

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 28th September
Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 29th September
Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

Saturday 30th September
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Poultry Sale - 12.30pm

Thursday 5th October
Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 7th October
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Smallholders Sale

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

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

578 Prime Lambs

A two tier trade with meat hitting strong highs in the 270's, with lean lambs hard penalised in the 220's. Weight demand has increased again with lambs 45kgs plus in demand. SQQ 251.24p/kg. Grange Farm topped the day with a sterling show of Beltex lambs at 40.5kgs selling to £112.50 or 278p/kg; L Blackman & Son topped the day overall with best meat Charollais Continentals at 55kgs selling to £142 with their 48.5kgs to £129.

Highlights - W Hammond had a smart show of Beltex lambs forward with 45.5kgs topping to £122; George Thompson Farms saw their usual quality of Continental lambs forward with highs of £122 for 45kgs and £128 for 49.5kgs; DO Threadgold topped their best end Texels to £129 for 47kgs with their 55.5kgs flying to £140; C Stancombe & Son drew a well finished run of Texel Mules with 45.5kgs to £121, 50kgs to £127 and 53.5kgs to £132.

To		From		Average	
<i>Standards (32.1-39kg)</i>					
260p	£100.00	242p	£86.00	256.5p	£97.20
<i>Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)</i>					
278p	£122.00	226p	£95.00	251.1p	£110.09
<i>Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)</i>					
276p	£129.50	212p	£107.00	252.1p	£120.98
<i>Over 52kg</i>					
258p	£142.00	198p	£112.00	235.4p	£127.09

159 Cull Ewes & Rams

A harder week this week with ewes easing nationally through all sections. All in average £85.89. MR Smith topped the day at £134 for best end Charollais ewes of best meat and conformation, with their followers at £120; WF Knight & Son continues to draw quality with their Continental heavy ewes to £121, leading on to £109 and £99; Lloyd & Walton topped the Mules for the day with good meat big framed ewes to £93. Fat was harder sold compared to lean meat types. Feeding ewes held firm with plenty in the high £70's

To	From	Average
£134.00	£41.00	£85.89

Farm for the Future

Basic payments are reducing - would you like help understanding how this policy change will affect your farm?

The Royal Countryside Fund is working with trusted local partners across England to deliver our free programme of support.



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THANK YOU! The future is still uncertain but grateful to know we are in Farm for the Future and know who to come to for advice & support

Participating farmer in 2023”

Sign up for **free** support that will help you tackle the challenges your farm faces and understand more about the post-BPS opportunities.

What's on offer?



Workshop on business efficiency



Workshop on environmental schemes



Bespoke workshops tailored to your interests



Ongoing & one-to-one support



Get to know your local farming community



How can I get involved?

Any owner-occupied or tenant farm currently in receipt of BPS in England can take part.

To learn more about the Farm for the Future programme visit www.royalcountrysidefund.org.uk/farmforthefuture or email project@countrysidefund.org.uk

Scan to find out more



REPORT FOR SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

Store & Breeding Cattle

Cows & Calves - Prices sold to £1380 for a 14 year old Limousin cow with two 3 month Limousin calves at foot for David Self; C Harrell sold an Aberdeen Angus heifer with a Hereford calf at foot. To £1170.

Store Cattle – Prices topped at £1700 for both steers and heifers, J Bottesch with a 21 month Limousin steer and GR Fountaine with an 18 month British Blue heifer; R Munns sold 23 month Aberdeen Angus steers to £1670; JTG & PA Harris sold a 27 month Aberdeen Angus steer to £1640; DG Short sold a 27 month Hereford steer to £1470; Charles Hopperton sold a 21 month Aberdeen Angus steer to £1440; T Prowse sold a 10 month Limousin steer to £1360. An 18 month Limousin heifer from Charles Hopperton sold to £1110. Bulls from J Bottesch sold to £1020 and £1000 for 12-15 month Limousins.

Calves – Thirty-five calves forward today saw the Champion British Blue heifer calf sell to £460 from JEG James; WJ Robinson sold British Blue bulls to £330, Aberdeen Angus heifers sold to £290 for AG Burton.

Pigs – Three pigs forward sold to £150 for Padray Farms.

Goats – Five Boer Nannies with two Boer kids at foot sold to £165 from £132 to average £48.50 a life.

