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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 23RD FEBRUARY 2024

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 2002



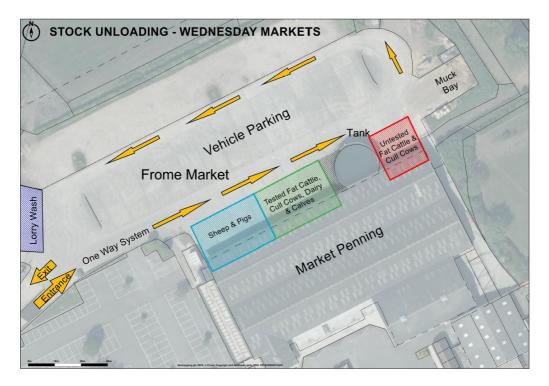
TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE PRIME HOGGS DAIRY PIGS STORE STEERS TO 260P/KG TO 351P/KG TO £1800 TO £265 TO £1800

CULL COWSTO 240P/KGSTORE HOGGSTO £135.50CULL EWES/RAMSTO £149CALVESTO £370STORE HEIFERSTO £1310

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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.

WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2024

The wet weather has not dampened spirits at Frome today with a great variety of store and finished stock on offer benefiting from a very strong trade in all sections. 1014 Prime hoggets selling to 320p/kg SQQ, Store hoggs to £135. Prime cattle and cows a dear trade with a few new faces around the ring. A decent show of pigs selling to demand and both Dairy and calves a firm trade.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1752

PRIME CATTLE (36) to 260p/kg or £1928 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Prime cattle very much in demand again with 15 buyers present for all weights and grades. Mostly R/O grade cattle this week selling to a very strong trade with butchers' grade well finished stock commanding a premium.

TOP PRICE STEER	258p/kg	258p/kg for a Charolais from Blandford					
TOP PRICE HEIFER	PRICE HEIFER 260p/kg for a Hereford from VI & GR Doggrell						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG				
STEERS							
Light 100-500kg	3	228.00	249.00				
Medium 551-650kg	10	238.00	258.00				
Heavy 651+	3	253.00	258.00				
Heifers							
Light 100-500kg	8	224.00	254.00				
Medium 501-590kg	11	237.00	260.00				
Heavy 590+	1	242.00	242.00				

UTM STEERS (16) Max. 258p/kg & £1928

An excellent run of Angus steers from MF Green to 258p/kg, 257p/kg, 250p/kg, 249p/kg grossing £1551, £1546, £1526, £1508. Charolais steers with weight and frame to £1928 for an OTM from Longclose Farm and UTM Charolais steers from CR Hartley & Sons to 254p/kg and 253p/kg, grossing £1828 and £1819. Blue x from RJ Phillips & Sons to £248p/kg / £1447 and 245p/kg / £1394. Galloway steers from CP Groves to 249p/kg / £1227.

UTM STEERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg) VENDOR		MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Charolais	258.00	Longclose Farm, Blandford	1928	Longclose Farm, Blandford			
Angus	258.00	MF Green, Salisbury	1551	MF Green, Salisbury			
Galloway	248.50	CP Groves, Bridgwater	1227	CP Groves, Bridgwater			
Blue	248.00	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford	1447	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford			
Hereford	238.00	SG Flower, East Harptree	1436	SG Flower, East Harptree			

UTM HEIFERS (20) Max. 260p/kg & £1505

Native heifers topping at 260p/kg for a well finished Hereford x from VI & GR Doggrell grossing £1505 with others to 249p/kg and £1473. South Devon to 250p/kg from Longclose Farm and Charolais to 249p/kg. Angus from CR Hartley & Son to 254p/kg and 242p/kg from DO Webb. OTM Hereford heifers from SG Flower to 246p/kg and £1309.

UTM HEIFERS							
BREED	MAX VENDOR M (p/kg)			VENDOR			
Hereford	260.00	VI & GR Doggrell, Wincanton	1436	SG Flower, East Harptree			
Angus	254.00	CR Hartley & Son, Woolley	1388	DO Webb, Stratton on the Fosse			
South Devon	250.00	Longclose Farm, Milton Abbas	1210	Longclose Farm, Milton Abbas			
Charolais	249.00	Longclose Farm, Milton Abbas	1043	Longclose Farm, Milton Abbas			
Blue	238.00	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford	1305	RJ Phillips & Sons, Coleford			

CULL COWS (59) Beef to 240p/kg Dairy to 236p/kg

Cull cows dearer on the week with 59 cows forward and 3 bulls. Strong competition for all grades with 14 buyers for cows. Hereford cull bulls to 156p/kg topping at £2024 and Angus to 152p/kg grossing £1431. Fast competitive bidding for cull cows seeing young Simmental x cows to 240p/kg grossing £1425. UTM Friesian cows to 236p/kg and £1448. Grade 1 Beef Shorthorn cows to 199p/kg and £1559. Limousin x cows to 195p/kg and Charolais to 190p/kg. Grade 1 cows Friesian cows to 188p/kg (twice) grossing £1584, £1509, £1486, £1480 and £1394. Grade 2 cows with feeding potential 170p/kg to 190p/kg and grade 2 Dairy from 158p/kg to 174p/kg. Grade 3 cows to 175p/kg with the majority 145p/kg+. Grade 4 cows from 125p/kg to 128p/kg with the very plainer cows 110p/kg+.

