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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 16TH FEBRUARY 2024

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1650



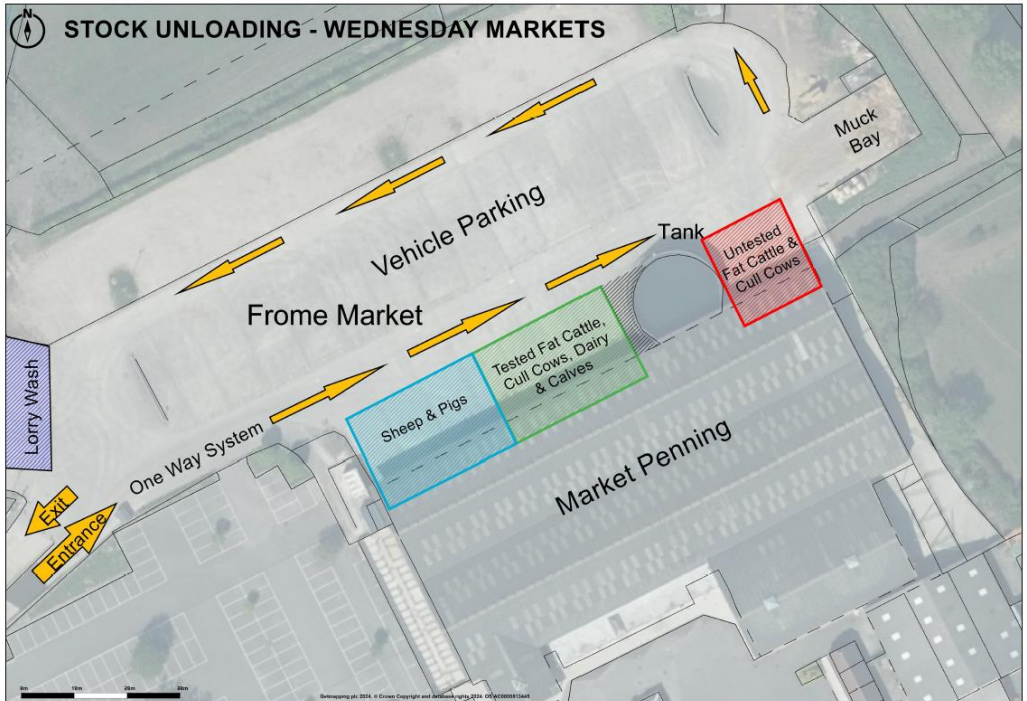
TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE	TO 265P/KG	CULL COWS	TO 175P/KG
PRIME HOGGS	TO 325P/KG	STORE HOGGS	TO £130.50
DAIRY	TO £1900	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £152
REARED CALVES	TO £670	CALVES	TO £428
STORE STEERS	TO £1800	STORE HEIFERS	TO £1310

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PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE STOCK UNLOADING PLAN FOR ALL STOCK ENTERING THE MARKET FROM 14TH FEBRUARY 2024 ONWARDS



FARM ASSURANCE

CAN WE PLEASE ASK ALL FARM ASSURED VENDORS THAT THE ASSURANCE STICKER ATTACHED TO YOUR ENTRY FORM IS UP TO DATE

IF YOU ARE NOT FARM ASSURED PLEASE CONTACT YOUR VETS TO REGISTER FOR YOUR VET ATTESTATION CERTIFICATE TO SELL YOUR LIVESTOCK TO BUYERS WHO MAY EXPORT.



FREE PROSTATE CANCER TESTING EVENT



Saturday 23rd March 10am-4pm

Frome Methodist Church Wesley Slope BA11 1EU

Frome Lions Club are hosting this **FREE** event in conjunction with Somerset Prostate Support Association (SPSA) and Frome Freemasons on Saturday 23rd March 10 am – 4 pm for men aged 40 and over.

Every year in the UK 40,000 men are diagnosed with Prostate Cancer and around 10,000 die from the disease. Early diagnosis can be crucial to successful treatment.

