

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 18th May
Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 20th May
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Beds YFC Show & Rally

Thursday 25th May
Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 26th May
Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

Saturday 27th May
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Northants YFC Show & Rally

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

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 11TH MAY

162 Prime Lambs

Standards – Prices topped at £133 or 345p for 38.5kg lambs from D & EA Allen; and £120 or 312p for 38.5kg lambs from A Hodson.

To		From		Average	
345p	£133.00	312p	£120.00	328.6p	£126.50

Mediums – Hyde Lane Farms topped this section with 42kg lambs at £146 or 348p and their 41kg lambs also sold to 348p; Cambridge University Farm sold 42kg Suffolks to £140 and Texel cross 40kg lambs to £138.50 or 346p; RA Bounds sold 43.5kg lambs to £140 or 345p; Messrs Tibbets sold 41.5kg lambs to 335p.

To		From		Average	
348p	£146.00	294p	£128.00	331.9p	£136.97

Heavies – Kelton Farms topped this section at £156 or 318p for a 49kg lamb; while 51kg lambs sold to £148 or 290p for RA Bounds.

To		From		Average	
318p	£156.00	290p	£148.00	297p	£150.00

219 Prime Hogs

Lights – 29.5kg hogs sold to £70 or 237p for TJ Collins & Sons.

To		From		Average	
237p	£70.00	237p	£70.00	237p	£70.00

Standards – F & SM Stamper sold 35.5kg Beltex hogs to £118.50; M Burke sold 38.5kg hogs to £87; JR Smith & Son sold 35.5kg hogs to £81; N Chantry sold 35.5kg hogs to £80 and 36.5kg to £77.50; MK Jones sold 34.5kg hogs to £70. Pence per kilo sold to 334p for F & SM Stamper; JR Smith & Son sold to 228p; M Burke sold to 226p; and N Chantry sold to 225p.

To		From		Average	
334p	£118.50	203p	£70.00	242.6p	£87.03

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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Mediums – F & SM Stamper also topped in this section at £132.50 for 41kg hoggs; MK Jones sold his 42.5kg hoggs to £130; W Dijksterhuis sold 45kg hoggs to £130; D Sansom sold 44kg hoggs to £128; and SJ & RE Helliwell sold 44.5kg hoggs to £123. Pence per kilo sold to 323p for F & SM Stamper; 306p for MK Jones; 299p for SJ & RE Helliwell; 291p for D Sansom; 290p for JR Smith & Son; and 289p for W Dijksterhuis.

To		From		Average	
323p	£132.50	214p	£87.00	266.8p	£113.01

Heavies – JR Smith & Son sold 51kg hoggs to £149; F & SM Stamper sold 50kg hoggs to £143; Hyde Lane Farms sold 48kg hoggs to £141; Guilford & Sons sold 51.5kg hoggs to £140; M Burke sold 51.5kg hoggs to £137; D Sansom sold 50kg hoggs to £134.50; ED Jones sold 51.5kg hoggs to £130. Pence per kilo sold to 294p from Hyde Lane Farms; 292p for JR Smith & Son; 286p for F & SM Stamper; and 275p for SJ & RE Helliwell.

To		From		Average	
294p	£149.00	234p	£109.50	261.4p	£126.38

Over 52kg – ED Jones sold 71kg hoggs to £154; MK Jones sold 53.5kg hoggs to £150; Hyde Lane Farms sold 59.5kg hoggs to £144.50; CJ White sold 73kg hoggs to £139.50; and Guilford & Sons sold 67.5kg hoggs to £137. Pence per kilo sold to 280p for MK Jones; 243p for Hyde Lane Farms; 231p for CJ White; 229p for Guilford & Sons; and 225p for F & SM Stamper.

To		From		Average	
280p	£154.00	175p	£104.00	208.9p	£132.39

Special Mention – PG Goldsworthy sold 44kg Southdowns to £78 or 177p.

96 Cull Ewes & Rams

Sold to £162 for Beltex from ED Jones; Suffolks sold to £155 for RC & JT Bailey; M Burke sold his Zwartble ewes to £144; Morgan-Pell sold Suffolks to £143; and LA Burton sold Texels to £133.