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR MA		VENDOR		
Simmental	240.00	K & R Hickery, Bristol	1425	K & R Hickery, Bristol		
Friesian	236.00	Snook Ltd, Yeovil	1584	RL Clapp & Sons, Glastonbury		
Limousin	195.00	Chelwood	1069	PW Sherborne & Partners, Chelwood		
Charolais	190.00	Church Farm Publow LLP, Pensford	1364	Chruch Farm Publow LLP, Pensford		
Angus	184.00	PE Webb, Pucklechurch	1486	PE Webb, Pucklechurch		
Fleckvieh	174.50	RL Clapp & Sons, Glastonbury	1479	RL Clapp & Sons, Glastonbury		
South Devon	176.00	Church Farm Publow LLP, Pensford	1184	Church Farm Publow LLP, Pensford		
Blue	166.00	J Gray, Hordle	1138	J Gray, Hordle		

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SHEEP (1512) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737 PRIME HOGGETS (1014) Max 351p/kg £189

Records smashed all ways today! Record entry of February top price, record pence per kilo and a record average per head! Over 1000 hoggs flying to 357p/kg topping at £189 and averaging 320p/kg and £143.12 per head all in! Super lights to 325p/kg and £102.50 from I Welby, Isle of Wight. Lights to 324p/kg from Fonthill Farms, Salisbury and Thornhill Farm, Dorset and £121 from SJ Wheeler. Handy weights to 357p/kg and £154.50 from L Barfoot, Bayford. Heavies to 341p/kg from Wallmead Farms Partnership and £164 from TFT Handy. Over 52kg to 318p/kg from Purse Caundle Estate Farm and £189 from Richard Lewis.

CULL EWES (177) Max £149

A superb entry of cull ewes which sold to a stunning trade and would be some $\pounds 20 - \pounds 30$ up on the week. Best ewes to £149 from P Woodrow, North Country mules £120+ from Steve Carnie & family and David Butler. Hill speckle ewes $\pounds 90+$ from Mike Knowles & Sally Withers. More ewes could have been sold to the advantage.

STORE HOGGS (321) Max £135.50

A large entry of 324 store hoggs which sold to a flying trade, topping at £135.50 from B Robinson of Fordingbridge. Plenty of hoggs £120+ with only very small under £100. Overall average £98.76.

	ALL SHEEP OVER 12 MONTHS REQUIRE 2 TAGS					
	PRIME HOGGETS					
KG	£	Vendor				
68.00	189.00	R Lewis, Melksham				
58.00	184.50	Purse Caundle Estate Farm, Sherborne				
57.00	172.00	C Tucker, Devizes				
54.00	168.50	C Tucker, Devizes				
53.00	166.50	Biddesden Farm Partnership, Andover				
54.00	165.50	C Tucker, Devizes				
52.00	164.00	TFT Handy, Purton				
49.00	158.00	AJ & RG Barber Ltd, Shepton Mallet				
48.00	157.00	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury				
44.00	154.50	L Barfoot, Wincanton				
43.50	147.00	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury				
42.00	146.00	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury				

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SHEEP 0-12 MONTHS REQUIRE 1 TAG ALL SHEEP OVER 12 MONTHS REQUIRE 2 TAGS

PIGS (213) Start 10am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A smaller entry this week but but vendor and buyers travelling from Exeter, Shrewsbury and Cheshire to Frome. Trade generally a lot brighter in all sections. **FAT PIGS (48)**

A much smaller entry of fat pigs this week sold to a similar trade. Best heavies to £212 and £172 from FE White of Swindon. Other heavies to £182 from Durnell & Sons and £180 from V & H Christopher. Lighter weight, coloured pigs sold well with light Saddlebacks to £133 for IC CA & JC Carter. Others to £148 from PB Weeks.

STORE PIGS (58)

Trade much better with young 8w/o weaners to £55 from PA Scott. Stronger 12 w/o White stores to £74 from J Townsend. Saddleback stores to £70 from IC CA & JC Carter and £82 for D May.

