# FROME LIVESTOCK

# AUCTIONEERS LTD

### SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

# **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1781**



#### **TRADE AT A GLANCE**

PRIME CATTLE SPRING HOGGS STORE HOGGS PIGS STORE STEERS TO 385P/KG & £2660 TO 343P/KG & £180 TO £140 TO £170 TO £2180

 CULL COWS/BULLS
 TO 288P/KG & £1951

 CULL EWES/RAMS
 TO £195

 CALVES
 TO £498

 DAIRY
 TO £1860

 STORE HEIFERS
 TO £2180

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#### DIMPORTANT BLUE TONGUE RESTRICTION ZONE CHANGES

Please see the most recently updated map to see whether the new zone now affects your farm.

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Outside the Zone

If you are outside of the zone, then no restrictions apply to selling at Frome Market

Inside the Zone

For Wednesday Prime Stock market (prime& cull cattle, prime & cull sheep) a general licence EXD634 will need to be obtained from:-

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The tests are carried out by Farmcare UK. Please note the test is free of charge.

2800 6125289 Email:- <u>admin@ukfarmcare.com</u>

Results will take 48 hours to be confirmed and then animals must be accompanied by a Licence to Frome Market.

If you require any assistance in this matter and would like to speak to one of our team please see numbers below:-

Frome Market office 01373 830033
 Bradley Towell 07496 263916
 Trevor Rowland 07968 480401
 Tom Rogers 07384 462288

Details for licence application:

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## WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Good numbers forward in all sections this week with more prime cattle and hoggets. Calves in short supply and dearer on the week. Pigs harder work generally as expected. Cull cows a very dear trade and in short supply.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1488

#### PRIME CATTLE (50) to 385p/kg and £2660 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Another flying trade for prime cattle this week with 14+ buyers looking to source cattle for wholesale butchers and to feed for contracts. All consigned selling to a seriously dear trade even with the current dead weight price. Prime cattle to 385p/kg and £2660 with 50 consigned averaging 338p/kg and £1966!

TOP PRICE STEER	385p/kg for a Simmental from CW Butcher & Son							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	375p/kg for a Simmental from CW Butcher & Son							
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	No MIN P/KG MAX P/KG						
STEERS								
Light 100-500kg	4	239.00	303.00					
Medium 501-590kg	15	320.00	385.00					
Heavy 651kg+	2	301.00	367.00					
Light 100-500kg	2	312.00	312.00					
Medium 501-590kg	10	317.00	354.00					
Heavy 590kg+	17	326.00	375.00					

#### UTM STEERS (21) Max. 385p/kg £2660

A good show of prime steers forward however not enough to satisfy demand, evident by the prices achieved. A super consignment from CW Butcher topped the pence per kilo at 385p/kg for well covered Simmental and the top gross price of £2660 at 367p/kg. Well-fed British Blue x to 362p/kg, 360p/kg, 359p/kg and 358p/kg grossing £2100, £2300 and £2135. Herefords from LM Maidment & Sons to 346p/kg and £2162. British Blue x from RH Wiltshire 328p/kg and £1942.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Simmental	385.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2660	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Blue	362.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	2300	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell		
Hereford	346.00	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham	2162	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham		
Angus	332.00	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick	1922	HG & RHJ Davey, Tadwick		

#### UTM HEIFERS (29) Max. 375p/kg £2570

More heifers forward this week with more wanted to meet demand. Quantity and quality in the heifer section with the best reaching 375p/kg and £2411 for a Simmental x with shape and finish from CW Butcher & Son. Others from the same consignment 367p/kg, 364p/kg grossing £2440 and £2251. British Blue x from Padfield & Partners to 371p/kg grossing £2237 and 358p/kg grossing £2195. Angus from CW Butcher & Son achieving the top heifer gross price at £2570 for OTM at 346p/kg. HG & RHJ Davey seeing 340p/kg and £2210 for their suckler bred Angus heifer and Angus x from BJ & EM Yandle 338p/kg grossing £2247. Handy weight heifers from J Powell & Son to 354p/kg and £1929 for Angus x and £2016 for British Blue x.

