

GREENSLADE TAYLOR HUNT

SEDGEMOOR AUCTION CENTRE

MONDAY MARKET REPORT
6 Day Standstill in Operation
MONDAY 1st JUNE 2009
TOTAL STOCK: 2078 HEAD

For market reports and entry forms on the internet, www.gth.net.
 Click on "agriculture".
 Click on "Sedgemoor Auction Centre".

More prime cattle forward to dearer trade.
16 lamb buyers present, does any market have more?
More calves to £378 for a Blue bull.

POLITE REMINDER TO ALL VENDORS

Please help us to actively market your stock by telephoning in advance to advise us of your intention to consign stock. **Please call the relevant Auctioneer, the Market or Adam Hayes on 07771 908252.**

203 PRIME CATTLE

Commencing at 1.15pm

Auctioneers:

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Robert Venner:

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First 40 cattle penned are out of the draw.

PLEASE COMPLETE AN ENTRY FORM.

Lowest commission rate in the South of England.

Payment: Cheques available for collection on Thursday or posted First Class that day.

171 UTM & 32 OTM Prime Cattle

Auctioneer's Comments:

A larger entry after the Bank Holiday week met a stronger trade. A real shortage of quality, when a much higher proportion of O+ and those lacking shape (O- grade) cattle were on offer. Quality steers from Mr MJ Chilcott of Catcott topped the sale at 177.5ppk and 174.5ppk, for two shapely very smart Blondes. Good shape cattle were generally 160.0ppk to 168.5ppk for a very shapely Charolais from Mr EB & Mrs JA Webber of South Molton. Other steers in that bracket from Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners of Exeter; Messrs J & S Vinnicombe of Ottery St Mary; Mr MT Westaway of Newton Tracey, Barnstaple and Messrs WH Amesbury & Son of Webbington, Axbridge.

Steers sold to £1218 for a tremendous 870kg British Blue from Messrs MM & EH Lucas. Other steers over £1100 at £1174.96, Mr MT Westaway; £1146.60 and £1109.50 Mr D Purchase of Kentisbury, Barnstaple; £1136.52, Mr MJ Chilcott, £1132.32, Mr EB & Mrs JA Webber and Messrs W & KJ Hill of Crediton.

Heifers peaked at 168.0ppk twice, for a quality Blonde from Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners and a very well fleshed British Blue from Mr SER Hunt. Mr EB & Mrs JA Webber again right in there in the vanguard with a very shapely Simmental at 167.0ppk. Better shape heifers generally 160.0ppk plus also. Vendors at this level included Mr DP Leaney of Taunton; Messrs MF Bathard & Sons of Almondsbury, Bristol; Mr BM White of Sidmouth, with an exceptional overage heifer; Mr EB & Mrs JA Webber; Messrs WH Amesbury & Son and Messrs MD & GJ Curtis of Yeoford, Crediton.

Heifers sold to £1088.78 for a grand 707kg Charolais from Mr BA Richards of Minehead. Other heifers over £950 at £1006.46, Messrs J & S Vinnicombe & Son; £979.22, Mr BM Cross of Appley, Wellington; £966.88 (overage), Mr BM White and £960.19, Mr AL Hobbs of Minehead.

Overage continue to astonish and looked dearer than under 30 month cattle. In addition to the high priced heifers at 162.5ppk, 148.5ppk and

146.5ppk from Mr BM White; 150.5ppk was achieved by Mr MT Westaway with a Limousin steer. Of particular note were a run of Friesian steers from Messrs RE & EJ Parsons of Weston Super Mare, which at 145.0ppk, 143.0ppk, 141.0ppk, 136.0ppk and 132.0ppk looked dearer than under 30 month types. We gratefully thank all vendors for their continued support and ask them to encourage their neighbours to support the market. "Sell live to stay alive."

