

Market Report for Wednesday 20th August 2025

On Wednesday 20th August 2025, Mitchells Livestock Centre, Cockermouth, held their weekly sale of primestock with 24 Cattle: 1235 sheep including 832 prime lambs and 403 cast ewes and rams.

The cast cow section was topped by P&J Bland, Knott Houses with a Limousin cow making £2333.84 (325.5ppk). This good farming home sold a run of 5 cows average 296ppk. P Sherwen, Bridge Petton showed a British Blue stock bull coming to £3198.66 (299.5ppk).

Cast Cows (per head - £ & per kilo)– Limousin – 2333.84 (325.5p), 2142.30 (289.5p), 2050.77 (295.5p), 2048.74 (279.5p), 1983.08 (289.5p) Knott Houses. 2036 (295.5p) East House. 1521.93 (261.5p) Charles Ground. **British Blue** – 2272.58 (289.5p) Pasture House. 1674.93 (297.5p) Charles Ground. **South Devon** – 2231.03 (295.5p) Bridge Petton. **Simmental** – 2040.85 (297.5p) Pasture House. **British Friesian** – 1988.03 (291.5p) Uldale Hall. 1827.20 (271.5p), 1178.52 (213.5p) Harrington Parks. **Norwegian Red** – 1935.01 (269.5p) New Mill. **Galloway** – 1866.53 (307.5p) Pasture House. **Holstein Friesian** – 1604.23 (257.5p) New Mill. **Montbeliarde** – 1353.55 (267.5p) Threapthwaite. **Holstein** – 1189.85 (205.5p) Woodside. 1143.68 (195.5p) Threapthwaite.

Cast Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)– British Blue – 3198.66 (299.5p) Bridge Petton.

Prime Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)– Limousin – 2158.38 (387.5p) East House.

Today we held our young handlers show and sale of Prime lambs. This task was capably judged by Master Billy Lindsay, from W Lindsay & Sons Butchers, Station Street, Cockermouth. Billy awarded the overall champion rosette to a Blue Texel shown by Holly Wilson, Meadow Farm. This lamb relishing £210 bought by the judge. Reserve Champion was awarded to a Texel lamb from Joanna Litt, Greengill Farm again bought by the judge.

Leading lamb averages:-

Messrs Fraser, High Flatts	20	avg	£194.50
S Palmer, Tarn Bank	5	avg	£178.20
Miss J & Miss G Litt, Greengill	17	avg	£170.21
T Pearson & Sons, High Plaskett Land	11	avg	£167.91
GS & B Barwise, Bell House	12	avg	£164.33

Prime Lambs (per head) – Texel – 227, 218, 214, 209, 190, 182 High Flatts. 212 Grange Grassings. 208, 172 Rook Farm. 206 Fairview. 203, 192, 192, 191, 182, 172 Greengill. 192, 178, 174 Grange Farm. 190 Croft End. 189 Lampugh Hall. 188, 174 Hundith Hill. 177 Riggingill. 176 Strawberry How. 175 Tarn Bank. 174 Highfield House. 171 Lake View. 170 Scalesmoor. 170 Corney Hall. **Blue Texel** – 210 Meadow Farm. **Suffolk** – 189 Tarn Bank. 187 High Plaskett Lands. 180 Greengill. 167 Croft House. **Charolais** – 160 Stybeck Farm. **Beltex** – 160 Corney Hall. **Texel x Herdwick** – 146 Grange Grassings. 114.50 Elva Plain. **Cheviot** – 135 Stybeck Farm. **Mule** – 135 Ellenbank.

Prime Lambs (pence per kilo) – Blue Texel – 420 Meadow Farm. 345.2 Oaklands. **Texel** – 407.8, 358.3 Rook Farm. 403.9 Fairview. 403.8, 403.7, 401.9, 349.2 High Flatts. 398, 395.7, 355.6, 341.1, 335.3 Greengill. 378.6 Grange Grassings. 370.8, 369.2, 362.5 Grange Farm. 361.1 Gatra. 345.7, 341.2 Highfield House. 344.4 Meadow Farm. 343.6

Lamplugh Hall. 340 Seafield House. 339.8, 339.3, 338.8 Croft End. 338.8 Bell House. 338.5 Strawberry How. 336.5 Tarn Bank. 335.7 Hundith Hill. 335.3 Lake View. **Beltex** – 371.9 Amazon House. 355.6 Greensyke. **Suffolk** – 363 Tarn Bank. 360 Greengill. 340 High Plaskett Lands. **Cheviot** – 341.4 Low Whitebanks. **Charolais** – 326.5 Stybeck. 325.6 Corney Hall. **Texel x Herdwick** – 317.4 Grange Grassings. 301.3, 293.6 Elva Plain. 291.2 Amazon House.

An increased number of ewes forward met a ferocious trade with an overall average of £150.60. Top price of £290 went to a pure Texel from R&E Campbell, Highfield House. This same good home selling Suffolk cross ewes at £238.

Messrs Crozier & Langcake, High Moss sold a pen of 14 Texel cross ewes at £213. Messrs Clark, Fairladies Farm sold heavy Mule ewes at £200.

Cast Ewes – Texel – 290, 250, 228, 214 Highfield House. 247 Byresteads. 246, 244, 238, 220, 219, 206, 206 Hundith Hill. 242, 231 High Plaskett Lands. 236, 210 Green Close. 234 Station Street. 226 Meadow Farm. 218, 210 Fieldside. 218, 208 Riggingill. 216 Fairladies. 216, 208 Parsonage. 214, 213(2) High Moss. 208 Low Boonwood. 206 High Farm. **Suffolk** – 238 Highfield House. 220 Scalesmoor. 206 Croft House. 188 Meadow Farm. **Blue Texel** – 235 Parsonage. 184 Station Street. 178 Fairladies. **Mule** – 200 Fairladies. 197 Parsonage. 196 Tarn Bank. 192, 186 High Plaskett Lands. 188 Station Street. 188 Rose Farm. 184 Croft House. 184 Riggingill. 184 Byresteads. 172 Town End. **Lleyn** – 194 Lamplugh Hall. **Cheviot** – 186 High Moss. 180 Meadow Farm. 136 Charles Ground. **Dutch Spotted** – 162 Fairladies. **Herdwick** – 116, 93 Church Stile. 102 East House. 98 Fisher Place. 93 Amazon House. 86(2) Gatesgarth. 86 Miller Place. **Scotch Blackface** – 89, 82, Ellenbank. 89, Greensyke. **Swaledale** – 84, 63, Town End. 64, Swinside End.

Cast Rams –

Texel – 187 Fairladies. **Herdwick** – 130 Elva Plain.