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* Unaudited figures above relate to the period January 1 to August 31, 2018

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We are an Assured Market under the ABM Scheme



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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET CATTLE

71 Cattle included an average entry of 62 prime cattle which found a fast trade for the best meated sorts which were totally inadequate for the good company of buyers forward. As always meat and conformation paying. Two runs of ½ meated steers found a firm trade with buyers for further feeding from 159.5pkg for AAX to 196.5pkg for better sorts but all included in the average of 203.03pkg. Top this week per kg 243.5 from Ricky Criddle and purchased by Colin Byford of Little Clacton. Ben Whiting had 238.5pkg for another steer with R A Keeling having the same for an AAX steer. Robert and Andrew Walker had 2 steers at 224.5pkg and J W G Dunt & Sons saw heifer to 226.5pkg. David Black, Great Bentley, had home bred Limousin heifer to 229.5 and steers to 226.5pkg. Usual run of BBX heifers from A Heath & Sons keenly sought to 235.5, 233.5pkg etc. A & W Bentall's run of BBX steers and heifers to 229.5, 224.5pkg etc with many more wanted. Top per head this week Robert Walker at £1,569.26.

	TOP PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
35 STEERS from 147.5 to av 197.93pkg						
7 Light 370-550kg	243.5	206.90	R Criddle	C J Byford & Son	1,263.77	1,002.29
24 Medium 551-650kg	226.5	196.14	D J Black	H G Blake	1,355.98	1,168.49
4 Heavy 651kg+	224.5	196.18	A Walker	C Humphreys & Sons	1,569.26	1,347.78
27 HEIFERS from 161.5 to av 210.37pkg						
7 Light 330-500kg	229.5	202.22	A & W Bentall	H G Blake	1,117.50	893.80
17 Medium 501-590kg	235.5	213.45	A Heath & Sons	H G Blake	1,287.50	1,167.34
3 Heavy 591kg+	212.5	208.45	J W G Dunt & Sons	H G Blake	1,264.38	1,255.54
9 AOTM All non-farm assured which is reducing the trade at the moment!!! Still, this trade well in line if not above other outlets.						
9 Beef Cows	113.5	94.06	R C Lock	R J Lennox	925.03	726.94

It is now agreed that the methodology used for ageing sheep will change, with immediate effect. Instead of using dentition as the "tool" to age sheep the UK has elected to use a calendar date. The date agreed being 30th June. This change means that old season lambs/hoggets will **NOT** need to have their teeth checked and **ALL** lambs/hoggets will be deemed to be under 12 months of age up to 30th June, the year after birth. Therefore, the 2018 lamb crop, presented for slaughter before 30th June 2019 will be deemed to be under 12 months of age.

NB. This agreed policy change will result in any old season lambs/hoggets being presented for slaughter after 30th June (1st July onwards) will be deemed to be over 12 months old and will be required to be split at the time of slaughter – There will be no option to mouth sheep after 30th June.

S H E E P

632 Sheep a much increased entry found another excellent trade considering reports from elsewhere with, as always, quality at a premium with 40 to 50kg liveweight lambs very keenly sought. Again, we saw a few consignments of less well finished lambs but it was pleasing to see more trade for these. Top per head this week £94 a head from Lawford Hall Farm Partnership. C C Roots & Sons had £93, Woodhatch Farming pen at £91.50, £91, £90 etc. L E Carr & Sons to £90 a head. Plenty of meated lambs £80 to £89.50 from many vendors. Top per kg for handyweight lambs 204pkg from C Appleton. Lawford Hall Farm Partnership to 201pkg (2 pens). Well meated lambs regularly 185 to 195pkg. Lean lambs 150 to 165pkg reducing the SQQ and these in the standard weight range.

	TOP PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
403 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 180.06 all in 180.33					
2 Light 25.5-32kg	181	K J Bruce	181.00	56.00	56.00
119 Standard 32.1-39kg	204	C Appleton	174.40	76.00	65.16
199 Medium 39.1-45kg	202	Lawford Hall Farm Partnership	183.09	89.50	76.27
83 Heavy 45.6 kg+	198	Lawford Hall Farm Partnership	183.06	94.00	87.54
125 EWES to £84 for stronger Continental X ewes, Suffolk Mules to £55, Kent ewes to £60, Welsh Mules to £49, N C Mules to £60 but many rare breeds from £6 to £25 a head.					
2 RAMS to £46.					
75 STORE LAMBS An entry of all sorts from very, very small Hebridean to medium sized Suffolk X. Best sorts to £57 with Tup Hebrideans from £12. Herdwicks to £16, Cambridge stores to £43.50.					
27 MATURE SHEEP to £58 a head and 121pkg.					

**NEXT STORE SALE
27 NOVEMBER 2018
ENTRIES NOW INVITED**

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4 DECEMBER 2018
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27 NOVEMBER 2018**

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TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER
SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER**