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The Market Report

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2020

Tuesday 22nd September

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep, Ewes & Lambs
Fur & Feather, Produce & Misc

Wednesday 23rd September at 11.00am

Thrapston Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams
*** Catalogue Available Online ***

Tuesday 29th September

Collective Breeding Sheep Sale

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE *** UPDATED ***

Face coverings are a mandatory requirement, and **MUST** be worn by all customers and other visitors attending indoor areas of our markets. In order to communicate effectively not all staff are required to wear face coverings. Appropriate social distancing should continue to be observed.

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

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REPORT FOR TUESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

Another shed full this week, with 750 sheep forward and a good trade was achieved, four buyers around the pens, buying for 10 different accounts. Prices in the lamb section topped at £109.25 or 220.5p, cull ewes sold to £90.50 to average £66.37, long term store lambs sold to £66 to average £55.68.

65 Standards – W Bartlett & Son topped this section with five Texel x 35.5kg lambs selling to 219p; Cotswold Stud & Farms saw their Charollais x lambs sell to 211.5p for 37kg lambs; DJ Tomlin sold his 35kg Berrichon lambs to 208.5p; Tristian Hill sold a pen of 38kg Charollais to 207.5p; P & M Miller Ltd sold four Texels 37.5kg to 207.5p; H Smith & Sons sold their 37kg Texels to 207p; A Summers sold 39kg Texels to 206.5p; Peter Wilson sold seven 39kg Texels to 205p and some 33kg Charollais to 204.5p. Top price per head went to A Summers with her pen of Texels to £80.54.

| To | | From | | Average | |
|------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| 219p | £80.54 | 204.5p | £67.49 | 208p | £76.80 |

326 Mediums – J & M Ironmonger topped the day at 220.5p with 43kg Texels, with his other pens selling at 218p for 44.5kg lambs; W Bartlett & Son sold a 40kg Texel lamb to 214p; Brian & Louise Pile sold their 39.5kg lambs to 210p; CJ Sabine saw 209p for her 40kg lambs; Cotswold Stud & Farms reached 208.5p for their 40.5kg lambs, at the same price Fisher-Pinfield sold a pen of 40kg lambs; E Blomfield sold 43kg Texel x lambs to 208p; PG Kane sold 44kg lambs also to 208p; and R Wixey saw a return of 207.5p for twelve 40kg Charollais lambs.

| To | | From | | Average | |
|--------|--------|------|--------|---------|--------|
| 220.5p | £97.01 | 200p | £80.98 | 206.5p | £86.53 |

73 Heavies – Top price went to C Clews with a pen of 47.5kg Texels to 210p or £99.75; Jamie & Mellissa Ironmonger sold their 49kg Texels to 208.5p, which realised £102.17; Nick Foster sold his 46kg Texels to 206p; Nigel Lilley also sold to 208p with his 46kg lambs; Tristian Hill sold a pen of eleven Charollais lambs weighing 46.5kg to 206.5p; Nick Butcher sold 47kg lambs to 205p, which took top price per head at £102.17; Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd sold a 48kg Texel to 202p; and J Ballard saw 49.5kg lambs to 200p.

| To | | From | | Average | |
|------|---------|------|--------|---------|--------|
| 210p | £102.17 | 190p | £94.76 | 203p | £97.91 |

5 Over 52kg – CJ Sabine saw top price per kilo at 190p for 53kg lambs; Tristian Hill took top price of the day per head at £109.25 for his 57.5kg lambs; and Cotswold Stud & Farms sold a 59kg lamb to 185p or £109.15.

| To | | From | | Average | |
|------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|
| 190p | £109.25 | 185p | £100.70 | 189p | £107.52 |

84 Store Lambs

A smaller entry than we have been seeing, but probably due to the sale the next day of store lambs in the field. If you have some, we have the buyers, all very keen and some travelling 100 miles from the North to purchase lambs from Stratford. Prices are the same as last month but the lambs are a lot smaller, no short keep lambs forward, all lambs forward today will only be finished next year. Topping at £66 for a run of Charollais from Greg Brunner, with his other pens selling from £39.50 to £50; Tristian Hill sold his eleven Charollais to £61 and another pen of 10 to £59; M & Z Farming sold theirs to £60.50; H Smith & Sons sold their lambs to £58 and £57; and best sold on the day a single Charollais lamb, first in the sale from Cotswold Stud & Farms sold to £56. If you have some let us know, prior to the sale day.

| To | From | Average |
|--------|--------|---------|
| £66.00 | £39.50 | £55.68 |

171 Cull Ewes & Rams

A surprisingly larger entry than expected with 171 forward, luckily buyers were keen for all types forward, even the £1 types sold to £20.50. Top price on the day realised £90.50 for a pair of Texel ewes from Jamie & Melissa Ironmonger, with others to £84; PG Kane & Son saw their Texel sell to £89, with others to £83.50 and £83; W Bartlett & Son sold Texels to £81; N & LC Holdsworth saw £80 for a ewe; CJ Lea & Son topped at £77 with a pen of Mules; Kevin Elgar sold ten cross bred ewes to £76; and L Beames sold a Mule to £75.

| To | From | Average |
|--------|--------|---------|
| £90.50 | £20.50 | £66.37 |



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

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

REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

An excellent day in the field at Stratford, the sun shone on the righteous, a good, well socially distanced crowd witnessed some excellent prices achieved in all sections. The main entry consisted of Mule Theaves, 690 forward sold to £170 to take an excellent average of £153.