Appointments take 10-15 minutes and **MUST** be BOOKED IN ADVANCE. It will **NOT** be possible to be tested on the day without a prior appointment.

All tests are confidential and are carried out by qualified medical practitioners.

For any questions regarding the tests please contact Peter Hopwood;-
telephone 01458 441669 or email peterhopwood46@gmail.com

Donations to SPSA for future testing events will be gratefully received

To book your appointment at a time to suit you;-

- (1) Visit <https://myspatests.org.uk/Events/> or via the link on Frome Lions Website www.fromelions.org.uk
- (2) register yourself using your email address.
- (3) click "Find an event" - search for SPSA and Frome Lions.
- (4) Select this event, scroll down, choose a convenient time slot and book it

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2024

Good numbers in all sections today met with demand for all categories of stock. Prime hogget's dearer on the week as were cull ewes. A tidy entry of genuine reared calves selling to a fast trade; prime cattle and cows also very much in demand and achieving some good returns.

TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
1400

PRIME CATTLE (49) to 265p/kg or £1650
AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916
Start 12.30pm

Demand remains strong for prime cattle with all weights and grades selling to a very competitive trade. Mostly standard quality grade cattle with a large percentage of O grade cattle, on average 12 buyers for cattle and cull cows each week looking to fill grades. More cattle and cows wanted.

TOP PRICE STEER	265p/kg for an Angus from JC Stainer		
TOP PRICE HEIFER	264p/kg for an Angus from Padfield & Partners		
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG
STEERS			
Light 100-500kg	11	164.00	259.00
Medium 551-650kg	6	224.00	265.00
Heifers			
Light 100-500kg	4	218.00	244.00
Medium 501-590kg	15	212.00	254.00
Heavy 590+	10	210.00	265.00

UTM STEERS (17) Max. 265p/kg & £1542

Prime steers from JC Stainer to 265p/kg for Angus x at 565kg grossing £1494 with others to 262p/kg and £1440. All handy weight steers this week with no heavy grossing cattle. Hereford steers to 259p/kg and £1400 from AR Smith. Top gross price to 1542 for Angus x from RJ Phillips & Sons.

UTM STEERS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	265.00	JC Stainer, Semington	1542	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford
Hereford	259.00	AR Smith, Swanage	1411	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford
Friesian	164.00	R Pearson, Trowbridge	619	R Pearson, Trowbridge

UTM HEIFERS (29) Max. 264p/kg & £1650

A good run of well finished heifers from Padfield & Partners saw Angus x to 264p/kg, 259p/kg, 248p/kg and 246p/kg grossing £1600, £1567, £1463 and £1435. Blues from the same home to 261p/kg, 256p/kg, 254p/kg grossing £1650, £1581, £1507. Charolais to 256p/kg and £1595. Hereford heifers to 248p/kg from AR Smith and £1440.

UTM HEIFERS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	264.00	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill	1600	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill
Blue	261.00	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill	1650	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill
Charolais	253.00	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill	1595	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Kingston Deverill
Hereford	244.00	PJ Pobjoy & Son, Norton St Philip	1278	PJ Pobjoy & Son, Norton St Philip
Simmental	238.00	ART Meatyard & Son, Trowbridge	1246	ART Meatyard & Son, Trowbridge
Friesian	236.00	RF Stratton & Co, Kingston Deverill	1514	RF Stratton & Co, Kingston Deverill

CULL COWS (47) Beef to 175p/kg Dairy to 169p/kg

OMT heifers (40mo) to 206p/kg for Beef Shorthorn and Blues with feeding sorts from 171p/kg to 190p/kg. OTM steers from 40-43mo to 200p/kg, 185p/kg grossing £1522 and £1356. Cows a solid trade again with Simmental x to 175p/kg, Limousin x to 174p/kg and Hereford to 171p/kg. Friesian cows with good cover to 169p/kg and grossing up to £1426. Grade 2 cows 160p/kg+, grade 3 feeding cows to 170p/kg with others to 138p/kg.

