

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 3rd March

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 5th March

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Fur, Produce & Misc

***** PLEASE NOTE NEW SALE START TIMES *****

Calves, Pigs & Goats - 10.30am

Followed by Sheep & Cattle

Thursday 10th March

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 12th March

Hay, Straw & Fodder Sale

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

323 Prime Hogs

19 Standards – 95% of the entry was of hogs that may have been better sold on a Saturday. Many of the hogs presented would not have been in the weight specifications, and would have been heavily deducted on a deadweight grid, therefore those hogs will be going on for further fattening.

Prices don't look so bad for these lighter lambs at 256p or £100 for 39kg Texel x Jacob hoggets from R & M Arrowsmith or 241p for 35.5kg hogs; and from 194p for 33kg hogs from the Trustees of Heleben Settlement.

To		From		Average	
256p	£100.00	194p	£64.00	237.3p	£85.11

140 Mediums – A Hodson topped this section at £115 for 44.5kg hogs; F & SM Stamper sold 42.5kg Beltex to £112.50; A Pearson & Son sold 43kg hogs to £110.50 and 45.5kg hogs to £110; Corney & Sons Ltd sold 45kg hogs to £108; and RW Spencer & Son sold 45kg hogs to £108.

Top price per kilo went to A Pearson & Son at 268p for 40kg hogs; closely followed by F & SM Stamper at 265p.

To		From		Average	
268p	£115.00	222p	£92.00	246.6p	£104.91

106 Heavies – CJ White topped this weight category, and sold as good as anywhere at the present nationwide trends, 51kg hogs to £122, 50.5kg to £120 and 50kg to £116; SE Johnson and IS & NK Johnson saw £113 for their 51.5kg hogs; DB Standing & Son Ltd sold 48.5kg hogs to £113; A Pearson & Son sold 48kg Continental hogs to £110; and R & M Arrowsmith sold 50kg Suffolks to £109.50.

To		From		Average	
239p	£122.00	208p	£105.00	266.1p	£111.39

CHRIS BUTCHER'S FUNERAL

Chris's funeral will be on Tuesday 15th March, at 2pm, St Margaret's Church Alderton, Towcester NN12 7LP. If you would like to wear a checked shirt as a tribute to Chris please do. Donations can be made to the British Heart Foundation, details of which to be confirmed.

58 Over 52kg – Top price of the day went to CJ White with a 65kg hogg at £126, their 60.5kg hoggs sold to £125, 56.5kg hoggs to £121.50 and 54kg hoggs to £120; DB Standing & Son Ltd sold 52.5kg hoggs at £120; IS & NK Johnson & SE Johnson sold 54kg hoggets to £115; R & M Arrowsmith sold 56kg hoggs to £112; Corney & Sons Ltd sold 53.5kg hoggs to £112; and F & SM Stamper sold 54.5kg hoggs to £112.

To		From		Average	
229p	£126.00	194p	£112.00	211.8p	£116.47

84 Cull Ewes & Rams

A better entry than expected and we could have had three times as many. Prices are exceptional for all types forward averaging near £100, prices topped at £128 for a Continental ewe from Corney & Sons Ltd; J Robb saw £126 for a Texel. Mules sold to £125 for R & M Arrowsmith; F & SM Stamper sold Texels to £121. Suffolks from Grange Farm Old Weston sold to £120; A Hodson sold four Continental ewes to £119.50; Cambridge University Farm sold Suffolks to £111 and fat Mules to £96. Rams sold to £110 for a Texel from J Robb.

To	From	Average
£128.00	£30.00	£99.41

IMPORTANT

Please do not present your Cull Ewes in-Lamb in the cull section without announcing the issue

LAA Conditions of Sale

37. Female Sheep

37.1 Vendor's warranty each female sheep is warranted not to be In-Lamb at the time of sale. This warranty is a 14 weeks and 5 Day Warranty.

37.2 Purchaser's rights - If the Purchaser proves a breach of warranty the Vendor shall pay to the Purchaser as Liquidated Damages a sum equal to 33.33 per cent of the purchase price.

Notice of a claim must be supported by a Veterinary Surgeon's Certificate or a slaughter-house manager's or other competent person's certificate confirming the sheep to have been In Lamb for a period of at least 12 weeks on the day of sale.

