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WEEKLY NEWS 20TH FEBRUARY 2021



**Sheep with Lambs top at £300 from RJ Umpleby
at the Opening Weekly Sale**

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Tuesday 16th February**FARMERS STIRKS 453 FORWARD**

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
<u>BULLOCKS</u>			
AA	£990	J & T Wharton, Casterton	£820
Baz	£900	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£900
Blonde	£940	M York, Sedbergh	£860
BrB	£1220	Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale	£912
Beef Sho	£910	JH Wilson, Settle	£910
Charolais	£980	GR & J Batty, Tatham	£858
Fleckvieh	£900	MJ & JM Lawson, Westhouse	£604
Hereford	£1050	AA & HM Capstick & Sons, Howgill	£863
Limousin	£1080	Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale & CR & GJ Greenwood & Son, Dent	£882
Mont	£610	TW & BH Woodhouse, Roeburndale	£570
Norwegian	£600	EW & RM Towers, Hornby	£541
Simmental	£1060	Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale	£789
B + W	£990	G & P Middleton, Sedbergh	£712
<u>HEIFERS</u>			
AA	£830	G Metcalfe & Son, Gressingham	£668
Blonde	£980	WA Lambert & Son, Horton in Ribblesdale	£873
BrB	£1050	RH & MR Ireland, Whalley	£874
Beef Sho	£560	TW & BH Woodhouse, Roeburndale	£560
Charolais	£900	JE & AC Clarke & Son, Melling & GR & J Batty, Tatham	£840
Fleckvieh	£740	EW & RM Towers, Hornby	£740
Galloway	£955	K Holt, Cleveleys	£955
Hereford	£945	K Holt, Cleveleys	£842
Limousin	£1200	AB, RA & MS Woodhouse, Clapham	£824
Simmental	£920	JA & J Harper, Killington	£688
<u>BULLS</u>			
AA	£860	JR Fothergill, Hawes	£820
Belted Galloway	£600	R & SA Wilson, Dent	£600
Beef Sho	£800	SC Currie, Rathmell	£770
Charolais	£1030	JE & AC Clarke & Son, Melling	£1030
Fleckvieh	£710	M York, Sedbergh	£650
Hereford	£700	W Brakewell, Kirkby in Furness	£632
Limousin	£1095	JM Beresford, Chapel le Dale	£864
Mont	£520	W Brakewell, Kirkby in Furness	£515
B + W	£460	S Woodhouse & Son, Kirkby Lonsdale	£460

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FARMERS STIRKS 453 FORWARD

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): No let up with the stirk trade this month, a big entry sold to full value from start to finish. Kicking the sale off were the younger end of the entry, these all selling to a very strong trade. Mark Ireland's 8 month Blue Heifers selling to £1050 and Blue bullocks at the same age at £1040. Yearling cattle ready for the grass regularly £750-£850, with the older stronger cattle equally as dear and often achieving £900-£1050. Topping the day's trade was Mason & Gardner, Chapel-le-Dale at £1220 with a tremendous Blue Bullock. Heifers suitable for breeding commanding a premium, the best of these peaking at £1200 from The Woodhouse Family of Crummack, with others all £1000+. Bulls well bid for, the Beresfords of High Gale back with another consignment topping at £1095, others nicely £880-£980. Dairy bullocks to £900 for Fleckviehs from Maurice Lawson, Norwegian Reds to £600 from EW & RM Towers. Black and whites as dear as they've been of late, the best to £990 from G&P Middleton, Garsdale, who sold others at £950. Next draw in the £800s, whilst 12-14m olds from PW & DW Roskell peaked at £780 & £760.

CAST COWS 37 FORWARD

B + W Cows to £1227.45 from Dean & Brennand
or 172p from J & N Young

CTL Cows to £1200.60 from ST & JE Foster
or 150p from B & AC Barnes

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): In general, a better show of cows with rather more meat about. Holsteins averaged 120p/kg with better meat-ed heavy cows 120-130p/kg. Top price for an underage milk heifer 172p/kg whilst Dean & Brennand grossed £1227 for an overage clean heifer weighing 735kg at 167p/kg. Fleckvieh x cows to £1050 or 150p/kg from Brian Barnes, Hawkin Hall whilst Simon Foster grossed £1200 for his 870kg Hereford cow at 838p/kg. More cows required. Grazing cows wanted.

