



MARKET DRAYTON MARKET LTD

Market Drayton Market Report The Following Trade:



THURSDAY 22 JANUARY 2026

341 ORANGE MARKET

277 Calves - A short entry and my word what a trade!! More buyers in attendance forcing prices up. Best bulls regularly £500 plus topping at £650 for Blues others at £640, £635, £625 x 3 etc, etc. Blue bulls average a whooping £396!! And all bulls forward average £305.

Bulls	Top	Av.	Heifers	Top	Av.
Friesian	£260	£107	British Blue	£505	£314
British Blue	£650	£396	Angus	£320	£175
Angus	£410	£213	Longhorn	£195	£177
Longhorn	£450	£235	Hereford	£265	£155
Limousin	£490	£388	Limousin	£240	£195

13 Weanlings - A short entry with a top call of £900 for Aberdeen Angus steers and heifers at 12 months old.

51 Stores - Again a short entry but trade just as good as a Wednesday. Those best cattle 380p plus with most other makes and models at 340p to 360p/kg. Best call at £2,000 plus topping at £2,140 for 18 month old Angus steers.

Steers	Heifers				
Breed	Top	Kgs	Breed	Top	Kgs
Friesian	£1500	468kg	British Blue	£655	238kg
British Blue	£1125	348kg	Limousin	£1500	424kg
Shorthorn	£1,520	413kg	Limousin	£600	241kg
AA	£2,140	566kg			
AA	£2,025	584kg			
AA	£1,990	551kg			
Hereford	£2,060	571kg			
Simmental	£2,005	586kg			
Limousin	£1,900	494kg			
Limousin	£1,00	344kg			

- NEXT ORANGE MARKET -

Thursday 19 February (Calves at 1pm, Weanlings & Store Cattle at 3pm). TB Restricted Sale. TB16E.

MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2026

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

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Numbers keep coming and trade remains buoyant with demand still keeping ahead of supply, this resulting in adding value. Especially to your cull dairy cows offering only a small ray of light to the dairy sector which is facing a price crisis at present! Talk of the trade would be two fold with a large array of further finishers looking to feed lean, younger cows and at the better end processing and export keen for well fleshed cattle resulting in a coking trade and dare I say it many more could have been sold to vendors advantage please keep the numbers coming as buyer support keeps increasing.

Talk of the trade delivered the following prices — bulls to 330p or £3,234.00, clean to 318p or £2,067.00, dairy to 318p or £2,829.52, sucklers to 306p or £2,263.10. The overall market average returned at 236p or £1,461.38.

138 Dairies - Absolute joy to sell with demand prevalent from the first to the last cow. It would be hard to quantify which would be the dearest sold with lean light cows finding some real spirited bidding from further finishers, contrasted with the demand for heavy fleshed cows by processors and exporters. Trade raced away to 318p or £2,086.00 for young black and white from R.R. Vernon & Sons, Burleydam. Williamson Farming Ltd, Austerson presented some real corkers seeing their Montbeliarde's to 313p to gross £2,829.52, black and whites to 284p (£1,715.36), Monties again to 258p (£2,467.44) etc, N.N. Brown & Son Ltd, Newton young black and whites to 306p (£1,585.08) and 284p (£1,380.24), Mr Jonathan Jackson & Family, Longpools saw 296p (£1,645.76) etc, Mitchell Brothers Farming, Hatherton 288p (£2,085.12), R.&J. Madders, Dolev Mill cow to 287p (£1,928.64) and The Johnson Family, Yarlet Fleckvieh's to 273p (£2,336.88) and 268p (£1,940.32) to mention a few. The section average returned at 226p or £1,394.63.

36 Sucklers - Not quite the vintage show of last week with no real superstars forward. Commercial types peaked at 305p (£2,263.10) for a Simmental from a regular Cheshire vendor. Mr Darren Young, Balterley saw his Simmental to 300p (£2,124.00). Natives saw Angus to 300p (£1,644.00) from The Beckett Family, Willington. The section average returned at 262p or £1,556.40.

