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R Lawson with his Heifers realising £2150 & £2180

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Wednesday 31st March
FORTNIGHTLY DAIRY SALE
15 Forward

	Top	Top Price From:	Av
NC Hfrs	£2180	R Lawson, Burton in Kendal	£1934
NC Cows	£1500	Messrs Livesey, Lowick	£1250

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): Demand outstripping supply in the dairy ring, with all new calved heifers averaging £1934. Last man in the ring, Steven Lawson took the top honours for the second week in a row, with his two pedigree heifers realising £2180 & £2150. Robert Butterfield at £2120, whilst John Waller and Dick Holden both achieved £2100. Others £1750-£1950. A Fleckvieh heifer from Robert Sunderland looking well sold at £1750. Just a couple of Friesian cows from Mike Livesey topped at £1500 for a third calver.



**L-R: R & E Butterfield's heifer realising £2120,
J & R Waller's heifer realising £2100,
RJ Holden's heifer realising £2100**

Wednesday 31st March

REARING CALVES

75 Forward

Breed	Top	From	Av
AA Bulls	£490	RJ Holden, Broughton in Furness & J Lawson & Son, Bentham	£392
AA Hfrs	£295	J & JA Parkinson, Woodplumpton	£261
BrB Bulls	£600	JM & AE Wallbank & Sons, Wray	£394
BrB Hfrs	£480	JM & AE Wallbank & Sons, Wray	£324
Beef Sho Hfrs	£295	DJ & KA Gardner, Quernmore	£295
Hereford Bulls	£295	JR & BM Harrison, Eldroth	£290
Limousin Bulls	£260	R Wharton, Appleby	£223
Limousin Hfrs	£300	CR & JA Booth, Wigglesworth	£286
B + W	£225	RT & P Bainbridge, Middleton	£148

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): All classes of calves up a gear, if not two, this week. Black and whites through the roof, the best reared calves to £200+, topping at £235 from Roger Bainbridge, next draw £160-£190, younger sorts £110-£130, with only a very few any less. Beef bred calves with strength in high demand, the strongest Angus bulls peaking at £490 twice, from RJ Holden, Broughton in Furness and J Lawson & Son, Bentham, others from the same homes to £455, £472, £482 & £485. Those a little younger £300-£350 with the smalls just shy of £300. Angus heifers to a high of £295 from Jim & Oliver Parkinson, Woodplumpton, with the majority £230-£270. A shortage of other native calves, a pair of Hereford bulls from John Harrison realised £285 & £295. A total of 24 Blues met plenty of interest– the best of the bulls from the Wallbank Bros of Park House peaking at £600. Smart milky types all £415+, with the smalls in the £300s. It was the Wallbanks leading the way with their heifers at £380 & £450, the other 10 forward, mainly younger and generally £270-£320.

Wednesday 31st March

269 Sheep with Lambs at Foot

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Cheviot Ewes (S)	£168	EJ Holgate, Rathmell	£165
Cheviot Ewes (S)	£260	EJ Holgate, Rathmell	£260
Cheviot BM (T)	£198	WM & E Dugdale, Giggleswick	£191
Kerry Hill Ewes (T)	£130	JH & J Ryder, Harrogate	£130
Mule Shearlings (S)	£148	JH & J Ryder, Harrogate	£148
Mule Ewes (S)	£160	C Bradley Ltd, Preston	£139
Mule Ewes (T)	£240	R & EM Cornall, Arkholme	£213
Mule BM (S)	£140	JH & J Ryder, Harrogate	£134
Mule BM (T)	£200	S Sleightholme, Acaster Malbis	£179
Suffolk Ewes (S)	£135	DJ & LJ Holt, Bolton by Bowland	£135
Suffolk Ewes (T)	£242	TH Heslop & Sons, Spofforth	£207
Suffolk BM (T)	£215	DJ & LJ Holt, Bolton by Bowland	£215
Texel Ewes (S)	£200	RG Johnson, Feliscliffe	£168
Texel Ewes (T)	£295	WM & E Dugdale, Giggleswick	£237
Texel BM (S)	£180	WM & E Dugdale, Giggleswick	£163
Texel BM (T)	£270	WM & E Dugdale, Giggleswick	£235

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): Another good entry of sheep with lambs which were enthusiastically bid for by a larger audience of buyers, no doubt encouraged by a warm Spring day. A pair of strong Texel x Cheviot Mule ewes sucking super Beltex x lambs from Michael Dugdale topped the sale making £295 to local buyer Stephen Horner. Frankland Farms also selling a run of quality sheep from £275-£282 whilst singles from Robert Johnson of Harrogate topped at £200. 3 crop Mules with twins from R & EM Cornall of Arkholme sold to £240 with the better end of Mules generally £200+. All classes in demand. Another good entry expected next week.

Sales continue every Wednesday following calves at approx. 11.45. Early entries requested for advertising.

CAST EWES **974 FORWARD**

Breed	Top	From
Charollais	£170.00	RF Towers, Wray
Cheviot	£132.50	CR Alderson & Son, Mallerstang
Cheviot Mule	£129.50	KR & CA Williamson, Barbon
Dalesbred	£80.00	GA & SM Wainwright, Bamford
Dorset	£125.50	Procters Farm, Wray
Herdwick	£82.50	Rowland & Woodward, Hope Valley
Masham	£115.50	Rowland & Woodward, Hope Valley
Mule	£134.50	W Harrison & Co, Bentham
Rouge	£118.50	J Gate, Northwich
SBF	£86.50	Ranjit Farming, Newton Abbot
Suffolk	£158.50	JA & F Nutter, Hurst Green
Swale	£112.50	S & P Parker, Bentham
Texel	£208.00	Procters Farm, Wray
Goats	£120.50	B & F Staveley, Clapham
HRD Tups	£133.50	M & J Woof, Sedbergh
CTL Tups	£192.00	N Thonrdyke, West Ashby

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): As expected, a smaller show of cast sheep with numbers becoming scarce country wide. All classes selling at animated rates with the best and heavy ewes in particular in strong demand and somewhat sharper on the week. Topping this week's sale were Texels from Procters Farm Ltd realising £208 with Jennifer Aiken also selling Texels to £200. Heavy and best ewes in general £150-£190 with the best from Nigel Thorn-dyke's consignment to £192. Young Ted Dixon of Market Rasen sold Texels to £190 while a consignment from first time vendors GW & MA Platt, Macclesfield sold to £168 to average £154. Good selling lean ewes £100-£130 with small sorts mostly £90+. Heavy Mules £120-£130 with W Harrison of Bentham selling a pen to £134.50. Next draw down £105-£115 with lean sorts £80-£95, all the Mules forward averaging £102.33. The best fleshed Horned ewes selling in the £90s with an odd pen breaking £100. Swales to £112.50 from S & P Parker with Kendal Roughs to £106.50 from Messrs Todd, Sedbergh. Medium sorts £70-£80 with lean types £50+ with a few exceptions. A smaller show of cast rams also on offer. Heaviest CTLs £150-£192 with lean types £110-£130 averaging £138.40 across all breeds. Hill rams to £133.50. B & F Staveley back to top prices this week with a pen of goats to £120.50. Vendors are encouraged to take advantage of the current strong trade with plenty expected in the coming weeks in the run up to Ramadan starting mid April.

4828 PRIME HOGGS Overall Av 290.5p SQQ 292.9p			
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Under 36kg)			
Badger	£67.50	PJ & MR Stuart, Sowerby	£67.50
Cheviot	£105.00	Messrs Buckle, Kirkby Stephen	£101.00
Dalesbred	£86.50	DJ Charnley, Skipton	£72.00
Gritstone	£97.50	A Jackson, Macclesfield	£97.50
Mule	£106.50	Messrs Livesey, Lowick	£92.00
SBF	£92.50	GA & SM Wainwright, Bamford	£88.00
Swale	£99.50	P & S Mellor, Little Hayfield	£86.00
Texel	£109.50	L Broster, Huddersfield	£95.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)			
Badger	259.6p	PJ & MR Stuart, Sowerby	259.6p
Cheviot	308.8p	Messrs Buckle, Kirkby Stephen	298.8p
Dales	262.1p	DJ Charnley, Skipton	244.6p
Gritstone	278.6p	A Jackson, Macclesfield	278.6p
Mule	313.2p	Messrs Livesey, Lowick	284.5p
SBF	273.4p	L Broster, Huddersfield	268.8p
Swale	284.3p	P & S Mellor, Little Hayfield	258.2p
Texel	322.1p	L Broster, Huddersfield	289.3p