SATURDAY 5TH MARCH

BREEDING & STORE CATTLE

S A C Holgate

61 Store Cattle

15-22 Months

A C T Lepper & Son

22 Limousin x & British Blue x Steers & Heifers

15-18 Months

Some singled suckled, some bucket reared

C E Hancock & Son

33 Quality Store Cattle

17-27 Months

D DGLISH

2 British Friesian Steers

18 Months

1 Jersey Steer

18 Months

I S & N K Johnson - TB4

8 Limousin x Heifers

18 Months

Corney & Sons Ltd

5 Limousin Steers & Heifers

18-20 Months

T H Bletsoe & Son

1 British Blue Heifer

20 Months

CALVES

T H Bletsoe & Son

1 Limousin Heifer Calf

4 Weeks

SATURDAY 12TH MARCH

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

R Ford

13 Aberdeen Angus Steers

12 Months

13 South Devon Steers

12 Months

NOTICE

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

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

NEW Sale Start Time

We will be selling the Calves, Pigs & Goats at 10.30am followed by Sheep
and Store Cattle. From Saturday 5th March

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

156 Store & Breeding Cattle

First through the ring a 5 year old Limousin cow with a 3 month Limousin heifer calf at foot which sold for £1300 from J Bottesch, who also entered a 5 year old empty Blue cow that sold for £595.

Store cattle commenced with eight Hereford heifers from P Gerrard which sold to £670 for the stronger pen and £580 for the others; RD Holland sold two Hereford steers 11 months to £820, Aberdeen Angus heifers 11 months to £745 and younger ones at £705; TH Bletsoe & Son entered four British Blue heifers 21-28 months which sold to £1240 from £1065 and three Hereford steers 17 months to £1210; JD Davies & Partners sold a 26 month Limousin steer to £1330, two Angus steers 13 months to £1000 and four Angus steers 8-12 months to £770; Messrs Corney & Sons Ltd sold their 19-24 month Limousin steers to £1140 from £1105 and a 27 month to £1000; Six Simmental steers 9-10 months sold to £980 from £970 from Mr Hunt; DLJ Hughes sold a 14 month Beef Shorthorn heifer to £690; TEW Farming entered three 11 month Longhorn steers selling to £870 and two 10 month Saler bulls which sold to £880; IS & NK Johnson brought Limousin heifers to Thrapston this week 21-24 months which sold to £1440 from £1140 to average £1312.86; and SE Johnson sold his to £1310; JL & L Burton entered four Limousin steers 21-22 months which sold to £1160 from £1105 and two Lincoln Red steers 22 months which sold to £1070; Mrs D Daghish sold two British Friesian steers 18 months to £1070; J & D Bavington entered a 24 month Simmental steer which sold to £1235, a 23 month which sold to £1080, a 24 month Angus steer sold to £1170 and a 22 month Angus rigg sold to £1010.

New customers around the ring, wanting all types of cattle, if you have any to sell please contact us.

17 Calves

A better number of calves this week saw fresh faces around the ring, looking for all types of calves. Prices topped at £270 for two Aberdeen Angus heifers from AG Burton; other heifers sold to £220 for a British Blue from K & A Badrick. Bulls sold to £235 from £205 for Aberdeen Angus from AG Burton and their Holstein Friesian calves sold to £88 from £55.

Pigs

Just a couple of culls in this week from Ryan Shellard, a Saddleback sow sold to £30 and a Boar to £1. Still depressed prices seen on the cull section, but buyers are starting to look for young pigs to fatten.

326 Store & Breeding Sheep

What a week! Buyers filled out the alleys on Saturday with both old and new faces. **326 Sheep** forward on the day with something for everyone.

Cade Lambs started the day seeing Continental lambs top to £29 and an all in average of £24.50.

In-Lamb Ewes saw a special entry from GL Gent & Son with another quality consignment of North Country Mule ewe lambs, in-lamb to a Charollais ram, due in April, sell at £165 across the board.

Store Lambs saw a strong number forward with the season drawing to a close. All in average for the day lead to £79.76. J Griffin topped the day with a pen of Charollais lambs in forward condition selling to £111.50; B Currie saw similar trade with their Texel crosses reaching £108; M Burke penned a quality run of lambs with the top end seeing Suffolk ram lambs to £107.50; ATC Lepper & Son drew a quality load of big framed lambs with two pens of Suffolks and Charollais both selling to £106; JSW Handy topped their day with Continentals reaching £99.50; C Reader saw another quality run of Charollais cross lambs with several pens selling to £95 over two pens.

Feeding Ewes topped to unseen levels. Average for the day saw £87.30. JSW Handy topped with two Texel rams, selling to £150 with similar goods selling to £113, £112.50 and £100; JL Spendlove saw the trade of the day with Texel cross ewes selling to £111.50 and £83, the same vendor topped with Swale ewes selling to £59.50.