UTM HEIFERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Simmental	375.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2440	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Blue	371.00	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Stratton On the Fosse	2237	Padfield & Prtrs Ltd, Stratton On the Fosse		
Hereford	351.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2025	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Angus	346.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2570	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		

#### CULL COWS (25) Beef to 288p/kg Dairy to 280p/kg AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Cows exceptionally dear driven by tighter supply and a national price increase. Vendors certainly being rewarded for selling cows live weight in the current trade! Grade 2 feeding cows topping the pence per kilo at 288p/kg for a Limousin x grossing £1506 and others to 282p/kg grossing £1691. Friesians taking a lift this week topping at 280p/kg for a UTM meated Friesian cow grossing £1514 with others to 260p/kg twice grossing £1576 and £1520. Grade 1 native cows to 268p/kg and £1786 and Devons 254p/kg and £1911. Simmental x to 256p/kg and £1619. Heavier Friesians to 242p/kg and £1700 with others 239p/kg, 232p/kg, 231p/kg and 229p/kg. Grade 3 Friesians to 229p/kg and others 190p/kg+.

Grade 1 cows 230p/kg to 280p/kg Grade 2 cows 218p/kg to 288p/kg Grade 3 cows 191p/kg to 245p/kg Grade 4 cows 185p/kg to 209p/kg Cows averaged 237p/kg and £1500.

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	288.00	RH Stevens, Stanton Wick	1691	RH Stevens, Stanton Wick		
Friesian	280.00	RJ Goss & Son, Devizes	1700	A Bullus, Frome		
Angus	268.00	Hares Prtrs, Warminster	1786	Hares Prtrs, Warminster		
Simmental	256.00	Hares Prtrs, Warminster	1619	Hares Prtrs, Warminster		
Devon	254.00	TG & A Durston, Westhay	1911	TG & A Durston, Westhay		





OPEN TO THE TRADE & PUBLIC MONDAY TO FRIDAY: 7.30 AM – 5PM & SATURDAY: 8AM – 1PM HAVEN TIMBER, FARLEIGH ROAD, NORTON ST PHILIP, BA2 7NG. T & Cs APPLY. VISIT WWW.HAVENTIMBER.CO.UK.







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The Health Hub is available to all farming or agricultural workers and their families, no matter where you live.

#### Come and see us for:

- Health and wellbeing checks
- Advice on lifestyle and concerns affecting your emotional wellbeing
- Guidance towards any support you may require in the future

No appointments necessary, just call in and speak to one of our volunteers.









#### HEALTH HUB

9am – 1pm Drop In - no appt needed Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

#### FOOT CLINIC

9am – 1pm Pre-booking required

#### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March







- •Vaccinations Scoring: Mobility, Condition, Rumen Calf Routines Disbudding • Fly Control • Small Holder Services Calf Weighing/Growth Rate Records • Colostrum Monitoring In-House Lab Services
   Faecal Egg Counts
   Samples
   Sheep/Goat Hoof Care/ Trimming • Udder Flaming • Tail Clipping
  - TB Testing Medicine Deliveries Freeze Branding

Vaccinations: Whole herd vaccinations to regular youngstock vaccinating, reminders, deliveries, and administration.

Scoring: Mobility, Condition, Rumen: Our VetTech is a ROMS trained mobility scorer, providing you with a clear and simple report helping to improve herd health and meet the increasing standards demanded by Red Tractor and many milk contracts. Each report shows the progress since the last assessment and problem cows are clearly identified for treatment if required.



New VetTech



Calf Routines: are new services we are offering for youngstock. These include growth checks/calf weighing, disbudding, vaccinations, colostral immunity testing and reports. These routines ease your workload and ensure youngstock are getting quality and regular care, keeping every animal up to date with disbudding and vaccinations and talking the pressure off you. You can make use of these services at a frequency that works for your farm e.g. weekly, fortnightly or monthly.

Fly control: We have a new way to deal with the pesky flies that drive us all mad every year. Clover Friendly Flies are pteromalid wasps, also known as fly parasites. They attack fly larvae,

reducing the number of larvae that turn in to flies. This is a sustainable approach to fly control, leading to less fly treatment being needed for your animals and in the parlour.

