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The Market Report

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2020

Tuesday 18th August

Special Sale of Breeding Sheep
Prime, Cull & Store Sheep, Ewes & Lambs
Fur & Feather, Produce & Misc

Wednesday 26th August at 11.00am

Thrapston Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

Saturday 29th August at 10.30

Farm Dispersal Sale, Rothwell, Northamptonshire

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REPORT FOR TUESDAY 11TH AUGUST

Stratford bursting at the seams, extra penning is in place to ensure that we can accommodate everyone easily. With nearly 1000 sheep in the shed again this week comprising of 650 lambs, 180 Store Lambs and 150 Cull Ewes & Rams, Stratford is one of the up and coming auctions around the area. Lambs sold to 233p or £110.58, Store lambs sold to £77, Cull ewes sold to £120.50 with an overall average of £77.42, better than many local markets.

Many of the lambs are coming in very lean, with the hot weather taking its toll, along with many grass finished lambs. So surprisingly enough, averages aren't really that relevant, in making comparisons with others. Vendors are going away happy with their day's trading. If you have some sheep to market, we have 5 regular buyers, and 3 further store buyers, with a total of 9 accounts, not bad for such a small market.

649 New Season Lambs

10 Lights – Selling to 219p for a pen of Beltex lambs from Will Taylor; and R Peach saw his 31kg lambs gross £65.41.

To		From		Average	
219p	£67.89	211p	£65.41	214p	£66.24

197 Standards – Will Taylor also topped this category at 216p for 35kg lambs; M & Z Farming just ½ a penny behind at 215.5p with 37kg lambs; and next Tim Withers with some heavier 38kg lambs at 215p or £81.70; DM & A Andrews sold their 38.5kg lambs to £82.20; Messers Fisher-Pinfield saw their 38.5kg lambs sell to £81.62; DC Wiggins sold his 38.5kg lambs to £80.85 & £80.66; Jonathon Page sold his 38kg lambs to £80.37; and AJ Webster sold 38kg lambs to £80.18.

To		From		Average	
216p	£82.20	200p	£70.72	208p	£78.57

314 Mediums – Topping the day with some smart 45.5kg Texel lambs Leticia Hammon realised 233p or £106.02; G Dancer sold a pen of 45.5kg lambs to £96.69; Will Spencer saw £95.55 for his 45.5kg lambs; Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd sold their 45kg lambs to £95.40; 45.5kg lambs from MJ Gillet & Partners sold to £95.10; Nigel Lilley saw £93.60 for his 45kg lambs; W Stock & Son sold 44.5kg lambs to £93.23; R Hall & Sons sold 43.5kg Suffolks to £93.09; and Tim Withers sold his 44kg lambs to £92.84.

To		From		Average	
233p	£106.02	201p	£81.41	212p	£90.80

127 Heavies – Tim Withers grossed top price in this section at £102.41 with two lambs weighing 49kg; AF & RF Slatter sold 48.5kg Suffolks to £102.09; Nick Foster sold 49.5kg lambs to £101.48; Leticia Hammon saw a pen of black 47kg Texel lambs sell to £101.05; Nigel Lilley sold his 49.5kg lambs to £100.98; JW Higgins sold his 47.5kg lambs to £99.75; Will Taylor sold his 46kg lambs to £99.59; C Clews sold her 46kg lambs to £99.36; and Ben Hemmings saw £98.94 for lambs weighing 47kg.

To		From		Average	
216.5p	£102.41	200p	£92.00	209p	£98.87

1 Over 52kg – A 57kg lamb grossed £110.58 from Will Taylor.

To		From		Average	
194p	£110.58	194p	£110.58	194p	£110.58

184 Store Lambs

Another good show even after the 2200 entry from last week's field sale. Plenty about, with many vendors short of grass, and plenty of confidence, which makes them good money with the strong prices in the finished section.

Graham Wealsby has already started selling his quality Suffolk store lambs this year, which sold to £77, £74.50 from £74; Jonathon Page entered a few pens of Charollais selling to £69.50 from £66.50; M Digweed sold his Charollais to £66.50; RS Hawkins getting through his lambs now, saw £62 for 27; JD Hatton saw £62 for his five lambs; and Sally Beale saw £60 for her Suffolks.

To		From		Average	
£77.00		£39.50		£63.89	

156 Cull Ewes, Rams & Hoggets

What a trade, seemingly a shortage has driven a demand in trade. Topping at £102.50 for a pen of Texel ewes from P & M Miller Ltd; next top MULES!! £89.50 for two pens (24) from GC Hodges & Son with others to £79 for a pen of 16; P Organ saw his Mules to £84 with other big pens to £79 from £77; G Benfield saw £81 for a Texel x; R Peach sold a Texel x to £80; and M Digweed saw £75.50 for his ewe. Two Blue Face Leicester rams sold to £50 from Sally Beale; and last year's lambs still about sold for £50 from W Stock & Son.

To		From		Average	
£102.50		£31.00		£77.42	

Fur & Feather, Produce & Miscellaneous

A massive welcome back to Stratford for 'the other side' with a great array of quality lots entered on the day. A big thank you to both vendors and buyers for their understanding of the new Covid-19 rulings and for having patience during the sale.

Plants & Produce saw a small entry, coming back with a few lots on offer, buyers are keen to restock with high demand, vendors are actively encouraged to show again. **Eggs** sold to a strong trade, with trays of hen eggs topping at £3.80. **Fur & Feather** saw a great entry, with the majority of cages full, highlights saw Millfleur Sablepoot Pekin trios reach up to £15.50 per head and a pair of Golden Pheasants get to £24.00 per bird. **Sundries**, there was a tremendous turnout, with the section full to capacity and more, lots ranged from garden ornaments at £16.00 to post augers at £75.00, other highlights saw generators at £63.00, wacker plates to £70.00 and Hayter lawn mowers at £52.00.

More entries welcome, feel free to contact Jake Wagstaff at any point for information on 07487 526803.

THE RETURN OF THE 'OTHER SIDE'

Fur & Feather, Produce, Plants, Hatching Eggs & Sundry Sections

STRICT RULES APPLY

Face Masks are required. Social Distancing must be adhered to.

No Children or those in high risk categories.

Please do not come to the sale, if you have any medical conditions.

Only one person in the Market Office at a time.

Please adhere to any signage displayed.

This is for the safety of yourselves and our staff. If you **do not** adhere to our policy we will not be able to continue to run the sale.

BREEDING SHEEP SALE

Tuesday 18th August at 11.00am

20 North Country Mule Theaves

Not had Lambs, Heptavac P, Cydectin, Crovec

FARM DISPERSAL SALE

Saturday 29th August at 10.30am

On behalf of T J Freer
Rothwell, Northamptonshire

To Include: Vintage Machinery & Logging Equipment

Catalogue Available Soon

For Further information contact Alastair Brown - 07885 804450

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 16th September at approx 11.00am
at Stratford Livestock Market**

Breeding Sheep, Store Lambs & Rams Sale

Please forward entries by Monday 7th September,
for cataloguing and lotting purposes.

S C & J SMITH

Mobile Sheep Dipping, Mowing, Round Baling & Wrapping,
Digger Work & Tree Shear with Digger Combi Clamp for hire with Load Bars
Contact: James - 07904 042318 / Chris - 07974 147782


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