

# The Market Report

## Thrapston Forthcoming Events

**Thursday 17th July**

Prime & Cull Sheep

**Saturday 19th July**

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

**Thursday 24th July**

Prime & Cull Sheep

**Saturday 26th July**

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

Sale of Pedigree Southdowns

*See main advert for further information*

**Wednesday 30th July**

Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

**Thursday 31st July**

Prime & Cull Sheep

**Agricultural & Development Consultants, Chartered Surveyors, Auctioneers & Estate Agents**

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## **REPORT FOR THURSDAY 10TH JULY**

### **579 Prime Lambs**

A flyer this week with a clear lift in the trade. Weight is still key with clear premiums for 44kgs, a majority showing of this weight paid dividends on the trade, meat is looking to be in short supply and the markets are far out performing the deadweight. SQQ 335.40p/kg. K Buckby topped at 398p/kg with J Woodbridge & M Wallis topping overall at £204.

**Highlights** - K Buckby topped the day with their usual stamp of Blue Texels seeing 41.5kgs to 398p/kg and 45kgs selling to a thumping £175; CW Webb & Partners penned a quality run of weight seeing their 45.5kgs to £160 seeing 52kgs to £188 and 59kgs to £201; HD & PJ Cranfield penned their first draw with a sterling show of Texels at 45.5kgs to £156.50 and 45kgs to £155; CJ White drew a run of weight and power seeing Texel crosses at 50kgs to £188 and 47kgs to £166, heavies jumped further at 55kgs seeing £196 and £190; J Woodbridge & M Wallis saw the stand out trade of the day topping £204 for 57kgs with followers at £185 for 52.5kgs.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
332p	£129.50	312p	£115.50	324p	£121.50
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
398p	£175.00	310p	£130.00	336.1p	£143.27
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
378p	£190.00	317p	£146.00	343.1p	£167.19
Over 52kg					
358p	£204.00	309p	£170.00	343.7p	£189.05

### **40 Prime Hogs (Lambs teeth)**

Prices have picked back up to the height of high season seeing 40kgs to 286p/kg. Guilford & Sons saw their meat Continentals to £145 for 50kgs; J Lee topped at £140 for 46kg Texels and FE Harris & Sons saw 55kgs to £157.

To		From		Average	
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
286p	£114.50	286p	£114.50	286p	£114.50
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
304p	£145.00	250p	£123.00	262.5p	£128.17
Over 52kg					
285p	£164.00	256p	£157.00	260.5p	£162.83

## 208 Cull Ewes & Rams

Another lift this week with some real runs of quality forward, averaging £155.82. WF Knight & Son penned the run of the day with Continental and Charollais ewes big framed and meat selling to £225, £223, 217, £210 and £202; R & M Arrowsmith saw another flyer with big framed Texel crosses to £194 and Suffolk ewes of the same frame to £179; K Buckby topped with their Blue Texel ewes to £187; J Woodbridge & M Wallis topped the rams with Texels to £183. Mule ewes topped at £169 for frame and meat. All meat ewes sold above £127. Lean meat feeding types sold between £108 and £120 frame depending.

To	From	Average
£225.00	£85.00	£155.82

### BOTTISHAM SHEPHERDS CLUB STOCK JUDGING COMPETITION

We have organised a Stock Judging Competition so please find details below:

**The Stock Judging Competition will be kindly hosted by Bletsoes at Thrapston Market on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July between 4-7pm**

We are inviting people from other groups eg Breed Societies and Young Farmer Clubs to participate. The sheep will be in the selected groups - four Finished Lambs, four Ewe Lambs and four Shearling Ewes also there will be a guess the weight of one pen. The sheep will be provided by Charlie & David Hughes. The sheep will be judged by Kenny Titmus.

**Bletsoes (thank you Jake )** have kindly agreed to sponsor the refreshments in the Market Cafe. If you want alcohol/ fizzy drinks etc please bring your own or bring some to donate/ share.

#### Prizes

The Bottisham Shepherds Club's "**Gerald Beavis Cup**" – will be awarded to Bottisham Shepherds Club Member with the highest score  
There will be separate prizes for other successful Teams.

To enter or attend, please contact Hannah: [hannahjyoung2003@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hannahjyoung2003@hotmail.co.uk)

### NOTICE

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

Unofficial Eastern Region Early Breeders'

# SALE OF PEDIGREE SOUTHDOWNS

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 12.30pm**

*Judging at 11.30am*

**To include MV & Non MV Sections**

Entry Forms are available by request or online

All Entries **MUST** complete and return an Entry Form

**Catalogue Available Soon**

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## **REPORT FOR SATURDAY 12TH JULY**

A change of jockey this week and a seasonal entry for a hot day, but coupled with a hot trade for the stock forward.

### **Pigs**

A small run of predominantly coloured pigs from M Finch topping at £91 for Tamworth x boar and gilt, others to £83 with a little gilt to £28.

### **Calves**

A larger than expected entry saw strong bidding from fresh faces around the ring. AG Burton topped the day with a Welsh Black bull calf, 53 days old to £405. Angus bulls to £395 from £280, Angus heifers to £380 from £260. Holstein bull calves from the same home looked a real trade to £152 from £120, top honours in the Friesians taken by WA Infield & Son at £160 for a 19 day old heifer.

### **Store & Breeding Sheep**

A run of quality today. Only one grazing ewe, a Cheviot Mule from Richard Howes selling for £166; A smart Continental lamb from Master Alfie Howes topped the store lambs for £157, Charollais x lambs also from the Howes sold to £149 from £122; Smaller but smart bred lambs from AJ Geary sold to £120. Nothing sold below £80 with an all in average of £115.48, with one vendor quoting a tenner dearer on the week.

### **Store & Breeding Cattle**

Only a handful of cattle forward, saw 10 month old Hereford heifers from M Finch to £430 with his British Blue to £685; older British Blue heifers from SL Fletcher sold to £860. More could have easily been sold!

## **KEYSOE RC HORSE SHOW**

**Sunday 10th August 2025**

Forty Foot Farm, Chapel Lane, Souldrop, Beds. MK44 1HB

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Open to all - for further information please  
use the link below.

[https://www.myridinglife.com/  
eventdetails.aspx?id=518511](https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=518511)

**KEYSOE**  
RIDING CLUB

## SATURDAY 19TH JULY

### CALVES

#### J E G James

1 British Blue Bull  
6 British Blue Heifers  
1 Angus Bull

All 5-6 Weeks

#### Newlands Farm

1 Angus Bull  
1 Charolais Heifer  
1 Charolais Bull

4 Weeks  
2 Weeks  
2 Weeks

### STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

#### A J Geary

20 Store Lambs

### STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

#### A B Spackman - TB4

1 Aberdeen Angus Cow - *Empty*  
1 Aberdeen Angus Heifer - *Registered Sire - Empty*

13 Years  
20 Months

#### D T A Tomkins - TB4

2 Limousin x Heifers - *Empty*

26 Months

## SATURDAY 26TH JULY

### PIGS

#### S Wisson

1 Saddleback Boar

### CALVES

#### Newlands Farm

1 Angus Bull  
1 Charolais Heifer  
1 Charolais Bull  
*Ages tbc*

## 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.



# Bletsoes

— EST. 1881 —

## Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 5.30pm

at Red Gables Farm, 44 Wollaston Road, Great Zeat,  
Northamptonshire. NN29

### A Complete Farm Drivage & Equipment Sale



POSTPONED

include:

MASSEY FERGUSON 165 Tractor, MASSEY FERGUSON 165 Tractor,  
INTERNATIONAL 414 Tractor,  
20' JAGGER Rp202 Classic Round Baler,  
FISHER 342A Conventional Baler,  
Hay Equipment, Implements & Trailers,  
Equipment & Sundries, Vintage Miscellaneous,  
Horticultural Equipment

*All items have been barn stored*

on behalf of The Exors of Mr Graham Drage

Inserts Accepted – Please contact the Auctioneers

**Contact Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803**

Catalogues will be available online or by request

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## Grange Farm, Benwick, Cambridgeshire

In all about 6.56 acres (2.66 hectares)

### For Sale as a Whole

- Period 4 Bedroom Farmhouse
- Converted potter's studio and outbuildings
- Agricultural buildings with potential redevelopment opportunities
- 4.20 acres (1.70 hectares) of permanent pasture



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## COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Thrapston Auction Centre  
Haldens Parkway  
NN14 4QT

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am**

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

Important, entries must be returned by  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803

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**Bulldyke Farm, Hallaton,  
Leicestershire  
Ring-fenced equipped grass farm  
in the Welland Valley**

**Approximately 90.50 acres  
(36.62 hectares) including farmhouse,  
modern buildings and permanent pasture.**

**For Sale as a Whole**



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**ABOUT 132.85 AC GRADE 1 SILT  
KIRTON, BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE  
FOR SALE**

**ABOUT 155.10 AC GRADE 1 & 2 ARABLE  
HOLLAND FEN, BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE**

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**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 26th July 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

**NOTICE**

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



# Breeding Sheep & Ram Sales

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

*Catalogue Entry Deadline – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August*

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

*Catalogue Entry Deadline – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September*

**Please contact us with your entries,  
for cataloguing & advertising purposes.**

*Entry forms can be found on our Website or Market Office*

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