Small Holder Services: We are offering full detailed health calendars and services to help our smallholders stay on top of routine treatments, such as hoof care, vaccinations, faecal egg counts, worming and much more. Our VetTech will provide regular reminders for routine interventions and can attend your holding to give any help needed in administering treatment.



Samples: Our VetTech is trained to collect a variety of samples for diagnostic testing e.g.

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Anything else?

Or if you just need extra hand for few hours, whether that is needing extra labour for your th test, vaccinating, or even just getting sheep in from the field ready for lambing, give us a shout and we might be able to help. It can save you paying someone for all day or if you're struggling for staff.

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#### SHEEP (1001) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME HOGGETS (567) Max 343p/kg £180

A grand entry of fat hoggs which consisted of hoggs from Blue Tongue clean and restricted zones. There was no price different between clean and restricted areas. Best hoggs soaring to £180 from Baker & Baker and 343p/kg from D Curnell. Overall average to 316p/kg and £146.32 per head. Light hoggs soaring to 321p/kg and £125 from DW Doggrell. Handy weights to 343p/kg and £154 from D Curnell. Heavies to 329p/kg from BA & CM Godwin & Son and £164 from RR Creed & Son. Over 52kgs to 304p/kg from Richard Coward and £180 from Baker & Baker and Mike Knowles and Sally Withers. Many more hoggs could have been sold to the advantage.

PRIME HOGGETS				
KG	£	Vendor		
60.00	180.00	Baker & Baker, Chew Stoke		
56.00	170.00	RJ Coward & Son, Warminster		
52.00	164.50	R R Creed & Son, Wells		
50.00	159.50	Baker & Baker, Chew Stoke		
49.00	157.00	JG BJ F Turner, Yeovil		
48.00	155.00	R R Creed & Son, Wells		
45.00	154.50	D Carnell, Batton Seymour		
44.00	140.50	R Higgins, Warminster		
43.00	140.00	PJ Pobjoy & Son, Norton St Philip		

#### CULL EWES & RAMS (162) Max £195

A solid entry of cull ewes with entries from both in and out of the Blue Tongue Zone which ALL sold to a flying trade. Best ewes flying to £195 from D Curnell with plenty in the £160's and £170's. Best cull rams flying to £158 from Andy Old. Plenty of ewes £120+ with only the lean or small ewes under £100. As stated before ewes from the Blue Tongue Zone sold to the SAME trade as ewes out of the zone with 6 buyers present!!

#### GOATS £129

Goats flying to £129 from South Hill Farm Partnership.

#### STORE HOGGETS (272) Max £140

A large entry of store hoggs which sold to a flying trade with best to £140 from Ollie & Hannah Coombes achieving an overall of £109.92. Many more store hoggs could have been sold to the advantage.

#### IN LAMB EWES Max £210 PER OUTFIT

A small entry of ewes & lambs forward which sold to a flying trade. Best single Jacob to £210 (£105 per life) from J Harvey of Wincanton.

#### DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 CALVED HEIFERS TO £1860

Short on dairy this week, but plenty of trade for the heifers on offer. Two nice Fleckvieh freshly calved heifers for D A James & Son (changing farming policy) saw very keen demand and although generally smaller types topped at a strong £1860! 7<sup>th</sup> lactation older cows to £800. More cattle needed in this section.

#### PIGS (336) Start 10.15am AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

A good show of pigs again this fortnight with regular quality consignments from repeat vendors which is great to see. Trade harder work as expected in line with national prices and demand, however all buyers present gave a fair but relative price to fill orders. As trade has dropped we recommend that vendors either see their pigs sold or leave a reserve price to avoid disappointment. Overall, all pigs sold and most vendors satisfied with their trade.

#### FAT PIGS (121)

A super run of 72 fat pigs from PB Weeks & Son topped at £170 for a pen of 8 with others to £160 (x 10), £155 (x 9), £155 (x 11) and £155 (x 10). A pen of 7 from Durnell & Sons to £158 (x 7) and £148 from RJ Maltby. Lighter weights £100 to £145 with 121 fat pigs averaging £145 overall.

