

The Market Report



Thrapston Forthcoming Events



Thursday 14th December
Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 16th December
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 21st December
Prime & Cull Sheep
Christmas Poultry Sale - 5pm

Saturday 23rd December
No Market

Thursday 28th December
No Market

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



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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER

272 Prime Lambs

A harder days trading with a bigger showing of out of spec lambs both light lean lambs and heavy thick lambs. On the whole a similar trade on the week with the SQQ at 241.37p/kg. WF Knight & Son topped pence per kilo with best end Continental lambs selling to 268p/kg. PM Bonner topped the day overall at £145 for 73kg Texels with 61kgs at £140.

Highlights - JE Cox & Sons penned a smart run of Continental lambs with a high of £112 for 45kgs; John Gowling & Sons saw a sterling run of best meat Continental and Charollais lambs with 51kgs to £127, 49kgs to £125 and 49.5kgs to £124; C Stancombe & Son topped a best meat run of Texel Mules 49kg and two pens of 49.5kgs to £123, with their heavier 52.5kgs to £130.

To		From		Average	
<i>Standards (32.1-39kg)</i>					
268p	£103.00	237p	£88.00	£239.4p	£90.03
<i>Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)</i>					
252p	£112.00	238p	£94.00	243.8p	£101.74
<i>Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)</i>					
255p	£128.00	227p	£110.00	249.3p	£120.75
<i>Over 52kg</i>					
248p	£145.00	148p	£80.00	223.8p	£125.58

56 Cull Ewes & Rams

A steadier trade overall with a lesser showing of meat. All in average £73.92. PM Bonner topped the day with best shape Texels to £114 with Continental rams at £105.50 and 2-tooth Texel ram lambs at £99; JI Holmes saw a smart trade for meated Texel cross ewes selling to £93; AH Knight & Son topped the Mules for the day with ewes to £80. Meated Continentals were £75 to £85, with leaner feeding types between £65 and £70. Smaller natives bred with little meat were sub £50.

To	From	Average
£114.00	£31.50	£73.92

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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SHEEP VENDORS

New Veterinary Attestation rule for farmers to be introduced on 13th December 2023.

Action Needed Now.....

What's changing?

Changes in legislation, as from 13th December 2023, will require all producers selling livestock for slaughter to have had an annual farm veterinary visit to allow their animals, and/or part of any animal, to be exported out of the UK. The purpose of the new rule is to comply with EU export requirements to verify the absence of notifiable disease and provide general advice on farm biosecurity.

Why is this changing?

The Statutory Health Attestation is required from the 13 December 2023 to certify exports of POAO (Products of Animal Origin) to the EU. The EHCs (Export Health Certificates) require that the animals' farm of origin has undergone regular visits by a veterinary surgeon.

What do producers need to do?

Producers will be required to obtain a signed declaration from their vet that the visit has taken place. The veterinary attestation template can be found here: [veterinary attestation template](#). This should be signed and completed by the farm vet.

Obtaining a signed veterinary attestation must be done at least once over a 12-month period and can be combined with any other routine veterinary visit, including government supported initiatives such as the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway in England.

Farmers and vets must keep a copy of their completed declarations and the "unique reference number" created, for their records and to provide to their livestock auction market or meat processor.

Farms that are part of qualifying assurance schemes do not need to complete the veterinary declaration. Membership of these farm assurance schemes is accepted as evidence that a premises of origin meets the requirement for regular health visits from a vet.

The qualifying schemes are:

- Annual health and welfare review (England only)
- Quality Meat Scotland (QMS)
- Farm Assured Welsh Livestock Beef and Lamb Scheme (FAWL) (Welsh Lamb and Beef Producers Ltd (WLBP))
- Red Tractor

Please contact Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803 for further information.

