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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 26th May 2026

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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET

CATTLE

51 Cattle shorter entry, a trade with a touch more life but still at lower levels. Top this week 400pkg for a very smart Limousin heifer from Liam Byam (£2164) purchased by Paul Humphreys. Gary Hubert BB X heifer at 386pkg (£2173.18), Pauline Byam Limousin heifers to 369pkg and steers to 367pkg and topping the price per head on the day at £2528.63. S J Philp & Sons Limousin steers and heifers to 370pkg with others to 364pkg etc. P B Goodwin good Limousin steers and heifers to 356pkg (£2296.20 and £2257.04). AA steers to 371pkg from R J Scarfe & Partners with heifers to 348pkg. Michael Bates Limousin heifers to 360pkg. General run of cattle 330pkg to 355pkg with very few below. A Heath & Sons usual run of 6 Continental X heifers 348pkg to 360pkg. Please let us know as soon as possible with entries for next week, the trade does need monitoring.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
24 STEERS average 342.28						
5 Light 370-550kg	371	346	357.67	R J Scarfe & Partners	2007.11	1845.60
11 Medium 551-90kg	356	321	343.30	P B Goodwin	2257.04	2038.56
8 Heavy 651kg+	367	322	334.09	P Byam	2528.63	2360.73
19 HEIFERS average 355.45						
2 Light 330-500kg	327	316	321.45	George Wright Farms	1484.58	1472.25
15 Medium 501-90kg	400	329	358.20	Liam Byam	2173.18	1910.85
2 Heavy 591kg+	369	356	362.50	P Byam	2380.05	2338.13
2 BULLS average 315.22						
1 Medium 551-650kg	335	335	335	George Wright Farms	1986.55	1986.55
1 Heavy 651kg+	298	298	298	John Bacon	2029.38	2029.38
6 AOTM a mixed entry with firm demand for an entry of all non-FABBL cattle						
2 Beef Cows	240	224	232	F Pearce & Sons	1876.80	1717.92
1 Heifer	278	278	278	H M & G M Knighton	1651.37	1657.37
3 Steers	346	210	260.17	Jayne Phillips	1890.00	1773.51
STORES - NEXT STORE SALE TUESDAY 30TH JUNE.						

S H E E P

352 Sheep a much reduced entry with new season lambs at similar trade levels to last week but several lambs not turning up. A very mixed entry of old season lambs, a strong trade for meat but plainer types much less demand. Heavy lambs to £216 from Richard Criddle, M R & J Taylor to £214, C W & D Chamley to £210 and to 450pkg for Richard Criddle, with others 435pkg, 420pkg etc. Medium lambs to £199 a head again from Richard Criddle. C W & D Chamley to £194 as were F Pearce & Sons with the Taylors to £193 and to 475pkg from Ricard Criddle with others 465pkg, 463pkg etc. Standard lambs to £183, £180, £179 etc for Richard Criddle and 4484pkg. Old season lambs a very mixed quality entry, £214 a head from Richard Criddle who also had £210, £202 (2) etc. M Byford to £200 at head. Billington Sheep to £195 and heavy old season lambs to 396pkg for Richard Criddle. Medium old season lambs to £182 a head from W Chantry & Sons, Billington Sheep to £180 to 417pkg from R Criddle. Standard old season lambs to £165 from W Chantry & Sons, £160 etc and to 444pkg. Lean old season lambs heavily discounted. Please keep in contact regarding numbers and trade trend.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
137 OLD SEASON LAMBS SQQ 391.60pkg all in 355.83pkg.						
5 Light 25.5-32kg	258	200	T Street	240.20	80	80
21 Standard 32.1-39kg	444	291	W Chantry & Son	392.04	165	147.76
51 Medium 39.1-45.5kg	417	360	R Criddle	391.43	182	164.82
22 Heavy 45.6 - 52kg	396	260	R Criddle	363.58	202	177.48
33 Over 52kg	381	227	R Criddle	298.07	214	175.64
129 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 441.31 all in 436.85pkg						
20 Standard 32.1-39kg	484	453	R Criddle	470.32	183	177.90
89 Medium 39.1-45.5kg	475	407	R Criddle	435.45	199	186.03
20 Heavy 45.6 - 52kg	450	364	R Criddle	417.37	216	202.84
50 EWES to £210 and to average £164.74 all in. Still a firm trade for all including very poor ewes from £5. Texel X ewes to £210, Suffolk Mules to £198, Polled Dorset ewes to £186, North Country Mules to £168, Welsh Improved ewes to £150, Border Leicester ewes to £186, Suffolk Mules to £192, Dorset Horn ewes to £170. More wanted.						
2 RAMS to £190.						
13 STORE LAMBS to £127 average £112.92 for a very mixed entry.						
21 MATURE SHEEP to £146 and to 307pkg for a mixed entry.						

PLEASE ENTER YOUR STOCK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

HELP US TO HELP YOU!