4 Bulls - Dominated with stock bulls and a real flying trade and more needed to meet demand. Limousins to 330p or £3,234.00 from J. & E. Jones, Meifod. Another regular Welsh vendor saw his continental to 327p (£2,485.20) and 319p (£3,087.92). Closer to home A.J. Warner & Sons, Woodseaves saw their Simmental to 289p (£2,820.64). The section average returned at 318p or £2,906.94.

3 Clean - Humble number forward dominated with steers selling to 318p or £2,067.00 for a Hereford from DJ.&SL. Sant, Chorlton.

- RED MARKETS -

Red Market Will Be The Second Monday of Every Month ... Monday 9 February/9 March, 3.30pm. For all cattle including T.B. restricted holdings with a movement licence from Animal Health.

PIGS

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

Monday 2 February 2026

Entries to include:

- 10 to 15 Cull Sows
- 60 to 100 Fat Pigs
- 50 Store & Weaner Pigs

- NEXT PIG MARKETS -

Monday 2 & 16 February/2 & 16 March, 10.30am
Cull Sows & Boars Followed by Prime Pigs
All enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

* * * * *

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 2026

180 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Numbers holding remarkably well considering the lack lustre trade at present. But unfortunately the trade nationally is experiencing the "January Blues" and totally pole opposite to what happened last year. In farming terminology "no two years are the same" and you cannot beat the laws of demand and supply!! Huge vote of thanks to all our vendors and buyers for their weekly support and on the day more buyer support than ever just not enough of the superstars and a lot of either very heavy cattle or a third of the entry thirty-months, with on the day an introduction of barren cows in the offering. But at Drayton we are just happy with the support and not precious about the stamp of cattle as dairy types are our "bread and butter".

Leading the charge this week we saw heifers to 428p or £2,606.04, steers to 418p or £2,810.76 and bulls to 400p or £2,801.36. The overall market average returned at 344p or £2,107.35.

50 Bulls - Certainly not a vintage show with only two sucklers forward with dairy cross types the majority of the entry. We did just get to 400p twice both for Bazadaise from Mr Dafydd Morris & Family, Llanrhaeadr realising £2,536.00 and £2,464.00. Mr Bernard Parsons, Hinstock saw his Limousins to 382p (£2,398.96) and 361p or to gross £2,801.08. Natives sold to 350p (£2,016.00) for Angus from Mr Martin Edwards & Family, Lower Morton. Drayton specials saw black and whites to 320p (£2,016.00) from N.&CH. Gregory, Kynnersley. The section average returned at 343p or £2,098.66.

53 Steers - We certainly saw an extremely broad weight range from 408 kilos to 880 kilos and everything in-between. But as always something for everyone and everyone for something. Best suckler types sold to 418p or £2,457.84 for a Limousin from Mr Darren Young, Balterley and further Limousin to 400p (£2,544.00), Mr Rob Nicholls & Family, Dayhills saw their Limousin to 401p (£2,205.50). In the lump Mr Pete Moseley & Family, Allostock sold their Limousin to generate £2,810.76. Distant supports The Simcock Family, Felton saw their Blue Cross to 396p (£2,336.40). Natives saw Angus to 359p (32,254.52) from distant supporter Mr Rhys Roberts, Llanfyllin. The section average returned at 347p or £2,265.80.

77 Heifers - Wow, what an array of cattle from superstars to barren cows, from 12 months to 90 months and everything in between. The joys of running a green livestock market and catering for every taste and delicacy!! Superstars raced away to 428p or £2,508.88 for a corking Limousin from Jamie Higgins & Family, Tenbury Wells and further cattle to 422p (£2,337.88), 421p (£2,248.14). Mr Edward Evans & Family, Lane Farm saw their strong Limousins to 407p (£2,604.80), 396p (£2,550.24) and 389p (£2,310.66), Mr Jonny Warner & Family, Stoke Heath breached the 400p mark with a

Blonde to 404p (£2,141.20) and Rob Nicholls & Family, Dayhills Blue Cross to 400p (£2,248.00) to mention a few. Natives sold to 340p (£2,006.00) for a Hereford from The Goodwin Family, Rushton Spencer. The section average returned at 342p or £2,089.42.

