

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 23rd November
Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 24th November
Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale - CANCELLED

Saturday 25th November
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Tuesday 28th November
TB Orange Auction - 4pm
see main advert for further information

Thursday 30th November
Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 2nd December
Thrapston Fat Stock Show
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

440 Prime Lambs

The strongest showing of quality meat and weight forward in recent weeks. Supply met demand and saw an SQQ of 267.01p/kg, a fantastic trade on an easing week. SJ Hubbard topped the pence per kg at 308p for a pen of show standard Beltex lambs at 40kgs, with their 49kgs of the same stamp at £139. John Gowling & Sons topped the day overall with 59kgs Texel Mules at £150, their 53kgs sold to £140 with the 49.5kg Charollais types to £135 and 47kgs to £131.

Highlights - JR Smith & Son saw a strong trade for a run of best meat Texel lambs seeing the 53kgs to £141 and 50kgs to £135, the same price as their 49.5kgs; C Stancombe & Son topped their run of Texel Mules to £122 for 45kgs and 45.5kgs; CW Webb & Partners drew another quality run of Charollais lambs with 45.5kgs to £122 and Suffolks at 54kgs to £130; Giles Green saw a matching run of Texels with four pens in a run at 44kgs selling to £121.

To		From		Average	
<i>Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)</i>					
308p	£123.00	247p	£102.00	267p	£116.64
<i>Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)</i>					
284p	£139.00	248p	£115.00	265.6p	£127.38
<i>Over 52kg</i>					
266p	£150.00	238p	£126.50	253.5p	£137.08

78 Cull Ewes & Rams

Trade remains much the same as recent weeks with leaner types harder sold, averaging £81.49. F & SM Stamper topped the day with lean meat Texels to £119.50; CW Webb & Partners topped the Suffolks with smart meat to £99 and the Mules at £79; N Smith saw their Lley run top to £87; P & J Green saw a stretchy run of Suffolk ewes top to £86. Leaner feeding types were seen in the £70's, very little was sold under £60.

To	From	Average
£119.50	£48.00	£81.49

NOTICE

If you would like your stock to be included in the weekly report presale, please contact the office before 12 noon on Monday.

SHEEP VENDORS

New Veterinary Attestation rule for farmers to be introduced on 13th December 2023.

Action Needed Now.....

What's changing?

Changes in legislation, as from 13th December 2023, will require all producers selling livestock for slaughter to have had an annual farm veterinary visit to allow their animals, and/or part of any animal, to be exported out of the UK. The purpose of the new rule is to comply with EU export requirements to verify the absence of notifiable disease and provide general advice on farm biosecurity.

Why is this changing?

The Statutory Health Attestation is required from the 13 December 2023 to certify exports of POAO (Products of Animal Origin) to the EU. The EHCs (Export Health Certificates) require that the animals' farm of origin has undergone regular visits by a veterinary surgeon.

What do producers need to do?

Producers will be required to obtain a signed declaration from their vet that the visit has taken place. The veterinary attestation template can be found here: [veterinary attestation template](#). This should be signed and completed by the farm vet.

Obtaining a signed veterinary attestation must be done at least once over a 12-month period and can be combined with any other routine veterinary visit, including government supported initiatives such as the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway in England.

Farmers and vets must keep a copy of their completed declarations and the "unique reference number" created, for their records and to provide to their livestock auction market or meat processor.

Farms that are part of qualifying assurance schemes do not need to complete the veterinary declaration. Membership of these farm assurance schemes is accepted as evidence that a premises of origin meets the requirement for regular health visits from a vet.

The qualifying schemes are:

- Annual health and welfare review (England only)
- Quality Meat Scotland (QMS)
- Farm Assured Welsh Livestock Beef and Lamb Scheme (FAWL) (Welsh Lamb and Beef Producers Ltd (WLBP))
- Red Tractor

Please contact Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803 for further information.

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

Store & Breeding Cattle

M & M Hutton started the day with Bazadaise cross cows with a bull calf at foot selling to £1180 with following types at £1010 and £970, and their Aberdeen Angus cow with a heifer sold to £1000; JP Watts topped their run of smart Limousin steers at 22 months selling to £1155 with followers to £1105; AC Downing saw a high of £1090 for good framed British Blue steers at 30 months with their Holstein Friesian steers at 24 months selling to £740; Corney & Sons had a smart entry of 7 month old Limousin steers forward with a level bunch selling to £830; J Caden drew a best end run of Charolais with 18 month old steers to £990 and 20 month old heifers flying to £1200; J Holmes saw a well grown showing of Aberdeen Angus steers at 17 months sell to £960; JC & JS Helliwell drew a best end run of Limousins with 18 month old steers at £1080.

Calves

Stirks continue to sell well with R Booth and 7 month old Hereford steers topping to £410. K & A Badrick saw a class entry of Aberdeen Angus calves forward with 21 day old bulls to £150 and heifers at £140.

Pigs

A smart entry forward for C Purse with their Saddleback cross Rattlerow weaners with the gilts selling to £48 and the boars to £44.

Goats

RP Webb saw their British Alpine Doelings sell to £70 throughout.

