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Market Drayton Market Report The Following Trade:



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MONDAY 7 JULY 2025

134 BARREN COWS, CULL BULLS & OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE (Green Market)

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

The weathers heating up and so is the trade with cows all selling on a flying trade! Especially for the time of year on absolute flyer and more needed to meet growing demand! Certainly no deadweight gloom and doom ring side with buyers keen for all commodities and numbers not a problem. Cracking number forward for the time of year and big thank you for all support both near and far and great to see returning faces to Drayton. As always a good mix of buyers representing end users, further finishers and exporters and as always thank you for your support.

Headliners this week returned at 364p or £2,957.50 for clean, 338p or £2,271.28 for sucklers, 329p or £3,186.30 for bulls and 298p or £2,582.58 for dairy. The overall average returned at 259p or £1,672.63.

94 Dairies - Blistering trade throughout seeing ten cows selling in excess of £2,000! Trade peaked at 298p or £1,531.72 for a young black and white from SH.&JE. Dennison, Chirbury and further animal to 296p (£1,574.72), Martin Partners, Longford saw their Montbeliardes to 284p (£1,141.36), 281p (£2,163.70), Lees Dairy Farms, Adderley black and white to 278p (£2,285.16) and CR.&DM. Evans, Dudleston saw 278p (£1,150.92). In the lump Millenheath Farm Ltd, Higher Heath saw their cows gross £2,582.58 and £2,379.12. Only a handful of cows below 200p and these would be extremely light and plain with a trade in some places 20 pence a kilo dearer or in excess of £100 per head. The section average returned at 245p or £1,524.92.

22 Sucklers - Only a soupcon forward but a real firm trade prevailing either for meated cows or feeding types. Top price saw a Blue Cross cow to 338p or £2,257.84 from a regular Cheshire vendor and further Limousin to 318p (£1,698.12) and 312p (£1,865.76).

The Evans Family, Winnington saw their Charolais to 319p to return £2,271.28 and Limousin to 299p (£2,236.52), Mr Steve Simpkin, Alington Limousin to 313p (£2,191.00) and Mr Robert Corfield & Family, Norbury Limousin to 297p (£2,215.62), Angus cows to 276p (£1,733.28) from Mr R.H. Turner, Bradley to mention a few. The section average returned at 299p or £2,002.13.

10 Bulls - Some trade especially for well fleshed export type stock bulls and these peaked at 329p or £3,086.02 for a Limousin from E.&WM. Massey & Son, Ruabon. Distant supporters B.&CJ. Francis, Llanfair saw their Blonde to 320p (£1,779.20) and Angus to 288p (£1,728.00) and 286p (£2,207.92). Longhorns sold to 285p or £3,186.30 from Red Barn Farm, Fradswell. Herefords to 280p (£2,760.80) from CR.&DM. Evans, Dudleston and black and whites to 248p (£1,388.80) from The Palmer Family, Haughton. The section average returned at 275p or £2,148.10.

8 Clean Cattle - Steers sold to 364p or £2,635.36 for a Hereford from Mr Chris Matthews & Family, Blythe Bridge and a further steers to 328p (£2,965.12), 326p (£2,640.60) and 325p (£2,957.50). Heifers sold to 338p (£2,845.96) for Blue Cross from Mr Phil Tushingham & Family, Clotton and 334p (£2,645.28).

- RED MARKETS -

Red Market Will Be The Second Monday of Every Month ... Monday 14 July/11 August, 3.30pm. For all cattle including T.B. restricted holdings with a movement licence from Animal Health.

195 PIGS

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

20 Cull Sows - Sows remain a good trade and wanted with the best at 90p plus topping at 102p and 100p. Medium sows selling at 70p to 80p and boars a better trade today at 30p to 40p/kg.

96 Fat Pigs - Trade for best still very good at 200p plus topping at 280p from Mr Nigel Turner, Hopton Wafers. Plenty of good fat pigs at 160p to 180p/kg which would look a little less than previous sales. Other pigs from 90p to 130p with only rare breed types under that.