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.

66 DAIRY CATTLE

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

TERRIFIC TRADE - £3,500 TOP

A terrific trade at the January Show & Sale at Market Drayton Market which was supported by the Western Holstein Club, sponsored by Massey Feeds and judged by Charlie and Sally Thomasson.

The top price was £3,500 for the Champion Pedigree Cow ARH DREFT 58 VG85, a third calver from AR Hough & Partners, Warrington.

The second best price of £3,200 was for the Lineback Heifer from Ray Brown & Partners, Holmes Chapel. The Brown family also sold the first prize Pedigree Heifer BIDLEA RYDER CASAPPLE 3 at £2,700 and another two heifers at £2,700 apiece. Their four heifers averaged £2,825.

The second prize Pedigree Cow was the second calver JUMAR CHASE JILL from TM & JM Bowes, Wettenhall selling for £2,700.

The first prize commercial heifer from Mr KJ Morris, Redditch made £2,850.

A tremendous day's trading despite the gloom of the low milk price but the strong cull cow and calf prices puts a firm base to it all and quality sorts are as always in demand.

All milkers averaged £2,265 with 36 of the 42 sold making over £2,000 of which 9 were over £2,500 with most selling from £2,200 to £2,400.

A consignment of 5 and 6 month heifer calves from Reaseheath College, Nantwich sold to £670 four times with all 19 averaging £618.

Averages:

Fresh Cows £2,421

Fresh Heifers £2,224.

**Next Monthly Show & Sale supported by
The Western Holstein Club
Wednesday 25 February 2026.**

**Next Monthly Youngstock Sales
Monday 2 February / 2 March 2026 at 10.45am
entries to Jason or Jonty.**

207 STORE CATTLE

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

Very similar numbers and a stand on trade from last week. Not quite the show this week but more new buyers forcing competitive trade.

More Friesian steers forward trading £1,700 to £1,800 for top end topping at £1,850 and averaging £1,565 or 314p/kg. A small offering of bulls to a top of £1,640 for a big Friesian and trading generally at £1,200 to £1,400 depending on breed etc.

Not just the show of yarding cattle this week as last but trade just the same and good to see a few more better sorts on offer. Best at £1,900 to £2,200 topping at £2,370 for homebred Limousin steers from the Allen

Family Farm, Hanmer. Plenty of good cattle at £1,750 to £1,850 with top end native heifers at £1,800 to £2,000 topping at £2,040 for Angus and averaging around £1,500 or 340p to 350p/kg. Best yarding cattle mainly at 370p to 390p/kg with 400p plus achievable for suckler types up to 420p to 440p/kg cattle averaging around this 360p/kg mark for most breeds.

Plenty of farming cattle forward today and although its early in the season trade was remarkable. Those 340kg to 380kg continental heifers regularly £1,350 to £1,450. More needed to meet a increasing demand.

Steers Averaged £1,685 or 367p
Heifers Averaged £1,515 or 356p

All store enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

Steers

Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
Friesian	£1,850.00	540kg	Mr P.P. Whitby
Friesian	£1,790.00	532kg	J.&S. Farming
Friesian	£1,730.00	570kg	DM.&P.J. Kinsey
British Blue	£2,280.00	556kg	K.&JM. Jackson
British Blue	£1,910.00	482kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
British Blue	£1,740.00	425kg	Mr M.D. Berrisford
British Blue	£1,660.00	405kg	Mr M.D. Berrisford
British Blue	£1,310.00	335kg	AI.&GS.Hollinshead
Shorthorn	£2,260.00	570kg	Mr I.P. Gibbon
Angus	£2,010.00	589kg	J. & S. Farming
Angus	£1,900.00	530kg	Mr D. Norbury
Angus	£1,620.00	384kg	Mr Garnet G. Glover
Hereford	£2,100.00	583kg	K.&JM. Jackson
Hereford	£1,840.00	482kg	IG.&TM. Beckett
Hereford	£1,810.00	452kg	Mr M.D. Berrisford
Hereford	£1,340.00	341kg	AI.&GS. Hollinshead
Cont	£1,340.00	306kg	Mr Steven Farnell
Charolais	£1,950.00	564kg	OC.Whittaker&Sons
Simmental	£1,900.00	542kg	N.&B. Livestock
Simmental	£1,800.00	468kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
Limousin	£2,370.00	606kg	Allen Family Fm Ltd
Limousin	£2,280.00	509kg	Mr M.D. Berrisford
Limousin	£1,900.00	464kg	DP.&JM. Mounfield
Limousin	£1,370.00	306kg	Jonathan Worthington

