

MARKET DRAYTON MARKET LTD

Market Drayton Market Report The Following Trade:

MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2025 230 BARREN COWS, CULL BULLS & OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE (Green Market) Auctioneer: Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Boom, what a number and what a trade for the time of year!! Clean beef trade may have eased but the barren trade remains remarkably brisk especially with more further feeding buyers present and end users competing for your cows. Like we keep saying we do not necessarily want all your cows but just send a proportion to test the trade and support the market! At Market Drayton we try to be a hub for farmers and the rural community to all come together offering an outlet for calves, dairies, barrens and dispersal sales and we are here to support you and we appreciate your support be it weekly, monthly or yearly so a big thank you all local and distant supporters be it selling or buying.

The Autumn warmers returned at 319p or £3,974.74 for bulls, 309p or £2,775.50 for overage clean, dairy to 308p or £2,450.16 and 301p or £2,365.86 for sucklers. The overall market average returned at 234p or £1,406.02.

169 Dairies - Fantastic number selling on an extremely buoyant trade with young feeding types and meated cattle certainly experiencing an inflated trade. Young Montbeliarde took pole position selling to 308p or £1,657.04 from The Furnival Family, Napley Lodge who also saw 308p (£1,669.36) for Danish Red and 305p (£1,842.20) and further cattle to 295p (£1,905.70), 288p (£1,647.36), 278p (£1,384.44) etc with the majority going to further finishers. Meated types saw black and whites to 277p (£2,027.64) from A. & R. Bowers, Milwich Heath. Distant supporters JA.&JM. Insall & Son, Long Itchington saw their cows to 276p or £2,379.12, 274p (£2,181.04) and in the lump to gross £2,450.16. Plenty of cows £1,900 to £2,300 on the day. The section average returned at 225p or £1,321.36 and this average had a large proportion of light parlour types in it!

49 Sucklers - No real superstars with a very mixed entry forward with good commercial types selling to 301p (£2,365.86) for Limousin from Mr Anthony Whitfield & Family, Derrington. Simmental to 289p (£2,115.48) from The Goodwin Family, Abbots Bromley. Natives to 281p (£2,158.08) for Hereford from The Cadwaladr Family, Leighton and Angus to 285p (£2,143.20) from distant travellers G.A. Evans & Co, Parc. The section average returned at 251p or £1,472.13.

9 Bulls - Wow, what a trade for heavy export bulls selling to 319p or £3,974.74 for a Limousin from R.& EM. Watson & Son, Eglwys Cross and further Limousin to 307p (£2,824.40) from Mr R.W. Morgan, Waters Upton. JM.&JK. Cliffe & Son, Austerson saw their Angus to 290p (£3,236.40) and Muir Farming, Hopton saw their Angus run to 283p (£2,399.84), 272p (£1,387.20), 270p twice (£2,316.60 and £1,485.00). The section average returned at 278p or £2,336.66.



3 Clean - Dominated with Angus and these sold to 309p or £2,706.84 from Mr Phil Tushingham & Family, Clotton and 305p or £2,775.50.

- RED MARKETS -

Red Market Will Be The Second Monday of Every Month ... Monday 13 October/10 November, 3.30pm. For all cattle including T.B. restricted holdings with a movement licence from Animal Health.

165 PIGS

Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

10 Cull Sows - A reduced entry and mainly coloured sows forward. Best 70p plus topping at 78p from Mr Nigel Turner, Cleobury Mortimer and 82p from Mr R.A. Watson, Fenny Betley.

78 Fat Pigs - A stand on trade with best pigs well sold but others a little harder to place at times especially if they were heavy boars. Best at 260p to 280p topping at 320p from Mr Nigel Turner, Cleobury Mortimer.

Av.Top60-79kgs184p222p£172.0580-100kgs237p320p£298.67101kgs67p75p£93.50Sows68p82p£216.48

77 Weaners - A large entry attracted brisk bidding with weaners topping at £56 and averaging £46.72. A run of store pigs sold from £35 to £45 topping at £50.

- NEXT PIG MARKETS -

Monday 6 & 20 October/3 & 17 November, 10.30am Cull Sows & Boars Followed by Prime Pigs All enquires to Ben 07791 791356.

245 WEANLINGS

Auctioneer: Jonty Cliffe (07595 453306)

A decent number forward with numbers continuing to look short nationwide — and what a trade we've had! Some really cracking runs of quality weanlings on offer but also many which were showing signs of a hard summer. All have sold very well indeed, so if you have some to sell get them tested for the October sales. The Suckled Calf Show & Sale is Monday 20 October!

Bulls – A decent number forward with 33 bulls; they've all been under 8 month old today. Top price went to a 8mo Angus at £850 from Mr T.A. Williams, Stafford, next up were a lovely run of suckler bred Simmentals from Mr C.J. Tams, Stafford which topped at £830. Young 3-4 month Blue bulls sold to £740 from Mr C. Williams, Offley Hay. All bulls averaged £562.87.

Steers - High demand for steers today with a good mix of ages. Leading the way were a group of 11mo Blues from R.W. Adams & Son, Stoke-on-Tern at £1240 followed by some 10mo Angus which sold to

£1110 from Mr Matt Groom, Croxton. Next up were 7 month Herefords from J.W. Cotton & Son, Gratwich at super star quality racing away to 430p or £2,386.50 for a £990. The younger steers topped at £910 for a Simmental from Mr C.J. Tams, Stone. A group of 6 month Angus from N.&JM. Tomkinson, Gnosall sold to £845 and a pair of 5 month Blues sold to £840 from Mr C. Baty, Austerson. All steers averaged £758.51.

Heifers - 120 heifers saw a fantastic trade with quality in abundance – all heifers averaged £631.11 per head. Top call went to a 12mo Limousin from £1140 from W.&P. Benbow & Sons, Faul who sold others to £1,090. A single 9 month Angus from Mr M. Clarke, Crewe topped at sold for £840.

Younger types included 5 month Simmentals from returned at 349p or £1,974.48. £830 from Mr C.J. Tams, Stone and 5 month Blues from D.&J. King, Nantwich at £750.

Next Sale: Monday 6 October 2025 - Please get your entries in early to Ben or Jonty to ensure they are included in the early advertising!

WEDNESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2025 197 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer: Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Few more forward selling on another similar trade to last week with meat and shape very easily placed but Western Holstein Club was sponsored by Butcher & second and third quality types benefiting from further finishers or breaking orders. Please do not rush your stock as going forward I am sure trade will find another gear as we march towards the "C" word!! As always at Drayton we do not "cherry pick" the best and leave the rest, we are always trying to value add to the "good, bad and ugly"!.

The 400 pence mark is still a boundary but the right types have breeched it several times today. Top prices returning at 430p or £2,592.00 for heifers, 414p or £2,738.80 for steers and 413p or £3,128.40 for bulls. The overall market average returned at 350p or £2,030.22.

breaking, 400 pence mark and averages slightly up on the average £3,483 for all three. week but in fairness more flesh around this week. Sucklers peaked at 413p or £2,205.42 for a Limousin from winner from RW & EE Edwards & Sons, Whitchurch. The distant supporters Mr Chris Price, Llanfihangel and further second prize commercial heifer from Miss Lucy Gadsby, bulls to 402p (£2,315.52) and 400p twice (£2,232.00 and Stafford sold for £3,000. Mr D. Ingham, High Offley also had a £2.200.00). cracking run of Limousins to 408p (£2,807.04), 406p (£2,703.96), 404p (32,876.48) and 399p (£3,.48.36), Mr J. Oakes, Harriseahead Limousin to 399p (£2,840.88). In the lump Mr J.T. Johnson, Utkinton saw their Limousin realise £3,128.40. Natives to 368p twice with Angus from Averages (all in): ED. & J. Morris & Sons, Llangedwyn returning £2,112.32 and a Hereford from Dave Benbow, Eccleshall to 39 Fresh Heifers (all in) av. £2,176 generate £2,046.08. Dairy breeds saw Montbeliarde's to 340p (£1,978.80) from The Morris Family, Llangedwyn. The section average returned at 361p or £2,109.72.

