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The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 4th May

Prime & Cull Sheep
Online Timed Auction Starts at 12 noon

Saturday 6th May NO MARKET - Coronation Day

Tuesday 9th May
Online Sale Finishes from 12 noon

Thursday 11th May Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 12th May

Farm Dispersal Sale - Nr Hitchin See main advert for further information

Saturday 13th May
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

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

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 27TH APRIL

332 Prime Hoggs

On the whole trade held the same on the week with hogg quality affecting the overall averages. SQQ 274.62p/kg. C & W Murdoch topped the day pence per kg with a best end showing of Texels at 320p/kg or £141 for 44kgs. Robinson Bros topped overall for well finished Texel hoggs at £170.

Highlights - JR Smith & Son saw the top of the day in the standard section for Texels with 39kgs coming to £110; BW Costin & Son saw their usual stamp of quality with finished Charollais fly through to £132 for 44kgs; MK Jones topped with a fantastic run of Texel/Beltex hoggs seeing the top at £148 for 52kgs with followers at £146.50; P Bailey topped their Continentals with 50.5kgs to £147 alongside John Gowling & Sons with their Charollais at the same price; Robinson Brothers topped the day with two lots to £170 for best meat Texels at 65kgs and 67kgs.

То		From		Average				
	Lights (25.5-32kg)							
270p	£81.00	270p	£81.00	270p	£81.00			
	Standards (32.1-39kg)							
282p	£110.00	253p	£86.00	263.9p	£96.79			
	Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)							
320p	£141.00	255p	£107.00	278.1p	£116.70			
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)								
292p	£148.00	252p	£124.00	272.2p	£133.91			
Over 52kg								
286p	£170.00	213p	£132.00	259.5p	£152.30			

56 Prime Lambs

Demand is rising with a strong showing now coming forward. SQQ 344p/kg. B Howkins & Sons topped with a smart showing of Texel crosses forward selling to 350p/kg or £133 for their 38kg lambs; Hyde Lane Farms topped overall selling to £146 for a sterling show of best end Texels at 42.5kgs, the same home saw 39kgs sell to £133 and 40kgs to £138; D & AE Allen & Sons topped the show of Masham Continentals with 46kgs selling to £144 and 44kgs to £134.50.

То		From		Average			
	Standards (32.1-39kg)						
350p	£133.00	341p	£128.00	344.2p	£131.75		
	Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)						
345p	£146.00	344p	£138.00	344.5p	£140.86		

114 Cull Ewes & Rams

Another week with another belting trade, averaging £112.92. PM Bonner topped the day with Blue Texel ewes selling to £180; J Croxford topped with equal power in their Continentals at £150; Robinson Brothers saw £147 for best meat; CL Fraser & Son topped to £142 for Texels ewes; BW Costin & Sons sold the best of the Suffolks at £139 for shape and meat; John Gowling & Sons topped the Mules for the day with ewes peaking at £118. The vast majority of entries were above £100 with feeding types still in the £90's.

То	From	Average	
£180.00	£85.00	£112.92	

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL - NEW LOCAL PLAN

Huntingdonshire District Council have agreed to start the preparation of a full update to their Adopted Local Plan which will set out how the District will grow over future decades. The Local Plan will set out a plan for future sustainable development in the District and it will perform two specific roles.

- Identify key areas of land for development to deliver homes, jobs and services needed in the District, and
- Include Policies against which all future planning applications will be considered.

Part of the review of the Local Plan will include a Call for Sites exercise which will run until Wednesday 7 June 2023. Landowners are being invited to submit sites with potential for:

- Residential use (such as housing, specialist homes, moorings, care homes etc.)
- Commercial use (such as retail, leisure, industrial, logistics etc.)
- Infrastructure (such as health uses, community facilities, renewable energy etc.)
- Open Space use (such as sports and recreation, allotments, biodiversity net gain, flooding safeguarding etc.)

For sites to be included in the Local Plan they must be capable of delivering five or more dwellings for residential sites, or 0.25 hectares (500 sq m) for commercial sites. We will be submitting sites on behalf of landowners to this process, along with supporting information and if you should have any land which you feel should be promoted through the Emerging Local Plan then please contact a member of the Planning and Development Team and we will be happy to assist you.

SATURDAY 13TH MAY

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

S A C Holgate

36 Store Cattle 15-25 Months

C E Hancock & Son

24 Store Cattle 17-27 Months

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

D C A Farming

6 Texel x 6t-Full Mouth Ewes with 10 Lambs at Foot

4 Twins, 2 Singles by Dutch Spotted Ram

CALVES

All 3-8 Weeks

A G Burton - TB4

6 Aberdeen Angus x Bulls

3 Aberdeen Angus x Heifers

8 Holstein Bulls

J E G James

2 Blue Bulls

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.