BFL Breeders

Mr Darrell Pilkington of Clitheroe is looking to purchase BFL fleeces (3000kg in total) by early July.

He can be contacted on 07756670102 or freda.pilkington@gmail.com

Wednesday 17th February
FORTNIGHTLY DAIRY SALE
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Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander):
 Best of the heifers from Steven Lawson, Deerslet, with his 24day calved pedigree heifer

	Top	Top Price From:	Av
NC Hfrs	£2050	R Lawson, Burton in Kendal	£1671
NC Cows	£2200	GW Whitwell, Austwick	£1793
IC Hfrs	£1680	A & AM Burrow, Carnforth	£1603

“Deerslet Altamaui Marie” selling at £2050. Others at £2020 from Colin Birkett & Andrew Dawson, whilst Steven Lawson’s second and David Knowles’ best at £2000. Other heifers generally £1700-£1800, the bottom end £1400-£1500 and looking the dearest on the day. An overall average of £1671, including those with faults. The Whitwells showed another cracking second calver, she realised the day’s top price of £2200, heading home with returning buyer Messers Wharton, Carlisle. Alan & Colin Price’s 2nd calved cow, “Jackbeck Arvis Princess Glow” bred from 7 Generations of VG & EX, she topped at £2000, heading to local farmers GB & EA Metcalf, Holme House. A 4th calver from TM Gardner, Tatham looking well sold at £1650. A super run of in calf heifers from Tom Noblet & Co, at Whinyeats, peaked at £1680 for a March due heifer carrying an Angus calf, others £1520-£1650.

Wednesday 17th February
Opening Sale of Sheep with Lambs at Foot

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Dorset Ewes with Singles	£155	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£155
Dorset Ewes with Twins	£220	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£220
Dorset Shlgs with Singles	£130	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£130
Dorset Shlgs with Twins	£195	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£177
Suffolk Ewes with Twins	£250	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£250
Texel Ewes with Twins	£300	RJ Umpleby, Killinghall	£274

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): The opening sale of Ewes & Lambs as expected set off at a flying trade reflecting the current confidence in the market. Richard Umpleby of Harrogate topped the sale with a Texel x ewe sucking fortnight old twins at £300 with others at £275/ family. A consignment of hillbred sheep from John Bracewell also sold well. A Suffolk x ewe with twins at £250 and Dorset x with twins at £220. **Sales continue every Wednesday following calves at approx. 11.45am. Early entries requested for advertising.**

Wednesday 17th February

REARING CALVES

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Breed	Top	From	Av
AA Bulls	£470	DW Robinson, Milnthorpe	£313
AA Hfrs	£250	GM Metcalfe, Underbarrow	£204
BrB Bulls	£505	DW Robinson, Milnthorpe	£351
BrB Hfrs	£370	JM & AE Wallbank & Sons, Wray	£291
Dairy Sho Hfrs	£120	JW Dawson & Sons, Clapham	£120
Fleckvieh Bulls	£320	SJ & J Hodgson & Son, Greenodd	£320
Hereford Bulls	£282	J & N Young, Kendal	£191
Limousin Bulls	£410	D & A Blacoe, Lytham	£350
Limousin Hfrs	£300	D & A Blacoe, Lytham	£244
Luining Bulls	£300	JW & TE Sharp, Kendal	£300
Luining Hfrs	£245	JW & TE Sharp, Kendal	£245
Simmental Bulls	£360	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£330
B + W	£295	I & M Lancaster, Wiswell	£123

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): Over double the numbers of last week and a strong trade to match. A few weaned calves on offer, the best from DW Robinson, Lower Rowell with a Blue bull at £505, Angus' from the same home to £470. A total of 29 Blue bulls with more quality about, the best £450-£495, others £400-£445, the mediums £290-£350 with the next draw in the mid £200s. Heifers to £370 & £360 from JM & AE Wallbank & Sons, Park House, next level £250-£300. Angus bull calves to a high of £380, the better end in the £300's, heifers either side of £200, topping at £250 from GM Metcalfe, Low Gregg Hall. A fierce trade for the 41 black and white bulls, best reared calves £200-£270, topping at £295 at 3months old from I&M Lancaster, Clitheroe, any amount of rearing calves £120-£160, the mediums £80-£100 with the smalls either side of £50.

