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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET

CATTLE

40 Cattle Such a disappointing entry with many more wanted to satisfy demand, this was the dearest trade yet with no cattle in the prime section below 309.5pkg!! Top pkg this week 405.5pkg for a sweet BBX heifer from East Anglian Trailers (£2043.72) purchased by C J Byford & Sons of Little Clacton. The same vendor having another at 397.5pkg (£2237.93). W G Vant & Sons travelling from Kent to 404.5pkg for a Limousin steer (£2358.24) again purchased by C J Byford & Sons. Also breaking the 400pkg barrier, Jeff Freeman for a Limousin heifer at 402.5pkg (£2165.45) purchased by Messrs H G Blake of Norwich. Pauline Byam, two Limousin steers at 398.5pkg (£2355.14) and 295.5pkg (£2590.53). J W Gooderham, two well finished Limousin heifers to 397.5pkg (2) and to £2615.50 and £2412.83. J W G Dunt & Sons Limousin heifers to 383.5pkg (£1959.69) with Simmental heifers to 377.5pkg (2) and 376.5pkg and to £2306.53. Strong Simmental heifers from Rod Lock Agricultural to 349.5pkg, the top price per head of the day £2624.75. Usual run of 6 Continental X Dairy heifers from A Heath & Sons keenly sought to 363.5pkg, 362.5pkg etc. and to £2010.16 a head, the 6 averaging 353.52pkg (£1839.49). AAX heifers to 345.5pkg from W L King & Sons, 340.5pkg etc. and to £2187.02. Hereford X steers from W G Vant & Sons to 370.5pkg (£2367.50) with Hereford X heifers from R G Manning to 329.5pkg (£1759.53). Only two cattle below 323.5pkg in the sale, reflecting the demand and all buyers short of requirements. Please try and find some cattle for next week.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
10 STEERS av 362.02pkg from 323.50pkg						
3 Light 370-550kg	357.50	323.50	337.20	R W Revell	1819.68	1728.70
6 Medium 551-650kg	404.50	338.50	366.53	W G Vant & Sons	2367.50	2200.40
1 Heavy 651kg+	395.50	309.50	395.50	Pauline Byam	2590.53	2590.53
27 HEIFERS av 356.41pkg from 309.50pkg						
1 Light 330-500kg	348.50	348.50	348.50	A Heath & Sons	1644.92	1644.92
17 Medium 501-590kg	405.50	309.50	354.67	East Anglian Trailers Ltd	2237.93	1899.78
9 Heavy 591kg+	397.50	329.50	359.75	J W Gooderham	2624.75	2338.38
3 AOTM – A short entry, strong demand, more wanted. Lean Limousin X cows to 210.5pkg (£1229.32), 32m/o Simmental heifers to 281.5pkg (£2063.40).						
2 Beef Cows	210.50	200.50	205.13	T L Hanmer	1359.39	1294.36
1 Heifer	281.50	281.50	281.50	Rod Lock Agricultural	2063.40	2063.40
NEXT STORE SALE – TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY – ENTRIES URGENTLY SOUGHT						

S H E E P

809 Sheep the increased numbers keenly sought for a mixed quality entry with several pens taking a further feeding. Meated lambs in all sections a sharp trade. Top pkg this week E J & V C Fenton at 417pkg, very smart 35kg Beltex lambs to £146 a head, the same vendor having similar hoggs to 394pkg etc. Other standard weight hoggs to 378pkg from Richard Criddle (£140) with S J Philp & Sons also to £140 with Emily Elnaugh to £139. Medium hoggs to £159.50 from W & J Griffin (2) and Richard Machin with Emily Elnaugh to £156 as well as Richard Criddle, who topped the pkg in this weight range at 363pkg, 360pkg etc. with Tom Woodrooffe to 360pkg (2) etc. Heavy hoggs to £176 a head from W & J Griffin with Richard Machin to £174, £172, £170 etc. for Suffolk X hoggs, with Bob Bradshaw to £172 and to 363pkg from Will Griffin, with Richard Criddle to 357pkg, 353pkg etc. Hoggs over 52kg to £185 a head from Will Griffin, with other pens to £182 for Will, with Bob Bradshaw to £180 and to 332pkg from Will Griffin, with the same vendor 330pkg, 326pkg, etc. Bob Bradshaw to 321pkg. 21 new season lambs from two vendors, a steady trade to £148 from Andrew Green with other pens £146, £144 etc for medium weight lambs. Standard lambs to £139, £136 from Ashley Starling. Please keep numbers coming but let us have your entries as soon as possible to enable all buyers to be notified.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
638 OLD SEASON LAMBS SQQ 340.50pkg all in 338.71pkg.						
2 Light 25.5-32kg	339	339	Ashley Smith	339.00	105.00	105.00
136 Standard 32.1-39kg	417	278	E J & V C Fenton	348.16	146.00	129.24
333 Medium 39.1-45kg	363	282	Richard Criddle	337.77	159.50	143.45
167 Heavy 45.6 kg+	363	274	W & J Griffin	335.26	185.00	167.35
21 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 353.50pkg.						
8 Standard 32.1-39kg	364	353	A Starling	357.45	139	136.50
13 Medium 39.1-45kg	356	348	A Starling	351.26	148	145.23
58 EWES Short entry more wanted, all price to £248 a head for Continental X ewes from Eileen Etheridge with the other to £230, Suffolk Mules to £165, £162 etc. N C Mules to £150, £148 etc. Norfolk Horns to £129, all in average of £137.86 a head.						
3 RAMS to £165 for Suffolks.						
85 STORE LAMBS to £124 for Suffolk X Mules. Long Keep lambs to av £80.20 a head including Shetlands at £40 from £24.						
4 MATURE SHEEP to 186pkg for Norfolk Horns.						

PLEASE ENTER YOUR STOCK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR VAN NUMBERS ARE UP TO DATE –
BUYERS ARE STATING THEY NEED THESE.**