STEERS (86)	Average	Top price per head
Top price	UTM 151.54p/kg	£1218.00
177.50p/kg	OTM 133.80p/kg	

Top 11 Vendors	Breed	Kg	Pence
Mr MJ Chilcott	BLO	587	177.5
Mr MJ Chilcott	BLO	630	174.5
Messrs EB & JA Webber	CH	672	168.5
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	BLO	551	168.0
Mr MJ Chilcott	BLO	693	164.0
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	CH	664	163.0
Messrs J & S Vinnicombe & Son	LIM	620	162.5
Mr MT Westaway	LIM	615	162.5
Messrs WH Amesbury & Son	BRB	565	162.5
Messrs J & S Vinnicombe & Son	LIM	621	161.5
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	BLO	546	161.5

Top 10 Vendors	Breed	Kg	£/Head
Messrs MM & EH Lucas	BRB	870	1218.00
Mr MT Westaway	LIM	773	1174.96
Mr D Purchase	CH	735	1146.60
Mr MJ Chilcott	BLO	693	1136.52
Messrs EB & JA Webber	CH	672	1132.32
Mr D Purchase	CH	700	1109.50
Messrs W & KJ Hill	LIM	700	1109.50
Mr MJ Chilcott	BLO	630	1099.35
Messrs W & KJ Hill	LIM	689	1085.18
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	CH	664	1082.32

HEIFERS (117)	Average	Top price per head
Top price	UTM 147.93p/kg	£1088.78
168.00p/kg	OTM 137.48p/kg	

Top 10 Vendors	Breed	Kg	Pence
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	BLO	562	168.0
Mr SER Hunt	BRB	490	168.0
Messrs EB & JA Webber	SIM	505	167.0
Mr DP Leaney	CH	445	163.0
Mr MF Bathard & Sons	LIM	524	162.5
Mr BM White	CH	595	162.5
Messrs EB & JA Webber	SIM	496	162.0
Messrs WH Amesbury & Son	BRB	570	162.0
Messrs MD & GJ Curtis	LIM	487	160.5
Messrs JR, LM & AJ Hutchings	LIM	520	159.5
Mr AL Hobbs	LIM	602	159.5
Mr M Potter	GEL	500	159.5

Top 10 Vendors	Breed	Kg	£/Head
Mr BA Richards	CH	707	1088.78
Messrs J & S Vinnicombe & Son	LIM	637	1006.46
Mr BW Cross	BRB	673	979.22
Mr BM White	CH	595	966.88
Mr AL Hobbs	LIM	602	960.19
Messrs MJ Tuckett & Partners	BLO	562	944.16
Mr DP Leaney	LIM	595	943.08
Mr BM White	CH	640	937.60
Messrs Ellicott Bros	SIM	660	937.20
Mr SER Hunt	BRB	670	934.65

BULLS (1)	Average	Top price per head
Top price 144.00p/kg	144.00p/kg	£1023.84

Top Vendors	Breed	Kg	Pence
Messrs Heywood & Hurd	DEV	711	144.0

BREED	STEERS			HEIFERS		
	NO	AVE	TOP	NO	AVE	TOP
Limousin	25	153.40	162.50	25	152.69	162.50
B/Blue	9	151.82	162.50	7	151.80	168.00
Charolais	11	154.18	168.50	40	147.65	163.00
Simmental	2	145.11	149.50	12	146.99	167.00
Blonde	5	169.11	177.50	7	154.67	168.00
A/Angus	5	142.03	148.50	6	136.24	145.00
Hereford	1	134.50	134.50	5	132.56	141.50
Devon	2	151.33	155.00	2	134.91	139.50
H/Friesian	2	132.44	133.50	1	116.50	116.50
B/Friesian	3	134.97	140.00	-	-	-
Others	-	-	-	1	159.50	159.50

EUROGRID LIVEWEIGHT COMPARISON						
UTM R4L Average @ 54% kop = 285.38ppkdw equivalent						
Grade	STEERS			HEIFERS		
	No	Ave	Max	No	Ave	Max
U+4L	-	-	-	1	167.00	167.00
U+3	1	174.50	174.50	-	-	-
U-4L	3	162.83	168.50	3	164.22	168.00
U-3	5	163.37	177.50	-	-	-
R4L	21	154.80	164.00	40	153.74	163.00
R3	6	156.15	162.50	3	156.53	160.50
O+4H	-	-	-	1	121.50	121.50
O+4L	15	145.44	158.50	37	145.95	158.50
O+3	5	147.65	148.50	3	139.30	149.00
O-4L	5	138.42	146.50	9	140.25	149.00
O-3	3	144.44	147.50	7	135.31	145.00
O-2	-	-	-	1	119.00	119.00
P+4L	-	-	-	1	116.50	116.50
P+3	1	129.50	129.50	-	-	-

1742 PRIME HOGGS & LAMBS	Commencing at 10.30am
Auctioneer: Paul Ashton	
Tel: Office 01278 410278, Mobile 07866 673857	

Top price p/head	(40) HOGGS	(1702) LAMBS
Top price p/kg	£91.50	£98.50
SQQ Average	190.0p/pk	246.0p/pk
	189.46p/pk	207.13p/pk

A record entry at Sedgemoor sold to a much better than expected trade with an unbelievable 16 buyers in attendance all trying to fill their lorries and many going home with half loads. The best were 215.0ppk plus selling to a max of 246.0ppk and 219.0ppk from Messrs GR Baker & Son; 229.0ppk and 217.0ppk from Ms K Isgar; 226.0ppk from Mr M Wall; 224.0ppk from Miss K Bell and Messrs J Hayes & Son; 224.0ppk and 217.0ppk from Messrs MJ Tarr & Son; 223.0ppk from Messrs RH & JA Heal; 223.0ppk, 219.0ppk and 217.0ppk from Mr RA Willcox; 222.0ppk from Mr C Chilcott; 221.0ppk from Mr GG Gribble and Mr ML Mackie;

220.0ppk from Mr S Webber; 218.0ppk from Mr WS Stitch and Mr T Gruffydd-Jones and 217.0ppk from Mr MJ Luff and Mr C Reasons. Good quality heavies were £90.00 plus selling to £98.50 from Mr ML Mackie; £96.00 from Messrs GR Baker & Son; £94.80 and £92.00 from Kenley Farms; £94.00 from Miss K Bell; £93.20 from Messrs MJ Tarr & Son and £92.00 from Messrs JN Hayes & Son and Messrs MB & KN Crabb.

A small entry of hogs sold to 190.0ppk from Messrs MB & KN Crabb and 186.0ppk from Mr MP Rogers and to £91.50 and £87.00 from Kenley Farms.

WEIGHT	No. Sold Lambs	Average	No. Sold Hogs	Average
Standard (32.1-39.0kg)	717	206.52	2	185.53
Medium (39.1-45.5kg)	1056	207.55	7	190.48
Heavy (45.6-52kg)	43	192.27	31	164.78
Others (over 52kg)	-	-	-	-

WEIGHT	£ PER HEAD	VENDOR
LAMBS		
34.0	74.20	Mr T Gruffydd-Jones
35.0	72.00	Messrs M & S Waldock
36.0	76.00	Messrs M & S Waldock
37.0	77.80	Messrs TE & SJ Popham
38.0	87.00	Ms K Isgar
38.0	84.00	Mr ML Mackie
38.0	83.80	Mr GG Gribble
38.0	83.50	Mr S Webber
39.0	96.00	Messrs GR Baker & Son
39.0	88.00	Mr M Wall
40.0	89.50	Messrs MJ Tarr & Son
40.0	89.00	Mr RA Willcox
40.0	87.50	Mr RA Willcox
40.0	87.50	Messrs GR Baker & Son
41.0	92.00	Messrs JN Hayes & Son
41.0	91.50	Messrs RH & JA Heal
41.0	91.00	Mr C Chilcott
42.0	94.00	Miss KE Bell
43.0	92.00	Messrs MB & KN Crabb
43.0	91.00	Mr C Chilcott
44.0	93.20	Messrs MJ Tarr & Son
46.0	91.00	Mr N Duddridge
47.0	92.00	Kenley Farms
49.0	94.80	Kenley Farms
51.0	98.50	Mr ML Mackie
HOGGS		
38.0	70.50	Mr MP Rogers
42.0	80.00	Messrs MB & KN Crabb
53.0	87.00	Kenley Farms
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133 CALVES	Commencing at 10.30am
Auctioneer: Jeremy Bell:	
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Home 01278 788024	

Overall average £186.94
Bulls average £174.91
Heifers average £209.83

The most calves we've seen on a Monday for some while, all sold to a rip-roaring trade as if there were no tomorrow. Top call was £378 for a British Blue x bull from Messrs DT & JA Haywood and top price heifers to £340 for a British Blue x from Messrs DW Sprackman & Partners. Most Vendors now recognizing the returns for keeping their calves strong with prices going way past the £300 barrier and on its way to £400 for the very best, surely offering dairy farmers a very useful second income stream.

Would vendors please make every effort to fully complete the new calf entry form RE: Veterinary Treatment.