85 Steers - Big show forward boasting every connotation known to the farming fraternity and all changing hands on the day!! Best end very easy to place topping at 414p or £2,409.48 for a Limousin from LG Farms Ltd, Market Drayton and further Limousins to 410p twice (£2,738.80 and £2,632.20), 406p (£2,216.76) and 404p (£2,472.48), 390p (£2,457.00), Mr Brian Owen, Market Drayton saw his Blue Crosses to 399p (£2,274.30) and 392p (£2,242.24) to mention a few. Natives sold to 374p (£2,490.84) for a Hereford from RD.&A. Goodall, Caverswall. The section average returned at 345p or £2,226.52 and this represents a very mixed entry!

66 Heifers - Very similar story to the steers with Limousin from distant supports The Roberts Bros, Aberystwyth and further heifers to 424p (£2,387.12), 420p (£2,347.80) and 408p (£2,501.04). Closer to home Mr Martin Edwards & Family, Lower Morton saw 409p (£2,110.44) for their Limousin. Mr Jonny Warner & Family, Stoke Heath Charolais to 400p (£2,144.00) and 389p (£2,061.70) and R.& SF. Harper & Son, Withington Limousin to 396p (£2,352.24). In the lump DP.& DA. Jones, Hollowmoor Heath saw their Angus realise £885 and 8 month Blues from AJ.&MR. Hughes, Ightfield £2,592.00. Natives saw Angus to 348p (£1,733.04) from Mr M.G. Butler, Light Oakes. The section average

> 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.

58 DAIRY CATTLE

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

£4,000 CHAMPION HEIFER | £3,850 BEST COW

The September Show & Sale supported by the Barlow Solicitors and judged by Grant Pink.

The Champion and first prize pedigree heifer STERNDALE PARFECT RAE from W & J Nadin & Co. Buxton sold for £4,000 and the second prize pedigree heifer DALEBANK CRUSHABULL GOLDA from David Rees Farms, Nantwich sold for £3,450. Other heifers from W & J Nadin & Co sold at £3,420 and £3,380 and their three heifers averaged £3,600.

Cows sold to £3,850 for the first prize pedigree cow, the second calver LACHSTONE ATLANTIS O LASS from Lachstone Farms, Northwich.

Clayden Farm Partners, Crewe sold third calvers to 46 Bulls - A few less about with best sucklers back £3,550 and £3,500 and second calvers at £3,450 to

Commercial heifers sold to £3,080 for the first prize

It was most definitely a two tier trade with the best in very strong demand but the lesser sorts being very difficult to place.

In all, 13 cattle sold for over £3,000 and 32 over £2,000.

18 Fresh Cows (all in) av. £2,441

Next Monthly Show & Sale supported by the Western Holstein Club - Wednesday 29 October.



263 STORE CATTLE

Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

Similar numbers and a stand on trade. A few weathered cattle feeling the cold a little harder at times. J. Sammons, Church Eaton. Top price in the lump was Best sold well be strong farming native steers selling at £94.08 for 32kgs for CE.&M. Lloyd-Jones, Trawsfynydd. £1,400 to £1,600.

on offer. Best topping at £1,510 with the majority at £900 to notable prices as follows:- £143.52 (39kgs) Mr K.N. House, £1,100 and topping at 335p and averaging 253p.

Yarding cattle still ringing the bell and trading £1,700 to £2,000 topping at £2,200 for Blues from Mr K.F. Watson, Marton. Best cattle back up to 360p to 380p/kg with top draw 400p to 420p/kg. Best native heifers £1,600 to £1,800 topping at £2,000 for Angus from Mr Frank Davies, Wellington with best at 330p to 350p/kg.

enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

<u>Steers</u>			
Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
Friesian	£1,510.00	450kg	Mr N. Stubbs
Friesian	£950.00	368kg	HK.&SB. Bennett
Friesian	£880.00	358kg	DJ.&E. Moss & Sons
British Blue	£2,200.00	523kg	Mr K.F. Watson
British Blue	£1,650.00	462kg	Betley Court Fm Ptn
British Blue	£1,400.00	382kg	G.M. Horton & Son
British Blue	£1,145.00	334kg	P. &DE. Jones&Son
Angus	£1,960.00	534kg	OC.Whittaker & Sons
Angus	£1,930.00	526kg	Mr R.W. Burgoyne
Angus	£1,700.00	452kg	Mr R.W. Burgoyne
Anguis	£1,580.00	430kg	HK.&SB.Bennett
Hereford	£1,820.00	540kg	D.M. Rutter & Son
Hereford	£1,810.00	497kg	CR&G.Shepherd&Son
Hereford	£1,595.00	445kg	Winnington Dairy Fm
Hereford	£1,290.00	367kg	MB.&M. Evans
Montbeliarde £1,740.00		500kg	Mr N. Stubbs
Simmental	£2,060.00	508kg	D.& A. Warrington
Simmental	£1,860.00	634kg	Mr Frank Davies
Simmental	£1,700.00	484kg	Betley Court Fm Ptn
Limousin	£2,040.00	530kg	Dawn Williams
Limousin	£1,810.00	422kg	Jackie Matthias
Limousin	£1,800.00	482kg	Mr N. Stubbs
Limousin	£1,040.00	286kg	Jackie Matthias

		•	
<u>Heifers</u>			
Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
British Blue	£1,970.00	530kg	GM.&JA. Williams
British Blue	£1,785.00	486kg	A. & K. Thompson
British Blue	£1,550.00	458kg	B.N. Capewell&Son
British Blue	£1,320.00	392kg	Mr P. Kirkham
Angus	£2,000.00	590kg	Mr Frank Davies
Angus	£1,840.00	506kg	Mr R.W. Burgoyne
Angus	£1,600.00	492kg	Betley Court Fm Ptn
Angus	£1,250.00	387kg	JC&WA.Davies&Son
Hereford	£1,790.00	560kg	OC.Whittaker&Sons
Hereford	£1,250.00	398kg	F.J. Cornes & Son
Hereford	£1,000.00	372kg	HK.&SB. Bennett
Montbeliard	e £1,590.00	441kg	N.&B. Livestock
Simmental	£2,200.00	642kg	D.& A. Warrington
Simmental	£1,845.00	470kg	D.& A. Warrington
Simmental	£1,760.00	516kg	Betley Court Fm Ptn
Limousin	£2,040.00	556kg	Dawn Williams
Limousin	£1,970.00	515kg	RD.&CJ. Benbow
Limousin	£1,870.00	568kg	Mr Frank Davies
Limousin	£1,310.00	372kg	Jackie Matthias

1,327 PRIME LAMBS

Auctioneer: Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Lambs sold to a very fast trade from start-to-finish to return an overall market average of 323p which is well

upon local and national averages seen earlier on in the week.

Lights sold to 302p for 25kgs to gross £75.50 for Mr

Standards sold to 418p for 38.3kgs to gross More Friesian steers forward with a lack of power £160.09 for B. Lawton & Son, Weston Jones. £137.92 (38.2kgs) Mr R.J. Nicholls, £136.50 (39kgs) Mr R.T. Williams, £131.87 (38.9kgs) P.G. Galbraith & Partners.

