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# **THURSDAY 16 MAY 2024** SALE OF CALVES & STIRKS, DAIRY CATTLE FOLLOWED BY THE SHOW AND SALE OF EWES & HOGGS WITH LAMBS AT FOOT

## CALVES & STIRKS – 34

Steers averaged £690 Heifers averaged £452.33 **Bulls averaged £451.94** 

As the weather picks up and farmers are busy in the fields, numbers tighten, however quality and trade were hot, hot, and even hotter. Topping today at a fantastic £710 a cracking 6-month-old Limousin Heifer Stirk from regular consignor RG & W Whitfield Ltd, Balladoyle Farm, who also sold another Limousin Heifer, the same age, to £700. Bull Stirks sold to £640 for 4-month-old Limousins from JW Briggs & Son, Southerfield Hall. Steers topped out at £690 for 9-month-old Limousins from Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm, who also sold a 4-month-old British Blue Heifer to £620, taking their average to a top of £655.



Regular supporter Kate Bailey, Moorhouse Hall Farm, once again topped the Calf section with a fantastic chunky 2month-old British Blue Heifer, selling to £500. British Blue Bull Calves sold to £380 for Messrs Harrison, Hazel Head, taking their run of 6 animals to an average of £480.

More Calves and Stirks could easily be handled every sale, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786.

#### LEADING AVERAGES

Name	Total Heads	£ Average
Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm	2	£655.00
RG & W Whitfield, Balladoyle Farm	6	£604.17
JW Briggs & Son, Southerfield Hall	8	£533.75
J Bailey, Moorhouse Hall Farm	1	£500.00

Limousin Heifer Stirks £710 £700 £420 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £560 Southerfield Hall (Briggs)

Limousin Bull Stirks £640 £560 Southerfield Hall (Briggs) £635 £590 £570 Balladoyle Farm (Whitfield) £460 Hazel Head (Harrison)

**Limousin Steer Stirks** £690 Fairladies Farm (Clark)

Limousin Heifer Calves £480 Hazel Head (Harrison)

Limousin Bull Calves £295 £270 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd)



from Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm







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British Blue Heifer Stirks £550 £380 Southerfield Hall (Briggs) £510 £490 Hazel Head (Harrison)

**British Blue Bull Stirks** £620 Fairladies Farm (Clark) £570 £540 £470 Southerfield Hall (Briggs) £560 Hazel Head (Harrison)

British Blue Heifer Calves £500 Moorhouse Hall Farm (Bailey) £320 £300 x 2 £270 £220 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd)

British Blue Bull Calves £380 Hazel Head (Harrison) £310 £280 £250 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd)

## **DAIRY CATTLE - 25**

A super entry of Dairy Cattle with quality throughout the penning.

Plenty of milk and buyers too with the £2000 barrier broken on many occasions to a top of £2400 for a 14-day calved Holstein from How End Farms, Thursby, closely followed at £2350 for a bred Norwegian Red Heifer from the same home. This price of £2350 also achieved for a strong 2 and half year-old Heifer from Graham Farms.

Friesians offered as part of an ongoing dispersal for Messrs Marrs, Croft Farm very well received, topping at £2200 and £2150 for 4-week calved Heifers. Older Cows as part of this offering selling to £1800 for a cracking 5<sup>th</sup> Calver.

Holstein Heifers £2400 £2250 £2150 £2000 x 2 £1850 How End Farms (Swainson) £2350 £2200 Greenrigg (Graham Farms Ltd) £1700 Cumcatch Farm (Dotchin)

Norwegian Red Heifers £2350 How End Farms (Swainson)

Friesian Heifers £2200 £2150 £2050 £1750 Croft Farm (Marrs) £1580 Firtree Farm (Storr)

**Holstein Cows** £2150 How End Farms (Swainson) £1980 Bridgebank (Greenop)

Ayrshire Cows £1950 Croft Farm (Marrs)

Friesian Cows £1800 £1650 £1550 x 3 Croft Farm (Marrs)



This sweet Dairy Heifer, giving 30ltrs, from How End Farms sold to £2150, with Johns run of 8 Cows and Heifers topping out at £2400 and averaging a tremendous £2143.75.

