

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 13th March

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 15th March

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 20th March

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 22nd March

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 27th March

Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 28th March

Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

*For further information on any of the sales
Please contact a member of the Market Team*

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 6TH MARCH

359 Prime Hogs

A strong trade for the hogs forward not reflected in the averages, a majority showing of heavies with the SQQ 320.48p/kg, all in average 301.04p/kg. 48kgs plus have lost the edge slightly, selling between 275p/kg and 300p/kg. I Birden topped the day at £175 with F& SM Stamper topping the pence per kilo at 349p.

Highlights - F & SM Stamper saw lighter weight Beltex lambs at 39kgs to £120 with 43.5kgs to £147; C & W Murdoch saw a smart show of Texel crosses to £147 for 45kgs with 42.5kgs at £140; CL Fraser & Son saw a smart showing of Texel crosses at 52kgs to £155 with 56kgs to £169; I Birden saw smart Dutch Spotted crosses at 65kgs to £175; Raveley Fen Farms topped with best end Charollais at 62kgs to £174.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
309p	£120.00	168p	£57.00	287.6p	£106.20
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
349p	£147.00	302p	£125.00	324.8p	£138.88
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
323p	£155.50	280p	£138.00	302.6p	£146.59
Over 52kg					
302p	£175.00	267p	£145.00	283.9p	£156.86

99 Cull Ewes & Rams

Trade continues at recent highs averaging £129.67. Little Oxendon Farms topped the day with monstrous thick Suffolk ewes to £191, leaner meat sorts of smaller frames sold to £179; SGC Hill topped with their Suffolks at £178, with followers at £165; AG Murdoch topped the Mules to £158.50; PA Wilford saw Charollais rams to £170. All sold to £115 plus with lean meat ewes to £106. True feeders were £60 to £90 breed depending.

To	From	Average
£191.00	£60.00	£129.67

GRAZING LAND AVAILABLE

Approximately 3.78 acres of grazing land available to rent in Old Weston.

Fencing required to make stock proof.

Please contact Alex Abrahams at alex.abrahams@bletsoes.co.uk

for further details.

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Saturday 5th April 12.30pm

at Thrapston Livestock Market

A Single Vendor Sale of Poultry

A selection of over 300 Birds - To Include

Bantams – Silver Sussex, Polish, Gold Tops, Sumatra & Silkies

Large Fowl – Light Sussex, Jersey Giants, Legbars, Marans, Araucana, Welsummers & Blue Orpingtons

Hybrid Pullets – Bluebells, Warrens, Black Tails, Leg Horns, Crested Olive Egg Layers & Easter Eggers

Ducks – Runners, Cayuga, Cherry Valley, Khaki Campbells, Call & Mandarins

Mixed Peafowl, Turkeys & Geese

A full list of entries will be available online or sent by request



on behalf of Lincs Poultry & Waterfowl

Held in accordance with current APHA Rules

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 8TH MARCH

Store & Breeding Cattle

An Aberdeen Angus Stock Bull from AB Spackman sold to £3100, with his feeding cows selling to £1590; M Holben sold feeding cows to £1230 and W Darby & Son sold Limousin cows to £1400; J Millbank sold Simmental cows to £1500.

TN Thomson sold 23 month Angus heifers to £1070, others at 12-14 months to £890 and a steer at 8 months sold to £1000; JA Knight & Son sold three Angus yearling steers to £1245 and seven heifers to £1205 to average £1075; AB Spackman entered fourteen Angus steers and heifers 11-23 months which sold to £1745 from £1000 to average £1288; PG Duffin & Son sold Welsh Black heifers to £1360 from £1020; RA Bounds sold fifteen Hereford steers and heifers to £1730 from £1560 to average £1619 (*£291 more than last year*); JL & L Burton sold Limousin heifers to £1500 and steers to £1380; W Darby & Son sold Limousin steers to £2300; J Millbank sold Simmental bulls to £1440, steers to £1320 and heifers to £1600; PW Mann sold a 2 year old Limousin steer to £2320; CR & SM Barnwell sold Blue steers to £1340; AJ Hassall & Son sold Hereford steers to £1930, Simmental steers to £1820 and Angus heifers to £1870; H Houghton & Son sold a British Blue rig to £820; SGC Hill sold his 10-12 month Charolais steers to £1600 from £1500, heifers to £1450 from £1100 and his Saler heifers to £1240 from £1060; RL, GL & JF Pierce sold Angus steers to £1650 from £1490, heifers to £1280 from £935 and Blue steers to £1400; J & D Bavington sold Limousin heifers to £1140 and Simmental heifers to £990; AJ Day & Son sold seventeen Limousin steers to £2600 from £1800 to average £2124.

Pigs

Sows sold to £10 and weaned pigs to £17 from L DiCaprio.

424 Store & Breeding Sheep

34 Cade Lambs - another strong trade this week averaging £29.86. FH Pullin & Sons topped to £38; D Penn saw a flyer with eighteen Suffolk Mule lambs selling to £36.

344 Store Lambs - change in the weather brings confidence with smaller frame lambs seeing a lift. All in average £97.40. JL Spendlove topped the day with Charollais lambs to £136 with followers at £126; SR Tunnicliffe topped with their Continental lambs of tight skins sell at £128; O Asplen topped the Suffolks with mid frame lambs in forward condition reaching £125.50 and £124; J Grace saw small frame smart Texel lambs to £121. All well bred mid frame lambs sold above £110. Longer term bright lambs sold between £85 and £99. Very few sold below £60.

