

The Market Report

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 28th January

Stratford Market - Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

Saturday 1st February

Thrapston Market - Monthly Fur & Feather Sale
& Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

Tuesday 4th February

Stratford Market - Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

Tuesday 25th February

Stratford Market - Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

Tuesday 3rd March

Stratford Market - Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

Contact The Auctions Team for Further Information.

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REPORT FOR TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY

636 Prime Sheep, Cull Ewes & Rams, & Store Lambs

636 Sheep forward today and once again lamb prices increased, to take an SQQ average of 212p, with a top of 240p or £109.20. Ewes sold to £115 and Rams to £113, and more buyers came forward for Store lambs, to make them reach the heights of £90.

A great start to 2020, with new vendors and old clients returning to Stratford, and leaving with a smile on their face. The ease of a morning sale, with all classes of sheep under one roof, on one day, couldn't be a better way to market your stock. As we grow, please keep in contact with the auctioneers regarding entries and if we can be of any assistance to you with your buying requirements, we would be pleased to help.

2 Lights

Top of the day saw 240p for a 30kg lamb from RJ Ridgeway, with another at 213p weighing 31kg.

To		From		Average	
240p	£72.00	213p	£66.03	226.28p	£69.02

115 Standards

W Bartlett & Son topped this category at 223p with lambs weighing 32.5kg; Rollo Deutsch entered 70 lambs to top at 215p, weighing 37.5kg; GF Heath & Son sold their lambs to 214p, weighing 40kg; AD Lane and Pip Careless saw 210p for their 38kg and 37kg lambs; Mark Taylor sold 39kg lambs to 208.5p; R Peach saw a return of 207p for his 33kg lambs; and Gipsy Hall Farms sold 34kg lambs to 206.5p.

To		From		Average	
223p	£83.46	205p	£68.31	211.46p	£76.87

175 Mediums

Heavier lambs are in greatest demand at the moment. Prices topped at 226p for 40kg lambs from D Parker; closely followed by W Bartlett & Son with 40.5kg lambs at 223p; a 45kg Suffolk from RJ Ridgeway sold to 214p; along with Pete Smith and GF Heath & Son, both with 44.5kg lambs.

SD Harrison sold 41kg lambs to 213.5p; and Pip Careless sold 41kg lambs to 211p.

To		From		Average	
226p	£96.30	208p	£83.60	211.74p	£88.22

48 Heavies

AD Lane sold 46kg lambs to 214p; 50kg lambs from RJ Ridgeway sold to 213p; 52kg lambs from D Parker sold to 210p; WR Haines topped at 204p for 47.5kg and 46kg lambs; Ted Mawby sold his 46kg Suffolks to 199p; and James Underhill sold a 50kg lamb to 190p.

To		From		Average	
214p	£109.20	190p	£93.84	202.89p	£98.57

179 Cull Ewes & Rams

An amazing amount forward, over 116 more than this time last year at Stratford, with prices £30 - £50 dearer than last year too. Top price went to a pen of Texel ewes topping at £115 for Lambs End; CJ Holmes saw £111 for their Suffolks; Lambs End saw another two pens sell to £103 and £101; Ted Mawby sold Charollais ewes to £100, with other Continentals to £93 and £91; RC & VA Underhill topped at £94 for a Texel; Clarke Farms sold the top price pen of Mules to £89; W Bartlett & Son sold 3 Texel ewes to £89; AD Lane also sold Texel ewes to £88; G & R Duckett sold a pen of 6 Mules to £85.50; Mick Hall's Mules sold to £85; Rollo Deutsch topped at £77 for his ewes; and P & E Poultry sold ewes to top at £75.50.

To	From	Average
£115.00	£30.00	£78.13



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Up to date information about our sales pre and post sale.

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

FOR SALE

Pedigree Hereford Bull, 16 Months Old, Ideal for Heifers,
BVD Accredited Herd & Johnes Level 1 Herd
Contact 07817 587010

Tups sold to £113 for a Suffolk from CJ Holmes; Mick Hall saw £93 for two Charollais; Nigel Lilley sold his tup to realise £93; RJ White sold to £78; and Nick Foster sold his to £76.

To	From	Average
£113.00	£40.00	£77.89

The ewe average was £78.13 and the rams £77.89. As more scanning of flocks is being done at the moment, more culls will come onto the market, therefore beat the rush and sell soon. Contact Alastair with your entries, so that he can inform the buyers, even if you only have 1 or 2. 100 more than expected turned up today, which is great for the market, but knowing this in advance could have attracted another buyer.

117 Store Lambs

More buyers in attendance wanting lambs, forcing an even better trade than we have seen. Topping at £90 for a pen from SD Harrison, with other pens at £76; Tristian Hill saw £75 for his lambs; AJ Astell sold his lambs to £73; WW Steele topped at £67.50; A Summers sold a pen of 16 lambs to £65; and David Rand sold two pens topping at £61.50.

To	From	Average
£90.00	£21.00	£67.07

Sale of In-Lamb Sheep Tuesday 28th January

Entries to Include :-

15 Purebred Texel Theaves - Not Had Lambs
*Scanned 200%, due 1st April to Beltex Ram,
Hept Vac P, Wormed & Fluked*

25 Flock Age Mule Ewes
Scanned 180%, In-Lamb to Charollais Ram

Further entries invited.

If you have any to market contact the Auctioneers,
we have buyers wanting In-Lamb Sheep

**An event not to be missed
On Tuesday 28th January**



IT Innovations

A chance to step in to the future of farming, the IT Innovations team will be testing a NEW app to assist farmers with monitoring grain temperatures and moisture content, Livestock Trackers, machinery and asset trackers.

You are invited to come down to the market and test out the new app at your leisure.

The NFU are looking for farmers to actually use and try to navigate the prototype app as part of the demo, whilst asking questions about their farming exploits, to get a feel for whether this would be something that would add value to farmers lives.

**Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale
Tuesday 4th February**

Entries to Include :-

3m Logic Weed Wiper
20 Metal Sheep Troughs
Walk Through Sheep Foot Bath
Game Rack to fit Polaris Ranger
Wooden Fence Panels
Rolls of Roofing Felt

Further entries required and anticipated. Please contact the Auctioneers to enable us to advertise your entries in advance.

PRODUCE, SUNDRIES, PLANTS, HATCHINGS EGGS, FRESH VEGETABLES & POULTRY

A week to remember at Stratford, with bumper sections throughout. Entries saw a massive increase in Eggs and Sundries, with well over 120 lots in the eggs and in excess of 550 lots in the sundries!!

Plants

A strong selection on show with spring just around the corner. Flowering plants are starting to increase yet again. All lots sold per pot, with Primroses at 45p, mini Iris at 35p; and mini Daffodils and Cyclamen at 20p. A great sign of things to come, with both vendors and buyers flooding back in. As usual the logs drew the crowds, with bags of dried wood going for £4.00 a bag and trays of kindling at £1.60.

Produce

Increased interest this week, with the Potatoes going as a strong indication, bags went for £4.20, seeing a stark increase on previous weeks trade. Other vegetables featured, including Cauliflowers at £1.30, Cabbages at £1.10 and pots of Sprouts at 30p. The weekly consignment of feed Bread sold to £3.50 per bag. Game saw braces of Duck reach £2.80.

Hatching Eggs

Tremendous increase in numbers this week with demand being met, entries saw in excess of 120 lots on the day. Once again, duck eggs were a flyer, with trays of 2.5 dozen peaking at £6.40 over many trays. Trays of Hen eggs held strong with vast numbers entered, price of the day saw £2.80. Quail eggs saw new buyers fight it out, as trays of a dozen came to £1.10. Geese eggs came to a fantastic £1.20 per egg.

Poultry

A great increase in recent weeks of poultry numbers. Entries of note saw a single Bantam hen reach £4.00, Maran hens at £3.60, Bluebell hens at £3.20 and Cockerels to £2.80. A great consignment of over 30 Cherry Valley Ducks saw the top pen reach £3.20pb. All entries welcome on the day, with no prior booking needed. Sale commences at 10am, with sale order as above.

Sundries

Best sale of the year for the Sundries section, seeing over 550 lots entered on the day! With something for everyone, entries ranged from paintings at 50p to wacker plates at £70.00. Picking a few out of the masses, Dewalt battery sets (including: drills, grinders and torches) came to £53.00, with other items being more specialist, such as 4ft round stainless steel Cauldrons, which made £32.00. Similarly, an 'all in one' Oven and Hob made £32.00. A great proportion of the entries comprised of tools and machinery, highlights included a Generator at £23.00, Stihl strimmer at £20.00 and many tool boxes (including tools) making in excess of £10.00. A specialist double rat trap and cage made £14.00.

Fur & Feather	Prices
Bantam Hens	£4.00
Maran Hens	£3.60
Bluebell Hens	£3.20
Cherry Valley Ducks	£3.20
Cockerels	£2.80
Black Rock Hens	£2.40
Light Sussex Hens	£2.20
Miscellaneous/ Sundries	Prices
Wacker Plate	£70.00
Dewalt Tools	£53.00
Stihl Strimmer	£32.00
Large Cauldron	£32.00
Dewalt Impact Gun	£30.00
Cooker	£25.00
Generator	£23.00
Bike	£22.00
Harness	£20.00

Plants & Shrubs	Prices
Primroses	45p
Mini Iris	35p
Mini Daffodils	20p
Mini Cyclamen	20p
Double Primroses	20p
Polyhathus	15p
Bellis Daisies	10p
Fresh Produce	Prices
Bags of Potatoes	£4.20
Bags of Bread	£3.50
Brace of Ducks	£2.80
Cauliflowers	£1.30
Cabbage	£1.10
Sprouts	30p
Hatching Eggs	Prices
2½ Dozen Duck Eggs	£6.40
2½ Dozen Hen Eggs	£2.80
1 Dozen Maran Eggs	£2.50

FOR SALE

Buildings and Land off Ladbroke Road, Bishops Itchington, Nr Southam, Warwickshire 7,932 ft² (737 m²) of Buildings and 1.13 acres (0.46 ha) of pasture, with good road links to J12 of the M40, Southam and Banbury. Guide Price £240,000 – all enquiries to Grace Millbank 01832 732241/ grace.millbank@bletsoes.co.uk

NEW **'Drop In' Service**

Chris Templar will now be offering a 'drop in' clinic on a market day for all of your land and property issues. Chris is an RICS Chartered Surveyor, who specialises in:

- Farm Agency – Sales and Lettings
- Agricultural Tenancy matters including rent negotiations and surrenders
- Setting up and management of Contract Farming Arrangements
- Basic Payment Scheme including brokerage of Entitlements
- Environmental Stewardship and RDPE grant schemes
- Valuations of Agricultural Property
- Compulsory Purchase and Utilities including Telecoms Masts
- Option and Promotion Agreements
- Development Land Sales
- Strategic Land Promotion
- Planning Applications, Appeals and Planning Agreements
- Agricultural Planning and Diversification
- Renewable Energy Projects and Schemes

Please call in to see Chris for an initial, no obligation consultation. To avoid disappointment, please book an appointment with Chris between the hours of 8am and 4pm on a Market Day.

You can contact Stratford office on 01789 722 677, or Chris directly on chris.templar@bletsoes.co.uk or 07595 488 417.

We look forward to assisting you throughout the year ahead.



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