ST NEOTS & DISTRICT STOCKMAN'S DINNER

Thursday 17th March 7 for 7.30pm

If anyone is interested please contact Basil King 07801 668286 to book a table or tickets. Speaker George Dunn of the TFA and Singer Carla Gray

NEW FARMS AVAILABLE

We are often asked by new and existing farmers whether any farms are coming to the rental market, and all too often the answer is that we are not aware of anything, simply because let farms seldom change hands and when they do it is often done privately between the parties involved. However, we expect to be bringing 800 acres to the market to let from Autumn 2022. The changes in farming policy may lead to further land becoming available. We will confirm more details on this as and when instructions are finalised. In the meantime, Cambridgeshire County Council has 7 farms available as part of its 2022 re-letting programme. The holdings open to tender on 28th February 2022. The farms range from 155 acres to 370 acres and all include a modest farmhouse. For further information, please see the following link, www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/business/business-with-the-council/rural-business-opportunities. And we would be pleased to assist with any tender applications.

With many looking for opportunities, if you are reviewing how your own property will be farmed in the future, we would be very pleased to discuss this with you in confidence. Please speak to Nicola Clayton-Bailey or Chris Templar on 01832 732241 in the first instance.

SALES OF BPS ENTITLEMENTS & TRANSFER OF LAND FOR BPS PURPOSES

The window to transfer entitlements opened on 31st January 2022 and will remain open up to 16th May 2022. If you have entitlements to sell, or wish to purchase new entitlements please register your interest with Grace Millbank in the Agricultural Team on 01832 732241 or grace.millbank@bletsoes.co.uk

If you have taken on new land since 15th May 2021, it is worthwhile checking whether you need to transfer the land into your RPA registered business, if you intend to claim BPS on the land. The deadline to transfer land between businesses has been set as 3rd May 2022.

NOTICE

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

NORTH NORTHANTS COUNCIL - CALL FOR SITES

North Northamptonshire Council is developing a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) to shape its development for the future. This will help the Council identify a supply of land which is suitable, available and achievable for future housing and economic development uses. To help identify the land, the Council has commenced a 'Call for Sites' exercise and this enables landowners to submit details of sites considered to have potential for future development and which may be considered for inclusion in the HELAA. The Council now welcomes submissions to the 'Call for Sites' and this process runs until Monday April 25th 2022.

The Planning & Development team at Bletsoes are happy to discuss any potential land within the confines of North Northants Council (which comprises the former district councils of East Northants, Kettering, Wellingborough and Corby) that you feel might be suitable for development and assist you with the 'call for sites' exercise. Parcels of land that are positioned in or on the edge of the built-up area of a town/village should be submitted. Land that is isolated and detached from settlement boundaries is less likely to be positively considered as part of this process.

We look forward to hearing from you and please do not hesitate to make contact, should you have any questions.

Bletsoes Planning & Development Team

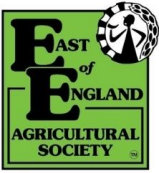
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THE LATEST EVENTS BY THE EAST OF ENGLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

CULTIV8 | 3 MARCH | 7 PM

Cultiv8 is the Society's networking group for young people working in and around agriculture and horticulture, creating opportunities for knowledge exchange, socialising and building working relationships.

If you are interested in helping us shape Cultiv8's programme of events over the next 12 months, tasting some gin, courtesy of Nene Valley Spirits and eating some pizza, then join us this Thursday!



Book your FREE place now!



'THE CARBON CONVERSATION' | 31 MARCH | 7 PM

THE CARBON CONVERSATION



When: 31 March 2022 | 7 pm
Where: Shuttleworth College, SG18 9DX

Join us for an evening exploring approaches to low-carbon agriculture, regenerative farming and first hand experiences of carbon schemes



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Book your FREE place now!



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COLLECTIVE SALES OF HAY, STRAW & FODDER 2022

Saturday 12th March

Saturday 9th April

In the main cattle sale ring at 11am

All types of Hay, Straw, Silage & Haylage required.
Please forward your entries as soon as possible,
for advertising & cataloguing purposes

For Entry Forms and Catalogues, visit www.bletsoes.co.uk

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COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Haldens Parkway, Thrapston

Friday 25th March, 10.30am

For Entry Forms please visit our website
Or Contact the Main Office on 01832 732241

Important, entries must be returned by
Tuesday 15th March to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

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A SPECIAL SALE OF EWES WITH LAMBS AT FOOT

Saturday 26th March

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