#### **STORE PIGS (77)**

Weaners a fair trade despite the fat being less. Forward stores harder to place with a good shaped pen of 10 to  $\pm$ 70 from N Legge and  $\pm$ 65 from IC CA & JC Carter. Medium stores to  $\pm$ 40 from DJ Winder. Younger weaners to  $\pm$ 24 from SJ Bridger.

#### **CULL SOWS/BOARS (138)**

Sows and boars harder to sell in line with national trade and demand. Best meat sows to £150 with other heavy weights to £135, £120 and £115. Very little demand for boars unfortunately however all sold.

#### Next Reared Calf Sale: Wednesday 26th February

#### Next Pig Sale: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

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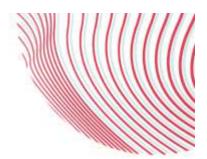


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#### CALVES () Starts 10am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Ferocious trade for all grades!! Less numbers forward with the Blue Tongue restrictions. Get your calves Blue Tongue tested if you are in the zone and get them here! Insatiable demand!!

#### **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £498/ HEIFERS TO £388**

All calves under 1 month unless otherwise stated. A super trio of Blue bulls from Daniel & Hole topping at £498, £450 and £440. A lovely Blue bull from AJ Langley to £398 others to £378 from RTE Dauncey & Sons, £405 from AJ Scott & Sons, £388 (8wks) from BA Marsh and £372 from NF Clothier. Blue heifers wanted to £388 from AJ Scott, £295 from NF Clothier, £265 from Pressbarrow Partners, £255 N & B Hutton and £252 RP & CH Reed. Some very small Blue heifers looking particularly dear at £90 – this is the type of calf that would have been £10-£20 last year!! Simmental bulls from NAC Taylor to £372 and £295 with others from Adrian Bullus to £292. Limousin bulls from RE Trowbridge & Son to £340 and £315.

#### NATIVE BULLS TO £430/ HEIFERS TO £300

Older Angus from N & B Hutton saw bulls to £430 and heifers £300. Angus x bulls from AJ Langley & Son to £335, £322 from GN & KM Langley, £320 NF Clothier and young fresh Angus bulls from PF & J Osborne to £240. Angus heifers looking well sold to £265 from A Bullus, £252 PF & J Osborne and £242 from GN & KM Langley. Tidy young Hereford bulls to £355 from RG & SE Hawker and Hereford heifers to £265, others from Dan Heal to £260.

#### DAIRY

Dairy shorthorn bulls to  $\pounds$ 225 from GN & KM Langley and a tidy Ayrshire bull from B A Marsh to  $\pounds$ 150. Nice young fresh Holstein Friesian bulls from Cowling Brothers also to  $\pounds$ 150, smaller sorts  $\pounds$ 65-70. Please don't hesitate to call with any questions regarding Blue Tongue testing. We want your calves!!

Please continue to pre-book it really helps with buyer procurement; text or phone Tom or email the office info@fromelivestock.com

### WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price Native Bull under 41 days was a Hereford to £355 from RG & SE Hawker.

Next week's prize will be for the top price Continental Heifer.

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Thursday oth March | 7pm

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You are invited to an informative evening with supper and the opportunity to enjoy a spring update on topics including:

Symonds & Sampson Farms & Land market update Agricultural rents and tenancies Friars Moor Livestock Health Efficiencies through Technology Old Mill Post-budget Farm IHT planning

Please confirm any dietary requirements with your RSVP.



#### SHARON HILLIER





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Hello. I am AMCs new Regional Agricultural Manager for the Southwest.

My background has predominantly been with Lloyds Banking Group as a Commercial Relationship Manager, working with a range of clients and sectors over the last 25 years. I have experience in lending money to help clients grow and diversify their own businesses, and I'm looking forward to meeting local farming clients to help them to do the same.

We continue to work with agents Cooper & Tanner, and Symonds & Sampson in your area, and although I'll be out and about around my patch of Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Somerset, Wiltshire, Hampshire, Berkshire and Bristol over the coming months, please still give me a call if you have any questions, or would like to discuss how I might be able to help.