	Av.	Top	Top
47-60kgs	110p	105p	£53.90
61-79kgs	195p	129p	£152.10
80-100kgs	280p	157p	£266.93
101kgs	200p	130p	£157.95
Sows	102p	89p	£272.00

79 Weaners & Stores - Better numbers forward and more customers pen side. Best weaners at £50 to £60 topping at £68 and averaging £58.19 while stores topped at £75. A sow and 12 changed hands at £360.

- NEXT PIG MARKETS -
Monday 21 July / 4 & 18 August 10.30am
Cull Sows & Boars Followed by Prime Pigs
All enquires to Ben 07791 791356.

225 WEANLINGS

Auctioneer : Jonty Cliffe (07595 453306)

A small entry, as expected, with weanlings currently hard to come by – and that's only fuelling the trade! Despite a mixed entry in terms of quality, the trade showed plenty of strength from top to bottom. The recent dribble of rain has certainly pleased the grazing buyers, who fought hard for suitable grazers – particularly native heifers.

Bulls - A total of 24 bulls forward, strong demand throughout, particularly for well-fleshed examples. Top price of the day went to a smart 10-month-old Simmental from R.J. & J.M. Mottershead, Aston, achieving £1250. A number of Drayton specials were forward, including 6-month-old Friesians at £980 and £890 from F.H. Martin & Co, Mucklestone. Young, shapely Hereford bulls topped at £715 from JJ Vaughan, Sound.

Steers - A varied entry of steers with 71 on offer. Leading the way was an 11-month-old Blonde from Mr J. Caulkin, Market Drayton, which made £1200. He was followed by a smart 9-month-old Angus at £970 from JS. & SM. Beck, Sandbach. A tidy bunch of 10-month-old Limousins realised £930 from I Foster, Burton-on-Trent. Among the younger types, 5-month-old Blue steers made £800 for Red Hall Farm, Betley, while 4-month-old Simmentals from Mr R.M. Wheat, Smallwood sold to £760. Best of the dairy-bred steers were 7-month-old Friesians at £700 from Mr R.E. Brittain, Bromsgrove.

Heifers - A bumper entry of heifers with 130 forward, and plenty of competition throughout – all heifers averaged £701 per head. Top call went to a superb 7-month-old Charolais from Mr M. Jackson, Weston, which achieved £1,300. Close behind were 10-month-old Herefords from MD.&EK. Thesen, Goldstone at £1110. A tidy 7-month-old Angus reached £960 from Mr I. Foster, Burton-on-Trent, while 8-month-old Beef Shorthorns from K.R. Britton & Son, Dereham made £860. Among the younger end, 5-month-old Herefords sold to £830 from Mr J.G. Johnson, Dunston Heath, and 4-month-old Limousins reached £735 from Red Hall Farms.

Next Sale: Monday 21st July 2025 - Please get your entries in early to Ben or Jonty to ensure they are included in the early advertising!

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY 2025

206 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

A fantastic number for the time of year and the trade was as hot ringside as it is outside!! Again what a difference a week makes to the trade with some cattle twenty to thirty pence per kilo dearer!! It is a flash in the pan due to harvest and Yorkshire Show or is this the turning point? Who knows but time will tell and the old saying especially for the time of year "lets make hay while the sun shines"! Big thank you to all our buyers and sellers for their continued support and great to see our Celtic cousins back selling in force this week with twelve vendors out of Wales in the fat cattle section.

Serving up the "Aces" this week we saw steers to 430p or £3,034.68, heifers to 424p or £3,030.24 and bulls to 417p or £3,514.00 for bull. Fantastic seeing top prices in the lump breaking the £3,000 mark in all sections. The overall market average returned at 361p or £2,099.56.