Thrapston Market Report 2023 Advertising Tariff

Advertising Charges

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£10 Per Week
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£50 Per Week

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For further information, or to place and advert, please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241 or beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 29TH APRIL

Finished, Store & Breeding Cattle

Breeding Cattle - In-Calf Cows sold to £1400 from £1380 for 6 year old Simmental cows; J Kimbell sold two Limousin in-calf heifers 24 months to £1010. Cows & Calves from M & M Hutton sold to £1300 for an 8 year old Bazadaise cow with a 7 month Limousin heifer calf at foot, another with a 3 week old calf sold to £1000, a 4 year old Limousin cow in-calf sold to £1200 and a 17 year old Bazadaise to £1110 from £670.

Store Cattle - Corney & Sons Ltd sold a 13 month Limousin heifer to £910 and steers to £920 from £870; Stonelodge Farm sold two Hereford steers 13 months to £760 from £730; NP & MJ Russell sold two 23 month Simmental steers to £1140; JD Kendall sold Continental yearling steers to £1140 from £1100; CG Holt sold 16 month Aberdeen Angus steers to £930, a 21 month bull to £500 and 15-18 month heifers to £620; GT Frossell & Son sold their 17 month Angus heifers to £795; PA Wilford sold 2 year old Hereford steers to £1480 from £1360; M Towler sold a 13 month Hereford heifer to £490 and two Red Poll steers 6-7 months to £450; RA Cade sold Beef Shorthorn steers to £1685 and £1660 with other similar sorts to £1590 and £1480 and a Hereford to £1280; AH Farming Ltd sold a 15 month Limousin heifer to £1215 from £1000; P & S Singlehurst sold 14 month Hereford steers to £800 from £790 and heifers to £600 from £510; D Daglish sold 18 month Friesian steers to £970.

Store & Breeding Sheep

More ewes and lambs forward than expected. **Ewes & Lambs** sold to £115 a life for Mules from G Noton; Webb Hatherley Livestock saw their full mouth Continental ewes sell to £70 per life with two young lambs at foot and £64 a life with singles. E Marchington sold a Continental theave with a Charollais lamb at foot to £70 per life; DLJ Hughes sold his doubles to £60 a life from £54 a life; Trustees of Heleben sold ewes with doubles to £80 a life and singles to £60 a life; N Chantry sold full and broken mouthed ewes to £64 a life from £46; FC Lester sold his Mules with doubles to £90 a life from £82 a life; GC Morris & Son sold ewes with singles to £66 a life and doubles to £61 a life. **Cade lambs**, weaned sold to £60, others still on the bottle sold to £21 from £10.

NOTICE

If you would like your stock to be included in the weekly report presale, please contact the office before 12 noon on Monday.

Store lambs sold to £135 and £129 from CJ Harris; a Jacob feeding ewe from R Martin sold to £82; E Packwood sold a feeding ram to £127; R & H Nicholls sold a Zwartable ram to £150. Feeding ewes from Trustees of Heleben sold to £78 from £44; I Burden sold five ewe lambs to £130 and a feeding ewe to £94. Store lambs from WG Childs & Sons sold to £148 from £76 and ewes to £90 from £60; H Houghton & Son sold ten feeding ewes to £85.

Pigs

An entry of nine pigs forward saw a dramatic change in demand, a number of buyers very keen for all types of pigs. Prices sold to £88 from £82 for DJ Frost.

Goats

Two empty Boer x aged Nanny goats sold to £128 from £127 from J Johnson; Two Dairy bred Nannies with kids at foot sold to £220 per outfit from £195 entered by SH & RS Whinney.

Tack & Saddlery

First in the sale was a Vintage VW Horse Box which sold for £1700 followed by eight Stable Mats which sold to £31 each. Then 650 lots of tack and saddlery which saw an excellent clearance with saddles selling to £180 twice, £175 from £75 and £60. All sorts in the sale from Wheelbarrows, Electric Fencers, Bridles, Leathers, Riding Jackets, Boots, Whips and Jodhpurs, all makes from the unnamed to the latest in fashion Le Mieux. The next sale is Saturday 24th June, if you have any entries please ensure they are entered before Monday 12th June. We have limited spaces and they will be sold on a first come first sold basis. The Sale starts at 1pm and usually finished by 4pm.

Equine

Three ponies forward this sale, a strong demand was seen, selling to £750 for a coloured yearling filly, £605 for a younger coloured filly and £400 for a chestnut filly foal.

NOTICE

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

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.

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BEDFORD LIVESTOCK SHOW – MICHAELMAS 2023 DATE - SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2023

After the turmoil caused by Covid over the last few years and the very successful 2021 Bedford Christmas Show, followed by the cancellation of the Fatstock Dinner, to avoid holding a Covid "super spreader" event, the committee have met to consider their options for the future.