Heifers

Breed	Price	Weight	Vendor
British Blue	£2,090.00	561kg	D. & K. Dutton
British Blue	£1,800.00	500kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
British Blue	£1,615.00	423kg	Mr A.J. Gibbons
British Blue	£1,420.00	337kg	AI.&GS.Hollinshead
British Blue	£1,420.00	345kg	JN.&HM. Bennett
Angus	£2,040.00	586kg	H.A. Barber & Son
Angus	£1,910.00	559kg	Mr D. Norbury
Angus	£1,590.00	469kg	DP.&JM. Mounfield
Hereford	£2,030.00	576kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
Hereford	£1,710.00	512kg	Davenport Farming
Hereford	£1,620.00	512kg	IG.&TM. Beckett
Hereford	£1,320.00	384kg	Mr D.M. Mann
Simmental	£1,965.00	516kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
Simmental	£1,650.00	388kg	P. Studley & Sons
Simmental	£1,410.00	367kg	P. Studley & Sons
Limousin	£2,090.00	530kg	Mr R. Mounfield
Limousin	£1,945.00	504kg	Mr A.D. Bennion
Limousin	£1,800.00	485kg	Allen Family Fm Ltd
Limousin	£1,640.00	402kg	JC&WA.Davies&Son

1,507 PRIME HOGGETS

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Well what a difference a week makes with all weights and grades a lot dearer. A total clearance was reported and an overall market average was returned at a staggering 350p with an SQQ of 325p!!

Lights sold to 356p for 30.8kgs to realise £109.56 for Mr J.C. Simpson, The Blythe.

Standards sold to 420p for 38.8kgs to return £162.96 for Mr P.D. Crossmore, Nantwich. Messrs S.&SM. Moss, Warmingham had a pen of 38.6kgs selling to 413p to accumulate £159.42.

Mediums hit 451p for 43.5kgs to gross £196.16 for Mr H.K. Jones, Nantmawr. Other highlight prices as follows:- 43.4kgs (443p) £192.26 J.&JA. Venables, 44.5kgs (424p) £188.68 J.&JA. Venables, 42.8kgs (440p) £188.32 Ashley Williams, 43.1kgs (430p) £185.33 Ashley Williams, 43kgs (430p) £184.90 Mr P.D. Crossmore, 43kgs (422p) £181.46 Mr M. Manning, 42.5kgs (423p) £179.78 Mr K. Edwards and 45.1kgs (406p) £183.11 Ashley Williams.

Heavies much firmer with the best to 436p for 46.5kgs to gross £202.74 for Ashley Williams, Basford. Over heavies sold to £202.54 for 53.3kgs from Mr H.F. Jones, Nantmawr. The vast majority of heavies traded from 300p to 320p or £155 or £165. More required next week please.

	Sold	Av.
Premium	289	392p
Prime	1,004	354p
Other	214	306p

Lambs Graded:- Lights 356p (£109.65) average 324p (£93.14). Standards 420p (£162.96) average 346p (£123.70). Mediums 451p (£196.19) average 365p (£155.81). Heavies 436p (£202.54) average 321p (£164.21).

