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Sale Report

Tuesday 16th December 2025

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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET

CATTLE

56 Cattle a short entry of 32 prime cattle forward with buyers cautious with reports of large quantities of boxed meat about and available. Top price per kg this week 418pkg for a smart Limousin X heifer from J B Farms and purchased by C J Byford & Sons, Little Clacton (£2081.64), with the same vendor having another heifer at 385pkg (£2290.75). David Smith smart Limousin heifers to 411pkg (£2383.80) with Limousin steers to 390pkg, 380pkg etc (£2538.40). Bob Manning AA X steers to 380pkg (£2538.40). P B Goodwin Limousin heifers to 398pkg (£2634.76) with steers to 380pkg (£2967.80) topping the price per head. General run of cattle 350pkg to 380pkg with buyers wanting meat but as stated cautious. The trade needs monitoring, please speak to us before sending next week, cattle will be wanted on 30th December, remember next week's sale is on Monday 22nd December.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
12 STEERS average 368.74pkg						
3 Light 370-550kg	364	350	356.12	J Le Gros		
6 Medium 551-650kg	390	358	367.33	D A J Smith2327.66	2199.11	
3 Heavy 651kg+	380 (3)	380	380	Bob Manning P B Goodwin D A J Smith	2957.80	2681.53
20 HEIFERS average 368.29pkg						
6 Light 330-500kg	418	330	366.76	J B Farms	2081.40	1728.06
9 Medium 501-590kg	411	340	368.18	D A J Smith	2363.80	1989.41
5 Heavy 591kg+	398	340	369.84	P B Goodwin	2634.76	2295.25
8 AOTM a mixed selection with some very plain cows forward. Limousin cows to 304pkg, 286pkg etc and to £2236.52 (non-FABBL). SD cows to 270pkg (£2230.20). AA X cows (non -FABBL) to 227pkg (£1534.52)						
8 Beef Cows	304	99	227.91	R A Keeling	2236.52	2236.52
16 STORES all South Devons for Messrs White & Partners with 20 m/o South Deveon steers to £1690, £1630 etc. South Devon 20 m/o heifers to £1425.						

S H E E P

417 Sheep half the entry of last week and more quality lambs wanted as trade advanced. Heavy lambs over 52kg to £185 a head from Glen Goodman with Andrew King to £173, £172 etc and G D Black & Son to £165. Heavy lambs 45.6kg to 52kg to £170 (2) again from Glen Goodman, W Chantry & Sons to £166 with G D Black & Son to £165. Medium lambs to £166 again from Glen Goodman with G Deller to £159, £156, £154 etc. Standard lambs wanted to £142 a head again from Glen Goodman with G D Black & Son to £139, £138 etc with Ferry Farm Partners to £136. A few very light lambs from G D Black & Son topping the price per kg at 384pkg. Best heavy lambs trading 340-355pkg from Glen Goodman and G Deller & Sons. Medium lambs to 373pkg again from Glen Goodman with Hagag Limited to 362pkg, 356pkg etc. Standard lambs to 366pkg from G D Black & Son, with Glen Goodman to 364pkg as was Jacqueline Symons.

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288 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 338.6pkg all in 337.46pkg						
10 Light 25.5-32kg	384	369	G D Black & Son	376.19	119	118.50
68 Standard 32.1-39kg	366	369	G D Black & Son	345.33	142	129.67
145 Medium 39.1-45.5kg	373	335.81	G Goodman	335.81	166	142.47
60 Heavy 45.6 - 52kg	355	303	G Goodman	336.67	170	160.13
5 Over 52kg	315	266	A & N King	299.47	185	171
49 EWES to £188 for Texel X ewes, others £184, Half Bred ewes to £174, £172 etc. All in average £145.43 a head including Manx Loaghtan ewes from £30 to £60 a head. Many more wanted pleased.						
72 STORE LAMBS with the majority rare breed and very long keep topping at £138 a head (2 pens), £136, £135, £120 etc.						
8 MATURE SHEEP to £130 a head and to 297pkg.						

**REMEMBER
NEXT WEEK THE SALE IS ON MONDAY 22ND
DECEMBER.**

**PLEASE PHONE ENTRIES AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE AND TO DISCUSS DEMAND. DO NOT
JUST TURN UP.**

HELP US HELP YOU.

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**NEXT FORTHCOMING SALE AFTER
CHRISTMAS TUESDAY 30TH
DECEMBER FOR CATTLE & SHEEP.
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