> Mediums raced away to 430p for 43kgs to realise £184.90 for Mr T.J. Nicholls, £175.44 (45.1kgs) DJ. & P. Smith, £174.69 (41.2kgs) B. Lawton & Sons, £163.44 (45.4kgs) Mr E. Simms and £163.40 (43kgs) DJ.&P. Smith.

Heavies remain a very good trade with the best to 300 stores plus needed every week please - all store 421p for 46.3kgs to gross £194.92 for DJ.&P. Smith, Rushton Spencer. The vast majority of heavies traded from 310p to 330p or £150 to £165. More required next week please.

	Sold	Av.
Premium	199	359p
Prime	901	327p
Other	227	281p

Lambs Graded:- Lights 302p (£94.08) average 289p (£90.08). Standards 418p (£160.09) average 319p s (£113.74). Mediums 430p (£184.90) average 324p (£138.66). Heavies 421p (£204.75) average 320p (£157.26).

265 BUTCHERS EWES

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Less ewes forward selling to a much sharper trad e with the best to £216 for Suffolk ewes from Mrs Jo Thompson, Marsh Lane. Rams to £270 for a Texel tup from Mr R. Alsop, Chorley. Lights ewes traded from £45 to £75, plain ewes £80 to £120, cutting ewes £130 to £160 and heavy ewes to £170 to £200. An overall average was returned at £147.26.

Teaser Texel Tup For Sale Contact Mark 07813 625787

Wool Collection 2025 - Tom 07903 566889.



915 REARING CALVES

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

What an entry! An additional 260 calves forward this week took us to over 900 head for the first time this Autumn. Trade was outstanding given the numbers forward, with plenty of quality calves on offer - reflecting in 102 calves selling for over £500. Medium and smaller types were a shade easier on the week, though it is worth SIMMENTAL remembering that we are now at the back end of the year (17 - AV.£385.29) and prices remain, on average, £100 per head above this £495 Mr W.J. Holdcroft time last year. A sincere thank you to all buyers, vendors, £480 Mr W.J. Holdcroft and staff for their continued support and patience on what proved to be a very busy day in the calf section.

Friesian Bulls - A huge entry and good demand for all grades today. Top price was £355 from FQ Farming Ltd, Burwardsley. Best: £150-£270, Mediums: £80-£140, Smalls: £40-£70.

Native Bulls - A super trade and a lot more quality this week, with 48 over £400. Top price: Angus at £540 from WJ Holdcroft, Sandbach. Best: £350-£450, Mediums: £250-£325, Smalls: £150-£225.

Continental Bulls - The trade of the day with a real fast pace to all grades of bulls with several buying accounts in operation. Top price: £860 for a Simmental bull from Mr F. Whittaker, Sandbach. Best: £450-£600, Mediums: £350-£425, Smalls: £200-£325.

Native Heifers - A better show of heifers but still a lot of small/young types in today. The best demanded a substantial premium in comparison to the rest. Top price: Angus at £395 from C Whitticase, St Martins. Best: £250-£350, Mediums: £150-£220, Smalls: £75-£125.

Continental Heifers - A good trade and strong demand for all heifers. The best demanding a big premium similar to the natives. Top price: £615 for a Blue from GA Hargreaves & Son, Cresswell. Best: £450-£550, Mediums: £300-£400, Smalls: £150-£250. For all calf enquiries, please contact Ben or Jonty.

BULL CALVES

FRIESIAN/HOLSTEIN (107 - AV.£114.49) £295 Four Quarters Farming H.&J.Smith & Sons £285

ABERDEEN ANGUS (110 - AV.£254.35) £540 Mr Brian E. Worth £540 Mr W.J. Holdcroft

HEREFORD (62 - AV.£284.58)

£450 G.Thomasson&Son £445 Mr Jason Atkin

CBD

(6 - AV.£45.50) £108 Lower Barton Ltd £50 Lower Barton Ltd

SIMMENTAL (21 - AV.£473.10) £860 Mr F. Whittaker £690 RJ.& RH. Gadsbey

BLONDE D'AQUITAINE x 1 £350 PCM.& NM. Pugh

BRITISH BLUE (170 - AV.£417.69)