3628 PRIME HOGGS Overall Av 273.6p SQQ 277.8p

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Under 36kg)			
Beltex	£110.00	NL & CJ Brown, Claughton	£110.00
Cheviot	£98.50	SF & S Hartley, Newton in Bowland	£90.00
Dales	£88.50	A & MA Wright, Roeburndale	£79.00
Jacob	£73.50	C Wadsworth, Thurnham	£73.50
Mule	£108.50	D Heywood, Middleton	£108.50
SBF	£96.50	A & CM Taylor, Tatham	£96.50
Texel	£103.50	GH Bell, Kirkby Lonsdale	£87.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)			
Beltex	314.3p	NL & CJ Brown, Claughton	314.3p
Cheviot	281.4p	SF & S Hartley, Newton in Bowland	261.0p
Dales	260.3p	A & MA Wright, Roeburndale	232.9p
Jacob	253.4p	C Wadsworth, Thurnam	253.4p
Mule	310.0p	D Heywood, Middleton	310.0p
SBF	275.7p	A & CM Taylor, Tatham	275.7p
Texel	310.9p	M & C Huddleston, Wray	290.4p
Top Price Per Head (Over 36kg)			
Beltex	£150.00	Messrs Buckle, Kirkby Stephen	£129.00
Blue Texel	£135.50	T Sayer, Penrith	£128.00
Charollais	£116.50	D Shirt, Edale	£116.50
Cheviot	£128.00	G & R Dawson, Crayke	£113.00
Cheviot Mule	£118.00	G Beresford & Son, Kirkby in Furness	£116.00
Dales	£117.50	MB Fawcett, Burton in Lonsdale	£100.00
Dorset	£112.50	D Shirt, Edale	£112.50
Easycare	£110.00	A Jackson, Macclesfield	£109.00
Gritstone	£108.00	GH Hayton, Kendal	£108.00
Hampshire	£115.50	A Jackson, Macclesfield	£113.00
Herdwick	£111.50	A & M Brennand, Chapel le Dale	£108.00
Jacob	£108.50	ST Birkett, Carnforth	£103.00
Lonk	£124.50	JR Corless, Bentham	£112.00
Masham	£119.50	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	£109.00
Mule	£127.50	Messrs Sayer, Penrith	£113.00
Rough	£114.50	J & C Wright, Skipton	£93.00
SBF	£128.50	AA & HM Capstick, Sedbergh	£118.00
Suffolk	£138.50	G & R Dawson, Crayke	£121.00
Swale	£124.50	JT & J Kelsall, Cold Cotes	£103.00
Texel	£166.00	FA Nairey, Blackburn	£124.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Over 36kg)			
Beltex	341.5p	G & DM Howsam, Boston	313.0p
Blue Texel	308.0p	T Sayer, Penrith	274.6p
Charollais	277.4p	D Shirt, Edale	277.4p
Cheviot	297.3p	L Broster, Huddesfield	280.0p
Cheviot Mule	268.2p	G Beresford & Son, Kirkby in Furness	260.3p
Dales	254.4p	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	243.5p
Dorset	267.9p	D Shirt, Edale	267.9p
Easycare	268.3p	A Jackson, Macclesfield	267.0p
Gritstone	263.4p	GH Hayton, Kendal	263.4p
Hampshire	269.2p	A Jackson, Macclesfield	268.7p
Herdwick	272.0p	A & M Brennand, Chapel le Dale	266.9p
Jacob	271.3p	ST Birkett, Carnforth	260.6p
Lonk	249.0p	JR Corless, Bentham	244.0p
Masham	278.8p	GA & SM Wainwright, Bamford	268.6p
Mule	282.9p	L Broster, Huddesfield	263.9p
Rough	254.4p	J & C Wright, Skipton	238.9p
SBF	290.8p	G & E Robinson, Cowark	272.3p
Suffolk	288.1p	R & CW Battersby, Eagle Moor	273.6p
Swale	270.8p	D Shirt, Edale	252.9p
Texel	343.9p	RF Morphet, Halton	277.4p