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

84 Bulls - Better numbers, better bulls and a better trade resulting on the day. Great to see a few more forward selling on a much "brisker" trade throughout even the plainer types. Sucklers topped out at 417p or £2,835.60 for a Limousin from Pete Moseley & Family, Allstock and 393p (£2,499.48) with Angus to 362p twice (£2,447.12 and £2,425.40). Distant supporters The Vaughan Family, Machynlleth saw their Limousins to 415p (£2,058.40) and 414p (£2,384.64) and 400p (£2,472.00), Mr J. Oakes, Holly Lane Limousin to 405p (£3,029.40), Mr Dave Benbow, Eccleshall Limousin to 404p (£2,310.88). Again a distant support Mr Richard Reynolds, Woodhouse Eaves saw his Continentals to 401p (£2,454.12), 397p (£2,397.88), 395p (£2,354.20), 393p (£2,491.62) etc. In the lump Mr D.E. Evans, Mold saw their Charolais return £3,514.00 and £3,245.76. Natives a corking trade with Herefords to 396p (£2,288.88) from Mr Graham Johnson, Dunston Heath. Drayton specials saw black and whites to 347p (£1,866.86) from J. Proudlove & Partners, Baddiley. The section average returned at 358p or £2,115.93.

68 Steers - A better show of cattle forward seeing trade racing away to 430p or £2,657.40 for a Limousin from Mr Darren Young, Balterley. Distant supporters The Jones Family, Corwen saw their Limousin to 418p or a staggering £3,034.68 and Blue Cross to 406p (£2,703.96). Closer to home Pete Moseley & Family, Allstock saw their Limousin to 410p (£2,583.00) and Salers to 390p (£2,706.60) and 383p (£2,849.72), LG Farms Ltd, Market Drayton Limousin to 409p (£2,617.60). Another distant supporter Mr Richard Reynolds, Woodhouse Eaves sold Blue Crosses for 415p (£1,759.60) and 405p (£2,381.40) etc, Mr James Madders, Tixall Blue to 398p (£2,531.28) to mention a few. Natives saw Herefords to 382p (£2,062.80) from Richard Reynolds, Woodhouse Eaves. The section average returned at 367p or £2,314.24.

54 Heifers - Lighter show of heifers and more certainly required to meet growing orders ringside!! Top of the shop this week saw a Limousin to 424p or £2,306.56 again from distant supporter The Williams of Montgomery and further cattle to 421p (£2,239.72), 418p (£2,466.20) and 398p (£2,053.68), Mr Darren Young, Balterley Limousin to 417p (£2,660.46) and Mr Jonny Warner & Family, Stoke Heath Limousin to 414p (£2,152.80) and 389p (£1,999.46), Mr Mark Gatehouse, Bitterley Limousin to 408p (£2,064.48) etc. In the lump a regular Cheshire vendor saw their Blue Crosses gross £3,030.24 and £3,024.08 for a Limousin. Natives to 378p (£2,139.48) for a Hereford from Mr D.J. Edge, Lach Dennis. The section average returned at 365p or £2,067.86.

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.

77 DAIRY CATTLE

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards (07768 020393) & Jason Brown (07774 816384)

£3,800 COW | £3,480 HEIFER | 10 OVER £3,000

A phenomenal trade from a packed ringside with a top of £3,800, ten over £3,000 and another ten over £2,800.

The top price of £3,800 was for an exceptional non

pedigree second calver from MW & JM Trevor-Jones, Oswestry. A non pedigree third calver from DJ & E Guy, Kinderton sold for £3,200.

Heifers from KJ Morris, Redditch sold to £3,480 for a non pedigree.

PD & RL Fenton, Tarporley sold heifers to £3,300 and £3,000.

Mr RN Thompson, Ashbourne averaged £3,120 for his three heifers selling at £3,280, £3,090 and £2,990.

Heifers from D & E Monk, Ormskirk sold to £3,120 and £3,000 for Ruth Millington, Middlewich.

