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Beltex Ewe with gimmer lamb from Fishwick Farms topping the day's sale at £300

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FARMERS STIRKS 669 FORWARD					
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV		
BULLOCKS	1				
AA	£1050	B & J Park, Garsdale	£824		
Blonde	£930	C Bradley Ltd, Preston	£835		
Baz	£820	B Cooper, Ulverston	£820		
BrB	£1080	JM & AE Wallbank & Sons, Wray	£838		
Charolais	£980	GR & J Batty, Tatham	£914		
Fleckvieh	£940	R Lamont, Duns	£759		
Hereford	£1110	SW & K Metcalfe & Son, Whittington	£848		
Limousin	£1150	Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale	£910		
Mont	£805	C Bradley Ltd, Preston	£734		
Norweigan	£740	C Bradley Ltd, Preston	£714		
Simmental	£950	R & J Mitton & Son, Clapham	£860		
B + W	£865	R Lamont, Duns	£662		
<u>HEIFERS</u>					
AA	£1000	R Lamont, Duns	£779		
Blonde	£1070	JA & J Harper, Killington	£958		
Baz	£800	MJ Forster, Stainforth	£753		
BrB	£1270	JA & J Harper, Killington	£774		
Charolais	£1060	WA Lambert & Son, Horton in Ribblesdale	£881		
Fleckvieh	£650	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£560		
Hereford	£1110	SW & K Metcalfe & Son, Whittington	£759		
Limousin	£1320	Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale	£887		
Saler	£685	C Bradley Ltd, Preston	£685		
Simmental	£950	R & J Mitton & Son, Clapham	£838		
<u>BULLS</u>					
Blonde	£990	RW Mason, Dent	£930		
BrB	£1040	M & D Stable, Ulverston	£799		
Beef Sho	£1100	SC Currie, Rathmell	£1015		
Limousin	£1350	A & MJ Mason & Son, Caton	£916		

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): Another strong stirk sale with 669 forward. Numerous new faces as well as the usual contingent of buyers ringside ensured all classes sold to the recent high rates. A nice entry of younger cattle at the start the dearest on the day, with young 6-7m Continental and Native cattle saw bullocks generally in the £700s with Heifers in the late £600s. Stronger cattle equally as good to sell, less of the best suckler bred sorts forward, the best coming from Mason & Gardner, Chapel le Dale, with a run of Limousins topping at £1320 twice for their heifers and their bullocks topping at £1150. The better end £1100+, summering sorts often £900+. Dairy bred cattle just as sought after, stronger types again £1000+, with a run of Herefords from SW & K Metcalfe, Holme House realising £1110 for both bullocks and heifers. B + Ws good to sell, the top end £800+, with a pen of 10 from R Lamont, Duns at £865, next draw in the £650-£750, with the smaller end either side of £400. Quality over quantity with the bulls that were forward, a trio of Limousins from Alan Mason, Caton topped the sale at £1350, his other two at £1270 & 1290, younger suckler bred bulls in the £900s, with a nice group of well-fed dairy bred Blues from M&D Stable topping at £1040.

CAST COWS 44 FORWARD

B + W Cows to £1250.20 from GA & A Atkinson or 182p from R & S Wilcock & Son

CTL Cows to £1153.70 from MR & JE Davis or 174p from J Sunter & Son

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): Another cracking cast cow trade. Well fleshed Holsteins generally 140-150p/kg, the best grossing £1250 for a British Friesian from Gary Atkinson, Cantsfield. OTM B + W heifers selling to 182p/kg from Scaleber Farm and 180p/kg from Bleak Bank. CTL cows 140-170p/kg topping at 174p/kg from J Sunter & Son, Hawes. Grazing cows of all breeds keenly sought after. More cattle required.

REARING CALVES 90 Forward				
Breed	Тор	From	Av	
AA Bulls	£480	J Lawson & Son, Bentham	£376	
AA Hfrs	£300	J Lawson & Son, Bentham	£239	
BrB Bulls	£575	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£423	
BrB Hfrs	£380	Kelsall & Wood, Scotforth	£302	
Charolais Bulls	£530	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£530	
Fleckvieh Bulls	£335	R Packham & Sons, Kendal	£243	
Hereford Bulls	£285	JS & A Towers, Farleton	£275	
Hereford Hfrs	£260	JR & BM Harrison, Eldroth	£258	
NR Bulls	£178	SPA Rushton, Wigglesworth	£159	
Simmental Bulls	£460	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£460	
B + W	£275	Booth Brothers, Wigglesworth	£138	

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): More buyers ringside, from as far a field as East Yorkshire to Shropshire in the South. All calves sharper on the week, the strongest sorts regularly £450+, a run of strong Angus Bulls from J & JA Parkinson, saw their 3 best at 450, but it was John Lawson who kept hold of his weekly top spot with the two of his trio of bulls at £480. Other Angus bulls often £400, with the next draw in the £300s. Blues to a high of £575 for a weaned bull from Wyn Hull who also sold a Charollais at £530. Milky Blue bulls to £480 twice, firstly from Dave Harrison, later matched by Phil Wood, Quernmore, plenty £400+, with the next stage £320+. 14 Blue Bulls sold to average a very strong £423. Heifers sharper, Blues often £300-£370, topping at £380 from Phil Wood. Native bulls to £300 for Angus' with the majority of Angus & Herefords £250-£290, some young small sorts looking very well sold at £150-180. Dairy bulls in big demand, best Holstein Friesians to £275 from Booth Brothers, Wigglesworth, others £165-£195, next stage £100-£150, with a few lesser sorts £60-£90. Two Fleckvieh bulls to £335 from Mike Packham, others £200-£260.