#### Improving our support

There's been some significant changes at AMC of late too, including the introduction of annual reviews with clients, to try and identify any areas that may need support in the future, and to help them stay safe. We've also introduced new technology to improve the lending journey from application stage to funds being drawn, to keep clients better informed throughout the process, and there's also a new offering of a Defined Break Cost fixed rate loan (for loans under £100) that provides clients with more information to make informed decisions on their finance requirements.

Our support teams have also significantly improved their service level agreements, with our Security Amendments Team on standby for a potential increase in volumes following the last Budget announcements, and as we head towards the end of the current tax year. If you have any questions or want to know more about how AMC can support your farming business, please contact your local agent or myself.

I look forward to meeting as many businesses as I can in the coming months.

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FRIDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 STORE CATTLE						
		TOTAL				
Starts 10.30am		HEAD				
AUCTIONEERS:		SOLD				
TREVOR ROWLAND	07968 480 401					
BRADLEY TOWELL	07496 263 916	293				
LESTER WILLIAMS	07778 646 031					

A shorter entry as expected this week after two busy Candlemas sales with trade very much on a par seeing all cattle very well sold. Not as many stronger cattle forward this week however those consigned achieving some excellent prices with several over the £2000 mark. Some genuine consignments of breeding stock were competitively bid for resulting in all outfits coming to strong money.

**HEIFERS TO £2180** 

#### **COWS & CALVES**

**STEERS TO £2180** 

This week, included with our normal sale, saw the dispersal of a pedigree Limousin suckler herd for the Late John Kembery of Camerton. Being a regular supporter of Frome and a well-known figure in the store ring buyers were keen to purchase these grand types. The cows with 1-3mo calves at foot averaged £3000! In calf cows from the same herd always over £2500 and topped at £2800. The 3y/o stock sire 'Stourhead Shamrock' created super interest and saw a strong trade to £3900. A sad day but a wonderful tribute to John. A smart Fleckvieh heifer and her 1mo Angus heifer calf to £1820. A good herd reduction of Herford and Angus in calf cows from Rob and Charlotte Stott were all at top levels £1500-£1720, Fleshed grazing Simmental cows from the same home £1870!

#### YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Charolais steers from Derek & Graham Stevens had a wonderful day to £1500 and heifers at £1375. Purebred 8-11mo Limousin steers £1200 with 'U' Grade heifers at £1150 all from D Beatty Trowbridge. Dairy x young continentals forward from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester easily sold saw their Blue x steers 14-16mo from £1490-£1435 and 12mo at £1225. 10mo Simmental x from LO Clothier well sold at £1020. Tidy Blue x heifers again from the Ractliffe family to £1360. Tim Handy was well rewarded for making the trip from Swindon as his 4mo Blue x heifers peaked at £775! Overall, a super day in this section.

#### ANGUS

Some good consignments of Angus again this week; not quite the same show of strength on the week with mostly medium and longer term stores. OTM forward stores to £1780 from The Covey, £1760 from PW CC & JC Gould and £1700 from P Harraway & Co. Suckler- bred Angus heifers £1510 from RF & J Horler and dairy x to £1380 from LO Clothier with steers from the same home to £1595. Steers with growth and frame to £1580 for 18mo. Younger suckler bred Angus to £1435 from PJ & Boulton 12mo and £1420 from RF & J Horler 15mo. Well-bred Angus steers from JM Hopkins to £1280 for 12mo and Dairy x to £1380 from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1690	17mo	Hayden Farms, Blagdon	Charolais	1375	16mo	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley
Charolais	1500	12mo	D & GJ Stevens, Maiden Bradley	Angus	1375	14mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Blue	1490	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester	Blue	1360	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Hereford	1360	14mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester	Hereford	1200	15mo	RG MJ & DC Ractliffe, Gloucester
Limousin	1200	11mo	D Beatty, Southwick	Simmental	1185	17mo	LO Clothier & Sons Ltd, Chewton Mendip

