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## MONDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2018

### 62 VENDORS SOLD 1235 HEAD OF STOCK THROUGH THRAPSTON MARKET

### TOP PRICES OF THE WEEK

#### SHEEP SOLD

Prime Lambs to £102.50  
Cull Ewes to £50  
Store Lambs to £62.50

#### CHRISTMAS POULTRY

Turkeys to £100  
Geese to £50  
Cockerels to £42

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## **REPORT FOR SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER**

### **Store and Breeding Sheep - 75 Sold**

A small entry of store sheep for the final store market of the year, saw a sharp trade for the lambs forward. More could have been sold to vendor advantage. Stores will be wanted for our opening sale in the New Year on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Please speak to Shaun to book in all entries.

Trade today topped at **£62.50** and £62 for Texels from David Player; with DB Standing also taking £62 and £60.50 for Continentals; Nick Sansom sold Texels to £61.50; with Dudley Sansom selling Continentals to £60; and Suffolks from Richard Houghton sold to £59.

A Texel feeding ram from Robin Kingham sold to £60.

### **Hay, Straw & Fodder Sale**

#### **Saturday 12th January**

A sale will be held on Saturday 12th January in the cattle ring prior to the sale of the Store Cattle, at approximately 11am.

Entries already include: 300 bales of round Silage, 120 bales of Barley Straw and 100 bales of Wheat Straw (4 string), 140 bales of 2018 Wheat Straw and 120 Bales of 2017 Wheat Straw. If you have some, there is real demand and it is well worth putting on the open market to let buyers battle it out. Please contact us with your interest, buying or selling.

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## REPORT FOR THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER

Demand for all types today with handy weights and light weights a very good trade. **Lambs are wanted by all buyers next Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December. Please book in all lambs with Shaun on 07969 097704.**

### Prime Lambs - 703 Sold to £102.50 or 236p/kg

Trade once again up on the week with all weights seeing strong demand, especially lambs under 43kg. Today a top of **235p/kg** and an **SQQ of 193.02p/kg** and **All In 181.90p/kg**.

**Standards (32.1kg-39kg)** Saw Beltex from Rob Stamper sell to **£91.50 or 235p** at 39kg; with same weight Continentals from M Burke at £74 or 190p, and another pen from the same home at 35kg selling for £70 or 200p.

To	From	Average
£91.50 or 236p/kg	£54 or 161p/kg	£68.67 or 188.61p/kg

**Mediums (39.1kg-45.5kg)** Sold to **£92** or 207p for 44.5kg Continentals from Merrick & Julie Pinny, with another pen from the same home at 42kg selling for £88 or 210p; 40kg Beltex from Rob Stamper sold to £88.50 or **221p**; 42.5kg Texels from T Madson sold to £88.50 or 208p; with 42kg Continentals from Trevor Jones selling to £86.50 or 206p; 44.5kg Texels from Martin Towler sold to £86 or 193p; with Judy Holmes selling 40kg Continentals at 198p.

To	From	Average
£92 or 221p/kg	£72 or 158p/kg	£83.35 or 193.74p/kg

**Heavyweights (45.6kg-52kg)** Topped at **£95 or 198p** for 48kg Beltex from Rob Stamper, with 46kg Charollais from the same home selling for £90 or 196p; Charlie Randall sold 50.5kg Charollais at £93.50 or 185p; with Tim Frost selling Texels at 50.5kg and 50kg at £93 or 184p and 186p; Chris Whitehead sold 52kg Continentals at £92.50 and 51.5kg.

To	From	Average
£95 or 198p/kg	£73 or 151p/kg	£87.06 or 178.72p/kg

**Overweights (52kg Plus)** Topped the day at **£102.50 or 183p** for 56kg Texels from T Madson; with Tim Frost selling 57.5kg Texels at £99; Trevor Jones took £96 for 61kg Charollais; with 56kg Continentals from Chris Whitehead selling for £96; 54.5kg Texels from Beth Blackman sold to £95; and 52.5kg Texels from Chris Whitehead sold to 177p.

To	From	Average
£102.50 or 183p/kg	£84.50 or 131p/kg	£93.74 or 168.67p/kg

### **Cull Ewes and Rams - 16 Sold to £50**

A very small show to sell to **£50** for Suffolks from Richard Ford and to £44 for Mules from P Cawley. The remainder of the entry were very lean grazing types.

## **CHRISTMAS POULTRY SALE**

### **Poultry - 441 Sold**

A fantastic entry for our Christmas Poultry Sale this year, with 277 oven ready and long legged turkeys, 75 oven ready geese, 57 oven ready cockerels and 32 brace of partridge and pheasant. A large crowd gathered at sale time and trade was brisk throughout, with most birds trading at £1.90-£2.20 per lb.

The sale was topped at an impressive **£100** for a 22lb turkey, which was bought by regular market supporter Mr Bob Martin. This bird equated to **£4.54/lb**. Other oven ready turkeys sold to £50 and £48. Some top prices per lb included 311p, 296p, 280p, 276p and 269p. Long legged turkeys sold to £56 twice, £52 and £50 on a number of occasions, with pence per lb on these selling to 247p and 217p.

Dressed Geese in high demand as always topping at £50, with others at £46 and £44, with per lb a strong trade to include 438p and 403p. Dressed cockerels a strong trade to sell to £42, £40, £38 and £37 twice, with per lb sales to include 280p and 266p.

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