CULL SOWS & BOARS (105)

Trade still good for all culls forward. Cull boars to £265 from Mr T Evans of Shrewsbury. Best culls sows to £246 from Mr C Down and £230 for FE White & Son. Overall average of £171.98.

BREEDING PIGS (2)

Pedigree Oxford Sandy Black breeding gilts to £125 from J Povey.

NEXT PIG SALE: WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

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

DAIRY (28) Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Calved Holstein Friesian Heifers £1800

A super day in this section and trade somewhat brighter than the weather. A general shortage of fresh milk but plenty of demand for those on offer. Super types from RJ Goss & Son at £1800 and £1700 from HJ Masters & Son. Another good consignment of both Friesian Holstein and first Jersey x in calf cows from Reads Farm Partnership, IOW. Demand once again very strong for these quality homebred April/May due Dairy cattle. Best Friesian Holstein due with 3rd to £1510 and 4th- 5th down calvers regularly £1300 - £1400. Their 1st cross Jersey 2nd lactation cows also saw keen interest seeing prices often over £1000 and topping at £1160.

Wednesday 28th February

Weekly sale of Dairy cattle entries to include: 9 In calf British Friesian heifers (24 – 30mo) Due April to Pedigree Hereford (PD+) Homebred, Cubicle trained, low input herd. Average 6000Litres, BF 4.5%, PRO 3.3%, Farm assured, BVD, IBR & Lepto Vacc. Sires: Goonhilly Joseph (BF) and Peartree Georgson (BF). Further entries anticipated.



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CALVES (117) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TIM HECTOR 07818 056 049

A few more braved the weather and were well rewarded for their efforts. A fast trade for all calves through the ring.

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £370 / HEIFERS TO £242

Almost all Blues forwards and all grades wanted; no "out and out" 1st quality forwards but good medium sorts sold very strongly. A smart Blue bull from Wardour Farms sold to £370. A super run of well-shaped bulls from AK Hosie & Sons sold from £220 - £278. Best Blue heifers to £242 from AJ Langley with others to £240. Almost all bulls £150 - £200 and heifers £130 - £180.

NATIVE BULLS TO £220 / HEIFERS TO £158

Plenty of Angus forward but Herefords in short supply; buyers keen for all grades of both breeds, bulls and heifers. Hereford bulls to £220 from B & D Dawe-Lane. Angus bulls to £200 from J Hill and heifers to £158 from SC Eavis.

DAIRY TO £72

A few more forward, but mainly smaller, plainer sorts; most over £30 to top at £72 from JE & NM Vickery Ltd.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 28TH 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!



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FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 250

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS STEERS

07968 480 401 07496 263 916 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 with 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 $\pm 3/kg$. Steers and heifers equally wanted; we encourage vendors to sell now.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD			BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Simmental	1135	17m	J Coleberd, Corscombe	Blue	1220	15m	PE King, Iron Acton
Simmentar					1168	15m	PE King, Iron Acton
Blue	1105	13m	PE King, Iron Acton	Charolais -	935	15m	C W House, Lymington
Biue	685	12m	DA James & Son, Clink		835	10m	C W House, Lymington
Angus	1090	17m	KE & AM Rostigina	Angua	860	15m	D Beatty, Southwick
Angus	1008	12m	Delcombe Downs, Milton Abbas	Angus	820	15m	D Beatty, Southwick
Charolais	1060	10m	D Beatty, Southwick	Blonde	800	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch
Charolais	1028	16m	C W House, Lymington				
Blonde	950	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch	Limousin	780	9m	N Parfitt, Woolverton
Biolide	902	11m	PE Webb, Pucklechurch	Liniousin			
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
Hereford	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	10/0 118m	19m	J Coleberd,	•	1300	20m	RC Few & son, Longbridge Deverill
		Corscombe	e Angus	1295	28m	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	

Chaplain's Prayer

Hebrews 12, 12-13: Therefore lift your dropping hands and strengthen your weak knees; and make level paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed'

This month we remember all those who suffer from poor mental health; anyone who because of their health finds regular exercise a real challenge? We remember those in the farming community who find the long dark days of winter a struggle...and in particular those known to us Hold me steady Lord. Let not wind or storm erode my roots. Let me be strong like an oak tree, tall and grace filled, budding with great expectation of better things to come; bending gently through each different season, waiting with patience for change. Hold me steady Dear Lord, Strong and Healthy, mindful and Always thankful for your continued Provision!



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Make a point of contacting a farming neighbour whom you know may need help? I can be reached on 07880770887... Blessings to you all...see you Wednesdays at Frome Livestock market, Standerwick. Please do approach me to chat!! Neville Dyke (Chaplain)







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