It has been decided that, rather than merging with the Thrapston and Northampton Christmas Fatstock Show, Bedford Show should retain a separate event, in order to retain our independence and identity. It is therefore proposed to hold a Bedford Show at Michaelmas, to be hosted in Thrapston Livestock Market on Saturday 23rd September 2023. It is proposed to move the focus away from prime finished stock, towards breeding and store stock and animals will be judged according to potential, as well as finish. Our main objective is to hold a successful Show and, whilst exhibitors will be able to offer their animals for sale on Show day, they will not be required to sell, in order to claim their prizes.

We will be sending out letters to potential sponsors, judges, etc, over the coming weeks but, if you are interested, we would ask you to speak to a member of the committee, in order that we can gauge the level of support. Entry fees and prize money will be set at the same level as the successful 2021 Christmas Show.

We hope that you will support this event, which will be open to all local farmers and, hopefully, will reflect the proud spirit of independence shared through the whole of the county of Bedfordshire.

The following classes will be held and entries are invited.

Cattle Classes	Best Haltered Beast Best Continental Beast (unhaltered) Best Native Bred Beast (unhaltered) Best Store Beast (under 12 months – unhaltered) Best Cow & Calf (unhaltered) Best Calf (unhaltered)
Sheep Classes	Best Pen of 3 Continental Sired Lambs (Prime) Best Pen of 3 Native Sired Lambs (Prime) Best Pen of 6 or more Store Lambs Best Pen of 3 or more Breeding Theaves Best Pen of 3 or more Ewe Lambs Best Pen of 3 or more Cull Ewes Best Ram
Pig Classes	14. Best Single Butcher's Pig of any weight15. Best Pen of 2 or more Pigs of any weight
Poultry Classes	Unlikely to be possible – Avian Influenza

Bedford Fatstock Dinner – To be held November/December – Venue & Details to be confirmed. Will Saunders - Chairman

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ONLINE TIMED AUCTION

Tractors, Vehicles, Garden Machinery Equipment, Mowers, Farm Machinery & Effects

Starts: Thursday 4th May at 12 noon Finishes: Tuesday 9th May from 12 noon







Briefly to Include:

2014 IVECO EEV 75E16 16' Beaver Tail Lorry with Ramps, JOHN DEERE 855 Tractor,
2 x MASSEY FERGUSON 35 3 Cylinder Diesel 2WD Tractors, ZETOR 4712 2WD Tractor,
FORD LGT 14D Diesel Tractor, 2009 JOHN DEERE 997 ZTRAK 60" Cut Zero Turn Mower,
2006 JOHN DEERE X748 Ultimate 4x4 Tractor Mower, KUBOTA G2160 Ride-On Tractor Mower, IFOR WILLIAMS Trailers. Various Farm Machinery, Garden Mowers,
Strimmer's, Hedge Cutters & Equipment

on behalf of Greenland (Midlands) Ltd Desford, Leicestershire

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Friday 12th May, 11.00am

at Elmdene Farm, Bedford Road, Holwell, Nr Hitchin, Hertfordshire SG5 3RS

A Genuine Farm Dispersal Sale







To Include:

2019 JCB 526-56 Agri Plus Loadall with Pallet Tines, 2009 McCormick CX110 T3 Xtrashift 4WD Tractor, 2004 McCormick CX85 4WD Tractor, 1997 NEW HOLLAND 8340 4WD Tractor, 2008 MITSHUBISHI L200 DI-D 4Work Pick-Up Truck, 2020 ATCO GTL 43HR Twin Ride On Lawn Mower, 2019 WARWICK WB12HD Dump Trailer, 2007 AS MARSTON 24' Flat Twin Axle Bale Trailer, 24' Flat Bale Trailer with Wooden Floor, 10T REED & UPTON Twin Axle Dump Trailer with Auto Door, 3 Grain Bins

Also Farm Machinery. Grain Augers, Various Gates, along with various Workshop Tools & Miscellaneous Effects

on behalf of The Late B F Walker

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Catalogue available online or by request

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COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Haldens Parkway, Thrapston

Friday 26th May 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 16th May to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

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An Auction

of

Horse Tack & Equine Sundries

on

Saturday 24th June at 1.00pm

At Thrapston Livestock Market

Entries by Monday 12th June

NO entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener

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Bedfordshire Young Farmers' 75th Annual Country Show & Rally

Saturday 20th May 2023 Holcotmoors Farm, Cranfield MK17 8BT

- Childrens funfair
- Food stalls
- Tractors & machinery
- Livestock parade
- Decorated floats

- Local, independent shopping
- Rural skill demonstrations
- · Craft, floral & cookery exhibits
- Tug of War competition
- Wacky races

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