

The Market Report



Thrapston Forthcoming Events



Tuesday 10th December

Sale of Horse Drawn Carriages

At Stratford Livestock Market

See main advert for further information

Thursday 12th December

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 14th December

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Sale of Pet Food & Sundries - 12 noon

Thursday 19th December

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 21st December

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale - 12 noon



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



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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

524 Prime Lambs

Trade needed to be seen to be understood. A fantastic trade on the day with the majority of meat lambs all heavies and not reflected in the averages. Texels and Beltex lambs continue to hold the averages high with a larger showing of leaner light lambs selling well, but not to full potential. SQQ 281.63p/kg. Lean light lambs regularly sold around 250p/kg to 260p/kg. Lightest weight full meat lambs sold at highs not seen this year. G Green topped the day pence per kilo with best end Texel lambs selling to 343p/kg with Stimson Co Ltd topping the day overall at £198.

Highlights - Reynolds Farmers topped the lightweights with Charollais crosses at 35kgs selling to £109, small frame but full of meat; Park End Farming saw their usual stamp of Texels forward topping to £135 for 45kgs; GR Fontaine & Son saw their Texels to £134 for 45.5kgs; W Hammond saw a flyer with best end Beltex to £170 or 340p/kg for 50kgs with followers at 49kgs selling to £163; G Green topped their run and the day at 343p/kg or £159.50 for 46.5kgs; SC Wells penned a smart show of Texels with the top at £151 for 50.5kgs; Cartwright Farms saw best end Charollais to £150 for 49kgs; Stimson Co Ltd topped overall with the best show of meat seeing Cheviots at 75kgs selling to £198; TA Stubbs penned a sterling show of Charollais seeing their 55.5kg and 54kgs to £170; CW Webb & Partners continued their class from the weekend with best meat Suffolk and Charollais crosses selling to £164 for 59kgs and £163 for 58.5kgs; C Stancombe & Son topped the Texel Mules with best finished lambs at 56.5kgs to £159.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
311p	£115.00	265p	£95.50	282.7p	£102.96
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
325p	£135.00	266p	£115.00	281.4p	£123.49
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
343p	£170.00	266p	£125.00	293.9p	£141.91
Over 52kg					
315p	£198.00	236p	£137.50	274.2p	153.72

HAY, STRAW & FODDER

240 x Whole Crop Pea Forage Preserved 4' Wrapped Round Bales - Ave 550kg.
 Forage Analysis Report Available
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105 Cull Ewes & Rams

Reports of the trade dropping this week, but a stand on trade was seen at Thrapston, averaging £122.84. M Burke topped the day at £189 for monstrous Suffolk rams; F & SM Stamper saw their usual stamp of Beltex and Texels forward seeing compact but best shape ewes to £186, £155 and £142.50; Cartwright Farms penned another best end showing of Charollais with meat to £180 and fat hampering their best potential at £140; JR Smith & Son drew a smart run of Continental ewes, seeing a perfect show of lean meat selling to £172, £171, £150, £149 and £141; SJB Lockett & Son penned big frame lean meat Continental crosses topping to £169 and £167 with the best pen selling at £109.50 for good frame feeding sorts; Cambridge University topped the Mule trade with big framed heavy ewes selling to £116. Trade needed to be seen once again. Thrapston is a serious option for your cull sheep.

To	From	Average
£189.00	£50.00	£122.84

NOTICE

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

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REPORT FOR SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Store & Breeding Cattle

Empty cows sold to £1280 for a Simmental from JC & JS Helliwell with others to £1100; W Darby & Son sold a Hereford cow to £1170; E Clover sold a Red Poll to £670; and PC Bath sold a Longhorn to £925.

Store Cattle sold to £1670 for a 30 month Limousin heifer from JC & JS Helliwell; W Darby & Son sold 31 month Limousin steers to £1650 with others to £1440; R Munns sold his Charolais steers to £1320; R Booth entered four British Blue heifers which sold to £490, his Angus heifers also sold to £490; JD Holland sold Angus heifers to £690 and £580; K & S Miles sold two Saler steers to £1135; Eastern Farms Ltd sold Charolais steers to £1260 from £1180 and heifers to £1200; G Hartley Webb sold Hereford heifers to £1080; AJ Geary sold Angus steers to £1400; PC Bath Ltd sold Longhorn steers to £1290 and heifers to £1065; RW & HJ Dewes sold Beef Shorthorn steers to £1390 and a British Blue to £1160.

Calves

Prices topped at £250 from £240 for InRa bull calves from K & A Badrick with their Angus bulls to £230 and heifers to £130; AG Burton sold British Blue bulls to £240, Angus bulls to £180, a Welsh Black heifer to £140 and Holstein bulls to £90 from £25.

Pigs

Prices sold to £170 for a Sow with 6 piglets from Ann Pittom; T Britton sold two KuneKune piglets to £12; other pigs from Performing Pets sold to £5 from £2.

