

## Market Report for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Mitchells Livestock Centre, Cockermonth, held their weekly sale of primestock with 25 Cattle, 1564 sheep including 1389 prime lambs and 175 cast ewes and rams.

Today we had a sale of 35 cull cattle, with the trade going up another gear.

Topping the cull cattle section was an Aberdeen Angus Bull from CWJ Clark, Quarry Bank Farm weighing 923kg selling for 305.50ppk totalling £2819.77. Following closely behind was tremendous Aberdeen Angus cow from R&A Lister, Aik Bank Farm weighing 889kg selling for 273.50ppk totalling £2431.42.

Prime Bulls topped at £2053.84 for a Limousin from WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm.

More cattle are needed on the week to fulfill the buying demand.

Next Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March is the Monthly Lake District Sale of Prime Cattle.

### Prime Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)

**Limousin** – 2053.84 (353.50p), Greengill. 2050.68 (371.50p), 1880.19 (359.50p), Uldale Hall.

**Angus** – 1880.19 (359.50p), Greengill.

**Beef Shorthorn** – 1848.81 (353.50p), Greengill.

**British Friesian** – 1545.08 (283.50p), Greengill.

### Cast Cows (per head - £ & per kilo)

**Angus** – 2431.42 (273.50p), Aikbank.

**Limousin** – 2385.58 (329.50p), Old Hyton. 2178.83 (347.50p), Peter House. 1857.25 (287.50p), Quarry Bank. 1823.24 (231.50p), Seathwaite.

**British Blue** – 1867.11 (261.50p), Seathwaite.

**Holstein** – 1807.46 (253.50p), Blue Dial.

**Galloway** – 1731.06 (265.50p), Howside.

**British Friesian** – 1390.95 (247.50p), 1376.27 (219.50p), Harrington Parks.

### Cast Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)–

**Limousin** – 2819.77 (305.50p), Quarry Bank.

Cast Ewes		
Breed	Top Price	Vendor
Suffolk	£220	RW & AJ Jackson, Clarks Farm
Texel	£198	RW Carr, Croftside Farm
Dutch Spotted	£195	CP Nixon, Seafield House
Mule	£171	G S Bell, Newhouse Farm
Beltex	£149	CP Nixon, Seafield House
Herdwick	£133	H Naylor-Lopez, Row Head

Cast Rams		
Breed	Top Price	Vendor
Texel	£208	JM Mawson, Hole Beck
Beltex	£193	CP Nixon, Seafield House

#### Leading Sale Averages

<b>R Skelton, New Hall</b>	<b>27 av £201.81</b>
<b>G Gate, Hollins Farm</b>	<b>4 av £196.50</b>
<b>Ms Fraser, High Flatts</b>	<b>11 av £189.18</b>
<b>S Carruthers, Arkleby</b>	<b>6 av £186.17</b>
<b>RW&amp;AJ Jackson, Clarks Farm</b>	<b>14 av £186.14</b>

Prime Hogs (per Head) Over 45kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Beltex	£224	A & D Smith, Kelmores Hills	£182.71
Texel	£219	R Skelton, New Hall	£166.50
Suffolk	£198	R Skelton, New Hall	£175.58
Herdwick	£172	R & A Ellwood, Undercragg	£140.68
Mule	£166	D Davis, Whinnah Lodge	£153.18
Texel x Herdwick	£166	G Wilkinson, Arkleby House	£166
Dutch Spotted	£156	J Haston, Dearham Hall	£156
Swaledale	£136	J Ireland & Son, Stockhow Hall	£136

Prime Hogs (per Head) Under 45kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Beltex	£189	S Carruthers, Arkleby House	£183
Texel	£181	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£143.22
Suffolk	£159	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£153.43
Texel x Herdwick	£154	Harrington, Grange Grassings	£140.19
Cheviot	£152	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	£149.93
Mule	£146	CP Nixon, Seafield House	£126.91
Blackface	£146	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	£143.83
Herdwick	£142	P & J Bland, Knott Houses	£129.31
Swaledale	£121	GW Whitfield & Son, Low Stowbank	£119.08

Prime Hogs (per kilo) Under 45 kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Beltex	439.50p	S Carruthers, Arkleby House	419.08p
Texel	420.90p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	350.59p
Blackface	384.20p	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	374.95p
Texel x Herdwick	383.80p	Messrs Matterson, Low Eskholme	344.44p
Cheviot	359.50p	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	351.20p
Mule	338p	CP Nixon, Seafield House	314.64p
Herdwick	326p	JR Weir, Elva Plain	313.44p
Swaledale	311.40p	GW Whitfield & Sons, Low Stowbank	292.63p
Rough Fell	308.54p	J Haston, Dearham Hall	308.54p

<b>Prime Hoggs (per kilo) Over 45 kg</b>			
<b>Breed</b>	<b>Top Price</b>	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Average</b>
Beltex	423.90p	S Carruthers, Arkleby House	374.11p
Texel	414p	R Skelton, New Hall	332.33p
Suffolk	342.60p	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	305.29p
Mule	328.30p	WE & DE Litt, Greengill	314.30p
Texel x Herdwick	325.50p	G Wilkinson, Arkleby	325.49p
Herdwick	318.50p	R & A Ellwood, Undercragg	300.79p