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BRECON MARKET STORE CATTLE REPORT Friday 23rd February 2018

Store Cattle 739

The best bred and well fed cattle would be as dear as we have ever seen with the return of the Yorkshire buyers and two new men from the West Country. The result was an impressive overall average of 232p/kg for the steers, topping at £1470 and 314.5p/kg while heifers averaged 218p/kg including several plain types at 160/170p/kg to average £972 per head topping at £1420. The competition was fierce for the smart best types and also the strong cattle and many more could have been sold to advantage but some of the smaller younger cattle would have benefited from another month of hard feed as the grazing men haven't really started to fire up yet although March will see an increase for demand for those types.

There was also a strong demand for Charolais steers this month, although the Limousin's topped the section it was encouraging to see a good run of young Charolais steers from R T Watkins averaging £1000 with 375kg Charolais steer making £1035 up to £1070 for a slightly bigger steer however they were all less than 12 months of age.

While Charolais heifers at 380kg topped at £900 with plenty of men forward for these types of outlying cattle. However we are seeing a shortage of strong well fleshed types with the result that there are now a marked premium for these types, even with the cost of straw and fodder it does appear it is worth the inputs.

Next sale will see more men about looking for cattle and entries will be required of all types.

Top prices were as follows:

Lim x 625kg £1470 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood

Lim x	625kg £1405 D L Price &Son, Highfield Farm, Molton
Lim x	575kg £1385 T S & PJ Evans & Son, Trawstyr, Maesmynis
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Lim x	545kg £1340 LL & SE Reeds, Llwyncelyn, Llandefalle
Lim x	615kg £1325 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	520kg £1290 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	560kg £1290 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Char x	645kg £1280 C Thomas & Co, Coedmawr, Lower Chapel
Char x	585kg £1280 R T Watkins, Pen Y Parc, Coldbrook
Lim x	600kg £1280 T S & PJ Evans & Son, Trawstyr, Maesmynis
Char x	565kg £1280 BI & HM Williams, Cwrt Brynbeidda, Trapp
Lim x	580kg £1270 G A Davies & Son, Esgairmoel Isaf, Llanwrtyd
Lim x	580kg £1265 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Lim x	600kg £1260 Messrs Pugh, Great House, Painscastle
Lim x	530kg £1245 R G Jones & Son, Tymawr, Garth
Lim x	530kg £1235 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	540kg £1235 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Char x	540kg £1235 BI & HM Williams, Cwrt Brynbeidda, Trapp
Lim x	628kg £1225 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Lim x	415kg £1220 PE & RA Jones & Co, Longoaks, Gower
Char x	545kg £1220 D H Price & Co, Upper Pontgwilym, Brecon
Lim x	500kg £1220 G Jones & Co, Dolderwen, Llanafan
Lim x	510kg £1205 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	437kg £1200 PE & RA Jones & Co, Longoaks, Gower

Heifers per head

Lim x	585kg £1420 LL & EM Howells, Gelli, Cymmer
Sim x	575kg £1400 GD & JB Jenkins, Pantrhodyn, Brongest
Lim x	585kg £1380 LL & EM Howells, Gelli, Cymmer
Lim x	648kg £1370 Greenow & Son, Blaenau Mawr, Cwmdu
Lim x	550kg £1370 T S & PJ Evans & Son, Trawstyr, Maesmynis
Lim x	600kg £1365 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Lim x	550kg £1360 LL & EM Howells, Gelli, Cymmer
Char x	580kg £1335 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood

Char x 585kg £1300 GD & HE Sevenoaks, Parc Lodge Farm,

Abergavenny

Lim x	540kg £1300 T S & PJ Evans & Son, Trawstyr, Maesmynis
Lim x	570kg £1290 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	500kg £1280 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Lim x	495kg £1280 Price Bros, Tyleheulog, Erwood
Lim x	585kg £1280 D E Thomas, Blaencwm, Tally
Blonde x	535kg £1270 EMA Parry, Plascelyn, Llanddew
BRB x	455kg £1270 T E Jones & Co, Bailea, Senni
Lim x	430kg £1250 PJ & TA Jones, Tyisaf, Erwood
Lim x	550kg £1245 JA Jones, Hendre Phillip, Llwynygroes
Lim x	525kg £1235 JA Jones, Hendre Phillip, Llwynygroes

530kg £1235 EMA Parry, Plascelyn, Llanddew

74 Cull Cows

Blonde x

The cows were ever more money than last month, fuelled by the attendance of a new buyer from Yorkshire. The overall average was a staggering £1200 to include a £600 special and they averaged the best trade ever seen at Brecon topping at 212p/kg to average 167.5p/kg to include a cow at 112p/kg. It is staggering how desperate the beef industry is for cull cows and with this trade farmers should be encouraged with regards the future for suckler cows. We could easily have sold 100 + cows of all types however the premium is for well fleshed farm assured cows. If you haven't sold cows in Brecon please give us a chance as you will not be disappointed. Top Prices:

BRB x 830kg £1590 GD & HE Sevenoaks, Parc Lodge Farm,

Abergavenny

Char x 880kg £1580 GD & HE Sevenoaks, Parc Lodge Farm,

Abergavenny

Lim X	830kg ± 1580 T E Jones & Co, Bailea, Senni
Lim x	810kg £1570 J T Abberley, Hemley Hall, Llan Talyllyn
Lim x	875kg £1560 CM & WC Phillips, The Batch, Sarnsfield
Lim x	825kg £1540 J T Abberley, Hemley Hall, Llan Talyllyn
Char x	900kg £1520 GG & CB Morris, Lower Drostre, Llanwern
Lim x	870kg £1520 CM & WC Phillips, The Batch, Sarnsfield

