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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET
CATTLE

73 Cattle including 68 prime cattle found a firm trade throughout with butchers keen to replace stocks after the record breaking trade seen throughout traditional butchers shops in the last few weeks. Let us hope that the public continues to support this vital sector of the food industry which provides support to farmers in the locality. The entry comprised several runs of quality steers and heifers which really "rang the bell" and were competed well for. Top this week 235.5pkg for a handyweight Blonde X steer from E Halsall & Sons, Langham whose 8 cattle ranged from 218.5 to 235.5pkg. Gary Hubert had 232.5pkg for a smart steer purchased by Tony Cracknell, Ipswich, the same vendor having 228.5pkg for a smart heifer, again purchased by Tony Cracknell. The same vendor having Limousin steer 219.5pkg. Les Carr heifer to 218.5pkg and steer to 210.5pkg. Pauline Byam heifer to 214.5pkg, Liam Byam steer to 213.5pkg and Geoff Freeman heifer to 213.5pkg. R W Coe steer to 210.5pkg and Messrs Waterer Partners strong heifer to 217.5pkg. Bob Manning heavy steer to 210.5pkg (£1,448.24), Tim Knighton South Devon heifer to £1,396.82, J H Crooks BBX heifer to £1,400.11. Plenty of traditional breeds forward and a strong demand with Hereford X steers and heifers 180.5 to 200.5pkg. South Devon heifers 185.5 to 191.5pkg and with weight AAX from 188.5 to 217.5pkg. All looking well sold.

	TOP PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
30 STEERS from 186.5 to av 207.17pkg						
11 Light 370-550kg	235.5	213.76	E Halsall & Sons Ltd	W A Ketley	1,204.17	1,095.63
18 Medium 551-650kg	232.5	203.46	G C & J R Hubert	A Cracknell	1,336.88	1,202.77
1 Heavy 651kg+	210.5	210.50	R G Manning	C Humphreys & Sons	1,448.24	1,448.24
36 HEIFERS from 175.5 to av 198.98pkg						
9 Light 330-500kg	231.5	204.12	E Halsall & Sons Ltd	W A Ketley	1,097.81	983.40
17 Medium 501-590kg	228.5	203.29	G C & J R Hubert	A Cracknell	1,276.73	1,100.17
10 Heavy 591kg+	198.5	189.68	Rod Lock Agricultural Contractor	H G Blake	1,400.11	1,262.33
2 BULLS av 180.01 and to 180.5pkg from George Wright for a Hereford (£1,093.83) and purchased by Fowler Bros.						
5 AOTM More selective as reported from elsewhere.						
3 Beef Cows	149.5	107.87	Rock Lock Agricultural Contractor	Fowler Bros	1,048.00	743.20
2 Steers	134.5	119.90	J H Crooks	Fowler Bros	1,070.62	818.89

S H E E P

251 Sheep A much restricted entry due to the reported dramatic fall in price on Monday and buyers more cautious than recently with uncertainty where we are going **BUT** competitive throughout the sale and a resulting trade above most vendors expectations. Strong lambs to £106 a head from K Lord. Jack Peacock to £100, C F Hogan to £102.50, £100 (3 times). Most well meated lambs £88 to £98 a head of over 44kg. A few leaner small lambs more difficult. **MORE WANTED BUT THE TRADE NEEDS MONITORING.**

	TOP PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
235 OLD SEASON LAMBS SQQ 204.56 all in 200.25pkg					
33 Standard 32.1-39kg	229	Jack Peacock	194.90	89.50	71.79
123 Medium 39.1-45kg	233	Jack Peacock	206.87	100.00	88.42
79 Heavy 45.6 kg+	210	K Lord	196.07	106.00	96.45
7 NEW SEASON LAMBS to £101 a head from J R Brown and to av 224.66pkg					
6 EWES to £77 av £59.50					
2 RAMS to £62					
1 MATURE SHEEP to £95					

STORE SALE NEXT WEEK

CATTLE NEXT WEEK BUT NO BREEDING STOCK

ENTRIES INCLUDE:

6 SHORTHORN STEERS 12 M/O

6 LIMOUSIN X STEERS AND HEIFERS 12 M/O