

# The Market Report

## Thrapston Forthcoming Events

### Thursday 23rd March

Prime & Cull Sheep

### Saturday 25th March

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

### Thursday 30th March

Prime & Cull Sheep

### Friday 31st March

Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

### Saturday 1st April

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 16TH MARCH

### 4 Prime Lambs

The first showing of the year for springers with A Cook topping to 255p/kg for their Charollais at 40kgs with their 53kgs selling to £125. SQQ 255p/kg.

### 423 Prime Hogs

A varied showing once again with a big show of heavy hogs. Smarter and mid weights in demand with shape making premiums. SQQ 235.05p/kg. R & M Arrowsmith topped the day with tremendous Beltex hogs selling to 275p/kg for 41.5kgs. RW Barker & Son topped the day overall at £130 Texels at 53.5kgs.

**Highlights** - Grange Farm saw a smart show of Texels forward with the best finished reaching £109 for 44.5kgs; C Stancombe & Son saw a well finished run of Texel Mules sell to £105 for 43.5kgs over several pens; JEJ Harrison & Son drew a smart show of Lleyns with their fittest at 47.5kgs selling to £119; CJ White had their usual goods on show with Texel crosses to £118.50 for 52kgs.

To		From		Average	
<i>Standards (32.1-39kg)</i>					
236p	£88.50	223p	£83.00	229.5p	£86.92
<i>Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)</i>					
275p	£114.00	229p	£92.00	236.9p	£101.24
<i>Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)</i>					
259p	£120.00	216p	£102.00	232p	£112.12
<i>Over 52kg</i>					
243p	£130.00	168p	£105.00	205.6p	£116.01

### 185 Cull Ewes & Rams

Trade slightly steadies on the week with an average of £98.68. Weight and meat are still in demand. A Cook topped the day with a fantastic show of Charollais ewes topping to £160, with followers at £121; Cartwright Farms saw comparable highs with smart Charollais ewes to £135; Pentelow Farms topped the Suffolks with best meat ewes reaching £135; R law saw a smart run of Continentals to £131; WF Knight & Son topped with Texels at £130; R & M Arrowsmith topped the Mules at £92.

To	From	Average
£160.00	£50.00	£96.68

## SATURDAY 25TH MARCH

### STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

#### J Andrew & Son

1v Pedigree Charolais Proven Stock Bull 10 Years  
*Cockerington Isobar MBM0057748 [Pedigree Link](#)*  
*Works well, selling due to him covering his daughters*  
*homozygous polled*

#### A B Spackman - TB4

9 Aberdeen Angus Heifers 10-19 Months  
11 Aberdeen Angus Steers 12-24 Months  
1 Aberdeen Angus Cow - *Empty* 53 Months

#### R Wood & Son

14 Purebred Hereford Heifers 12 Months  
*Named Sire*

#### S G C Hill

5 x Charolais x Heifers All 12-14 Months  
1 x Charolais x Steer  
11 Saler Steers  
*All Suckler Bred*

#### R A Bounds

20 Hereford Steers & Heifers 13-25 Months

#### P Rogers - TB4

2 Aberdeen Angus Heifers 14 Months  
2 Aberdeen Angus Steers 14 Months  
1 Aberdeen Angus x Heifer 36 Months

#### C E Hancock & Son

38 Store Cattle 15-25 Months

#### S A C Holgate

52 Store Cattle 17-27 Months

#### S L Fletcher - Farm Assured

2 Aberdeen Angus Heifers 33 & 34 Months

### CALVES

#### Evolution Farming Ltd

20 Angus, Hereford, Beef Shorthorn & Friesian x Bulls & Heifers All under 42 Days

## SATURDAY 1ST APRIL

### STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

#### P & R Burbage

37 Charolais & Saler Steers & Heifers 10-14 Months

### STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

#### King Farming

3 Pedigree Ryeland Ewes - 2 with Twin Lambs at Foot  
1 Ryeland x Cotswold Ewe with Single Lamb at Foot 2 Years  
1 Unregistered Young Ryeland Ram 1 Year

## **REPORT FOR SATURDAY 18TH MARCH**

### **Finished, Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Finished Cattle** - Another super trade for finished cattle at Thrapston, all from EF Wootton & Son, prices topped at 303p for a 540kg Limousin steer or £1925.25 for a 755kg Simmental steer to take an overall average of 271p per kilo or £1764.44. All Non-Farm Assured and weights not an issue.