CULL COWS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Simmental	175.00	BG & TW Randall, Wareham	867	BG & TW Randall, Wareham
Limousin	174.00	BG & TW Randall, Wareham	1080	BG & TW Randall, Wareham
Hereford	171.00	BG & TW Randall, Wareham	995	BG & TW Randall, Wareham
Friesian	169.00	AS AE & AJ Perrett, Blandford	1426	Waddon Farm Ltd, Shepton Mallet
Norwegian Red	166.00	KJ & MJ Dowding, Yeovil	1289	KJ & MJ Dowding, Yeovil
Swedish Red	139.00	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury	682	WF Fisher & Son, Newbury

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SHEEP (1013) Start 10.30am**AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737****PRIME HOGGETS (737) Max 325p/kg £166**

What a day for the history books for Frome Sheep section! A superb run of hogs today which sold to a storming trade topping at £166 from Richard Arney, 325p/kg from L Barfoot and overall average of 308p/kg. Light hogs soaring to 314p/kg from TFT Handy and £118 twice from L Barfoot Horseley Farm Partnership. Handy weights soaring to 325p/kg from L Barfoot and £140 from P & T Reynolds. Heavies to 313p/kg 4 times from RJ & PP Ballam, NF Clothier & Sons Ltd. Over 52kg to 298p/kg to Pat Apsey and £166 from Richard Arney & family. More hogs needed each week, we have the trade just need the numbers.

CULL EWES (115) Max £152

Ewes have finally gone up a gear and would nearly be at full throttle! Best ewes soaring to £152 from P & T Reynolds with rams flying to £130 from T White of Gillingham. More ewes needed each week.

STORE HOGGS (161) Max £130.50

A larger entry of store hogs which sold to a flying trade. Best soaring to £130.50 from FR Callaway & Sons Ltd. Overall average a remarkable £102.17 for all stores, simply off the clock!

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SHEEP 0-12 MONTHS REQUIRE 1 TAG

ALL SHEEP OVER 12 MONTHS REQUIRE 2 TAGS

PRIME HOGGETS		
KG	£	Vendor
61.00	166.00	W & R Arney, Rode
55.00	160.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton
53.00	158.00	PG Apsey, Wincanton
51.00	155.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton
50.00	153.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton
49.00	152.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton
48.00	150.00	Keevil Farm Prtrs, Frome
45.00	140.00	P C& T Reynolds, Chippenham
43.50	139.00	RW & J Margham, IOW
42.00	136.50	L Barfoot, Wincanton
39.00	118.00	L Barfoot, Wincanton

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Tom Rogers 07384 462288

Clive Peach 07970 620859

Andrew Frizzle 07977 136863

REARED CALVES (199) Starts 12.30pm

AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A bumper entry of over 200 reared calves sold to a buoyant trade.

CONTINENTAL STEERS TO £670/ HEIFERS TO £500

A super run of 60 cattle from Radstock Co-op hit the top with a Blue steer to £670 with others to £540 and £518. Heifers from the same good home to £502 and £455 respectively. Tidy young Blue steers from Tom Marlow to £405 and a nice Limousin from Terry Mills (Keevil Farm Partners) to £400. Blue heifers proving popular yet again with a smart heifer from AJ Chinn & Son to £500. Nice to see some Saler cattle here today, looking well sold with bulls to £358 (only 12weeks) and heifers to £330 all from P & D Trowbridge. Other good Blue bulls from WJ Masters to £512, who had well-presented younger sorts to £360. Nice bunch of 3 Blues from NF Clothier & Sons Ltd to £355.

NATIVE STEERS TO £555/ HEIFERS TO £502

Smart Angus steers again from Radstock Co-op to £555 and their Hereford steers to £552. A nice pair of Hereford steers from T Marlow to £482, Angus steers from Keevil Farm to £468, other good Angus steers from Stella Sargent to £465. A tidy run of Native from AJ Chinn & Son saw Angus heifers to £445 and £385. A good run of very young Angus bulls from Gerring Partners to £325 only 10 weeks and heifers to £298 looking well sold.