Breeding & Store Sheep

Prime Sheep – Prices topped at 391p per kilo or £176 for 45kg lambs from GR Fountaine, with his others weighing 46kg at 326p; SJ Hubbard sold 45kg lambs to 278p; Cartwright Farms sold 49kg lambs to 261p; JEJ Harrison sold 49.5kg lambs to 257p.

Store Lambs – Prices sold to £100.50 for a pen from A Chaffe; Cambridge University sold lambs to £95 for Continentals and £94 for Suffolks; JEJ Harrison sold a pen of eleven to £77; MR Smith saw their pen of sixteen Charollais sell to £91; and SJ & RE Helliwell sold their Texels to £90.

Feeding Ewes – Sold to £140 for SJ Hubbard with four Texels; M Burke sold a Suffolk to £129; R Daubney sold Texels to £109; Cartwright Farms sold theirs to £106; CA Freeman sold a Texel to £100; and M Towler sold theirs to £97.

Breeding Ewes & Theaves

Ewe Lambs – SJ Hubbard sold Texels to £175; M & L Blakemore & Sons sold theirs to £135; Troy Sansom sold his three Beltex lambs to £131; and GR Fountaine sold three Texels to £128.

Breeding Rams – Sold to £460 and £450 for M & L Blakemore with Texels; Cartwright Farms sold Texels to £360; and ME & TE Broome sold their Texels to £360 from £250.

Bedford Michaelmas Show 2023

The committee were delighted with the number of entries forward, the quality of the stock and the large number of the farming community who supported this, our first Michaelmas Show. Great encouragement for next year and our thanks go to the exhibitors, judges and sponsors. Bedford Dinner - Friday 24th November 2023, Bedford Blues Rugby Club.

List of Trophies & Prizes Awarded at The Bedford Michaelmas Show

CATTLE

Champion Beast

Reserve Champion Beast	K Ludgate
Best Beast of Opposite Sex	G R Fountaine
Young Exhibitor	K Ludgate
Best Turned Out Beast	K Cooper
Best Non Continental Beast	W R B Farming
Best Hereford	G R Fountaine
Best Steer	D G Short
Best Heifer	K Ludgate
Best Steer or Heifer Shown by a Young Exhibitor	K Ludgate
Best Steer or Heifer Bred by the Exhibitor	K Cooper
Best Pair of Beasts	G R Fountaine
Best Calf	C E Hancock & Son
Best Beast (animal under 12 months)	J E G James
	O Cooper

Class 1 Best Haltered Beast

1st	K Ludgate
2nd	K Ludgate
3rd	G R Fountaine

Class 2 Best Continental Beast (Un-haltered)

1st	G R Fountaine
2nd	K Ludgate
3rd	D G Short
4th	K Cooper
5th	C Hopperton

Class 3 Best Native Bred Beast (Un-haltered)

- 1st G R Fountaine
- 2nd D G Short
- 3rd C Hopperton
- 4th C Hopperton
- 5th J C Brown

Class 4 Best Beast Under 12 months (Un-haltered)

- 1st O Cooper
- 2nd W R B Farming
- 3rd T Prowse
- 4th T Prowse
- 5th T Prowse

Class 5 Best Pair of Beasts (Un-haltered)

- 1st C E Hancock & Son
- 2nd C Hopperton
- 3rd C Hopperton

Class 6 Best Calf

- 1st J E G James
- 2nd J E G James
- 3rd W J Robinson
- 4th W J Robinson
- 5th A G Burton

SHEEP

Champion Pen of Lambs

Reserve Champion Pen

Shown by an Exhibitor aged 10-26 years

G R Fountaine

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Troy Sansom

Class 7 Best Pen of 3 Continental Lambs – Prime

- 1st G R Fountaine
- 2nd R Laban
- 3rd A J Geary
- 4th Cartwright Farms
- 5th W H Saunders & Son

NOTICE

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

Class 8 Best Pen of 3 Native Lambs – Prime

- 1st G R Fountaine
- 2nd S J Hubbard
- 3rd Henry Harrison
- 4th Harry Kenmore
- 5th Edward Harrison

Class 9 Best Pen of 6 or more Store Lambs

- 1st Cambridge University
- 2nd Cambridge University
- 3rd M R Peters & Son
- 4th M & M Hutton
- 5th SJ & RE Helliwell

Class 10 Best Pen of 3 or more Breeding Ewes

- 1st M R Peters & Son
- 2nd M R Peters & Son
- 3rd W H Saunders & Son
- 4th J Woodbridge & M Wallis
- 5th J Woodbridge & M Wallis