**Cows & Calves** - An entry from EG Dodson & Son, who has decided to reduce their suckler herd. Prices topped at £1880 for a 6 year old Angus cow with 3 month twin Angus calves at foot, other Angus cows with single calves 3 months sold to £1560, a 6 year old Simmental cow with a Hereford calf at foot sold to £1500, a Saler cow and calf sold to £1180 and a British Blue cow with a 6 week old Angus calf at foot sold to £1220.

**Cull Cows** - Empty cows are still selling to a premium, fat, thin, Non-Farm Assured or any weights are not a problem to sell in the live market. Prices sold to £1570 for a 6 year old Limousin cow from JC & JS Helliwell with a 13 year old Simmental selling to £1390 and a 33 month Limousin heifer to £1090; K & S Miles sold a 16 year old Angus cow with plenty of coverage! to £1090; Mrs J Millbank sold a 33 month Simmental heifer to £1090 and an 8 year old Simmental cow to £590.

**Store & Breeding Cattle** - Over 200 forward this week, starting with a 7 month Limousin bull from D Player which sold to £770; H Smith sold 5-6 month Limousin steers to £740 from £565 and Hereford steers 5-6 months to £575 from £440; JD Davies & Partners sold nineteen Aberdeen Angus steers and heifers, a 21 month heifer sold to £1295, other heifers sold to £910 for 21-25 months, £805 for 15-21 months and from £600 for 10-15 months, their steers sold to £960 for a 15 month from £870, 9-10 months sold to £800 from £720; James Green Farming entered two Purebred, Hi Health status Simmentals 10-12 months which sold to £1135 from £980; Corney & Sons sold a 14 month Limousin steer to £950 and their heifers 19-24 months to £920; BC & MB King sold Simmental steers 7-11 months to £1020 with others to £915 and £900; R Wood & Son sold thirteen Purebred 9-12 month Hereford steers to £850 from £675; T Thompson sold two 22 month Simmental steers to £910 and heifers to £805; MJ & JA Pinny sold a 19 month Longhorn steer to £880, a 15 month British Blue heifer sold to £720 and a 15 month Angus heifer sold to £695; Mrs J Millbank sold five Simmental heifers to £1100; P Wagstaff sold two 22 month British Blue steers to £1200 from £1190 and a 25 month heifer to £770; SL Fletcher sold two Lincoln Red heifers 26-28 months to £1000; JSW Handy sold British Blue x heifers to £605; AR Adams with his usual annual sale of Suckler Bred yearling steers and heifers, all sired by the Aberdeen Angus sold to

£1450 from £995 for his steers and the heifers sold to £920, £850 and £640; RA Ford sold an 18 month South Devon heifer to £880, 9-11 month steers to £750, a 9 month Aberdeen Angus steer to £850 and Angus heifers 9-12 months sold to £695 from £620; Mrs D Daghish sold a 20 month Angus heifer to £1205, two steers 16-17 months to £1060 and three other steers to £730; J & D Bavington sold a 30 month Simmental heifer to £1100 and a 22 month Simmental Steer to £955.

## Calves

A great number of calves forward this week, which brought buyers from afar. Prices topped at £250 for JEG James with a British Blue bull with their heifers selling to £205. Entries from J & S Arrowsmith sold to £150 for a 3 month Angus heifer and a 2 month Blue heifer sold to £140, their younger calves sold to £65 for a 3 week old Angus bull and their Angus heifers sold to £50; AG Burton sold his entry to £230 for month old Angus heifers and £200 for bulls from £110 for a 3 week old, their Holstein Friesian bulls sold to £50. An entry of young calves from Evolution Farming Ltd sold to £65 for Beef Shorthorn heifers and a British Friesian bull, Angus bulls sold to £50, Hereford bulls to £60 and heifers to £48 and Jersey bulls sold to £20. Looks like a cheap way of getting into farming?