£740 RA.&AR.Williams £720 RA.&AR.Williams

DEVON X (5 - AV.£141.00) £175 E. & L. Upton £150 E. & L. Upton

MONTBELIARDE (7 - AV.£162.80) £270 Johnson Brothers £235 AL.&FL. Appleby

CHAROLAIS (18 - AV.£569.40) £750 E.W. Moss & Son £680 C.Whitticase&Son

LIMOUSIN (10 - AV.£457.50) £705 Mr W.J. Holdcroft £570 JS.&HJ. Gleave

HEIFER CALVES

BRITISH BLUE (179 - AV.£304.20) £615 GA.Hargreaves&Sons £555 E.W. Moss & Son

HEREFORD (38 - AV.£190.87) £355 Mr T.J. Hockenhull £310 J.M. Brindley&Partners £545 G.Green & Son

ABERDEEN ANGUS (108 - AV.£161.64) £395 C.Whitticase&Son £365 S. & M. Huxley&Son

CHAROLAIS (11 - AV.£470.00) £580 RJ.&RH.Gadsbey

LIMOUSIN (15 - AV.£366.67) £455 Mr Mark Lokier £440 Allen Family Farm

* * * * * * * * * * * * * *

Square Haylage Bales 4 String Second Cut 2024 Mr Dennis Tucker, Malpas Area Contact 01948 820536/07522 365528.

HAYLAGE FOR SALE

Stock Feed Potatoes (Newport Area) Contact Richard 07703 205039.









barbers RURAL rural surveyors & property agents

A huge conGradulations to our Graduate Surveyor, George McCulloch, who graduated from Harper Adams University with a First-Class Honours Degree in BSc (Hons) Rural Enterprise and Land Management yesterday.

We are delighted to welcome George back to the team following his successful placement year and look forward to supporting him as he embarks on this exciting next chapter of his career. Well done George on this outstanding achievement!



FOR SALE

Loggerheads, Nr Market Drayton | 2.01 Acres in all (0.81 Ha)



SUBSTANTIAL FARMHOUSE WITH STUNNING COUNTRYSIDE VIEWS, WRAPAROUND GARDENS AND PADDOCKS OFFERING GREAT POTENTIAL TO MODERNISE

farmhouse-style kitchen, pantry, 3 reception rooms | 4 generous bedrooms, with scope to create a further 2 large parking area and multiple garages | 2 paddocks | Peaceful rural location in close proximity of market town EPC F | Guide Price £625,000

Contact Annabel Fearnall or Steph Vernon to register your interest and find out more!







A One Day Course / Driver cpc Training Day / Certificate of Competence Assessment

Welfare of Animals during Transport

To be held at

MARKET DRAYTON MARKET LTD

The Agricultural Centre, Adderley Rd, Market Drayton,
Shropshire. TF9 3SW

Tuesday 7th October 2025 9.00am – 5.00pm

£95 + VAT including lunch and refreshments

For those wishing to take their Certificate of Competence assessment there will be an additional charge of £55 + VAT

This one day workshop has been arranged by Food and Farming Compliance Ltd. to provide an update and refresher training on the requirement of the laws to protect animals during transport and to provide 7hrs International & National Driver cpc Periodic Training.

On completion of the course, there will be the opportunity for course members to take the assessment paper for their Level 2 - Certificate of Competence - Award in Animal Transport by Road (Short Journey) for Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Goats, and Horses.

JAUPT - Joint Approvals Unit for Periodic Training
Approved Course: Welfare of Animals during Transport (ICRS29090/2040)

For further information or assistance and to book your place

Contact Nigel Durnford at Food and Farming Compliance Ltd.,

Telephone 01666 577723

E-mail: nigel.durnford@foodandfarming.co.uk

Please advise of any special requirements for example, access, special facilities and or dietary

requirements