Breed	Type	No.	Ave £	Top Price £	Vendor
BRB	Bulls	8	329.75	378.00	Messrs DT & JA Haywood
	Hfrs	11	283.18	340.00	Messrs DW Sprackman & Partners
Lim	Bulls	10	234.20	330.00	Messrs AE Allen & Sons
	Hfrs	6	191.17	217.00	Messrs AE Allen & Sons
Sim	Bulls	12	265.50	350.00	Messrs PG, ME & SE Harvey
	Hfrs	9	235.22	275.00	Messrs PG, ME & SE Harvey
Blo	Bulls	1	329.00	329.00	Messrs WJ Weeks & Son
Her	Bulls	5	207.00	245.00	Messrs BS & SG Kingston
	Hfrs	10	167.10	192.00	Messrs BS & SG Kingston
AA	Bulls	9	157.56	207.00	Mr RJ Phelps
	Hfrs	5	110.60	154.00	Messrs JH & ACL Williams
Sho	Bulls	1	176.00	176.00	Messrs WJ Weeks & Son
Mont	Bulls	7	186.71	240.00	Lordswood Farms Ltd
B/Friesian	Bulls	5	86.00	142.00	Messrs CJ Child & Son
H/Friesian	Bulls	12	49.75	159.00	Mr BJ Phelps
Swed	Bulls	8	23.13	31.00	Messrs JH & R Frost

TB RESTRICTED CATTLE COLLECTION CENTRE

Second Wednesday of each month. 4pm-5pm. Stock pre sold on deadweight basis to highest nationally tendered price. Stock weighed and graded at market to act as a check on killing out percentages and prices received.

Stock to be pre-booked with ear numbers and description by no later than the first Wednesday of each month. TB24B licence required from DEFRA SVS. **Next collection 10th June 2009.**

Contact Robert Venner on 07889 006503 or Adam Hayes 07771 908252. Office 01278 410278.

Greenslade Taylor Hunt, Sedgemoor Auction Centre Livestock Pennage Security Policy

To prevent the escape of livestock from the pennage area, please ensure:-

Outer loading bay gates are securely chained to vehicle tail board gates when unloading or loading stock. **It will be deemed negligence if this is not done.**

Second set of loading bay gates to be secured with chain (cattle) and sliding fastener (sheep) after unloading.

Gates are always to be left in closed position when vacating loading bays.

In the event of an escape raise alarm and ensure entrance and exit gates are closed. Once entrance and exit gates are closed, then proceed to recapture stock.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter

All cattle born after 15th April 1998 require two tags.

Somerset Trading Standards require any such cattle presented at market with less than two tags to be returned home under licence. Please ensure all cattle have a tag in each ear before leaving home. If a tag is lost in transit, please present tag to STS Animal Health representative for onward licence and sale.

If you are unable to replace a missing tag due to ill health or health and safety issues and would like to use market facilities, please write to Somerset Trading Standards Service, Animal Health and Welfare, Chelston, Wellington, Somerset, TA21 9HP, fax: 01823 664199 or email: ahw@somerset.gov.uk to request permission.

Copy of written confirmation of STSS's permission to accompany stock to market with tags and taggers.

Loading Bay Protocol

Greenslade Taylor Hunt encourages the courteous use of the loading bays. After unloading, please pull your vehicle off before moving stock to pennage areas. If able, pen stock in inner half of loading bay to allow a further market user to unload behind. No loading of stock is allowed on any section until the sale starts, ie. 10am on the store cattle and calves and 11am elsewhere. If asked to remove your vehicle by a member of staff or fellow market user, please do so. Abusive behaviour will not be tolerated. Any complaints with respect to the use of the loading bays are to be reported to the section Auctioneer.

Blue Tongue Update

Protection of cattle and sheep against blue tongue is crucial to the health of stock and the industry should not be complacent about the risks still posed by it. With over 25,000 cases in France last year alone, the risk of windborne incursion of infected midges remains a distinct possibility. Defra is continuing to promote voluntary vaccination and producers are being urged to vaccinate early in the year, before the onset of warmer weather when the risk of infection significantly rises.

Concern also remains over the circulation of blue tongue serotype 1 (BTV-1) in France. Producers are encouraged not to wait to vaccinate their animals against BTV-8 in anticipation of a bivalent vaccine against BTV-1 and BTV-8 becoming available. It is unlikely a bivalent vaccine will be available until after summer 2009, and indeed farmers will not be able to vaccinate for BTV-1 until a protection zone for it is declared