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): Still plenty of Easter trade with all classes of hogs in strong demand and meeting with the dearest trade seen so far this season. Plenty of highlights throughout the night's sale including some notable consignments of good fed sheep from the Scottish Borders, Lincolnshire, Penrith and Cheshire. Topping the night's sale at £175.50 were heavy Texels from W Dixon, Cabourne while local young farmer Henry Fawcett of Sedbergh topped per kilo at 468.9p while near neighbour NJ & L Allan, Beck House sold Texels to 400p. Best bred hogs in strong demand, often 340p-400p or in money terms £150-£170. GW & MA Platt sold their best to 393.9p and 388.9p. Messrs Buckle of Kirkby Stephen to 377p. Commercial export types 290p-320p. A good show of heavy hogs forward with N Thorndyke leading the way averaging just shy of £160 topping at £173.50. The best from PT & L Johnson sold to £161, NJ & L Allan sold further pens to £172 with ST Birkett, Carnforth to £170.50. A good run of mainly Suffolk x hogs from Messrs Lamont, Dunslaw sold to £155.50 to average £142.88. Hogs weighing 45kg-50kg often £135-£150. Heavy Mules £130-£138 topping at £139 again from PT & L Johnson. Handy weights 288p-298p with Messrs Livesey, Lowick Bridge to 300p. Horned hogs of all qualities good to sell. Swales to £134.50 from JT & J Kelsall, Dales to £137.50 for a marvellous run once again from Messrs Coates while SBF sold to £140 from Hyde Park. Bets sorts in general either side of 300p. Cheviot hogs to £155.50 from B Dibb and 323.6p from BR Butterfield, Burton. Lightweight horned hogs 250p-280p depending on quality. Lighter CTLs in strong demand, best 300p-320p topping at 322.1p or £109.50 from L Broster, plainer sorts 260p-280p. A fantastic show of hogs overall averaging 290.5p or 292.9p SQQ which included 1836 hillbred and lightweights.

4828 PRIME HOGGS
Overall Av 290.5p SQQ 292.9p

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Over 36kg)			
Beltex	£173.50	H Fawcett, Sedbergh	£158.00
BFL	£124.50	JF & H Caton, Cowan Bridge	£118.00
Charollais	£169.00	N Thorndyke, West Ashby	£146.00
Cheviot	£155.50	B Dibb, Yeadon	£129.00
Cheviot Mule	£135.50	Hyde Park, Penrith	£135.50
Dalesbred	£137.50	Messrs Coates, Settle	£127.00
Dorset	£123.50	P & S Mellor, Little Hayfield	£123.50
Gritstone	£130.50	B Dibb, Yeadon	£125.00
Jacob	£125.50	ST Birkett, Carnforth	£108.50
Lonk	£127.50	A & CM Taylor, Tatham	£105.00
Masham	£113.50	D Heywood, Middleton	£113.50
Mule	£139.00	PT & L Johnson, Brampton	£122.00
Romney	£134.50	J Turner, Sawley	£126.00
Rough	£115.00	DJ & S Stainton, Howgill	£110.00
SBF	£140.00	Hyde Park, Penrith	£120.00
Suffolk	£161.50	N Thorndyke, West Ashby	£137.00
Swale	£134.50	JT & J Kelsall, Cold Cotes	£103.00
Texel	£175.50	W Dixon, Cabourne	£132.00
Zwartbles	£147.50	JH Hockenhull, Nantwich	£147.50
Top Price Per Kilo (Over 36kg)			
Beltex	468.9p	H Fawcett, Sedbergh	389.8p
BFL	239.4p	JF & H Caton, Carnforth	188.0p
Charollais	305.6p	Hyde Park, Penrith	286.9p
Cheviot	323.6p	BR Butterfield, Burton in Kendal	296.3p
Cheviot Mule	288.3p	Hyde Park, Penrith	288.3p
Dalesbred	303.4p	Mesrs Coates, Settle	285.9p
Dorset	262.8p	P & S Mellor, Little Hayfield	262.8p
Gritstone	308.3p	D Breaks, Slaidburn	292.1p
Jacob	272.4p	D Heywood, Middleton	263.0p
Lonk	290.3p	J Hodgson, Kettleshulme	277.5p
Masham	298.7p	D Heywood, Middleton	298.7p
Mule	300.0p	Messrs Livesey, Lowick	279.0p
Romney	298.9p	J Turner, Sawley	298.3p
Rough	273.8p	DJ & S Stainton, Howgill	267.8p
SBF	301.4p	L Broster, Huddersfield	291.0p
Suffolk	311.5p	L Broster, Huddersfield	294.5p
Swale	281.3p	JR & BM Harrison, Eldroth	257.9p
Texel	393.9p	GW & MA Platt & Son, Macclesfield	297.6p
Zwartbles	301.0p	JH Hockenhull, Nantwich	301.0p

32 SPRING LAMBS Overall Av 342.3p SQQ 352.6p			
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Over 36kg)			
Dorset	£144.00	J Quayle, IoM	£133.00
Suffolk	£136.00	JD Holdsworth, Kirkby Lonsdale	£136.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Over 36kg)			
Dorset	358.3p	J Quayle, IoM	341.9p
Suffolk	348.7p	JD Holdsworth, Kirkby Lonsdale	348.7p

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): With the exception of two Suffolk x lambs, the show of 32 springers were all Dorset x from the Isle of Man which proved to be in high demand returning a sale average of 342p/kg (SQQ 353p/kg). **Spring lambs in demand weekly, please keep in touch with the Auctioneers to inform them of likely numbers forward.**

Wednesday 7th April

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