Store & Breeding Sheep

Store Lambs - trade remains similar on the week with lambs looking dearer as the grade eases in the pens, all in average £79.17. S Higgs topped the day with a tremendous penning of Texel and Continental lambs flying to £141 with both feed and breed potential; NP & MJ Russell saw a strong trade for well bred Texel cross lambs reaching £98 with followers to £84; PD Freeman penned Charollais crosses in forward condition selling to £96 and £90.50. Continental types with frame were seen at £80 plus with longer term lambs £70 plus, the smaller native bred types held their own with very little under £60.

Feeding Ewes - a continuation of recent weeks with bigger framed ewes holding the trade, all in average £65.57. NP & MJ Russell topped the day with Beltex rams selling to £125; S Higgs topped with meat Charollais ewes to £106 and £102; PD Freeman saw the best of the Mules with ewes to £68, feeding types were seen to £60 plus.

SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

C E Hancock & Son

2 Cows with Calves
22 Store Cattle

15-25 Months

S A C Holgate

38 Store Cattle

17-27 Months

CALVES

A G Burton - TB4

3 Aberdeen Angus x Bulls
4 Aberdeen Angus x Heifers
1 British Blue Bull
1 Welsh Black
9 Holstien Friesian Bulls

All 2-4 Weeks

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

Reynolds Farmers

35 Store Lambs

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER

STORE AND BREEDING CATTLE

F Lawton - TB4

3 Aberdeen Angus Steers
Named Sire

12-16 Months

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER

STORE AND BREEDING CATTLE

N C & S Sheppard

6 Shorthorn Steers
Suckler Bred

10-18 Months

NOTICE

To ensure your entries are listed in the Saturday Store Sale Catalogue,
please book in your stock by 4pm on Friday.

NOTICE

Please ensure Entry Forms and all relevant paperwork accompany your entries
when bringing livestock into the Market.

Entry Forms can be found on our Website, in the Market Office or alternatively
please contact the Main Office.

FOR SALE

Pedigree Aberdeen Angus Bull for sale, approaching 3 years

Only selling due to lack of work.

Contact 07762 310864, JA & P Dickinson, Caldecott

FREE HEALTH ADVICE FOR FARMERS TO CONTINUE AT THRAPSTON MARKET

Parish Nursing Ministries UK will be offering health screening, information, and advice to farming families at Saturday markets. Their nurses will be based in the Bletsoes mobile unit, next to the market office.

The nurses will next be in attendance on Saturday 25th November 8.30am – 12.30pm. There is no need to book, just turn up and wait to be seen.

This free support can include • Blood pressure readings • Health discussions and advice on issues including joint/back pain and pain management, medication explanations, weight management, baby health issues, prostate concerns, restless leg syndrome, arthritis • Wellbeing discussions and advice on subjects including stress management, bereavement and dementia

For further information contact Andrea 07866 803798 Andrea@fcn.org.uk

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For further information, or to place and advert,
please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241 or beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk

COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Halder's Parkway, Thrapston

Friday 24th November at 10.30am

For Entry Forms please visit our website
Or Contact the Main Office on 01832 732241

Important, entries must be returned by
Tuesday 14th November to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

TB RANGE AUCTION

at Thrapston Livestock Market

Tuesday 28th November at 4pm

Sale of 85 Suckler Bred
Blonde D'Aquitaine Steers & Heifers
20-24 Months

On behalf of Northen & Son, Oakham

Further entries are invited

Contact Alastair Brown – 07885 804450

THRAPSTON & DISTRICT FAT STOCK SHOW SOCIETY

Incorporating

NORTHAMPTON CHRISTMAS PRIME STOCK CLUB

Saturday 2nd December 2023

Christmas Fat Stock Show



New Cattle & Special Classes

TB Exempt Sections in the Cattle Section

Schedule Available Now



Lycetts
Insurance Brokers and Financial Services

PRIZE MONEY IN EXCESS OF £3,400



THRAPSTON & DISTRICT FAT STOCK SHOW SOCIETY

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NORTHAMPTON CHRISTMAS PRIME STOCK CLUB

Fat Stock Dinner

on

Friday 8th December 2023

At The Stanwick Hotel, Stanwick – 7pm



Tickets - £40 per person



Contact Beth Kitchener for Tickets – 01832 732241 / 07736 143630

Bletsoes

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Thrapston Collective Livestock Equipment Sale

To be sold in the Market
on Saturday 9th December

Approx 12.30pm - to be Sold after the Cattle

Entries to Include

Alligator Pro 250 Mobile Sheep Handling Yard – 30 Hurdles, 6 Sheeted Hurdles, Forcing Gate, 3' Gate, Spreaders for Race.

Quantity of Lamb, Sheep & Cattle Feed Troughs
Cattle & Sheep Creep Feeders
A Selection of Sheep Hurdles & Pen Attachments

12' **Ifor Williams** Trailer with Decks & Cattle Gate



NO Entries Taken on the Day

Please contact us with your entries

Book in with Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803

www.bletsoes.co.uk

Bletsoes

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Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale

*Thursday 21st December
at 5pm*

To be held at Thrapston Livestock Market

A large, golden-brown roasted turkey is the central focus, surrounded by fresh green herbs and red cherry tomatoes. The turkey is presented on a white plate, and the entire scene is set against a light, neutral background.

Entries are invited to include
all types of oven ready birds and meats.

Sections include: Turkeys, Chickens, Guinea Fowl,
Ducks Partridge & Pheasants. Long Legged & Other Poultry
sections will also be available.

Entry Forms available online or from the Market Office

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