3628 PRIME HOGGS

Overall Av 273.6p SQQ 277.8p

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): Another fantastic show of prime hogs with a flying trade to match. Perhaps not the show of best bred hogs on offer but a real show of well bred commercial and heavy weight types. All classes selling to full values with the 14 buyers present all keen to ensure numbers. A highlight of the sale was a wonderful consignment of 180 heavy hogs from N Thorndyke topping at £160 to average £149.58. The night's sale was topped however at £166 for Texels from FA Nairey, Blackburn. Heavy hogs in general £135-£155 depending on quality. Hogs weighing 45-50kg often £125-£130. Best bred types 300p-340p topping at 343.9p from RF Morphet, Halton with GD & M Howsam close behind at 341.5p. Commercial types 270p-290p. Handy weight Mules 270p-280p topping at 282.9p from L Broster, Huddersfield. Heavies £120+ topping at £127.50 from Messrs Sayer, Hackthorpe. Best fleshy Swales 260-270p with JT & J Kelsall topping per head at £124.50. SBF to £128.50 from AA & HM Capstick or 290.8p from G & E Robinson, Clitheroe. Lightweights of all breeds in strong demand with the best to 314.5p from NL & CJ Brown, Cloughton Hall. Continentals in general 280-300p.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The following protocol is now in place:

- Drop & Go Policy to be reinstated for all vendors (*Relevant paperwork (licenses, passports, entry forms etc.) to be handed to auction representative at the unloading docks together with any instructions RE lotting, reserve prices and luck money*).
- Sale Day payments will not be possible but cheques and BACS statements will be posted out as normal on Fridays.
- Buyers MUST sign in on arrival outside the sale ring.
- Attendance at markets must be restricted to those conducting business and only 1 buyer per business is permitted to enter the site
- Face coverings must be worn by everyone attending the site, at all times (this includes market staff) – exemptions are permitted for anyone with a medical condition that allows a face covering not to be worn.
- Strict Social Distancing to be maintained (minimum of 2 metres). The wearing of face coverings is NOT a substitute for the need to maintain Social Distancing at all times.
- The Auction Café will be open on a takeaway basis only, serving hot & cold food & drinks.

CAST EWES 988 FORWARD

Breed	Top	From
Beltex	£181.50	Mosside Farm, Carlisle
BFL	£129.50	R Polkinghorne, Settle
Cheviot	£118.50	N Morphet, Stainburn
Cheviot Mule	£116.50	SR & PA Thompson, Firbank
Dales	£76.50	GA & SM Wainwright & Sons, Bamford
Dorset	£98.50	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth
Gritstone	£95.50	East Mains, Newbigging
Lleyn	£115.00	Mosside Farm, Carlisle
Lonk	£100.00	M & C Huddleston, Wray
Masham	£106.50	H Smith, Cawood
Mule	£117.50	RF Towers, Wray
Rough	£88.50	RG & B Lewis, Middleton
SBF	£94.50	G & R Dawson, Crayke
Suffolk	£140.50	J Hagar, Barthorpe
Swale	£92.50	B Thomas, Wray
Texel	£180.00	Mosside Farm, Carlisle
Whiteface Woodland	£94.50	S Coates, Widdale
Zwar	£120.00	WA Lambert & Son, Horton in Ribblesdale
HRD Tups	£104.50	MJ Alpe & Sons, Whitewell
CTL Tups	£143.50	R Polkinghorne, Settle

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): With the cast sheep numbers now showing signs of drying up, all classes were once again in strong demand with trade £10-£20 sharper on the week. More required to fulfil orders for a very competitive ringside of buyers. Best bred and pure ewes met with fierce competition with Texels topping the night's sale at £181.50 from Mosside Farm with RF Towers close behind at £180. Trade in general £150-£180. Heavy ewes £110-£140 with good selling lean types around £100. Strongest pens of Mule ewes £100+ with a few pens sneaking past £110 to top at £117.50. Medium sorts £90-£97 with the leaner end £70+. The strongest SBF and Swale ewes £70-£90 with SBF to £94.50 from G & R Dawson, Crayke with Swales to £92.50 from Barrie Thomas. Medium types £60+ with the plainer end £40-£50. Strongest of the rams to £143.50 from R Polkinghorne with the best in general £120-£140. Lean types £100-£110. Hill rams few in number and selling to £104.50. Overall average £91.85.