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Store & Breeding Cattle

AJ Hassall & Son topped the day with two best end Hereford steers in forward condition at 21 months selling to £1610; BW Costin & Sons drew a well fleshed show of 15 month old Simmental steers topping to £1500; TG Williams continues to draw a smart run of Limousins with a high of £1180 for the best shape and a run at £1110 for uniform steers; M & M Hutton drew a top class entry of suckled calves with 8 month old Limousin steers selling to £865, £860 and £700; R Booth saw his 12 month old Hereford steers to £500 with British Blue heifers of the same age at £360; Webb Hatherley Livestock topped to £320 for Hereford steers at 8 months old with Aberdeen Angus heifers to £280.

Store & Breeding Sheep

Store Lambs - A more active day with an increase in buyers this week. Longest term lambs are still the hardest sold with the weather now a leading factor. All in average £66.19. D Evans topped the day with Herdwick crosses to £96.50 for lambs in forward condition with their followers at £87; MF Britten topped with a smart showing of Beltex lambs to £86.50; JH Jones & Son continued their run of quality with Charollais Mule lambs to £85 and £82; L Dexter saw the best trade on the day with smart bred compact frame Texels to £80. Mid frame, well bred lambs were in the £70's with longer term and native types sub £50.

Feeding Ewes - Another bumper entry with all grades covered, all in average saw £85.30. W Aves & Son topped the day with Continental ewes to £106 for meat with similar types to £105, £97, £96, £95 and £93; RJ Garley saw a smart trade for Cheviot Mules with meat ewes topping to £91, and Romney ewes to £65. Native breeds such as Soays were seen around £20.

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For further information, or to place and advert,
please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241 or beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk

Livestock equipment Sale

A fantastic entry forward on the day with a full range on offer, over 100 lots sold on the day with a packed crowd. See the highlights in the table below.

MODULAMB SHEEP PEN	£1,600.00	2 DIHATSU WHEELS	£50.00
I/W 12' TRAILER WITH DECKS	£1,150.00	CATTLE TROUGH	£50.00
GAMIC TRAILER WITH DECKS	£980.00	LISTER CLIPPERS	£48.00
FEED FENCE HURDLES 8'	£595.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£44.00
3 IN 1 FEEDER	£500.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£44.00
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RIDLEY RAPPА FENCER UNIT	£420.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£44.00
IAE LAMB WEIGHER	£420.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£44.00
BATEMAN HANDLING SYSTEM	£280.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£44.00
CATTLE TROUGH	£260.00	1000M HIGH TENSILE E/FENCING	£40.00
4.2M RAILS	£240.00	1000M HIGH TENSILE E/FENCING	£40.00
4.2M RAILS	£240.00	PAXTON FOOT BATH	£40.00
4.2M RAILS	£240.00	4 X SPREADER BARS	£40.00
MASTERJECT	£220.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
WALK THROUGH FEEDER	£200.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
CREEP FEEDER	£185.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
HAY RACK	£180.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
HAY RACK	£165.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
FARROWING PIG ARC	£160.00	ELEC FENCING REEL	£33.00
FARROWING PIG ARC	£160.00	BARBED WIRE	£32.00
6' SHEEP HURDLES	£136.00	BARBED WIRE	£32.00
6' SHEEP HURDLES	£136.00	PAXTON TROUGH	£30.00
8' WALK THROUGH FEEDER	£130.00	PAXTON TROUGH	£30.00
8' WALK THROUGH FEEDER	£130.00	CATTLE TROUGH HANGON 8'	£30.00
8' WALK THROUGH FEEDER	£130.00	TROUGH	£30.00
WATER TROUGH	£110.00	SPREADER BARS & P/GATES	£30.00
WATER TROUGH	£110.00	ELEC FENCING STAKES	£26.40
IAE LAMB CREEP	£105.00	21 ELECTRIC FENCING STAKES	£24.00
CATTLE TROUGH	£100.00	GATE POSTS	£20.00
4' WALK THROUGH FEEDER	£90.00	GATE POSTS	£20.00
TOMBSTONE FEEDER	£90.00	BATTERY	£20.00
CATTLE FEED TROUGH	£85.00	WOODEN HAY RACK	£17.00
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CATTLE FEED TROUGH	£85.00	METAL HAY RACK	£17.00
PRESSURE WASHER	£75.00	TROUGH	£12.00
500M SHEEP NETTING	£60.00	TROUGH	£10.00
ELECTRIC FENCING UNIT	£55.00	TROUGH	£10.00
CATTLE TROUGH HANGON 10'	£52.00	ELECTRIC FENCING WIRE	£10.00
CATTLE TROUGH HANGON 10'	£52.00	GATE	£10.00

NOTICE

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

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

M & M Hutton

5 Limousin Steers

7-9 Months

Homebred, Single Suckled, Out Layers

N C & S Sheppard

6 Shorthorn Steers

10-18 Months

Suckler Bred

C E Hancock & Son

23 Store Cattle

15-25 Months

S A C Holgate

36 Store Cattle

17-27 Months

CALVES

A G Burton - TB4

8 Aberdeen Angus x Bulls

All 2-5 Weeks

2 British Blue x Bulls

2 Aberdeen Angus x Heifers

1 Welsh Black x Heifer

3 Holstein Friesian Bulls

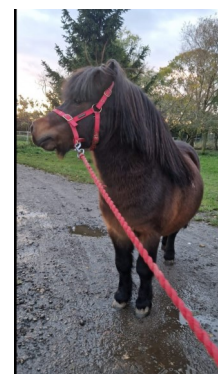
SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY

HORSES

C Sutton

1 Miniature Shetland Stallion (Bomber) 7 Years

Won in-hand shows, flashy mover



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.

NOTICE

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

HAY, STRAW & FODDER

60 x 6 String, 120x70cmx8' Meadow/Old Ley Hay

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40 x 6 String, 120x70cmx8' Meadow/Old Ley Hay

Average to good quality, Barn Stored, Assist & Loading Facilities.

Viewing welcome, Located Banbury. Contact Alan 07816 592124 / 01295 780652

80 x 4' Round Bales of Wrapped Haylage

Assist & Loading Facilities.

Located Cransley. Contact John 07774 269403

56 x Bales of Meadow Hay surplus to requirement. Grazed with sheep in to the middle of June, mown on the 2nd September, baled on the 8th September 23, hence made in dry sunny weather, not bleached, green with a good nose. Bales measure 120x70x250 and weigh ½ tonne each. Can deliver if required.

Stored undercover, Assist & Loading Facilities.

Located Nash, Milton Keynes. Contact Chris 07831 479966

The Northamptonshire Committee of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution
invites you to

Winter Drinks

at Lamport Hall, Lamport, Northampton, NN6 9HD

On Wednesday 13th December 2023

7pm – 10pm

Tickets £15 per person

Please RSVP to: rabi.northamptonshire@gmail.com.

Prepay to Sort code: 60-03-57 Natwest, Account number: 83062580, Ref: Your name or pay cash on arrival

For more details and a list of auction prizes available please visit

<https://lamportevent.wixsite.com/winter23>



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Closing Date: Friday 15th December 2023

Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale

*Thursday 21st December
at 5pm*

To be held at Thrapston Livestock Market

A large, golden-brown roasted turkey is the central focus, surrounded by fresh green herbs and red cherry tomatoes. The turkey is positioned in the center of the page, with text overlaid on it.

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 LIVESTOCK MARKET SMALLHOLDER SALES 2024

January 6th

February 3rd

March 2nd

April 6th

May 4th

June 1st

July 6th

August 3rd

September 7th

October 5th

November 2nd

December 7th

Start: Sundries at 9.30am,
Eggs, Produce, Caged Birds & Fur at 10.00am

For Further Information, Entries & Cage Reservations
please contact a member of the Market Team – 01832 732241

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THRAPSTON COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALES 2024

Last **Friday** of the Month

January 26th

February 23rd

March – *no sale*

April 26th

May 31st

June 28th

July 26th

August 30th

September 27th

October 25th

November 29th

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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