#### **EWES WITH LAMBS AT FOOT – 797**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May saw the Annual Show and Sale of Hoggs and Lambs and Shearlings and Lambs with a tremendous run of sheep put forward for judging. The pre-sale judging was in the more than capable hands of Norman Fisher, Dufton House, who has an exceptional eye for quality, placing as follows:-

Pen of 10 Mule Hoggs with Lambs –

1<sup>st</sup> Messrs Harrison, Low Houses

2<sup>nd</sup> Messrs Middleton, Stone House

3<sup>rd</sup> Messrs Armstrong, Shankfield Head









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Pen of 10 Mule Shearlings with Lambs -

Pen of 5 Continental Shearlings with Lambs -

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Pen of 5 Suffolk Hoggs with Lambs -

Best Single Unit with Lambs -

1<sup>st</sup> Messrs Lamb, Burns Farm

1<sup>st</sup> Messrs Fell, Harley Croft

2<sup>nd</sup> Messrs Whiteford, Tercrosset

3<sup>rd</sup> Messrs Taylor, The Harras

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2<sup>nd</sup> Messrs Stoddart, Hillside Farm

3<sup>rd</sup> Messrs Fell, Harley Croft

• CHAMPION – Messrs Browell, Quarry House

RESERVE CHAMPION – Messrs Fell, Harley Croft

Later placing the first prize pen of 5 Continental Shearlings from Messrs Browell, Quarry House, who took the leap of faith travelling the extra mile to take the Champion ticket and also Ridley took the first prize single unit. Robbie Graham also took the leap and set out to achieve what he aimed for, taking the 1<sup>st</sup> prize rosette for Continental Hoggs and also received the Reserve Champion ticket.

Top price of the Day was achieved by Ridley Browell, Capheaton, selling a tremendous Texel 2 Shear with a fantastic lamb at foot, securing the top price of £300 per life and purchased by the Judge. Norman also backed his decision buying his Champions, the pen of Shearlings from Messrs Browell, at a staggering £242 per life. Norman was on great form as he also went on to buy his Reserve Champions from Robbie Graham, Harley Croft, who topped the Hoggs at a whopping £265 per life.

Another mention must go to Willy Taylor, The Harras, who consigned an unbelievable run of Suffolk Cross Hoggs which topped at £205 a life and another pen selling to £192 per life.

All in all, a fantastic show and sale of Ewes and Hoggs with Lambs at foot, please note our next of Sale of Ewe and Lambs and Hoggs and Lambs will be held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May, any queries please contact David Fearon on 07500 173273

**Beltex Hogg with Single** £300 £242 £215 Hillhead (Browell) £265 x 2 £210 Harley Croft (Fell) £232 High Plasketlands (Pearson) £220 Dockray Hall (Ramsay) £210 Hillside (Stoddart)

Beltex Ewe with Twins £170 x 2 High Plasketlands (Pearson)

**Texel Hogg with Single** £255 £210 £178 £142 Clea Hall (Bland) £194 Hillside (Stoddart) £190 £177 £168 £160 £150 £145 Harras Farm (Taylor) £164 £160 £145 £140 Dockray Hall (Ramsay) £160 Wheyrigg House (Evans) £160 Baggra Yeat (Ritson) £155 £152 High Hall (Thompson) £148 Rowan Garth (Watson) £141 £140 x 2 Shankfield Head (Armstrong)

Texel Hogg with Twins £158 £142 Rowan Garth (Watson) £146 Baggra Yeat (Ritson)

Texel Ewe with Single £116 Woodhouse (Harrison)

**Dutch Texel Hogg with Single** £216 £182 £152 Wallend Farm (Milburn)

**Dutch Texel Hogg with Twins** £192 Wallend Farm (Milburn)

**Dutch Texel Ewe with Single** £152 Wallend Farm (Milburn)





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**Suffolk Hoggs with Single** £205 £192 Harras Farm (Taylor) £200 Shankfield Head (Armstrong) £180 Tercrosset (Whiteford) £152 Dockray Hall (Ramsay)

Mule Hogg with Single £148 £120 Low House Farm (Harrison) £130 Stone House (Middleton) £126 £124 Shankfield Head (Armstrong) £120 High Hall (Thompson)

Mule Ewe with Single £112 Woodhouse (Harrison)

Blue Texel Hogg with Single £140 Wallend Farm (Milburn)

Charollais Hogg with Twins £108 Leigh Croft (Bennison)

Charollais Ram £120 Woodhouse (Harrison)

Mule Ewe Hogg £110 Woodhouse (Harrison)

**Texel Ewe Hogg** £90 Woodhouse (Harrison)