To		From		Average	
£162.00		£43.00		£104.70	

NOTICE

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

REPORT FOR FRIDAY 12TH MAY

Elmdene Farm, Hitchin, Hertfordshire – Friday 12th May 2023

A great crowd gathered at the sale, a shower of rain dampened the atmosphere for a while, but fierce bidding still battled away through the rain drops with 430 lots going under the hammer, getting off to a great start with the pile of scrap metal at £520 and a little later a pile of old corrugated tin roof sheets sold to £610. Some interesting vintage items including two wireless boxed army phones, vintage garden tools, galvanised troughs, poultry equipment and garden sundries along with the usual tool shed goodies that had been hidden away for years. Along with the small items the Vehicles, Tractors and Machinery saw very high demand for all that was presented in the sale with the JCB realising £48,100, the New Holland 8340 tractor selling to an incredible £28,200, The McCormick tractors sold to £26,500 and £16,400, the Warwick trailer sold to £14,400, the Mitsubishi Pick-up sold to £8,800. the CLAAS round baler sold to £7,400, the Marston bale trailer sold to £4,500, the CLAAS mower sold to £3,700 and the rake to £2,650, the Grass Harrows sold to £2,150 and the Ride On Lawnmower sold to £1400.

Our Next Farm Dispersal Sale is on Friday 23rd June at Polebrook, Nr. Peterborough. If you would like us to conduct a sale for you, either a complete dispersal or a just a restructure of your business, we would be glad to help. Please contact us at your convenience.

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please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241 or beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk

NOTICE

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

SATURDAY 20TH MAY

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

J F Fountain & Son - TB4

1 Pure Bred Charolais Bull 10 Months
4 Pure Bred Charolais Heifers 8-10 Months

C E Hancock & Son

26 Store Cattle 15-25 Months

S A C Holgate

38 Store Cattle 17-27 Months

P A Wilford

2 Hereford x Heifers 25 Months

J P Watts

15 Limousin Steers 25-27 Months

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

J Dilibero

5 Feeding Ewes
1 Pedigree Millennium Bleu Breeding Ewe 2020 Born with certificate
Heptavac P, Wormed, Footvax & Toxo.

5 Ewes Dutch Spot Grade 4 Registered with lambs at foot with Certificates
5 castrated males
3 ewe lambs that can be upgraded to grade 3
Heptavac P, wormed, Footvax and toxo.

Sire: Lochland Frequentative EID no: UK058671 700428
DSS No : 001/F00428

SATURDAY 27TH MAY

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

J P Watts

17 Limousin Heifers 25-27 Months

GENERAL FARM WORKER/TRACTOR DRIVER

Full time position available, Arable farm with Suckler herd.
Modern machinery with GPS. Northants/Beds Border
For more info please call 07714 240064

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 13TH APRIL

Store & Breeding Cattle

Empty Cows started the day with D Self entering a 16 year old Limousin x cow which sold to £1590 and a 9 year old Limousin bull selling to £1580. A Jersey x cow that had been running with the bull from P Brown sold to £840 and a 19 month Angus heifer that had been running with the same bull sold to £1130; JC & JS Helliwell sold a 14 year old Simmental cow to £1250 and a 40 month Limousin cow to £1190. Four **Cows and Calves** entered from Hales Farms sold to £1750, £1420, £1390 and £1000 for a 15 year old plain cow with a 6 week old calf at foot.

Store Cattle started with a pen of Belted Galloway heifers 9-11 months from GH Rome & Sons which sold to £460; Webb Hatherley Livestock sold 4-5 month Holstein steers to £300 from £260; BC & MB King sold a 9 month Beef Shorthorn steer to £1120 and a 9 month Blonde heifer to £995; TN Thomson sold two yearling Aberdeen Angus steers to £990 and three Angus heifers 12-16 months to £860; NP & MJ Russell sold a 24 month Simmental steer to £1250 and a 35 month steer to £890; AH Farming sold three Limousin steers 11-13 months to £1055, £1020 and £855; PA Wilford sold four Hereford steers 24-26 months to £1700 from £1090; JC & JS Helliwell sold two Limousin steers 23-25 months to £1020 and a 11 month Limousin to £910; SJ & RE Helliwell sold three Limousin heifers 25 months to £1360 and a 12 month Limousin steer to £960; PR Rogers sold Red Poll steers 18 months to £725, Lincoln Red heifers 8-11 months to £600 and 8 month steers to £590; D Daghish sold two Aberdeen Angus bulls 8-9 months to £400 from £350.

