



MARKET DRAYTON LIVESTOCK MARKET

Barbers Auctions LLP report the following trade at
Market Drayton Livestock Market :-

FOOT & MOUTH UPDATE

**“RED MARKETS FOR THE
FORESEEABLE FUTURE”**

WEDNESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2007

'RED MARKET'

- DIRECT TO SLAUGHTER -

FAT LAMBS & CULL EWES - 9.30am

BARREN COWS & OTMS - 10.00am

FAT CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS - 10.45am

SLAUGHTER CALVES

**THE MINISTRY VETS/
TRADING STANDARDS INSIST THAT
STOCK MUST ARRIVE AT THE MARKET
NO LATER THAN 9.45am.**

**DUE TO MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS
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BE PRE-BOOKED IN 01630 652926.**

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**For All Livestock Queries Please Ring
Barbers Auctions on 01630 652926
Bernie Hutchinson 07778 164274
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WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2007

**308 CLEAN CATTLE, YOUNG BULLS &
BARREN COWS**

216 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson

Understandably less forward with vendors apprehensive to sell on a red market, however, vendors who did sell would have been rewarded, especially for stronger cattle. Best sold on the day would have been the bulls, with well fleshed cattle coming a very close second. Leading lights shone to 146p for steers, 142.5p for heifers and bulls to 134

72 Bulls - Not quite the dizzy heights of last week with the best bulls going for export but never-the-less the home market topped out at 134p for a Limousin weighing 564 kilo to gross £755.76 from Mr Rob Belfield, Upper Hulme. Rob also took top slot on the mediums at 129.5p for a British Blue weighing 544 kilo to return £701.76 and a further beast to 120.5p and 119p. Mr Tony Mardling, Hilderstone deserves a mention for his Continental bulls to 122.5p, 120p and 117.5p. Black and Whites reached 113p for a bull weighing 638 kilo to return £720.94 from Mr Noden, Sandford and further cattle to 112p and 111.5p. The overall average returned at 107p, very similar to last week.

62 Steers - Less forward selling on a buoyant trade throughout especially for well fleshed stronger cattle. Mediums stole the show at 146p twice for a British Blue weighing 534 kilo and 494 kilo to return £779.64 and £721.24 respectively from Mr Tony Hockenhull, Uffington and further cattle to 136p, 130.5p, 130p and 115p. Heavies reached 142p for a Limousin weighing 620 kilo to gross £880.40 from Mr Richard Walker, Hereford and further cattle to 138p x 2, 135p, 134.5p, 134p x 3 and 121p. Mr C. Cheadle, Ridgewardine also deserves a mention for his Charolais to 128.5p, 126p, 124.5p and 112p. The overall average returned at 104.5p.

82 Heifers - Nearly half as many forward and quality was in great demand from butchers and wholesalers alike. Heavies peaked at 142.5p for a Limousin weighing 588 kilo to gross £837.90 from Mrs Chapman, Wickstead and a further beast to 136p. Mr Charles Forrester, Northwood also deserves a mention for his Limousin to 142p to return £707.16 and also Mr Peter Mitchell, Sandon had a cracking Limousin to 140p. Mediums reached

130.5p for a Limousin weighing 442 kilo to generate £576.81 from our regular Welsh vendor. The overall average returned at 107p.

Anybody uncertain about marketing please telephone Bernie Hutchinson on 07778 164274 or at the Livestock Market 01630 652926.

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

	STEERS		HEIFERS	
	Top	Av.	Top	Av.
PREMIUM	146.0p	124.18p	142.5p	117.93p
PRIME	106.0p	96.58p	105.5p	99.73p
OTHERS	91.0p	82.00p	91.5p	85.81p

YOUNG BULLS

	Top	Av.
	PREMIUM	134.0p
PRIME	104.5p	99.37p
OTHERS	91.0p	88.17p

92 BARREN COWS & OTMS

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson

Trade has certainly eased with the lack of export with all grades of cattle five to eight pence back on the pre-foot and mouth sales. Over age clean still sold well peaking at 104p for a British Blue weighing 594 kilo to return £617.76 from Mr M.E.G. Bennett, Woodseaves and a further beast to 101p.

Continental barrens raced away to 101p for a Limousin weighing 546 kilo to generate £551.46 from Mr Roger Swift, Rowley Hill. Black & Whites peaked at 90p for a heifer weighing 568 kilo to gross £511.20 from Lees Dairy Farms, Adderley. Heavier barren cows reached 72p for a cow weighing 720 kilo to return £518.40 from Mr John West, Stone.

Graded Cattle :- Grade One topped at 104p average 88p
 Grade Two topped at 95p average 80p
 Grade Three topped at 72p average 55p
 Grade Four topped at 48p average 38p

Let us hope export opens soon, home trade requires cattle, but at a price! Barrens and OTMS next week at 10am. Please pre-book cattle in at the auction prior to the sale 01630 652926, Bernie Hutchinson 07778 164274 or Rob Lea 07813 625787.

250 SHEEP

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson

With reports of lambs averaging only 75p to 80p nationally earlier in the week and the red market status, the entry of lambs was considerably smaller than usual at two-hundred-and-fifty. The overall market average was returned at 88.5p, a respectable amount given the situation but not much consolation to those vendors achieving 100p plus before this latest foot and mouth outbreak.

Heavies and over heavies topped the trade with pens achieving 101.5p grossing £44.66 and £47.90 respectively, both lots were entered by Messrs R.W. & J.E. James of Meaford Farm, Stone.

Super heavies were the only other category entered and topped out at 80.5p grossing £42.50 for Mr N.A. Swinnerton, The Nook, Soudley.

Red markets will continue for the foreseeable future and the lamb trade is not expected to dramatically

improve until the export markets re-opens, however, buyers are still demanding lambs so please keep some steady numbers coming. Please pre-book numbers of lambs with Bernie, Rob or the auction office so we can inform trading standards.

QUALITY PRICE REPORTING

LAMBS

	Sold	Average
PREMIUM	56	99p
PRIME	112	87p
OTHER	82	81p

New Season Lambs Graded :- Heavies to 101.5p (£44.60) average 90p (£38.42). Over heavies to 101.5p (£47.90) average 85p (£39.70).

160 EWES

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson

As with the lambs the entry this week was considerably lower than usual, however, demand for all ewes was higher leading to an overall average of £33.50. Again not as high as pre-foot and mouth prices but respectable considering prices reported earlier in the week.

Top of the trade was a pen reaching £55.50 achieved by Mrs J. Chapman of Wickstead Hall Farm, Whitchurch. Again please keep the numbers coming in as trade is likely to remain buoyant for ewes over the coming weeks, also please pre-book numbers, thank you.

Ewe averages as follows :- Heavies £45 to £55, cutting ewes £32 to £45, plain ewes £18 to £32 and light ewes £7 to £18.

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