46 Feeding Ewes - the same trade as last week driven by the cull trade, averaging £115.91. C Dunkley topped with a good meat Dorset ewe to £162; WG Childs & Son saw their Continental ewes to £160 and Suffolks to £134 for lean meat; BJ Reynolds saw the trade of the day with Texel and Beltex ewes selling to £142, £130 and £120; J Grace topped the Mules with lean meat to £101. True feeders were in the high £80's. Chancier sorts sold £45 to £70 breed depending.

Goats

A small smart entry this week, T Purchon topped with Boer cross Nannie's to £150; S Humphries saw Pygmy Billies to £55.

LAND AVAILABLE

Land off Church Street and Nags Head Lane, Hargrave, Northamptonshire extending to approximately 25.92 acres (10.49 ha) of permanent pasture and grass ley available as a whole or two lots.

And

Land and Buildings off Occupation Road, Middleton, Northamptonshire extending to approximately 6.35 acres (2.57 ha) of permanent pasture available as a whole or two lots.

Contact

George Pullin - george.pullin@bletsoes.co.uk

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HAY, STRAW & FODDER

300 x Claas Quadrant Bales of Wheat Straw

Assist & Loading Facilities

Located Newborough, Peterborough. Contact Robert 07791 036662

60 x 4' Round Bales of Quality Meadow Hay

60 x Midi Sized Square Bales of Quality Meadow Hay

100 x Midi Sized Square Bales of Wheat Whole Crop Silage - Wrapped - Farcet Fen
Stored Undercover

Assist & Loading Facilities

Located Haddon, Peterborough. Contact Tom 07740 301270

150 x 5' Round Bales of Barn Stored Meadow Hay

Stored Undercover on Pallets

Assist & Loading Facilities

Located Rushden, Northants. Contact Roy 07850 867385

SATURDAY 15TH MARCH

CALVES

A G Burton - TB4

3 Aberdeen Angus Bulls
3 Aberdeen Angus Heifers
2 Welsh Black Heifers
10 Holstein Friesian Bulls

All 2-5 Weeks

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

C & R Farming

3 Hereford Steers
Named Sire

9, 18 & 23 Months

R Booth - TB4

10 Continental Steers & Heifers

12 Months

B C & M B King - TB4

12 Blonde x Steers & Heifers

12-14 Months

J Kimbell

20 Charolais Steers & Heifers
Suckler Bred, Homebred

12-14 Months

B W Costin & Sons - TB4 - Farm Assured

20 Simmental x Steers & Heifers
Suckler Bred, Homebred

12-15 Months

Hames & Young

2 Aberdeen Angus x Steers
2 British Blue Heifers

13-17 Months

18-20 Months

S A C Holgate

32 Store Cattle

15-25 Months

R L, G L & J F Pierce

30 Store Cattle
15 British Blues & 15 Aberdeen Angus Steers & Heifers

16-18 Months

A J Hassall & Son - TB4

6 Strong Steers & Heifers

18-24 Months

RITCHIE EQUIPMENT

For Sale Saturday 15th March

25 x 6' Sheep Hurdles with Pins
3 x 8' Walk-Through Sheep Feeders
Calf Dehorning Crate

Pause for a moment
Understand how *YOU* are
How your best friend *IS*
How those around you *ARE*

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LIGHT

24TH-30TH
MARCH
2025

The Big Farm Tea Break

Take the time to *STOP*,
pop the kettle on, make a phone call
and *catch up*.

If you need to, reach out
www.lenslight.co.uk/reachout



NOTICE

Please be respectful of the neighbours to Thrapston Market and park responsibly.

COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Thrapston Auction Centre
Haldens Parkway
NN14 4QT

Friday 28th March 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 18th March to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450



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Our chaplain Rev. Eddie Smith, Church of England Minister, member of the Agricultural Chaplains Association and the Farming Community Network will be in attendance at the market on the 1st & 3rd Saturday each month for a chat, if you would like to talk.

eddie.smith@talk21.com

FOR SALE

Quantity of second hand telegraph poles, various sizes from 6M to 11M,
all stripped and clean of metal. Based near Peterborough,
Loading Available, Buyer Collects, All Enquiries - 07753 119451

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An Auction



Horse Tack & Equine
Sundries

Saturday 26th April at 1.00pm

*At Thrapston Livestock Market
Market Road, Thrapston. NN14 4JU*

Entries by Monday 14th April

NO entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener 07736 143630

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Update on Capital Grants

DEFRA have announced that they have secured funding to re-open the Capital Grant Scheme for 2025/26.

The RPA will begin to process 4,040 completed Capital Grant applications that were put on hold in November 2024. If you have previously submitted an application, it will automatically be processed and if approved you will receive an agreement.

The scheme will re-open later this year for anyone who would like to submit a new Capital Grant Application.

Limits will be set on how much you can apply for in each of the 4 categories available. The new limits will be:

- £25,000 for water quality
- £25,000 for air quality
- £25,000 natural flood management
- £35,000 for boundaries, trees and orchards

You can apply for a grant in more than one category but only one application per Single Business Identifier (SBI) can be submitted per year.

If you submitted an application and it was put on hold, the new caps will not apply to you. The RPA will honour the offer as it was when you applied.

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