A consignment of 29 mid lactation cows from Hartpury University, Gloucester sold to £2,800 to average £1,805.

Served heifers sold to £1,920 and heifer calves to £420.

Averages (all in):

31 Fresh Heifers (all in) av. £2,410.

7 Fresh Cows (all in) av. £2,296.

Next Monthly Show & Sale supported by the Western Holstein Club – Wednesday 16 July.

158 STORE CATTLE

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

Another cracking entry of stores for our weekly market and an army of buyers and what a trade. Double the number could easily be sold — more needed please.

Just a small offering of Friesian steers but all power topping at £1,640 and averaging £1,397 or 320p/kg.

Yarding cattle go from strength to strength at the moment and show no signs of slowing down. Best cattle £1,900 to £2,200 topping at £2,270 and £2,250 for Aberdeen Angus and Simmental steers from The Weaver Family, Wilkesley. Plenty of power at £1,600 to £1,800 looking very well sold with top end native heifers at £1,700 to £1,900 or 350p to 320p/kg. Top draw cattle today at 380p to 400p/kg looking very well sold. I cannot stress enough if you are thinking about selling a few please come try a load trade is strong.

Farming and younger cattle remain very well bid for considering the current grass position. Mainly dairy bred cattle today at 10 to 14 months and getting away at £900 to £1,050 for 280kg to 320kg Blues and Herefords. Steers and heifers at £750 to £800.

Steers average £1,663 or 379p

Heifers average £1,520 or 347p

More stores needed please — all store enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

Special Entry For Wednesday 16 July 50 x Herefords 18-24 Months (450kg to 500kg)

Steers

Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
Friesian	£1,640.00	494kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Friesian	£1,480.00	440kg	DBR Farming Services
British Blue	£2,050.00	522kg	MH.&SE. Weaver
British Blue	£1,690.00	438kg	Sandyford Farm Ptn
British Blue	£1,640.00	494kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
British Blue	£1,580.00	410kg	Major Farming Ltd
British Blue	£1,160.00	366kg	Major Farming Ltd
Angus	£2,250.00	578kg	MH.&SE. Weaver
Angus	£1,940.00	538kg	DH.&TM. Ratcliffe
Angus	£1,890.00	496kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Angus	£1,690.00	466kg	Mr P. Hinton
Hereford	£1,975.00	502kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Hereford	£1,960.00	514kg	Mr S.E. Bailey
Hereford	£1,395.00	406kg	Major Farming Ltd
Hereford	£1,150.00	392kg	DW.&G.Pugh&Sons
Charolais	£1,770.00	456kg	Sandyford Fm Ptns

Simmental	£2,270.00	560kg
Limousin	£1,975.00	487kg
Limousin	£1,840.00	484kg
Limousin	£1,620.00	420kg

Heifers

Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
British Blue	£1,675.00	432kg	Sandyford Fm Ptns
British Blue	£1,560.00	437kg	DH&TM. Ratcliffe
British Blue	£985.00	330kg	C.&DF. Johnson
Angus	£1,900.00	525kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Angus	£1,790.00	487kg	Mr Brian Chidlow
Angus	£1,690.00	454kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Hereford	£1,770.00	479kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Hereford	£1,190.00	384kg	DW.&G. Pugh& Sons
Hereford	£960.00	360kg	Cherry Orchard Fms
Charolais	£1,880.00	484kg	DL.EF.&S. Small
Charolais	£1,820.00	470kg	Mr S.E. Bailey
Limousin	£1,995.00	448kg	DW.&G.Pugh&Sons
Limousin	£1,690.00	454kg	DL.&EF.&S. Small



1,601 PRIME LAMBS

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

A fantastic trade from start to finish with a total clearance reported and an overall market average returned at a very pleasing 357p.

Lights sold to 341p for 30.5kgs to return £104.01 for Mr M.J. Jones, Malpas.