215 BUTCHERS EWES

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Ewes sold on a much improved trade with the best to £270 for Texel ewes from E. Vaughan & Sons, Springfield Road. Rams to £250 for a Texel Ram from Done & Son, Hack Green. Light ewes sold from £50 to £80, plain ewes £90 to £110, cutting ewes £120 to £150 and heavy ewes to £160 to £160. An overall average was returned at £129.68.

66 STORE SHEEP

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07813 625787)

Store hogs sold to £104 from Mr A.J. Bagnall, Abbots Bromley. In lamb ewes sold to £250 for Mules carrying twins.



559 REARING CALVES

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

Trade is just on fire, it's in the highest gear possible with demand totally outstripping supply!! A few more numbers than expected today which was great to see to take advantage of this level of trade. It really is off the clock and many more could have been sold today! If you've got calves to sell I suggest right now the live ring is the only way to market your calves! We've had over 200 calves sell

in excess of £500, so all I can say is vendors continue presenting calves as strong as possible to take full advantage!

Friesian Bulls – Only 36 forward and high demand for them all averaging £163. Top price was £330 from GC&RE Durose, Leigh. Best: £200-£300, Mediums: £125-£175, Small: £50-£100.

Native Bulls – Just as dear as last week but not the quality on offer today with predominately medium types forward. But still 26 best types over £500. Top price: A Hereford at £630 from RJ&DJ Clement, Gorse Bank. Best: £500-£575, Mediums: £400-£475, Small: £200-£350.

Continental Bulls – The pace remains with all grades highly demanded. All Conti bulls averaged £544! Top price: £795 for a Charolais bull from R&R Moss, Stafford. Best: £600-£700, Mediums: £450-£550, Small: £300-£400.

Native Heifers – They continue to look very dear with huge demand from a number of buyers and just lacking more quality to boost the averages even more. Top price: Hereford at £520 from RJ&DJ Clement. Best: £375-£450, Mediums: £250-£350, Small: £150-£225.

Continental Heifers – A phenomenal trade for all types, best still demanding a larger premium and there were plenty of them today. Mediums well sold at £400-£475! Top price: £655 for a Charolais from AW&B. Titterton & Aona, Milwich. Best: £500-£575, Mediums: £400-£475, Small: £250-£350.

A handful of weanlings included 3 month Angus bulls to £670 for Bratton Partners, Norbury and 4 month Simmental heifer to £850 from Mr G. Acreman, Levedale.

BULL CALVES

FRIESIAN/HOLSTEIN (36 - AV.£163.47)	BRITISH BLUE (118 - AV.£540.84)
£330 GC.&RE. Durose	£790 A.&I. Crowther
£295 A.A.Winstanley & Ptns	£750 Brittlebank Ltd
SHORTHORN (4 - AV.£365.00)	ABERDEEN ANGUS (67 - AV.£478.58)
£410 Mr P.D.T. Lokier	£625 L.E. Weston&Sons
£390 Mr P.D.T. Lokier	£620 L.E. Weston&Sons
LONGHORN (7 - AV.£378.57)	HEREFORD (23 - AV.£474.57)
£420 GC.&RE.Durose	£630 RJ.&DJ.Clement
£415 GC.&RE.Durose	£545 P.&R. Robinson
CHAROLAIS (22 - AV.£563.18)	SIMMENTAL (17 - AV.£556.18)
£795 R.&R. Moss	£680 J.R. Ward & Sons
£680 S.N. Bailey & Partners	£630 KP&M.Massey&Son
LIMOUSIN (11 - AV.£520.91)	MONTBELIARDE x 1
£630 Mr W.J. Holdcroft	£235 Martin Partners
£585 Mr S.R. Nash	WAGYU x 1
	£380 JF. & BM. Gray

HEIFER CALVES

BRITISH BLUE (108 - AV.£457.03)	ABERDEEN ANGUS (60 - AV.£376.00)
£630 Wincham Holsteins Ltd	£500 Bratton Partners
£630 HR.SL.&OD. Bonell	£490 Brittlebank Ltd
LONGHORN (5 - AV.£392.00)	HEREFORD (30 - AV.£374.17)
£460 JF.&BM. Gray	£520 RJ.& DJ. Clement
£430 JF.&BM. Gray	£495 AJ.&ME. Minshall
CHAROLAIS (12 - AV.£522.08)	SIMMENTAL (14 - AV.£575.00)
£655 AW.&B.Titterton&Sons	£600 KP.&M.Massey&Son
£640 MA.&WJ. Jolliffe	£590 KP.&M.Massey&Son

