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**3172 STORE SHEEP
2359 STORE HOGGS
813 IN-LAMB EWES & COUPLES
5th MARCH 2024**

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STORE HOGGS - 2359

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

Overall Average - £119.64 head

The dearest store trade to date with an overall average just shy of £120 and plenty of hogs trading £140 plus. A busier ringside of customers with demand for 4000 plus hogs, an excellent March entry with all classes the dearest seen this season.

Strength topped at £169 twice for Texel hogs, others to £168, £167, £164 & £159.50 twice, several bunches of hogs £150 plus to include 30 Texels at £152.50 & 49 Texels to £150 both from M/s LL & SI Morgan.

Farming hogs in general a more varied selection however an animated trade with the stronger well bred hogs £135-£150, several bunches £142-£148. The next step down from £120-£130 to include some plainer types and some slightly harder bred sorts.

Well bred medium keep hogs £105-£119 with several trading £114-£118, smaller plainer hogs either side of £100 to include Welsh x types & harder bred hogs.

Longer term hogs changing hands £80-£95 for better headed types, very small nearly all £65 plus. A fewer smaller ewe hogs to include Cheviots to £133.50, other stronger Cheviots & Welsh £120-£130, Mules to £137.

571 ram hogs with Welsh, Swale x & continental hogs all on offer, strong Texel x ram hogs to £168, £167 & £164, 20 Suffolk x ram hogs to £159.50, Welsh to £157, Mules £155. Strong ram hogs £130-£150, farming types £110-£128 although plenty £120 plus. Smaller hill types £85-£105 with the ram hogs averaging £124.96.

	MIXED HOGGS (£)	RAM HOGGS (£)	EWES HOGGS (£)
TEXEL	169.00	168.00	-
CHAROLLAIS	154.50	167.00	-
SUFFOLK	149.00	159.50	-
WELSH MULE	135.00	156.00	137.00
WELSH	129.00	157.00	135.00
SPECKLE	-	-	-

A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET ~ GREEN MARKET STATUS

FORTHCOMING SALES

TUESDAY 12th MARCH

3500 SHEEP

300 EWES & LAMBS - 11.00am

500 IN-LAMB EWES - 11.15am

2500 STORE HOGGS - 12 noon

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.30am

Store sheep and calf entries by Friday 8th March at 5.00pm

WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH

PRIME HOGGS - 10.00am

CULL EWES - 12 noon

All sheep penned on arrival

WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH

Easter Show & Sale of

SPRING LAMBS

2 classes and perpetual cup

THURSDAY 21st MARCH

Commencing at 10.30am

800 STORE CATTLE

BARREN COWS

COWS IN OR WITH CALVES

STOCK/FEEDING BULLS

STORE CATTLE

Entries for catalogue by

Wednesday 13th March at 12 noon

Early notification -

TUESDAY 26th MARCH

SPRING SHOW & SALE OF

350 SUCKLED CALVES/YOUNG STORES

Entries now being taken

1175 BREEDING SHEEP

COUPLES - 256 ewes/362 lambs

Auctioneer – Rory Matthews

What a trade! A fantastic entry of couples both in terms of quality and quantity with trade up several gears. Record breaking finished sheep trades and a few days of improved weather encouraging purchasers to push on in some order!

No end of the strongest singles trading £110 to £125 a life and up to £258 (£129 per life) for Texel bred types from M/s DL Hughes, Veddoes Farm. Other outfits with lambs circa three/four weeks old to £255, £252, £248 twice, £242 twice and plenty £220 to £238 for Suffolk and Texel cross types.

Seven Suffolk cross Mule ewes suckling twelve Texel cross lambs to £340 (£125.26 per life) from M/s DE & SJ Cheacker with double couples to £325, £322 twice, £320 and so on. Welsh type ewes with pairs of topping lambs to £300. Messrs FJ & MD Beaumont making a start with their weekly consignments and selling twelve Suffolk cross full/broken mouthed ewes with nineteen lambs to £116 per life (£300) and ten Texel cross with fourteen to £122.92 per life (£295).

Several Mule ewes with Texel/Suffolk lambs forward with the best of these £90 to £102 a life for both singles and twins. Long term but well-bred outfits throughout the £90's per life and looking a straight price. Plain Mule and Welsh ewes with young lambs trading £66 to £80 a life depending on strength and quality.

Average £101.63 per life / £245.34 per outfit

Large entries of couples required as we head towards the spring!

IN LAMB EWES & HOGGS - 557

Auctioneer – Rory Matthews

A seasonal entry with some quality consignments on offer. Trade again very strong with confidence increasing as the season has gone on.

A lovely consignment of flock aged North Country Mule ewes sold on behalf of the retiring Mr PE Walters & Son generated significant interest from far and wide and topped at £208. Two pens cashed at £185 with several bunches trading throughout the £170's. Leaner ewes generally down in the £150-£165 bracket with the whole consignment averaging at around the £172 mark. No other ground ewes to talk about besides a run of flock aged Aberfield ewes, scanned at 200% or more from Mr B Quan which realised £175, £168, £162 and £150.

Sole entry of in lamb hoggs from M/s KL Evans, Whitestones Farm selling to £152 and £150 for Texel cross and Charollais types.

Welsh ewes plentiful and well sold with several bunches trading at around £140. Topping the hill ewes at £144 with a bunch of flock ages (including younger sorts) was Mr D Lewis, Esgaircorn. Messrs IG Hills & Son sold two bunches of Welsh 3's & 4's at £140 as did M/s MA & JM Thomas, Pontvane for yearlings back in lamb to a Welsh. Several nice Welsh ewes toothing well trading £120 to £138 and meeting no shortage of customers. Older types at a reduced but satisfactory level.

Plenty of interest remains in the in-lamb section. Please contact Rory to discuss.

Good entry of in lamb ewes to hand for next week including

**Large consignment of Scotch Mules – 2s 3s & 4s – In Lamb to a Texel – Due Early April
42 New Zealand Romneys - Yearlings – In Lamb to Primera & Aberfields – Due Mid April
60 Full Mouthed Texel & Suffolk cross – In Lamb to Charollais cross - Due Late March
25 Flock aged Welsh/Cheviots – In Lamb to Suffolk & Cheviots – Due Late March**

