

3372 STORE SHEEP 2426 STORE HOGGS 946 IN-LAMB EWES & COUPLES 6th FEBRUARY 2024

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STORE HOGGS - 2426

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

Simply out of this world, a smaller show with stores like the fat hoggs and becoming increasingly hard to source. All hoggs taking another lift however the well bred farming hoggs the dearest on the day. A large company of purchasers present and 4000 plus hoggs could have been sold to vendors' advantage. Today's trade nearly a staggering £40/head dearer on the year, however less than 1000 hoggs forward, a sign of how short numbers have become.

Strength to £142 for a penful of Mule ram hoggs, others to £139, £137.50, £137, £135 and £133. Several stronger hoggs trading £124-£132 although quite scarce. Over 670 hoggs trading at £120 plus with the hoggs averaging £107.35, the dearest average we have seen.

A reasonable show of farming hoggs - these an animated trade throughout with the smarter goods from £115-£124. Several £120 plus, next step down from £108-£114. Medium keep hoggs from £94-£108. The well bred types £100-£108, with the harder bred either side of £100.

Longer keep hoggs from £75-£90, no end trading into the £80's, very small hoggs nearly all £55 plus.

Ram hoggs to £142, other strong ram hoggs from £110-£125. Smaller sorts from £95-£108. Best hill ram hoggs to £122. Several stronger Welsh hoggs £104-£117. Smaller, longer keep hoggs from £70-£90 with 500 ram hoggs averaging £102.10.

More hoggs urgently required for the current demand.

	MIXED HOGGS (£)	RAM HOGGS (£)	EWE HOGGS (£)
TEXEL	139.00	133.00	-
CHAROLLAIS	137.00	135.00	-
SUFFOLK	131.50	137.50	-
WELSH MULE	116.50	142.00	-
WELSH	107.00	122.00	-
SPECKLE	109.00	97.50	-

Overall Average - £107.35/head

A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET ~ GREEN MARKET STATUS

FORTHCOMING SALES

<u>TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY</u> 4000 SHEEP 100 EWES & LAMBS - 11.00am 750 IN-LAMB EWES - 11.15am 3000 STORE HOGGS - 12 noon REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.30am

Store sheep and calf entries by Friday 9th February at 5.00pm

WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY PRIME HOGGS - 10.00am CULL EWES - 12 noon All sheep penned on arrival

THURSDAY 15th FEBRUARY 650 STORE CATTLE BARREN COWS COWS IN OR WITH CALVES STOCK/FEEDING BULLS STORE CATTLE

Entries to the office by Wednesday 7th February at 12 noon

<u>TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY</u> Special Sale of 300 SUCKLED CALVES/YOUNG STORES Entries to the office by Tuesday 20th February

THURSDAY 7th MARCH Genuine Complete Herd Dispersal of 28 pedigree Limousin cows & calves 5 pedigree bulling heifers 2 pedigree stock bulls On behalf of M/s R W & C S Richards, Park Farm, Craswall To be held in conjunction with store cattle sale *Ref: Matthew Nicholls - 07811 521267*

<u>COUPLES - 67 ewes/lambs</u>

Auctioneer - Rory Matthews

Another early-season entry with trade electric once again. More Mule ewes suckling young lambs this week however another fantastic average of \pounds 96.89 per life demonstrating current optimism and demand in the couples ring at present.

Mr J Hughes, Newton Farm topping the podium for both singles and doubles this week with the best of his Suffolk and Texel cross outfits realising £230 twice for singles (£115 per life) and £315 for twins (£105 per life). Full mouthed Mule ewes rearing singles from the same stable to £202 with twins to £295.

Trade also excellent on ewes suckling younger lambs. 7 Suffolk cross ewes with 10 lambs to £270 (£111.18 per life) from M/s K & D Williams, Brooks Farm with twins to £298 from M/s TE & D Jones up all the way from Aberystwyth. Older and plainer ewes suckling smaller lambs generally £75 to £90 a life depending on potential.

More required weekly

Average £237 per outfit / £96.89 per life

IN-LAMB EWES - 852

Auctioneer - Rory Matthews

Another large entry of in lambers with harder bred ewes becoming more plentiful.

Texel yearlings to £232 twice from Mr R Davies, Ffynnonbrodyr and Welsh Mules to £192. Several young Mule and Texel ewes trading £160 to £180 depending on strength and lambing percentage however Mules once again feeling the easiest sold. Several flock aged Texel ewes £150 to £165.

The much fancied run of aged Cheviot ewes scanning tremendously well to Blue Faced Leicester rams from M/s SDR & LJ Price, Upper Porthgwyn sold to £150 and £140 with the whole consignment averaging over £135. More coming next week all being well.

As stated harder bred ewes becoming more plentiful and dispatched with ease. Texel and Suffolk cross Welsh ewes anywhere between £120 and £150 if well backed ready for lambing dependent on quality. Plainer sorts meeting plenty of customers and trading at a very satisfactory level. Four year old Romneys scanned at 200% to £132 twice. Broken mouthed Speckles scanned for twins to £90. Several smaller, older and plainer ewes from £70 to £90.

Customers still looking for triplets with Aberfields and Suffolks both to £160, aged Welsh to £90.

Yet another large entry of around 1,000 in lamb ewes anticipated for next week

Current Entries Include:

230 Suffolk cross ~ 160 Texel cross and Welsh Mule

250 Welsh ~ 80 Cheviot ~ 80 Romney

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