Wednesday 21st April 254 Sheep with Lambs at Foot

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Beltex Ewes (S)	£300	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£300
Beltex Ewes (T)	£270	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£270
Charollais Ewes (T)	£245	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£245
Charollais BM (S)	£142	B Cooper, Ulverston	£142
Charollais BM (T)	£218	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£218
Cheviot BM (S)	£128	TW & BH Woodhouse, Roeburndale	£126
Cheviot BM (T)	£198	TW & BH Woodhouse, Roeburndale	£198
Cheviot Mule BM (S)	£132	R & J Mitton & Son, Cold Cotes	£129
Cheviot Mule BM (T)	£190	JM Smith, Windermere	£186
Dorset BM (T)	£158	B Cooper, Ulverston	£158
Herdwick Ewes (S)	£105	B Cooper, Ulverston	£100
Masham BM (S)	£120	S Sleightholme, York	£120
Mule Shlgs (S)	£180	D Hodgson, Lancaster	£180
Mule Ewes (S)	£135	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£122
Mule Ewes (T)	£232	R & EM Cornall, Arkholme	£197
Mule BM (S)	£138	S Sleightholme, York	£131
Mule BM (T)	£198	JM Smith, Windermere	£177
Suffolk Ewes (S)	£160	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£160
Suffolk Ewes (T)	£230	B Cooper, Ulverston	£217
Suffolk BM (S)	£155	S Sleightholme, York	£155
Texel Shlgs (S)	£115	DJ & LJ Holt, Bolton by Bowland	£115
Texel Ewes (S)	£235	C Cornall, Arkholme	£170
Texel Ewes (T)	£252	N Taylor, Bentham	£203
Texel BM (S)	£152	R & J Mitton, Cold Cotes	£135
Texel BM (T)	£230	R & J Mitton, Cold Coates	£200
Zwar Ewes (S)	£115	B Cooper, Ulverston	£115
Zwar Ewes (T)	£180	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£180

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): 254 outfits forward met with a stronger trade than expected bearing in mind the shortage of grass. A quality consignment from Fishwick Farms topped at £300 for a Beltex ewe with single gimmer lamb also selling ewes with twins at £270. Neil Taylor of Bentham sold 3 crop Texel x ewes with twins to £252. Next draw down CTL and Suffolk x with twins either side of £220 and singles £140-£150. Mules with twins a firmer trade with the better end £200 plus topped by R & EM Cornall of Arkholme with a pen of ten 3 crops at £232.

CAST EWES				
1186 FORWARD				
Breed Top From				
BFL	£146.50	NJ & L Allan, Killington		
Charollais	£152.50	MS & AP Lee, Arkholme		
Cheviot	£120.00	JR Metcalfe, Thirsk		
Cheviot Mule	£136.50	MB Townley, Gressingham		
Dalesbred	£103.50	RH & DE Parker, Newton		
Dorset	£122.50	SD Driver, Glossop		
Gritstone	£94.50	S Whitehead, Sedbergh		
Mule	£135.00	RJ Heigh, Bentham		
SBF	£115.00	J Yorke, Magera		
Suffolk	£160.00	J Yorke, Magera		
Swale	£100.50	RA & C Benson, Pennington		
Texel	£162.50	RH & MR Ireland, Whalley		
Zwar	£144.00	Henry Dixon, Market Rasen		
Goats	£90.00	J Yorke, Magera		
HRD Tups	£108.50	J Lambert, Settle		
CTL Tups	£180.00	J Yorke, Magera		

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): A better trade than perhaps was expected. Big ewes short of requirements with the majority of the show coming from lambing sheds or fields. The sale topped at £180 for Texel rams from Messrs York. RH & MR Ireland topped with a pen of five Texel ewes at £162.50. Best bred ewes £140-£160 with heavy sorts £130-£150. Good selling types £105-£125 with plain sorts £80+. Heavy Mules £120 with RJ Heigh topping at £135. Smaller meaty types £100-£110 with next draw down £80-£95. The strongest of the horned ewes still over £100 with best Swale, SBF, Dales in general £80-£95. Medium £70+ and plain £35-£50. Best rams in general £140-£160 with lesser end £110-£130. Hill rams to £108.50 with most £80-£90. Goats to £90 for Mountain Billies.