DAIRY

Hard but tidy Friesian steers from T Marlow to £332 and £265 and a nice pair from Spencer Mogridge to £315.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

NEXT PIG SALE: WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

ALL PIGS MUST BE PRE-ENTERED TO ENABLE US TO INFORM BUYERS

DAIRY (16) Start 11am

AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401

Calved Heifers £1900 & £1870

A few less Dairy forward this week but trade remaining at strong levels throughout. Fresh milk wanted and more could have been sold easily to a good ring of buyers. Top spot went to WJ Masters & Sons for their 2 home bred, closed herd Pedigree Holstein Friesian heifers at £1900 and £1870, these were closely followed by a super consignment from Michelmersh Manor Farm which topped at £1830 and regularly £1700 - £1800. Quality in calf April due strong Friesian Holstein heifers from the Attrill family, IOW, created very lively bidding. Best "Josuper" heifers to £1410 and easily over £1200 on a regular basis.



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CALVES (76) Starts 9.30am

AUCTIONEER: TIM HECTOR 07818 056 049

TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A disappointing number when trade was flying. The busiest the ring has been for some time and all calves sold to a premium.

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £428 / HEIFERS TO £268

All grades wanted with the medium and strong medium sorts seeing a lift in trade, best sorts continue to see strong returns. A super Blue from AJ Scott & Sons sold to £428. Simmental bulls to £412 from M Carver, Charolais to £355 from R Lewis and plenty of good, medium sorts £350 - £320 and most over £200. Heifers also wanted seeing Blues to £268 from NF Clothier & Sons, others to £245 and £242. Simmentals to £202 from WF Fisher & Son, plenty over £200 almost all over £135.

NATIVE BULLS TO £255 / HEIFERS TO £188

Fewer forward but a fast trade once again, all grades saw competitive bidding to see good returns. Angus bulls to £255 from GN & KM Langley, heifers to £188 from J & W Davis Ltd. Hereford bulls £220 from WF Fisher & Son, heifers to £188 from NAC Taylor.

DAIRY £248

Only a few forward, Black & White bulls difficult but Fleckvieh's to £248 from BA Marsh Farming.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

PLEASE CALL EITHER OF THE NUMBERS BELOW BY TUESDAY PM TO PRE-BOOK CALVES SO WE CAN INFORM BUYERS OF STOCK COMING

Tom Rogers: 07384 462288 Tim Hector: 07818 056049

WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price any breed male/female under 41 days was a Blue at £428 from AJ Scott & Sons.

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Help us Shape the Future of dairy

We're inviting levy payers to register with us to have a say on the vital work we do to support farming.

Registration is quick and easy – visit <https://ahdb.org.uk/shape-the-future> and fill in some basic details. Once we've checked these, we will contact them again in April 2022 when it's time to get their views.

We want as many levy payers as possible to get involved. As a key stakeholder to AHDB, you can help by:

- Encouraging levy payers to register with AHDB and have their say
- Follow our social media channels: Twitter - [@AHDB_Dairy](#) & Facebook - [@AHDBDairy](#)
- Like and share our posts or create your own to say why it's important for levy payers to have their say

We are committed to listening to levy payers and industry stakeholders about the challenges they face, and the role that we can play in enabling success in the farming industry. We want to ensure that the levy collected for each sector works hard for the benefit of that sector.

For more information, visit <https://ahdb.org.uk/shape-the-future>.

FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2024

STORE CATTLE

**TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
250**

Starts 10.30am

AUCTIONEERS:

TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480 401

BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263 916

LESTER WILLIAMS 07778 646 031

STEERS TO £ 1800 HEIFERS TO £1310

Demand outstrips supply with fierce bidding throughout for all grades. Please book in cattle early this year to take advantage of this amazing trade.

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Frome leads the way with regular consignments from our vendors taking advantage of this massive early trade. Yearling steers another highlight with British Blues topping at £1105 and 10 month old Charolais to £1060. Similar 10 month old heifers also keenly sought to £835 and yearling Charolais heifers to £935. British Blue heifers the highlight selling from £1168 to £1220 at only 15 months. What a trade!