Calves

JEG James entered their usual quality calves with two British Blue bulls selling to £325 from £320; AG Burton sold his Angus heifer calves to £190 from £80 and bull calves to £180 and £160, his Holstein Friesians sold to £122, £70, £50 from £10; Evolution Farming sold calves to £50 from £2 to average £15.27.

Pigs

M Bateley sold some weaned crossbred pigs to £45.50; and Westfield Farms sold weaned Tamworth and Gloucester Old Spots to £10.

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.

Goats

Two Boer x Doelings that had run with the billy sold to £50 and the billy sold to £40 all from Westfield Farm.

217 Store & Breeding Sheep

Store Lambs - trade continues at the same level with lambs in forward condition driving the trade, N Seamark & Son topped the day with big framed Suffolk lambs selling to £130, with followers at £117; R King topped with big frame Continentals reaching £89; RM Barnett saw their Suffolks in forward condition top at £84; S Draper saw a smart showing of meat lambs at £83.50; S Matthews saw their Suffolks top to £79.

Feeding Ewes - a smart trade for meat once again averaging £75.51. JC & JS Helliwell topped the day with best meat and weight seeing Texel cross ewes to £143; DCA Farming penned a smart show of lean meat Continentals to £120; R King topped with their Texels at £120, with Heleben Settlement topping the Mules on the day at £109. Big framed ewes were seen at £75 plus with leaner true feeding types in the £50's.

Ewes & Lambs - by far and away the best trade for ewes and lambs see this season, the flush of grass has drawn all buyers forward with confidence. G Noton topped the day with full mouth Mule ewes and twin Charollais lambs selling to £100 a life or £300 the outfit; DCA Farming saw equal power with their Continental flock age ewes with Dutch Spotted twin lambs topping at £72 a life or £216; S Draper topped the young sheep with Continental theaves and single lambs selling to £140 an outfit; R King saw some of the best trade on the day with broken mouth Continentals topping at £62 a life for twins and other to £54. There were more aged ewes forward in leaner conditions selling regularly in the £50's, with a special entry of native bred hogs and lambs forward seeing between £40 and £50 a life.

ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been informed that Michael Groome, a retired Trading Standards Officer has passed away. His funeral is on Wednesday 31st May at 11.30am, at St Marys Church, Higham Ferrer's, NN10 8DL. Please join us afterwards in the Bede house for refreshments. Family flowers only, with donations to W.N.A.A through www.abbottfunerals.com.uk.

FOR SALE

5 Pedigree Lincoln Red heifers and one $\frac{3}{4}$ Lincoln Red.
Homebred, sired by Brandon Robber. All were born January 2021.
Ran with Houghton Zambesi from beginning of December until mid March.

They were all pd in calf on the 29th of March between 3 and 4 months
(due August/ September time). Have been run outside on a barley stubble field all
winter and only fed hay and straw.

For further information Contact Robin on 07515 150129

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.

Peter Moore - Andrew Middleditch - Alistair Brodie

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 (unhalted) Best Native Bred Beast (unhalted) Best Store Beast (under 12 months – unhalted) Best Cow & Calf (unhalted) Best Calf (unhalted)
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	Best Single Butcher's Pig of any weight 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

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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Saturday 3rd June, 11.00am

**The Annual Production Sale of Boer Goats,
Valais Blacknose x & Jacob Sheep
on behalf of DS & LE Wadland, Daventry**

15 Boer Doelings, some with Kids at Foot, some In-Kid

Also

Ewes with 14 Lambs at Foot to Include:

3 Jacob Double Theaves with 5 Lambs at Foot

5 Valais Blacknose x Masham Double Theaves with 9 Lambs at Foot

1 Purebred Valais Blacknose Shearling Ram

Further entries are welcome

Any Breed, Age or Size!

Please forward your entries as soon as possible,
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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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