#### **HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES**

Framed Hereford steers met a premium selling to £1890 (28mo) from PW CC & JC Gould and £1800 (26mo) from RE & D Woodward of Norton Ferris. More Hereford heifers forward this week selling from £1830 to an amazing £2090 (27mo) from D Harrison & Sons of Bath. Yearling Hereford steers met an outstanding £1360 (14mo) from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester and £1040 (11mo) from JM Hopkins of Devizes. Yearling Hereford heifers also keenly sought after from £1180 to £1200 all from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe. Beef Shorthorn steers from WD Guley & Sons of Melksham met an exciting trade from £1900 to £2060 (22-23mo) and their younger steers to £1780.

#### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Another tremendous trade at Frome with buyers continuing to bid beyond expectations. Joint top of the day went to PW CC & JC Gould of Norton Ferris with their British Blue steers selling to £2180 (28mo) and WJ & MA Whitford of Shaftesbury whose Simmental steers also sold to £2100 with others also selling well to £1980. Limousin steers met keen bidding to £2100 (25mo) from

R Adams of Bristol and Blonde steers to £2050 (26mo) from Paul & Olly Hurd of the Deverills; their Parthenaise also selling well to £1885 (29mo). Younger Blues wanted selling to £1785 (18mo) from The Covery Somerton and £1490 (15mo) from RG MJ & DC Ractliffe of Gloucester. Younger Limousin steers (19mo) to £1580 from LO Clothier & Sons Ltd of Chewton Mendip. Heifers wanted and selling well to £1960 (29mo) for Paul & Olly Hurd's well presented Parthenaise heifers. Framed Blue heifers also well bid to £1610 from PW CC & JC Gould and Limousin heifers (36mo) to £1600 from DM & RG Adams. Younger Limousin heifers also keenly bid to £1490 (20mo) from LO Clothier & Son Ltd, similar Simmental heifers to £1450 (21mo) from WJ & MA Whitford and younger Charolais heifers to £1375 (16mo) from Derek & Graham Stevens of Maiden Bradley.

#### **FRIESIAN**

Well fleshed types met another outstanding trade with best Fleckvieh steers selling from £1900 to £1920 (30-31mo) all from Paul & Olly Hurd and best British Friesian steers to £1495 (28mo) from PW CC & JC Gould. Well presented, framed Holsteins also keenly bid to £1400 (only 18mo) from PW Townsend & Partners of Trowbridge. Fleckvieh heifers wanted and selling well from £1480 to £1595 (19mo) all from Sean Cowling & family.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	2180	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	Simmental	2180	24mo	WJ & MA Whitford, Shaftesbury
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Simmental	1980	24mo	WJ & MA Whitford, Shaftesbury	Limousin	1600	36mo	DM & RG Adams, Dundry
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#### Chaplain's Prayer

'He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you WILL find refuge' Psalm 91. God uses people to help others in all sorts of different ways and means! Each one of us can make a real difference to someone in trouble Cover pray for all those looking for real Peace of mind...and by our interventions and friendships helping them along the rocky, winding way! Do contact me on 07880770887 or the following if you need to chat with someone!... There's SO MUCH HELP



out there!..FCN 03000 111 999, <u>help@fcn.org.uk</u>, RABI 0808 281 9490, Samaritans 116 123 or email <u>jo@samaritans.org</u> The Addington fund can help you in various ways too.. We're nowhere near out of winter yet!...who knows what crazy weather we'll get before winter turns to Spring! Take strength that there are others around you who can give comfort and advice for ANY problems you may be encountering!

Most of us, as landowners have experienced 'fly tipping' to various degrees? The National Rural Crime Network have been responding to the latest data and it's impact. They have a new 6 point plan to implement ..r ead about it here:

www.nationalruralcrimenetwork.net/news/nrcn-announces-6point-plan

Remember that there's ALWAYS someone out there to help you with ANY problems you face. You won't be alone! Take time to have some fun and laughter amongst the grind of work!!

See you most Wednesdays at Frome Livestock market, Standerwick.. Neville Dyke (Chaplain)



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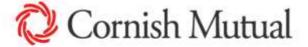
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