FRIESIAN

Only a few on offer with all grades selling to advantage. Framed steers sold well from £965 to £1028. Hard, younger sorts also wanted selling from £490-£628, please don't think twice and sell now.

ANGUS & HEREFORD

What a trade at Frome with another week of amazing prices. Younger Angus and Hereford regularly selling from £1348 to £1380 at only 18-19 months old and forward fleshed steers from £1775 to £1800 (33-34 months). Homebred, single suckled steers and heifers to a premium again selling to over £1000. Bulling heifer demand is strengthening, young heifers with potential over £900 and bullers from £1130. Trade is being enhanced by the strong finished levels.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Trade continues after the tremendous Candlemas entries with strong bidding keeping prices above expectations. Quality wanted with buyers keen to bid over £3/kg. Steers and heifers equally wanted; we encourage vendors to sell now.

YOUNG STEERS				YOUNG HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Simmental	1135	17m	J Coleberd, Corscombe	Blue	1220	15m	PE King, Iron Acton
					1168	15m	PE King, Iron Acton
Blue	1105	13m	PE King, Iron Acton	Charolais	935	15m	C W House, Lymington
	685	12m	DA James & Son, Clink		835	10m	C W House, Lymington
Angus	1090	17m	KE & AM Rostigina	Angus	860	15m	D Beatty, Southwick
	1008	12m	Delcombe Downs, Milton Abbas		820	15m	D Beatty, Southwick
Charolais	1060	10m	D Beatty, Southwick	Blonde	800	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch
	1028	16m	C W House, Lymington				
Blonde	950	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch	Limousin	780	9m	N Parfitt, Woolverton
	902	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch				
Limousin	820	11m	D Beatty, Southwick				
	818	9m	N Parfitt, Woolverton				

FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Hereford	1800	34m	PJ Harvey, Bishop Sutton	Blue	1310	30m	H Wilson, Compton Martin
	1775	33m	PJ Harvey, Bishop Sutton		1110	31m	H Wilson, Compton Martin
Angus	1490	32m	S Powell, Horton	Charolais	1300	26m	S Powell, Horton
	1380	19m	RC Few & son, Longbridge Deverill		975	29m	DM & RG Adams, Bristol
Charolais	1175	28m	DM & RG Adams, Bristol	Simmental	1300	20m	J Coleberd, Corscombe
Simmental	1070	18m	J Coleberd, Corscombe	Angus	1300	20m	RC Few & son, Longbridge Devrill
					1295	28m	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris

Chaplain's Prayer

Psalms 4v8: 'In Peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone O Lord, make me dwell in safety' More haste, and Less speed is well worth considering when safety on the farm is being talked about!? I know from my own farming experience that on many occasions I was fortunate to come out unscathed from situations where perhaps more haste and less speed should have been practiced!



If you have children who have access to the farm...then this is even more important! Farms can be dangerous places to work in for adults, let alone children..... Next week will mark the annual 'Mind your Head' campaign organised by yellow wellies (the farm safety foundation) This is a campaign that aims to raise awareness of and breakdown the stigma attached to poor mental health in the Farming sector and recognise that we all have a role to play no matter how big or small!? The **Farmwell** website continues to be an important resource of the farming community for advice and information on Animal disease, succession planning and **Health and Wellbeing**. We have leaflets with contacts at the market or Log in to find out more at Farmwell@fcn.org.uk

Here are the usual numbers/email to ring or contact if you feel you need help... farmers take great pride in being independent and resilientthey can find it hard to admit that things are getting too much 😊

The Farming Community Network 03000 111 999, help@fcn.org.uk RABI 0800 188 4444, Open Mental Health 01823 276892, Samaritans 116 123, or email jo@samaritans.org
Take care whatever you're doing! You can contact me on 07880770887 **Remember to check up on your Neighbour too!?**

Neville (Chaplain) ❤️

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