	<b>To</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Average</b>
Aberdeen Angus Bulls	£200	£50	£137.50
British Blue Bulls	£250	£60	£126.67
British Friesian Bulls	£65	£35	£43.33
Hereford Bulls	£95	£50	£63.75
Holstein Friesian Bulls	£50	£50	£50.00
Jersey Bulls	£20	£20	£20.00
Aberdeen Angus Heifers	£230	£50	£126.67
British Blue Heifers	£205	£80	£141.67
Beef Shorthorn Heifers	£65	£65	£65.00
Hereford Heifers	£48	£48	£48.00

## Goats

A good entry of goats this week with Boer Nannies selling to £100, Boer wether kids selling to £62 and an Alpine x Boer Nanny with two young kids at foot sold to £165 all from SC Ambrose; M Wrights entry of Boer x Nannies sold to £99 from £80.

### NOTICE

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

## 191 Store & Breeding Sheep

**Cade lambs** - from RJ Paybody & Sons saw highs of £16 for all the Texel crosses.

**Store lambs** - a varied show once again with an all in average of £74.43. M & M Hutton topped at £120 for Blue Beltex in forward condition; S Garley saw a smart showing on of Romney crosses top to £100; B Currie penned a well grown run of Texel crosses with the top at £78, smaller types were sub £65's with the smallest in the £40's.

**Feeding ewes** - quality commands the trade with meat and weight in demand, averaging £72.46. S Garley topped with big framed lean meat Texel Mule ewes to £105; RJ Paybody & Sons topped the Mules for the day with big framed meat ewes selling to £98 with followers at £90.50. The same home penned thick Romney ewes selling to £88.50. Meat were seen mid £80's with smaller types in the £50's.

**Breeding sheep** - CD Hughes penned a smart show of Cheviot cross North Country Mule ewe lambs, in-lamb to a Beltex and due in April, the run sold to £120; S Garley penned a smart showing of Suffolk double theaves with lambs at foot, topping to £83 a life and £222 an outfit; Corney & Sons saw Continental broken mouthed ewes with lambs sell to £55 a life.

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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.

[eddie.smith@talk21.com](mailto:eddie.smith@talk21.com)

### 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.

# Bundle YFC Bake Sale

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**Saturday 25th March**

**Thrapston Livestock Market**



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**FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**  
7pm for 7:30pm meal

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**Starters**

- Leek and potato soup served with warm ciabatta. (V, VE, GF option available)
- Chicken liver and brandy pate served with onion chutney and toasted brioche. (GF option available)
- Smoked mackerel and beetroot salad with horseradish dressing. (GF)
- Pan fried mushrooms with garlic and herb butter served on grilled ciabatta. (V, VE, GF option available)

**Main course**

- Roast topside of beef served with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, honey glazed roasted carrots and parsnips and seasonal greens. (GF option available)
- Fish pie topped with mash potato and breadcrumbs served with seasonal greens. (GF option available)
- Chicken chasseur served with new potatoes and seasonal vegetables. (GF)
- Vegetable lasagne served with salad and garlic bread.

**Desserts**

- Apple crumble served with custard. (GF option available)
- Sticky toffee pudding served with toffee sauce and vanilla ice cream. (GF option available)
- Profiteroles with Chantilly cream and chocolate sauce.
- Fresh fruit salad

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## COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Haldens Parkway, Thrapston

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 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 21<sup>st</sup> March to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

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## FORTHCOMING MACHINERY SALES



**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April**  
Dispersal Sale – Newborough, Peterborough



**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May**  
Farm Dispersal Sale – Hitchin, Herts



**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**  
Farm Dispersal Sale – Polebrook, Oundle

*Further details in the coming months*

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## An Auction

A stylized illustration of a rider on a horse. The rider is wearing a grey top hat, a blue jacket, and light blue breeches. The horse is depicted in various colors: purple for the head and neck, blue for the body, green for the tail, and orange for the legs. The rider is holding the reins and a whip. The text 'of' is positioned above the horse's head, 'on' is positioned below the horse's body, and 'Horse Tack & Equine Sundries' is written across the horse's body in a large, bold, black font.

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Horse Tack & Equine  
Sundries  
on

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00pm**

*At Thrapston Livestock Market*

Entries by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

**NO** entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener