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# The Market Report

## **Forthcoming Special Sales**

Friday 25th January at 10.00am
Thrapston Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

Tuesday 29th January at approx 11.30am Stratford Collective Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

Please forward your entries to Alastair, for advertising & cataloguing purposes

Saturday 2nd February at 11.00am

Hay, Straw & Fodder Sale At Thrapston Livestock Market

For further information regarding any of the sales please contact Alastair Brown - 07885 804450

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#### **REPORT FOR TUESDAY 22ND JANUARY**

#### 270 Old Season Lambs

Prices rose above many places in the country to take an overall average of 187p topping at 199.5p or £90.83, SQQ 189p. Pleasing once again to see 5 bidders at the fat pens and plenty more around the store lambs, certainly a good sign for the future sales at Stratford. If you haven't been for some time why not come back and give us a try, a number of vendors have, some new as well as some old Stratford customers have returned, liking the ease of selling live with only a morning lost marketing your stock. For more information regarding the marketing of your stock please do not hesitate to contact Alastair.

**Lights** – A pen of eight 31.5kg lambs from Adam Kelly topped at 185p or £58.28.

То		From		Average	
185p	£58.28	185p	£58.28	185p	£58.28

**Standards** – Hadley Farms Ltd topped at 195p or £75.08 for 38.5kg lambs and 189p for one other pen, Andrew Taylor sold his 38kg Suffolk lambs to 189.5p, S & J Lambert topped at 189p or £73.71 for 39kg lambs, Fisher-Pinfield topped at 185.5p or £70.49 for a pen of 38kg Easycare lambs, Miss P Holdsworth topped at 185p or £64.75 for late born 35kg lambs.

То		From		Average	
195p	£75.08	183p	£60.39	188.67p	£71.64

**Mediums** – Top of the day went to Charles Vernon-Miller with a pen of 41.5kg Beltex lambs at 199.5p or £82.79, next top went to Peter Dowding at 190.5p or £82.87 for 43.5kg lambs, Fred & Antony Heath topped at 190p for a pen of fourteen 43kg Charollais lambs and 189.5p for 41.5kg lambs, also at 189.5p a pen of 43kg lambs from S & J Lambert, JE Lea & Son topped at 189p for 39.5kg lambs and 189p for his 44.5kg lambs, that realised £84.11 topping the section per head. Andrew Taylor topped at 189p for his 40.5kg lambs, Townsend Farms topped at 188.5p or £82.94 for their 44kg lambs and Mark Taylor also topped at 188.5p for his 41.5kg lambs.

То		From		Average	
199.5p	£84.11	184p	£72.68	188.83p	£79.45

**Heavies** – Hadley Farms Ltd also topped this section at 187p or £89.76 for 48kg lambs, next top came from G & R Duckett at 184p for 46kg lambs, Chris Slatter topped at 179p for 48kg lambs or £89.61 for his 51.5kg lambs.

То		From		Average	
187p	£89.76	174p	£84.64	179.72p	£86.58

**Over 52kg** – Just one pen from Chris Slatter in the category weighing 52.5kg realising £90.83 and selling to 173p.

То		From		Average	
173p	£90.83	173p	£90.83	173p	£90.83

Overall more are needed to fulfil buyer's requirements and maintain their presence at Stratford Market. Please ensure you contact Alastair pre sale if you have any entries, so that he can encourage the buyers on the sale day. *Phone, text or email.* 

#### 122 Store Lambs

A good entry of Store lambs forward, numbers are getting less in many places and the quality is too. Even so a big lamb with a lack of finish made it in to the store section which topped at £72 for K Perkins, Reg Taylor topped at £70 for his pen of 8 Charollais and £60 for some longer term sorts. G & R Duckett topped at £59 for a Charollais, Charlie Mann topped at £57.50 for his Charollais bred lambs and £53.50 for his Easycare lambs, with some slightly less at £50.50 and £47.50. Voute Sales Ltd topped at £49.50 with their entry of three lambs and James Walters topped at £48.50 with entry of 18 lambs, with other long term types at £34.50.

То	From	Average
£72.00	£20.00	£49.69

## **BREEDING SHEEP FOR SALE**

100 Texel x Double Theaves In-lamb to the Beltex due 10th March.
200 North Country Mule Theaves In-lamb to Continental Rams due 10th April.
80 North Country Mule Ewe Hoggs In-lamb to Beltex due 15th April onwards.
For more information on any of the above please
Contact Shaun Barron 07969 097704

#### 63 Cull Ewes & Rams

A strong trade on the day with many markets not achieving the best of trades. Prices topped at £77.50 for a Texel from Julia Hodgkinson, JR King topped at £73 for his Texel x ewes and £68.50 for others, Ted Mawby topped at £62.50 for two Suffolks. Mules sold to £62.50 for ten from Voute Sales Ltd, Mick Hall's Mules topped at £62, G & R Duckett topped at £61 for their Mules, along with MJ & M Cole at the same price. Rams topped at £75 and £72.50 for Charollais from Julia Hodgkinson.

If you have any to market, Why not give Stratford a try?