Standards sold to 404p for 38.6kgs to return £155.94 for Mr D. Gater, Cold Hatton. Others notable prices as follows :- £150.86 (38kgs) Mr D. Gater, £146.68 (38kgs) TB.&S Cartmail, £143.64 (37.8kgs) TB.&S. Cartmail, £139.49 (37kgs) Mr T.J. Nicholls, £142.82 (38.6kgs) TB. & S. Cartmail.

Mediums sold to 446p for 43.2kgs to realise £192.67 for Mr D. Gater, Cold Hatton who had a further pen of 42.2kgs achieving £185.68. Others prices as follows:- £176.28 (45.2kgs) Done & Son, £173.94 (44.6kgs) Done & Soh, £172.92 (44kgs) B. Lawton & Son, £172.20 (42kgs) Emma Jones, .

Heavies remain a very good trade selling 390p for 46kgs to return £179.40 for Done & Son, Hack Green. Top price in the lump was £220.40 for 58kgs from Emma Jones, Craigllwyn. More required next week please.

	Sold	Av.
Premium	389	381p
Prime	1,001	356p
Other	211	312p

Lambs Graded:-Lights 342p (£109.44) average 331p (£98.35).Standards 404p (£155.94) average 350p (£125.08).Mediums 446p (£192.67) average 357p (£151.53).Heavies 390p (£220.40) average 356p (£169.72).

350 BUTCHERS EWES

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Ewes sold on a flying trade with best to £266 for Texel Ewes from WL. & JA. Forrester, Colehurst. Rams to £230 for Texels from Mr Nick Hulse, Aspley. Light ewes sold from £70-£90, plain ewes £95-£110, cutting ewes £115-£140 and heavy ewes £150-£180. An overall average was returned at a staggering £155.49.

Wool Collection 2025
Contact Tom 07903 566889
For Collection Details.



THURSDAY 14 AUGUST
25 SEPTEMBER &
30 OCTOBER @ 5.00PM
MARKET DRAYTON
SHEEP FAIRS

Commencing at 5pm with
 Shearling Ewes followed by Aged
 Ewes, Ewe Lambs, Store Lambs and
 Breeding Rams





560 REARING CALVES

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356) & Jonty Cliffe (07595 453306)

Fantastic numbers forward for July and once again a very strong trade! The averages still look superb, although they aren't as dizzy as last week. This has been impacted by less quality and more younger calves through the ring today however, all calves have still averaged an impressive £391 per head. Demand remains exceptionally strong, but there have been signs today which suggest the momentum may soon begin to shift in the opposite direction.

Friesian Bulls – A poor show with some rearers buyers going home disappointed. Top price was £220 from SJ Mitchell, Hatherton. Best: £170-£220, Mediums: £100-£150, Smalls: £50-£90.

Native Bulls – There was no let-up in trade across all grades, with particularly strong demand for best and medium types as we've had 49 head exceed £500! Top price: £650 for an Angus from Tomkinson Farms Ltd, Gnosall. Best: £500-£600, Mediums: £360-£475, Smalls: £200-£350.

Continental Bulls – A strong trade across all grades especially the medium blue bulls that saw fierce competition. Top price: £840 for a Blue bull from R Cooper & Son Ltd, Church Lawton. Best: £625-£750, Mediums: £500-£600, Smalls: £300-£450.

Native Heifers – A super trade with demand high for good quality with 28 over £435, however the plainer heifers have been harder to sell than normal today. Top price: £480 for a Hereford from JM Brindley & Partners, Nantwich. Best: £370-£475, Mediums: £250-£360, Smalls: £140-£240.

Continental Heifers – A much better show of quality and demand remains high with £500 continuing to be no barrier for strong heifers. Mediums continue to look the dearest. Top price: £625 for a Charolais heifer from

MA&WJ Jolliffe, Coton. Best: £500-£625, Mediums: £400-£475, Smalls: £300-£350. For all calf enquiries, please contact Ben or Jonty.

