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The Market Report

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2020

Tuesday 5th May

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep, Ewes & Lambs

Tuesday 12th May

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep, Ewes & Lambs

Our Sales are Subject to Inspection.

Please adhere to all rules & regulations regarding the running of our auction sales to ensure we can keep them operating.

Keep your distance, Please wash your hands. Spaces have been marked in the rings for buyers

Vendors are to Drop & Go

Buyers Only around the Pens

COVID-19 KILLS

Keep your distance 2 Metres

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REPORT FOR TUESDAY 28TH APRIL

10 New Season Lambs

7 Standards – Prices topped at £90 for 37.5kg lambs from Edward Brain; and CJ Holmes sold their 38.5kg Suffolks to £86.63.

To		From		Average	
240p	£90.00	225p	£86.63	233.5p	£88.55

2 Heavies – Sold to £98.40 for 48kg Suffolks from CJ Homes.

To		From		Average	
205p	£98.40	205p	£98.40	205p	£98.40

1 Over 52kg – Sold to £110.25 from CJ Holmes weighing 63kg.

To		From		Average	
175p	£110.25	175p	£110.25	175p	£110.25

103 Old Season Lambs

12 Standards – Sold to £65.74 for Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd; A Summers sold his 35kg lambs to £63.

To		From		Average	
180p	£65.74	173p	£63.00	175p	£65.06

25 Mediums – Sold to £91.46 for 45.5kg lambs from DC Wiggins; E & N Noble sold 44.5kg lambs to £88.56; Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd sold their 45.5kg lambs to £84.18; R Griffin sold 42.5kg lambs to £84.15; and A Summers sold 44kg lambs to £77.

To		From		Average	
201p	£91.46	175p	£77.00	196p	£87.50

48 Heavies – Sold to £97.50 for 50kg lambs from Vernon Phipps; DC Wiggins sold 49.5kg lambs to £96.53; Vernon Phipps sold his 46.5kg lambs to £94.86; Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd sold 49.5kg lambs to £88.11 and 50kg lambs to £84.

To		From		Average	
204p	£97.50	168p	£84.00	192p	£94.00

18 Over 52kg – Vernon Phipps topped this section at £97.35 for 55kg lambs; RJ Steele sold his 56kg lambs to £87.36 and £81.74 for a 67kg lamb.

To		From		Average	
177p	£97.35	122p	£81.74	167.5p	£93.71

48 Store Lambs

Another good trade with lambs selling to £81 for Kevin Elgar with others at £79 and £78; A Summers sold pens to £77.50 and £74.50. 4 lambs from C Locton sold to £67.50; and two In-lamb lambs sold to £68 for Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd.

To	From	Average
£81.00	£67.50	£76.30

27 Ewes & Lambs

PE Dickin entered this year's first Ewes & Lambs, which sold to £66 per head or £198 per outfit for North Country Double Theaves with 2 Suffolk x Lambs at foot 7 weeks old, some slightly older Ewes sold to £60 per life or £180 per outfit.

To	From	Average
£66.00	£60.00	£62.00

33 Cull Ewes & Rams

Topping at £90 for a Suffolk from CJ Holmes with others to £85.50, £81 and £80; R Griffin sold his 2 Suffolks to £78; RJ Steele sold four Charollais to £76. Mules sold to £70.50 from PE Dickin. Rams sold to £70 for E & N Noble; and C Lockton sold his to £68.

To	From	Average
£90.00	£45.00	£68.60

PRIVATE SALES

In the Stratford Area - Please contact Alastair for further details.

90 Aberfield Beullah Ewes Full & Broken Mouth
with 180% Charollais x Lambs at foot, born from 18th March.

40 Lleyn x Full Mouth Ewes with 175% Texel Lambs at Foot.

BPS ENTITLEMENTS

Bletsoes are selling and buying BPS Entitlements for clients, and we currently have the following lots available:

NON SDA Entitlements

3.41
4.22
3.08
1.23
0.41

If you wish to purchase or sell BPS Entitlements please get in touch with a member of the Agricultural Team - 01832 732241

FOR SALE

2005 20' Twin Axle AW Livestock Trailer
Complete with Aluminium Sheep Decks
£8250 ono - 07970 184954 Richard Baldwin

SHEEP DOG PUPPIES FOR SALE

¼ Kelpie ¾ Collie, 4 Dogs & 2 Bitches.
Both Parents Working with Cattle & Sheep. Ready in 2 Weeks £250.
Stratford upon Avon Area. Contact Brian 07815 005115.

CADE LAMBS

Large or Small Quantities available off the farm, Texel Cross.
Contact Chris 07721 717655. Located Nr Milton Keynes



Click the link to view our Stratford Facebook page for further
Up to date information about our sales pre and post sale.

<https://www.facebook.com/StratfordLivestockMarket/>

Bletsoes Procedures for Markets & Sales in respect of the Covid-19 Restrictions

Update 14th April 2020

As the situation with Coronavirus develops, we regularly receive updated guidance from DEFRA via the Livestock Auctioneers Association, regarding the running of the livestock market and other sales. We are pleased that DEFRA has recognised the importance of livestock markets continuing to operate as an important part of the food supply chain. We are following the advice of DEFRA and adding our own additional measures to do all we can to provide a good service to all our clients and users of the markets, whilst taking reasonable precautions.

We are delighted that we are able to continue to offer a service to the farming community and remain open for business. Until further notice, the sales on Thursday and Saturday at Thrapston and on Tuesday at Stratford will continue for sheep, cattle, pigs, goats and calves, however we are not permitted to sell any breeding stock through the sale ring. The following applies to all sales:

1. We are operating a “**drop & go**” policy in respect of all livestock. Sellers must remain in their vehicles and allow market staff to unload livestock and pass any relevant paperwork through the vehicle window.
2. We will restrict the attendance within the market to as few as possible:
 - Only those that are **buying or working in the market** should attend
 - A register of all Buyers attending each market has to be maintained.
 - If you wish to attend Market as a Buyer, please register in advance with Al & Jake, in order that your attendance is registered and so that you can be allocated a space to stand around the cattle ring for Saturday sales.
 - Any person over the age of 70 should not attend sales
 - Any person that is knowingly ill, showing symptoms of the virus, or has an underlying health issue should not attend sales
 - Children should not attend sales
 - Any lady that is knowingly pregnant should not attend sales
3. The market canteen will remain closed, for the foreseeable future.

4. All non-essential food chain supply sales, such as the Fur & Feather, Machinery, Shrub & Plant sales, etc. are cancelled until further notice.
5. We have arranged suitable hand washing facilities – in the gents wc and ladies wc.
6. We will limit numbers in the market office. so that any queue is outside in the open and you should maintain 2 metres distancing, in any queue.
7. Most of the pens are outside in the open with good ventilation, please ensure you **observe 2 metres distancing at all times.**
8. If you wish to arrange collection of stock from the farm, please speak to Al or Jake, who will be pleased to organise this with you.
9. We are operating a **Private Sale Register**, which can be found on our website, in respect of Store Cattle, Bulling Heifers, Breeding Sheep, Ewes with Lambs at foot as well as Fodder, all for sale by Private Treaty.

Please follow the current government guidance on how to reduce the likelihood of contracting the virus:

DO


- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- always wash your hands when you get home or into work
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

AVOID

- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

We look forward to helping you through these uncertain times. Any concerns or queries please speak to Al or Jake. Please take sensible precautions and keep safe.

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