2663 PRIME HOGGS					
Overall Av 293.3p SQQ 296.8p					
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV		
Top Price	Per Head (Over 36kg)			
Beltex	£190.00	JP Mason & Sons, Malton	£179.00		
Cheviot	£150.00	RI & AML Sidebottom, Macclesfield	£120.00		
Mule	£140.00	G & R Dawson, Crayke	£132.00		
SBF	£129.00	MW & M Skidmore, Billingham	£121.00		
Suffolk	£164.50	K Marshall, Harrogate	£147.00		
Swale	£128.50	G & R Dawson, York	£112.00		
Texel	£190.00	JP Mason & Sons, Malton	£139.00		
Top Price	Per Kilo (O	ver 36kg)			
Beltex	395.8p	JP Mason & Sons, Malton	334.5p		
Cheviot	323.9p	J Lord, Todmorden	302.3p		
Mule	304.3p	G & R Dawson, York	284.9p		
SBF	306.3p	SJ Crane, Ribchester	297.9p		
Suffolk	312.1p	G & R Dawson, York	284.7p		
Swale	294.9p	JR & BM Harrison, Eldroth	277.3p		
Texel	368.6p	G & R Dawson, York	299.8p		
Top Price	Per Head (<u>Under 36kg)</u>			
Cheviot	£106.50	A & V Needham, Rivington	£104.00		
Mule	£90.50	S Whitehead, Sedbergh	£83.00		
SBF	£89.50	G & E Robinson, Cowark	£89.50		
Suffolk	£104.50	AJ Haworth, Bacup	£96.00		
Swale	£94.50	J Smith, Brookhouse	£86.00		
Texel	£112.50	J Driver, Chisworth	£89.00		
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)					
Cheviot	304.3p	A & V Needham, Rivington	299.2p		
Mule	291.7p	J James, Ingleton	266.6p		
SBF	271.2p	G & E Robinson, Cowark	271.2p		
Suffolk	298.6p	AJ Haworth, Bacup	284.2p		
Swale	272.1p	J Driver, Chisworth	262.1p		
Texel	321.4p	AJ Haworth, Bacup	273.0p		

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): Heavy hoggs were the trade of the day and reported to be £20 dearer than the earlier part of the week. JP Mason & Sons of Malton once again led the way topping at £190 on three different occasions with an average of £179. Making the trip up from Lincolnshire was W Dixon whose consignment averaged £162 topping at £180. Heavy hoggs in general £160-£190. Best bred hoggs 350-390p with Messrs Mason topping again at 395.8p. Commercial types 300-320p or £130-£140 in money. Lighter weight hoggs (30-35kg) easily sold and maintaining recent high rates with plenty of pens £105-£118 including those lacking finish. Heavier Mule hoggs £130+ topping at £140 from G & R Dawson of Easingwold with handier weights either side of 290p.Other hill breeds sold to a top of £150 for Cheviots while Swales sold to £128.50. Horned hoggs in general 280-290p. Hogg trade expected to remain strong for the next weeks with Ramadan finishing on 12th May. Take advantage of the current strong prices and very competitive ringside of buyers looking for all classes of stock on a weekly basis.

214 SPRING LAMBS			
Overall Av 354.9p SQQ 355.3p			
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Pe	r Head (Over	36kg)	
Charollais	£174.50	MB Fawcett, Burton in Lonsdale	£144.00
Dorset	£142.50	T & S Blades, Carnforth	£142.50
Hampshire	£156.50	T & S Blades, Carnforth	£142.00
Suffolk	£173.50	TD Inman, Crooklands	£144.00
Texel	£180.00	CM Bowser, Nettleham	£154.00
Zwar	£150.00	J Lambert, Settle	£138.00
Top Price Pe	r Kilo (Over 3	<u>6kg)</u>	
Charollais	396.6p	MB Fawcett, Burton in Lonsdale	368.7p
Dorset	347.6p	T & S Blades, Carnforth	347.6p
Hampshire	364.0p	T & S Blades, Carnforth	336.3p
Suffolk	377.2p	TD Inman, Crooklands	339.7p
Texel	435.5p	MB Townley, Gressingham	371.7p
Zwar	338.8p	J Lambert, Settle	330.9p
Top Price Per Head (Under 36kg)			
Charollais	£147.50	MB Fawcett, Burton in Lonsdale	£141.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)			
Charollais	421.4p	MB Fawcett, Burton in Lonsdale	408.7p

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): An entry of 214 spring lambs including some quality consignments. Charlotte Bowser of Lincolnshire topping the sale at £180 with a 44kg Texel x lamb. Local breeder Mark Fawcett sold similar weighted Charollais x lambs to £174.50 with Suffolks from David Inman of Milnthorpe grossing £173.50. Top price per kilo achieved by Mark Townley of Aughton selling 38kg Texels at 435p/kg. Jenkinsons of Stalmine selling to 431p/kg with a pen of 40kg lambs. Best quality lambs either side of £4/kg. Commercial CTLs 350-380p/kg. Native breeds generally 330-350p/kg. The overall average of 355p/kg including Milk Sheep, Zwartbles etc.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

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- 11.45am 250-350 Sheep with Lambs at Foot
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