То	From	Average
£77.50	£22.00	£61.26



## **BREXIT MEETING**

AHDB is going to be running a Brexit meeting on Wednesday 20th February in Thrapston Livestock Market Café. There will be a talk from their Market Intelligence Team, looking at the impact of various scenarios in agriculture. Further information will follow, at a later date.

## MORE SHEEP ARE REQUIRED

Prime Sheep, Store Lambs & Cull Ewes
We have the buyers!
For further information regarding any of the sales, or entries,
please contact Alastair Brown - 07885 804450

## FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY

20 Pedigree South Devon Bulling Heifers. 2 Pedigree South Devon Bulls. Contact Shaun Barron 07969 097704

#### Produce, Fur & Feather, Hatching Eggs & Miscellaneous items

Another busy week, keeping Brian Pile very busy with over 730 lots going under the hammer. A great selection of fresh home grown vegetables forward this week, a massive selection of fire wood and the miscellaneous section has out grown the pens. Also an excellent selection of poultry, even at this time of year. If you have some items for any of the sections please bring them on the day and book them in before 9.30am. Please see below for some of the prices achieved, for further information do not hesitate to contact us.

Fur & Feather	Prices
Lavender Pekins	£9.00
Ducks	£8.00
Warren Laying Hen	£6.50
Wht Silkie Cockerel	£1.00
Sundries & Miscellanea	Prices
Large Cage	£37.00
Saw	£26.00
4 x Chairs	£20.00
Bench Grinder	£20.00
Hedge Cutter	£20.00
Rocking Horse	£16.00
Table	£14.00
Blower	£14.00
Tool Box	£13.00
Heat Lamps	£13.00
Coal Scuttle	£11.00

Plants & Shrubs	Prices
Logs	£3.50
Kindling	£3.00
Polyanthus	50p
Primula	50p
Fresh Produce	Prices
Brace of Rabbits	£3.50
Dressed Pheasant	£2.50
Curly Kale	£2.25
Dressed Partridge	£2.00
Dressed Rabbit	£2.00
Potatoes	£1.40
Purple Sprouting	£1.40
Leeks	£1.10
Cauliflower	£1.00
Hatching Eggs	Prices
Tray of Hen	£4.50
½ Dozen Duck	£1.25

## **FOR SALE**

Pebworth Poll Herefords Young bulls & heifers, a few in calf cows

Hi Health cattle Award winning

Contact: Nick - 07894074041 Email: Nickt509@aol.com Stratford-upon-Avon

#### 2019 Schemes & Grants - Update

#### **Basic Payment Scheme**

The RPA have confirmed that 93.4% of BPS 2018 Claimants had received their payment by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018. It's difficult for us to confirm this, as client's often only contact us when there is something amiss! We can check your payment is correct on our in-house calculator, so do please contact us with a note of what you have (or have not) received.

The 2019 BPS application window is yet to be announced; however the deadline for submitting claims will remain as **15**<sup>th</sup> **May 2019**.

The online land and entitlements transfer functionality on the RPA service opened **today**. This will kick-start the market for those buying and selling Entitlements. Contact us with your requirements.

#### **Countryside Stewardship**

The 2019 Mid-Tier Application window will be opening in **February**, if you are thinking of entering into this scheme, then please get in touch. Further dates will be confirmed, however it is useful to note that in 2018 Application Packs needed to be requested by the end of May.

The RPA are progressing with 2018 Mid-Tier Applications with a start date of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019. If you have not yet heard from the RPA, they are aiming to get all Agreements out by **28<sup>th</sup> February**.

## **Countryside Productivity Small Grant Schemes**

This aims to help farmers buy equipment to boost production and increase yields. The Application Window is due to open in early February.

Members of our team will be attending a **CAP Briefing on 12<sup>th</sup> February** where we hope to receive confirmation of application window dates etc. We will update you once we have further information.

Contact the Agricultural Team - 01789 722677

## Stratford Market Report 2019 Advertising Tariff

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## **Discounted Rates**

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Adverts Booked Once a Month for 12 Months –
25% Discount
Adverts Booked in Conjunction with Show Sponsorship –
Up to 50% Discount
Adverts Booked in Conjunction with the Purchase of Posters in
Market – Up to 50% Discount

The Thrapston and Stratford Market Reports are distributed to over 1050 farmers and small holders each week via post and email, and can also be accessed on our website.

For further information, or to place and advert, please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241

## **HAY, STRAW & FODDER SALE**

Saturday 2nd February

at

Thrapston Livestock Market
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## **Dates For Your Diary**

## Tuesday 29th January

Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

## **Tuesday 26th February**

Sale of In-Lamb Sheep

## Tuesday 2nd April at 12noon

Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

## **Tuesday 16th April**

Sale of Ewes with Lambs at Foot

## **Tuesday 14th May**

Sale of Ewes with Lambs at Foot

## **Tuesday 28th May**

Spring Lamb Show & Sale

## **Tuesday 25th June**

Summer Lamb Show & Sale

## Wednesday 7th August

Field Sale of Store Lambs

## **Tuesday 10th September**

Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

## Tuesday 1st October at 12noon

Collective Machinery & Equipment Sale

## **Tuesday 3rd December**

Prime Stock Show & Sale

## **Tuesday 17th December**

Christmas Poultry Sale

For Entry Forms, Sale Catalogues, Sale day prices and Sale Reports

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