Goats

Prices sold to £120 for empty Nubian Nannies from RW Eastwood; a Pygmy Nanny with a kid at foot sold to £92 a life, Boer doelings sold to £85 for N Baughan.

138 Store & Breeding Sheep

Store Lambs - the weather hampered numbers on the day, though lambs sold well considering conditions. All in average £92.54. E Sansom & Son topped with Texel lambs to £146 with smaller framed smarter lambs to £130 and £129; T Sansom saw their Texels to £120.50; The Wildlife Trust saw big framed Continental crosses to £115.50 and £99; J Grace topped with their big framed Texel crosses to £105 with Charolais crosses to £105; SK Grace saw a best bred showing of compact Texel Beltex selling to £93 and £90; P Grey saw Teeswater ram lambs to £80. Mid frame lambs sold in the £70's, very chancy longest term sorts were around £50.

Feeding Ewes - PD & PA Roff topped the ewes with smart meat Mules to £97 with followers at £75; P Grey saw Southdown ewes to £90.

Smallholders incl. Poultry

A quieter sale to finish off the year of Smallholders Sales, with many put off by the gales, those who attended were blown away with the trade. A smaller entry of sundries with Sheep Hurdles to £37 a hurdle from £15, Copper Scales £50, and Kettles £18, Tow chain £25, Walking Sticks from £25 to £40, Electric Fence Reels to £40, a reel and stakes to £18 a bundle, Incubators £25, Water Troughs £25, Vintage Tools to £18 each, Hayracks to £17, Ex feed lick buckets to £10.

A seasonal entry of produce Pheasants £2 a brace and Partridges £1 a brace. Trays of Eggs to £3.

An excellent trade in the Poultry, with Christmas round the corner saw strong demand for Geese to £60 each from £3 and Turkeys to £25 a bird. Waterfowl attracting lots of attention with Ruddy Shell Ducks to £40 a duck, Mandarin Ducks £40, Call ducks to £28 a bird for black and white, £25 each for Apricots, Buff and Pied down to £19 for white, Lacen Teal £30 a bird, Runners to £24. Pekins of varying colours to £30 from £18. Guinea Fowl to £18. Black Faverolles to £18 each. A large entry of Bantam Old English Game to £15 a piece for the hens from £4 a bird for the cockerels. Cockerels sold very well with a Blue Splash Brahma £18. White Leghorns £15 with cross breeds £5 – £10 a head.

Thank you for your continued support through 2024 and we look forward to seeing you at our first sale of 2025 on 4th January. Don't forget to book your cages!

PUPPIES FOR SALE

Border collie pups for sale from working parents - all black and white, litter of five, four available two bitches and two dogs Born 02/11/2024, ready to go 28/12/2024 All puppies will be microchipped, vaccinated, wormed and health checked by vet. Please contact Robert Sheppard on 07972720731 for further details and viewing.

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.

SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

B S & F L Pile

1 Charolais x Limousin Cow
4 Limousin Cows with Hereford x Calves at Foot - 6-8 Months
Have been running with Hereford bull since calving

Warriner School

1 Dexter Cow - Empty 15 Years
2 Dexter Steers 22-24 Months

R Booth - TB4

8 Angus Heifers 8-10 Months

K & S Miles - TB4

2 Saler Steers 20 Months

G Tew

2 Charolais Heifers

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

R Day

10 Store Lambs

**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 14th December 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

NOTICE

Please be respectful of the neighbours to Thrapston Market and park responsibly.



Renew your VAN Number

EU legislation requires a Veterinary Attestation Number (VAN) or Farm Assurance status to sell livestock for slaughter for export outside of the UK.

VAN numbers expire every 12 months
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Speak to your local Veterinary Practise to renew.

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THRAPSTON LIVESTOCK MARKET

SALE OF PET FOOD & SUNDRIES

SATURDAY 14TH
DECEMBER – 12NOON

Market Road, Thrapston, Northamptonshire. NN14 4JU

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Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale

*Saturday 21st December
at 12 noon*

To be held at Thrapston Livestock Market

A photograph of a roasted turkey, golden brown and glistening, served on a platter. The turkey is surrounded by fresh green herbs and several small red tomatoes. The background is a soft, out-of-focus white.

Entries are invited to include
all types of oven ready birds and meats.

Sections include: Turkeys, Chickens, Guinea Fowl,
Ducks Partridge & Pheasants. Long Legged & Other Poultry
sections will also be available.

Entry Forms available online or from the Market Office

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THRAPSTON COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALES 2025

Last **Friday** of the Month

January 31st

February 28th

March 28th

April 25th

May 30th

June 27th

July 25th

August 29th

September 26th

October 31st

November 28th

Entry Forms are Available Online or in the Market Office.
Please forward your entries 10 days prior to the sale date.

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