Char x	860kg £1500 W S Layton & Son, Knoakes Court, Hyde Ash	
BRB x	730kg £1490 W S Layton & Son, Knoakes Court, Hyde Ash	
Lim x	745kg £1480 ED Griffiths & Co, Cilgryman Fawr, Cwmfelin	
Mynach		
BRB x	865kg £1440 GA Davies, Brynawel, Brynhoffiant	
Lim x	845kg £1440 CL & FE Jerman, Glangwyden, Trefeglwys	
Char x	840kg £1440 GG & CB Morris, Lower Drostre, Llanwern	
Lim x	815kg £1400 CL & FE Jerman, Glangwyden, Trefeglwys	

Breeding Section

A small entry however an aged suckler cow from IT Davies & Son was well sold at £1800 while a young pedigree Limousin Bull from Messrs Sevenoaks, Parc Lodge Farm made £2800. There was several men looking for bulling heifers and those Limousin crosses and British Blue heifers if they fitted the bill were anything from £1100 up to £1450 and every sale we seem to have more and more buyers coming to Brecon for replacement heifers.

Labour at Brecon Store Sales

Every month we need assistance at the store cattle sale with penning and sorting cattle. If you have experience with cattle and can spare a few hours every month your help would be much appreciated, we will provide generous rates of pay.

BRECON FATSTOCK SALE REPORT TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY2018

Prime Hoggets (530)

A reduced entry of hoggets this week, a week where we could have managed a lot more with trade being better than expected.

We can't stress enough that the leaner lambs are not being bidded on. Pen after pen sold over 210p/kg with a top call on two pens at 221p/kg. The medium weight lambs would be 2p/kg less than last week, averaging at 215p.kg with the larger over 45kg lambs at 2111.5p/kg. The over 52kg hoggets were

back on last week, with an average of 168p/kg and a top PPH of £107.90. This week again saw a bit of a buzz on the lighter hoggets, averaging 200p/kg. This weeks entry was disappointing as we need more hoggets to fulfil buyers growing demand every week!

SQQ 206.5p/kg

7 Buyers

	<u>TOP</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>vendor</u>
SMALL (25-32kg)	£62.72 (196p/kg)	£57.38 (189p/kg)	D O Morgan & Partners, Fanfawr,
			Pontfaen
LIGHT(32-39kg)	£82.68 (214p/kg)	£73.15 (200.6p/kg)	DWT Davies, Danycommon,
			Felindre
MEDIUM(39-45kg)	£98.35 (221p/kg)	£91.42 (212p/kg)	DJ Powell & Son, Neuadd,
			Llanfihangel Talyllyn
LARGE (45kg 52kg)	£107.12 (221p/kg)	£99.07 (211.5p/kg)	JT Abberley, Hemley Hall,
			Llanfihangel Talyllyn

Top prices:		
32-39kg		
39kg	£82.68	DWT Davies, Danycommon, Felindre
38.5kg	£82.39	TJ Davies & Son, Heolinon Fawr, Llandefalle
39kg	£81.71	SM Forsyth, Cefn Fedw Ganol, Heol Senni
38.5kg	£79.31	D O Morgan & Partners, Fanfawr, Pontfaen
37kg	£72.89	WJ Davies & Co, Coedgennau, Pontfaen
39-45kg		
44.5kg	£98.35	DJ Powell & Son, Neuadd Farm, Llanfihangel Talyllyn
44kg	£95.48	WR Protheroe & Son, Cwmdulas Farm, Llanafan Fawr
45kg	£94.50	TD Hyslop, Lower Cwmclun, Libanus
44.5kg	£94.34	WR Protheroe &Son, Cwmdulas Farm, Llanafan Fawr
43.5kg	£92.88	WR Protheroe &Son, Cwmdulas Farm, Llanafan Fawr
<u>45 – 52kg</u>		
52kg	£107.12	JT Abberley, Hemley Hall, Llanfihangel Talyllyn
46kg	£101.66	JT Abberley, Hemley Hall, Llanfihangel Talyllyn
49kg	£101.43	TD Hyslop, Lower Cwmclun, Libanus
47kg	£101.05	WR Protheroe & Son, Cwmdulas Farm, Llanafan Fawr

Cull Sheep (138)

A smaller entry but again we require more sheep. Our trade is proving to be pounds ahead of other sale centres. There was a lot more excitement around the cull sheep this week, meaning several ewes sold over £90. Top call of the day was for a pen of Texel X ewes at £116. Te heavier ewes averaged a staggering £85, with the light ewes averaging £54. An excellent pen of Cheviots sold for £85.50 from JK Morgan, Gorslwyd. Please keep the cull sheep coming to Brecon!

Average £67 5 Buyers

Cull Rams (3) Top Price of £95 Average £85

> Brecon Sale of Antiques, Furniture, Vintage items and China Friday 9th March, 10.30am, viewing Thursday 8th March 10am – 6pm

Brecon Sale of Horses, Ponies, Tack, Tools & Poultry Saturday 17th March 10.30 am, entries taken from 8.30am

Brecon Sale of Store Cattle, plus breeding stock and Cull Cows Friday 30th March, entries are now invited for this sale.

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