BULL CALVES

FRIESIAN/HOLSTEIN

(39 - AV.£128.10)

£220 Mr S.J. Mitchell

£215 Thomasson Livestock

BRITISH BLUE

(100 - AV.£503.40)

£840 R. Cooper & Son Ltd

£805 TS.&AE. Hartley

ABERDEEN ANGUS

(94 - AV.£359.00)

£650 Tomkinson Farms Ltd

£640 R.A. Fisk & Sons

HEREFORD

(26 - AV.£501.13)

£620 J.&AJ. Weatherby

£590 Mr Jason R. Atkin

STABILISER

(5 - AV.£577.00)

£660 A.G. Parrott Farming x 2

£630 A.G. Parrott Farming

SIMMENTAL

(12 - AV.£526.67)

£660 DG.&JA. Ball

£650 H.&J. Smith & Sons

BLONDE D'AQUITAINE

(2 - AV.£322.50)

£475 R.A. Fisk & Sons

£170 R.A. Fisk & Sons

SHORTHORN

(2 - AV.£130.00)

£170 Mr R.N. Thompson

£90 BJ.&A. Beech

LONGHORN

(4 - AV.£417.58)

£470 Red Barn Farm

£440 Red Barn Farm

MONTBELIARDE

(12 - AV.£232.50)

£515 D.&J. Moseley Ltd

£420 D.&J. Moseley Ltd

CHAROLAIS

(12 - AV.£564.10)

£690 MA.&WJ. Jolliffe

£650 MA.&WJ. Jolliffe

LIMOUSIN

(10 - AV.£500.50)

£625 J. Proudlove&Ptns

£545 Mr Daniel Campbell

HEIFER CALVES

BLONDE D'AQUITAINE

(5 - AV.£360.00)

£520 AW&B.Titterton&Sons

£370 R.A. Fisk & Sons

ABERDEEN ANGUS

(84 - AV.£310.30)

£465 R.A Fisk & Son

£450 C.R Dutton

STABILISER

(3 - AV.£505.00)

£590 A.G. Parrott Farming

£520 A.G. Parrott Farming

SIMMENTAL

(9 - AV.£449.43)

£540 F.&R. Brassington

£540 Mr W.J. Holdcroft

BRITISH BLUE

(83 - AV.£409.83)

£620 J.&AJ. Weatherby

£570 JM.Brindley & Ptns

HEREFORD

(20 - AV.£386.00)

£480 J.M. Brindley & Ptns

£460 G. Ward Farms Ltd

CHAROLAIS

(11 - AV.£506.30)

£625 MA.&WJ. Jolliffe

£555 MA.&WJ. Jolliffe

LIMOUSIN

(16 - AV.£451.88)

£545 Allen Family Fm Ltd

£540 Mr C. Tattersall

LONGHORN x 1 £400 Red Barn Farm



FRIDAY 18 JULY 2025
10:30am
 Market Drayton Livestock Market
THREE COUNTIES
BI-MONTHLY COLLECTIVE
MACHINERY SALE

Vehicles, Trailers, Grassland &
 Cultivation Equipment plus Sundry
 Items.





*Photos from previous sales



Newport
SHOW

THIS SATURDAY
12TH JULY 2025

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(BY THE CATTLE LINES)

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CAPITAL GRANT APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The Capital Grants Offer has officially reopened – with £150 million available to support environmental improvements on farms and rural land across England.

Don't miss this opportunity to secure support for your business. For guidance with your 2025 application please contact Harriet Jones or Dan Bowden on 01630 692 500.

FOR SALE

MAESFEN, NR WHITCHURCH



43.01 Acres (17.41 Ha) in all
two well-fitted barn conversions
each 3 bedrooms with potential to create
further beds/one large house | range of
farm buildings | pasture and woodland
for sale as a whole or in 4 lots

Price for Whole £1,550,000

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