LIMOUSIN
(14 - AV.£434.64)
£600 Allen Family Fm Ltd
£500 MA.& W.J. Jolliffe

WEANLING SALE ON MONDAY!
Monday 2 February 2026 – 11:30am
Early Entries include:-

7 x Speckled Park heifers (10 months)
16 x Aberdeen Angus (8 months)
40 x Aberdeen Angus bulls (3-4 months)
20 x British Blues (6 months)
75 x British Blue (4-5 months)
15 x British Blues (4-5 months)
Entries and enquiries to Ben or Jonty

* * * * *

FOR SALE/LET

Stubble Turnips For sheep Only
Area Staffordshire/Cheshire Border
Contact 07968 105470.

140 Bales of Silage
Situated Wigan, contact 07801 257400.

Hereford Bull (30 months) Ready To Work/Proven
Whitchurch Area, Contact 07590 290975.

* * * * *

MARKET DRAYTON LIVESTOCK MARKET

GREEN MARKET – EVERY WEDNESDAY

FAT STOCK, STORE STOCK, DAIRIES & CALVES

DEDICATED BARREN COW & OTM SALES

Every Monday Afternoon Sale at 3.30pm
Monday 2, 16, 23 February / 2 & 16 April
GREEN Market
Monday 9 February / 9 March
RED Market

Red Market On The Second Monday of The Month
10 to 15 Buyers In Attendance
All Grades, Weights & Nationality of Cattle Required
Young Feeding Cows Required on Green Markets.

ORANGE MARKETS

Thursday 19 February / 19 March
Calves 1pm, Weanlings & Stores
at approximately 3pm
at Market Drayton Market.

DAIRY SALES

Every Wednesday at 10.30am
Monthly Show & Sale

Supported by the Western Holstein Club
Wednesday 25 February / 25 March
at Market Drayton Market.

DAIRY YOUNGSTOCK SALES

2 February / 2 March at 10.45am
at Market Drayton Market.

PIG & WEANLING SALES

Fortnightly Sale **2 & 16 February / 2 & 16 March**
Pigs at 10.30am / Weanlings 11.30am.

EASTER SHOW & SALE

Wednesday 25 March
(Judging 8.30am/Sale 9am)
Class One – Best Single Lamb
Class Two – Best Pair of Lambs.

barbersRURAL

rural surveyors & property agents

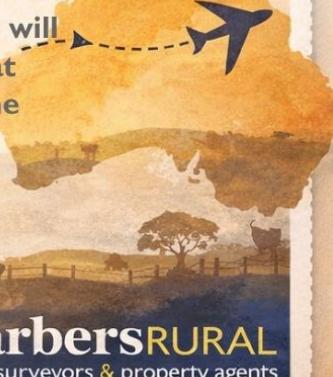


G'DAY MATE



As some of you may know our Graduate Trainee Surveyor, George, will be heading back to Australia next week having spent New Year there. He will be spending the next few months working on a sizeable rural estate, supporting land management and cattle operations. This is a fantastic opportunity for him to gain hands on experience on a large-scale rural project and we are very much looking forward to the insight and knowledge he will bring back with him.

As a Staffordshire bred lad, George will be back in time for Stafford Show at the end of May. We wish George the very best of luck during his time in Australia and will be delighted to welcome him back soon.



barbersRURAL
rural surveyors & property agents



LOOKING TO BUY OR SELL LAND, PROPERTY OR A FARM?

Speak to our property sales specialists **Annabel Fearnall** or **Steph Vernon** for expert, no-obligation advice

01630 692500

sales@barbers-rural.co.uk



  @barbersrural 01630 692500 sales@barbers-rural.co.uk