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KINGTON MARKET FAT SHEEP REPORT THURSDAY 2nd AUGUST 2018

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 1642 sheep on Thursday last the 2nd August.

The lamb trade has eased and then firmed again over the past week. Meat is absolute key to a good sheep in the lamb and cull sheep sections. There was good demand in all sections from a number of buyers which is good to see.

Leaner sheep are at a disadvantage so it is well worth selecting the right sheep to sell.

LAMBS

We had an entry of 1120 lambs which averaged a good SQQ for the week of £1.82ppk up to £1.90ppk for some 44kg lambs from Rob Duggan. Lambs sold up to £92 per head for some 52kg lambs from S Williams & Son.

The buyers are requiring well meated lambs for their orders and all lambs in all weight ranges received a good trade and were sort after by the buyers. Meat is very important for a good trade.

We have good demand from our buyers for lambs and at the current prices the lambs need to be sold if they are ready.

Lambs between 32.5 kg to 39 kg averaged 1.78ppk up to 1.81ppk which averaged £67 per head Lambs between 39 kg to 45 kg averaged 1.82ppk up to 1.90ppk which averaged £80 per head Lambs between 45kg to 52 kg averaged 1.81ppk up to 1.87ppk which averaged £86 per head Lambs between over 52 kg averaged 1.75ppk up to 1.77ppk which averaged £92 per head

We are fortunate to have excellent buyer support from 7 regular buyers giving excellent competition for the lambs each week.

CULL EWES, TUPS, WETHERS, STORE LAMBS & GOATS

There was a good entry of cull & store sheep, which sold to a very good trade on the week.

The cull sheep trade was good again on all types and well sort after by the buyers.

The buyers are requiring good meated sheep for their orders, which are not fat or too lean.

The cull sheep sold to a top of £113 per head for some Texel x ewes from TR & GM Layton and averaged a good £71 per head which included the usual entry of thin and smaller hill bred sheep. Strong meated ewes sold to the best trade.

Continental ewes averaged £90 per head up to £113 per head

Mules averaged £72 per head up to £90 per head

Hill bred ewes averaged £55 per head up to £65 per head

Tups sold to £90 per head and averaged £70 per head

We have buyers requiring store lambs and light lambs each week to suffice their orders.

We have buyers for in excess of 3000 lambs and 750 cull sheep per week to meet our buyers' requirements.

McCartneys at Kington, offer an on-farm livestock grading and marketing advice service on a free of charge basis.

Kington Market is every Thursday, commencing at 11.00am with Lambs Followed by Cull Sheep, Light and Store Lambs

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