

BLACKWATER BALING LTD

Specialists in grassland management and forage production

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Proprietors: Gavin and Liz Strathern

Hesston Baling
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Conventional Baling
4' x 3' Baling

Big Bale Chasing
Mowing of Grassland
Raking and Tedding of Grassland
Round and Square Bale Wrapping
Conventional Bale Packing (21's)
10 Balers
3 Bale Baron Packers

Straw bought in the swath and sold in the bale
covering Essex and South Suffolk

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STANFORDS AUCTIONS

Sales held weekly, both for livestock and other items.

Weekly Sales:

- **Tuesdays – Livestock.** Weekly sale of prime stock with OTM cattle and cull ewes.
- **Saturdays – The General Market.** Cage/aviary birds, rabbits, guinea pigs. Bicycles, timber, plants and a variety of yard items.

Monthly Sales:

- **Tuesday – monthly sale of Store Cattle.**
- **Saturday – monthly sale of antiques, collectables and household effects in the General Saleroom.**
- **Saturday – monthly sale of pet and bird food in the General Saleroom.**



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Colchester Livestock Market

an Assured Market under the ABM Scheme

Sale Report

Tuesday 4th November 2025

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The Livestock Market, Wyncolls Road, Colchester, Essex CO4 9HU

WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET

CATTLE

42 Cattle another desperately short entry of 34 prime cattle and another sharp trade throughout with top end dearer on the week and more cattle wanted to benefit from this trade. Top per kg this week 436.5pkg for a superb Limousin steer from Pauline Byam purchased by C J Byford & Sons, Little Clacton (£2859.08). Pauline had a BB X steer at 431.5pkg (£2761.66) and a Blonde heifer at 426.5pkg (£2767.99). Geoff Freeman again showing quality Limousin steers to 433.5pkg, 430.5pkg and 424.5pkg and topping the price per head on the day at £3159.87. W G Vant & Sons sharing the trade with quality Limousin steers to 434.5pkg (£2802.53), 428.5pkg, 416.5pkg. A & W Bentall BB X steers to 429.5pkg (£2538.35) with others at 413.5pkg, 408.5pkg etc. J B Farms Limousin heifers to 412.5pkg. Peter Goodwin usual quality Limousin heavy steers to 409.5pkg (£2960.69) with heifers to 397.5pkg (£2913.68). Strong Simmental steers from Rod Lock Agricultural to 383.5pkg (£2859.75). Sussex steers from Bob Mannning to 378.5pkg with AA steers from C Wright & Sons to 376.5kg, 373.5pkg etc with Richard Revell to 377.5pkg for AA X steer, Hereford X steers from Richard to 365.5pkg. A Heath & Son usual run of 6 Continental X Dairy heifers to 389.5pkg from 369.5pkg and to £2007.56. Many more cattle wanted in all sections.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
21 STEERS average 398.32pkg from 317pkg						
4 Light 370-550kg	433.5	317.5	376.62	R & G R Freeman	2358.24	1900.07
11 Medium 551-50kg	434.5	357.5	404.99	W G Vant & Sons	2802.53	2416.69
6 Heavy 651kg+	436.5	360.5	398.32	P Byam	3159.87	2867.24
13 HEIFERS average 391.22pkg from 327.5pkg						
3 Light 330-500kg	375.5	327.5	357.68	A Heath & Sons	1772.36	1658.43
8 Medium 501-590kg	428.5	375.5	395.74	W G Vant & Sons	2523.87	2094.97
2 Heavy 591kg+	426.5	397.5	411.12	P Byam	2913.68	2840.84
8 AOTM all Non-FABBL, majority of cows older Red Polls to 201.5pkg and to £1253.33, Limousin X cows to 323.5pkg (£2338.91) with Simmental X cows to 301.5pkg (£2683.35).						
7 Beef Cows	323.5	181.5	237.41	Rod Lock Agricultural	2683.35	1528.94
1 Bull	225.5	225.2	225.5	A & W Bentall	2618.06	2618.06

S H E E P

567 Sheep average entry but ewes very short. Trade for lambs generally stronger but some resistance to heavy weights as reported elsewhere. As always meat wanted. Top price per head this week Will Griffin at £170 a head (56kg) with Chess Valley Livestock to £168 (53kg) with W & J Griffin again to £162, £161.50 etc and 52kg lambs averaged 304.18pkg. Heavy lambs dominated by Chess Valley Livestock to £159 (2), £158 (3) £157, £156 (2) and to 336pkg, 332pkg, 331pkg (2) etc. Sylvia Rawlings to 333pkg. Medium lambs to £153 from W & J Griffin with others to £150 (2). Sylvia Rawlings to £148 a head as were Hagag Limited and to 347pkg from Chris Dyson 39.5kg). Will Griffin to 345pkg and Sylvia Rawlings to 344pkg. Standard lambs to £143 a head from Will Griffin (39kg) and to 367pkg. K M Mack to £128 and 337pkg. Again trade needs monitoring please select for meat, if in doubt the store trade very strong.

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424 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 323.33 all in 319.76pkg						
28 Standard 32.1-39kg	367	319	W & J Griffin	330.59	143	124.27
252 Medium 39.1-45.5kg	347	305	C Dyson	322.63	153	140.00
126 Heavy 45.6 - 52kg	336	283	Chess Valley Livestock Ltd	315.11	159	150.24
18 Over 52kg +	317	286	Chess Valley Livestock Ltd	304.18	170	161.89

35 EWES such a short entry, many more wanted to £159 for Texel X ewes from Mark & Jake Taylor, Suffolk Mules to £149, North Country Mules to £145, Welsh Mules to £124, Hampshire ewes to £149, Kent ewes to £148, Texel X ewes £148.

3 RAMS to £148/ average £100.33 with Hebridean to £73.

99 STORE LAMBS 28 Hebridean tup lambs averaged £20.93 from £1 to £50 a head. 71 commercial stores, a full company of buyers, most unable to open their account. Kent X lambs to £131, £130 etc. Suffolk X lambs to £124, £122. Small Texel X lambs to £104, all in average £109.16 for commercial lambs. Many more wanted.

6 MATURE SHEEP to £141 a head and 231pkg.

NEXT STORE SALE 25TH NOVEMBER. ENTRIES INVITED.

**PLEASE ENTER YOUR STOCK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE –
HELP US TO HELP YOU**

**CHRISTMAS PRIMESTOCK SHOW -
TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER**