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LUDLOW MARKET SALE NEWS MONDAY 6th AUGUST 2018

FINISHED CATTLE – 137

A very disappointing entry in terms of numbers. Several vendors complaining that cattle just are not doing and this coupled with very good harvesting weather meant numbers were short. Trade was better but that was supply driven. Several buyers just could not buy what they needed on Monday and there is a danger we will lose them. Prices were as follows:-

	Top	Av.	Estimated deadweight Ex K.K.C.F. & S.B.O. Charge
MEDIUM STEERS (465-550)			
Best Quality	210.0	210.0	368.4
Standard Quality	192.0	189.0	350.0
Also Rans	140.0	140.0	285.7
Overall	210.0	183.3	340.0
HEAVY STEERS (555+)			
Best Quality	203.5	200.8	358.5
Standard Quality	195.5	190.5	352.7
Also Rans	180.5	169.8	332.0
Overall	203.5	186.8	347.0
MEDIUM HEIFERS (400-480)			
Best Quality	238.0	238.0	396.6
Overall	238.0	238.0	396.6
HEAVY HEIFERS (485+)			
Best Quality	237.0	217.8	372.2
Standard Quality	204.5	197.7	353.0
Also Rans	189.5	170.3	333.9
Overall	237.0	195.8	356.0
BULLS			
LIGHT (270-460)	178.0	176.0	328.9
MEDIUM (465-555)	205.0	185.7	343.8
HEAVY (560+)	218.5	197.8	350.0

Average for all barley bulls, including extreme dairy types. Prices based on killing percentages achieved at Ludlow, not what they might be. U.K. strip employed. If E.E.C. strip used, can add approximately 4p per kg.

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

Quality Supermarket averages as follows: -

	STEERS 500-695 KG	HEIFERS 480-650 KG	YOUNG BULLS 450-550 KG
PREMIUM	203.8	217.8	209.6
PRIME	189.9	197.7	194.5
OTHERS	170.7	166.2	172.7

BARREN COWS & OLD BULLS – 19

A very disappointing entry. A good trade. Well fleshed cows in very short supply. Prices were as follows:-

Grade 1 Cows to 139.5p av. 134.2p
 Grade 3 Cows to 116.5p av. 116.0p
 Old Bulls to 117.5p av. 117.5p

Grade 2 Cows to 128.5p av. 125.3p
 Grade 4 Cows to 109.5p av. 102.9p
 Overall Average 117.6p

FINISHED SHEEP – 3,113

A brighter lamb trade. Some nice sorts on offer. Again the increase in price driven by numbers and supply rather than demand. Prices were as follows:-

Weight	Top	Av.	Estimated deadweight	
			Price Per Kg	Price Per lb
LIGHT LAMBS	(25.6-32)			
Home Trade	174.0	172.7	383.7	174.4
Overall	174.0	172.7	383.7	174.4
STANDARD LAMBS	(32.1-39)			
Export Quality	212.0	193.2	406.3	184.7
Home Trade	183.5	176.5	387.6	176.2
Overall	212.0	178.3	387.9	176.3
MEDIUM LAMBS	(39.1-45.5)			
Export Quality	213.5	193.0	406.3	184.7
Home Trade	184.5	178.5	388.0	176.4
Overall	213.5	184.8	401.7	182.6
HEAVY LAMBS	(45.6-52)			
Export Quality	201.5	190.2	404.6	183.9
Home Trade	183.5	179.2	393.8	179.0
Overall	201.5	188.0	404.3	183.8
OVERWEIGHT LAMBS	(OVER 52)			
Export Quality	190.0	190.0	404.2	183.7
Home Trade	183.0	181.6	396.9	180.4
Overall	190.0	183.3	398.4	181.1

Export quality lambs sold up to 213.5p per kilo and averaged 193.0p per kilo and home trade lambs sold up to 184.5p per kilo and averaged 178.5p per kilo.

	LAMBS UP TO 30KG	LAMBS 30.5-36KG	LAMBS 36.5-43KG	LAMBS 43.5-48KG	LAMBS 48.5 & OVER
	Av.	Av.	Av.	Av.	Av.
PREMIUM	---	197.9p	195.3p	192.9p	189.6p
PRIME	---	174.7p	178.5p	180.7p	175.4p

CULL SHEEP

A really firm trade on all ewes forward. Killing ewes will be needed in large numbers over the next two weeks with the upcoming Muslin Festival. Ewes sold up to £126.50 and averaged £57.21. Rams selling to £126.00 and averaging £81.19.

**WANTED: CULL EWES AND CULL RAMS OVER THE NEXT TWO MONDAYS.
 ANY QUERIES TO MICHAEL THOMAS 01584 872251**

FORTHCOMING SALES

FRIDAY 10th AUGUST

First sale in the month of 228 Genuine Farmers Store Cattle and 2,084 Store Sheep to include 1,119 Store Lambs and 9658 Breeding Ewes. Some excellent ewes on offer. Together with Calves and Weanlings. Sale commences 10.15am Store Lambs, 11.00am Breeding Ewes, 12noon Calves and weanlings, 12.15pm Store Cattle.

- MONDAY 13th AUGUST** Normal weekly market at Ludlow. Excellent contingent of buyers assured. Good entries needed in all sections. Sale commences at 9.30am with Finished Sheep, 11.00am Young Bulls, 12noon Clean Cattle, 2.00pm Barren Cows, 4.00pm onwards Killing Ewes.
- MONDAY 20th AUGUST** Normal weekly market at Ludlow
- FRIDAY 24th AUGUST** Second sale in the month of Store Cattle and Store Sheep.
- SATURDAY 25th AUGUST** First sale in the Season of Store Lambs and Ewes at The Three Horseshoes, Wheathill, Burwarton.
- MONDAY 27th AUGUST** Normal weekly market at Ludlow.
- FRIDAY 31st AUGUST** Extra sale of Store Cattle and Store Sheep.

POULTRY, PLANT & MACHINERY SALE

At The Beech, Little Hereford, Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 4BG

SATURDAY 25th AUGUST

Poultry at 11.00am, Plant and Machinery at 11.30am

Entries now invited.

For more information please contact

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Or Gareth Wall on 01544 230316 or 07974 143336

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LAND FOR SALE BY INFORMAL TENDER

At KNOLLS FARM, THE BOG, MINSTERLEY, SHREWSBURY

A useful block of agricultural pasture land amounting to **approx. 13.22 acres (5.35 hectares)** suitable for livestock grazing, amenity or environmental enhancement.

Written Tenders by Friday 24th August at 12noon

Details Craven Arms Office Tel: 01588 672385 Ref: JW

For any further information upon any of the above please telephone:

LUDLOW MARKET LIVESTOCK TEAM

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STORE SHEEP AND CALVES AND WEANLINGS ENQUIRIES

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Please make use of our free on farm Field Officer Service.

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LUDLOW MARKET

MONDAY 13th AUGUST

MORE FINISHED CATTLE URGENTLY NEEDED.

The last few weeks have seen low entries of finished cattle. It is true that the beef trade has eased with the hot weather and the holiday season but the fact of the matter is we have sold our cattle as well as anybody.

We have some excellent buyers attending each week and there is real risk that some of them will not come in if they cannot buy what they need at a competitive figure at Ludlow.

Excellent contingent of buyers assured next Monday 13th August, please make use of our free on farm field officer service.

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A stronger bull trade is particularly expected next Monday.

As regards finished sheep, again our trade has been everything as good as anywhere.

We cannot push water uphill, all we can do is provide effective competition week in and week out and this is what we have done.

Good entries needed for next Monday.

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