, Colehurst. Rams to BRITISH BLUE £243 for Texel rams from Mr R. Stewart, Norton. ewes sold from £70 to £100, plain ewes £110 to £130, £545 cutting ewes £140 to £170 and heavy ewes sold £180 to £515 £210. An overall average was returned at a staggering £173.62.

#### 921 REARING CALVES

Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356) & Jonty £295 AW.&L.Hollinshead Cliffe (07595 453306)

Another extraordinary entry of calves and a cracking trade from start to finish. Overall, a stand on trade to last week, but the best calves would be a shade dearer with £490 Mr W.J. Holdcroft 116 calves selling in excess of £500. A sincere thank you to all buyers, sellers, and staff for their contributions to LIMOUSIN today - with all 921 calves sold by 2:15pm and all calves (5 - AV.£301.60) left the market by 4:45pm. As for trade, one thing is staying £418 Mr S.R. Nash consistent - strong, well-presented calves continue to £380 Mr S. Harding command a premium. However, with spring-born calves now more readily available, buyers are becoming more selective for smaller and plainer types.

Friesian Bulls - A much better show the week with plenty of strong bulls on offer. Top price was £305 for AW&B. Titterton & Sons, Milwich. Best: £160-£250, Mediums: £90-£150, Smalls: £30-£70.

Native Bulls - A quality entry forward with plenty of best types for buyers to get stuck into. Top price: £640 for a Hereford from FE.&M. Kennerley & Son, Congleton. Best: £400-£500, Mediums: £300-£400, Smalls: £150-£280.

Continental Bulls - An exceptional trade across all grades, with demand very high. Top price: £745 for a Limousin bull from Mr G.B. Warner, Shrewsbury. Best: £500-£650, Mediums: £400-£490, Smalls: £220-£360.

Native Heifers - The trade remains electric for the best and medium types, while buyers are becoming more selective with smaller calves. Top price: £395 for an Angus from RD.&A. Roe, Gnosall. Best: £300-£370, Mediums: £180-£280, Smalls: £50-£150.

Continental Heifers - Quality was in abundance this week and trade definitely up a gear for the top end. Top price: £590 for a Simmental from G, Green & Son, Lach Dennis. Best: £440-£540, Mediums: £350-£430, Smalls: £240-£320.

Weanlings - A handful of strong weanlings were forward, achieving excellent prices. 4 month Angus bull: £580 from Brittlebank Ltd, Leigh and 5 month Hereford bulls: £680 from Mr Ed Fair, Peatswood. For all calf enquiries, please contact Ben or Jonty.

(139 - AV.£94.16) AW&B.Titterton&Sons £665 GH.&J. Cork £300 Mr J.E. Oulton

ABERDEEN ANGUS (144 - AV.£318.69) £525 Mr W.J. Holdcroft £515 Brittlebank Ltd

**CHAROLAIS** 

342p £645 S. & M. Huxley & Son 355p £630 D.&HE. Colclough&Son

LIMOUSIN

(15 - AV.£487.33) £745 Mr G.B. Warner £700 Mr P.T. Hillard

Light (158 - AV.£337.20) TS.&AE.Hartley x 2 Fitton Farms Ltd

> **HEREFORD** (30 - AV.£202.80) £315 RJ.&RH. Gadsbey

SIMMENTAL (11 - AV.£400.43) £590 G.Green & Son

**BRITISH BLUE** (182 - AV.£382.43) £655 Marsh Farms

**HEREFORD** (53 - AV.£388.68) £490AW&B.Titterton&Sons £480 RJ.& RH. Gadsbey

SIMMENTAL (21 - AV.£453.19) £675 KP&M. Massey&Son £655 Mr J.E. Oulton

(4 - AV.£335.00) £500 Victor McNaugher £400 Mr S. Harding

ABERDEEN ANGUS (89 - AV.£228.24) £395 RD.&A. Roe & Son £385 Brittlebank Ltd

**CHAROLAIS** (9 - AV.£482.70) £570 RJ.&RH. Gadsbey £550 CE&GS.Witter&Sons

**LIMOUSIN** (11 - AV.£407.72) £570 Mr P.T. Hillard x 2 £490 S. & M. Huxley







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## **ANNUAL REVENUE CLAIM**

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2025

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