Class 11 Best Pen of 3 or more Ewe Lambs

- 1st G R Fountaine
- 2nd S J Hubbard
- 3rd Troy Sansom
- 4th S J Hubbard
- 5th R Laban

Class 12 Best Pen of 3 or more Cull Ewes

- 1st S J Hubbard
- 2nd M & L Blakemore
- 3rd Cartwright Farms
- 4th S J Hubbard
- 5th M Burke

Class 13 Best Ram

- 1st M & L Blakemore
- 2nd M & L Blakemore
- 3rd Cartwright Farms
- 4th P Bodily
- 5th P Bodily

PIGS

Champion Pen of Pigs

Reserve Champion Pig

Shown by an Exhibitor aged 10-26 years

Padray Farms

Padray Farms

Not Pat Mould

Class 14 Best Single Butchers Pig

1st Padray Farms

Class 15 Best Pen of two or more Pigs

1st Padray Farms

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.



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Farm for the Future: course overview

Welcome Meeting - Althorp Estate - Tuesday 3 October 11-2pm

Business Workshops - choose from: Fosse Meadows - Wednesday 1 November 11-2pm or The Allerton Project - Monday 6 November 10.30-2pm

Environment Workshops - choose from: South Ormsby Estate - Wednesday 7 February 11-2pm or Doddington Estate - Monday 12 February 11-2pm

Topic Workshops:

'The animal, the whole animal and nothing but the animal' - with master butcher Rich Summers - Tuesday 5 December, Launda Farm Meats (tbc), 5-7pm

'Healthy stock + healthy soil = healthy bank balance' - with veterinarian Tom Hume and soil expert Liz Genever - Wednesday 6 March, South Ormsby (time tbc)

'The power of the mob' - Grazing systems and equipment demonstrations - Wednesday 8 May - Inkpot Farm 11-2pm

'Introducing holistic farming' - exploring new ways to farm for the future with 3LM - venue and date to be decided

For further information contact Hannah on eastmidlands@pastureforlife.org or Sarah on sarah.juggins@pastureforlife.org

SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

W A Yeomans & Son - Herd Dispersal

Separate Lotted Catalogue - Yeomans-Catalogue-300923.pdf (bletsoes.co.uk)

C E Hancock & Son

20 Store Cattle 15-25 Months

R G Percival

12 South Devon Steers 17-18 Months

S A C Holgate

45 Store Cattle 17-27 Months

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

W & J Griffin

30 $\frac{3}{4}$ Texel Ewe Lambs

SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

K Toone

3 Registered Pedigree Jacob Ewes 3 Years

1 Purebred Jacob Theave

All lambed this year, Heptavac P

R K Weston

4 Feeding Ewes

2 Blue Leicester Ewes

5 Beltex Store Lambs

4 Norfolk Horns Ewes

Heptavac P, Wormed 22/09/23 with Albacert, Mineral Bolus

GOATS

R Eastwood

2 Golden Guernsey Doelings All 9 Months

1 Anglo Nubian x Doeling

1 Anglo Nubian x Wether

4 Bagot Goats - 3 Nannies, 1 Wether

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 14th October

Third Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

Catalogue Entry Deadline - Wednesday 4th October

SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER

A Genuine Suckler Cow Dispersal Sale

***** 50 Head Sale *****

Comprising

22 Cows with Calves at Foot
1 Pedigree Aberdeen Angus Stock Bull
3 In-Calf Cows
2 Store Cattle

On behalf of A R Adams

A catalogue will be available soon,
Please contact the office for further details

DATE FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 11th October

Dispersal Sale of Poultry - 5.30pm
(Single Vendor Only)

further information coming soon

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 21st October 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

For further information contact Andrea 07866 803798 Andrea@fcn.org.uk

COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Haldens Parkway, Thrapston

Friday 29th September 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 19th September to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

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Saturday 30th September 12.30pm

at Thrapston Livestock Market

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14 Cages of Pigeons,

21 Cages of Guinea Fowl

39 Cages of Ducks, 5 Pens of Geese

13 Pens of Peafowl,

12 Pens of Turkeys & 5 Rhea

25 Lots of Boxed Poultry

Sundries to include Crate, Feeders & Drinkers

A Lotted Catalogue will be Available



on behalf S & G Fur & Feather Supplies

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FORTHCOMING MACHINERY SALES

Friday 20th October

Westlake Machinery Sale - Peterborough



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An Auction



NO entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener



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