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WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET
CATTLE

61 Cattle to av 186.08 pkg all in a very different trade with reported substantial falls in deadweight quotations and all buyers stating a massive supply of boxed meat reducing trade throughout. Why oh why do British supermarkets use imported beef, indeed meat to the detriment of British farmers. Let us hope the public see common sense and support local butchers who after all fed the nation 2 weeks ago. At a time of national crisis we need to stand up and be counted. As stated a very difficult day despite all buyers being present and retail butchers also present. A few U conformation steers and heifers keenly sought to 225 pkg for a blonde X steer for E Halsall & Sons purchased by John Coleman Boxted. The same vendor also having top price heifer purchased by Colin Byford, Little Clacton and other steer to 219.5 pkg. Tony Evans had Lim heifers to 209.5, 206.5 pkgetc and steer to 201.5pkg. R W & D R Coe had steer to £204.5 pkg but the majority of cattle 173 to 197.5kg reflecting a drop of 10 pkg on the week. Top price per head saw South Devon heifer to £1310.50, £1257.12 for Tim Knighton and Lim X Steer for the same Vendor to £1218.81. All in all as stated difficult. We remind all vendors that you cannot attend the sales BUT reserves can be placed and we will ring you if your cattle or sheep are not sold.

	TOP PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
26 STEERS from 174.5 to av 188.42						
12 Light 370-550kg	225.90	196.27	E Halsall & Sons	J Coleman Butchers	1190.64	1023.67
13 Medium 551-650kg	189.50	182.84	R W & D R Coe	J Coleman Butchers	1152.38	1086.49
1 Heavy 651kg+	179.50	179.50	H M & G M Knighton	H G Blake	1218.81	1218.81
35 HEIFERS from 156.5 to av 184.19						
15 Light 330-500kg	216.50	186.90	E Halsall & Sons	C J Byford & Son	1069.51	853.40
14 Medium 501-590kg	194.50	185.69	A Heath & Sons	Fowler Bros	1073.10	980.82
6 Heavy 591kg+	182.50	176.71	J W Gray	C Humphreys & Sons	1310.50	1167.74

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S H E E P

491 Sheep a disappointing entry in terms of numbers and more wanted to satisfy buyers requirements with extra orders forward. A shorter than expected entry of spring lambs found a strong trade with standard lambs very short of requirements and to 327 pkg for Richard Criddle and to £127.50 a head. Heavy lambs to £131 a head for M Wilkin. **MORE WANTED.**

Old season lambs also less forward found a strong enquiry with nearly ½ the entry over 46kg which found a much improved demand and above recent quotations. Plenty of OSL £110 to £103 as always well presented and finished pays.

Please help us support you and the local wholesalers & butchers who provide competition in difficult times.

	TOP PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
411 OLD SEASON LAMBS SQQ 225.83 pkg all in 212.77 pkg					
1 Light 25.5-32kg	143	R Little	143	40	40
38 Standard 32.1-39kg	253	J Peacock	223.9	95	83.82
188 Medium 39.1-45kg	248	J Peacock	226.46	107.5	95.91
184 Heavy 45.6 kg+	237	J Peacock	207.99	110	100.09
77 NEW SEASON LAMBS SQQ 300.66 all in 288.55 pkg					
21 Standard 32.1-39kg	327	R Criddle	312.70	127.50	117.86
37 Medium 39.1-45kg	315	Will Ralph	294.52	126	123.54
19 Heavy 45.6 kg+	279	M Wilkin	257.93	131	125.84
2 EWES to £66					
1 MATURE SHEEP £75					

NEXT WEEK

Please ring ASAP with entries. We need to inform buyers as soon as possible with anticipated numbers. Thank you for your support in these difficult indeed surreal times.