The sale started in the Store lamb section, with plenty of interest as grass fever hits us in September! Topping at £90 for two pens of Continentals from John Bourne & Son; Suffolks sold to £79 from John Coldicott; A Summers showed some smart long term Texels which sold to £73; Townsend Farms saw their entry of Charollais lambs sell to £70; and Andy Tuffen sold his to top at £68.

Ewe lambs came under the hammer next, a run of 140 Suffolks from Graham Wealsby sold to £97 on two occasions, with others around £90 to average £92.64; other Suffolks from Roger Righton sold to £88; and AR & PR Whitmill sold their Suffolks to £86. Something a little different in the line-up, James Underhill entered a pen of well-presented, clipped and titivated Scotch Mule ewe lambs which helped them realise £90. Presentation is the key, well done.

Off to the sale ring to sell the Theaves, and Leticia Hammon led the way taking one of the top prices of the day (*who says the first are always the cheapest!*). A pen of Texels which sold to £170; the next pen forward saw DM Harris with her Bleu Du Maine Theaves also sell to £170; also at £170 Mule Theaves, a real demand saw John Lilwall's pen top at £170 with an entry of 172 to average £159.29; Waddesden Estates entered 100 Mules which sold to £169 on three occasions to average £163.98; Andrew Cook just a pound behind at £168 saw his Mules average £160.90. Suffolks sold to £152 for Pete Smith; Glenn Hookham saw £135 for his 47 Suffolks; and at the same price an entry of 26 from RE Greenhill. A different breed in the field this year, a pen of Herdwicks from MA & WM Page which took some selling, with a number of bidders interested, stopping and starting, finally realising £103.

Rams a little hit and miss, not sure if people are going to use last year's tups or will be leaving it to the last minute to look for rams for this year. Not much interest in ram lambs, as buyers looked for something to use straight away. Shearling prices reached £577.50 for Charollais from Top Farm Ltd; CW Thomas saw his Charolais sell to £567; AD & RM Thomas sold their Charollais to £525. Two Texels from P & M Miller sold to £525; Andrew Pinny sold his Texels to £388.50. Beltex from A Hodges & Son sold to £367.50; and Native breeds sold to £388.50 from G Biddulph with his Suffolks.

Please see the charts for a summary of the days prices.

| Store Lambs | To | From | Average |
|-------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Overall | | | £72.03 |
| Suffolks | £79.00 | £69.00 | £74.71 |
| Texels | £73.00 | £68.00 | £69.47 |
| Charollais | £70.00 | £56.00 | £66.63 |
| Continental | £90.00 | £65.00 | £78.22 |

| Ewe Lambs | To | From | Average |
|-----------|--------|--------|---------|
| Overall | | | £88.92 |
| Suffolks | £97.00 | £82.00 | £89.85 |
| Lleyns | £90.00 | £90.00 | £90.00 |
| Texels | £88.00 | £81.50 | £82.73 |
| Mules | £96.00 | £96.00 | £96.00 |

| Breeding Theaves | To | From | Average |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Suffolks | £152.00 | £135.00 | £135.83 |
| Blue D'Maine | £170.00 | £170.00 | £170.00 |
| Texels | £170.00 | £135.00 | £168.16 |
| Charollais | £150.00 | £150.00 | £150.00 |
| Cheviot | £112.00 | £112.00 | £112.00 |
| Mules | £170.00 | £112.00 | £152.74 |

| Breeding Ewes | To | From | Average |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Texels | £121.00 | £121.00 | £121.00 |
| Easycare | £63.00 | £63.00 | £63.00 |

| MV Rams | To | From | Average |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Suffolk | £525.00 | £315.00 | £381.94 |
| Lleyns | £178.50 | £89.25 | £118.13 |
| Beltex | £367.50 | £89.25 | £233.63 |
| Texels | £525.00 | £210.00 | £358.75 |
| Charollais | £577.50 | £210.00 | £454.56 |

| Non MV Rams | To | From | Average |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Texels | £250.00 | £250.00 | £250.00 |
| Charollais | £250.00 | £250.00 | £250.00 |

COLLECTIVE BREEDING SHEEP SALE

Tuesday 29th September

Entries Include:

T J Prew - MV Accredited

1 x Texel Shearling Ram - *(Has been used)*

6 x Texel Ram Lambs

Every week we will be selling all types of Breeding Sheep to include females and rams. If you have any please make sure that they are advertised in the previous weekly report, to gain the best prices rather than just turning up and hoping for the best.

FORTHCOMING SPECIAL SALES

Wednesday 23rd September

Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams - Thrapston

Friday 25th September

Thrapston Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

Saturday 26th September

Dispersal Sale of Milking Parlour, Dairy & Cheese Making Equipment
Redlands Farm, Northamptonshire

Tuesday 6th October

Stratford Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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FARM DISPERSAL SALE

To be held on Saturday 10th October
at 11am, at Fulling Mill, Broughton,
Banbury, OX15 6AP

On behalf of Exors R K Taylor (Deceased)

**This will be an interesting Saturday
morning sale including:**

5 Older Tractors, Grassland Machinery
& General Agricultural Equipment.
Various Old Riveted Galvanised Water
Troughs, Wooden Poultry Houses
& Many More Items.

Extra Lots are invited for this sale. If you would like them advertised in the sale catalogue, please contact Brian Pile - 07778 970628 or Jake Wagstaff - 07487 526803

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