

Market Report for Wednesday 7th May 2025

On Wednesday, Mitchells Livestock Centre, Cockermouth, held their weekly sale of primestock with Cattle: sheep including prime lambs and cast ewes and rams.

With a small show of cattle on sale today we had 26 OTM cattle and 10 prime bulls.

Prime bulls sold very well on the week. Topping this section was a very well fleshed Charolais bull making £3276.90 from MJ&JE Graham, Lynedraw Farm. KG Holliday, Strudda Bank had a Limousin bull making 438ppk. In the cast section a Limousin bull made £2964.96 from M/s JJ&C Hodgson, Stybeck Farm. Topping the pence per kilo went a Limousin cow from RM Wilson, Dockray nook at 369.5ppk.

More cows needed for buyers requirements.

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

Charolais – 3276.90 (330p) Lynedraw. **Limousin** – 3092.28 (428p) Strudda Bank, 2255.45 (395p) Greengill. **Angus** – 2160.80 (370p) Greengill. **Beef Shorthorn** – 2006.25 (375p), 1570.52 (316p) Greengill. **Holstein Friesian** – 1994.04 (348p) Greengill. **British Friesian** – 1980 (360p) Greengill. **Belted Galloway** – 1774.50 (325p) Greengill. **Galloway** – 1745.70 (330p) Greengill.

Cast Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)–

Limousin – 2964.96 (319.50p) Stybeck.

Cast Cows (per head - £ & per kilo)–

Limousin – 2719.52 (369.50p), 2372.67 (321.50p) Dockray Nook, 2321.23 (321.50p), 2253.20 (327.50p) Allerby Hall, 2161.76 (301.50p) Stoney Howe, 2025.93 (347.50p), 1991.18 (291.50p) Knott Houses, 2001.67 (293.50p) Southwaite, 1699.37 (289.50p) Baggra Yeat, 1694.53 (301.50p) Woodhall. **Beef Shorthorn** – 2318.26 (285.50p) Spring Bank, 2127.50 (287.50p) Sneakyeat. **Holstein Friesian** – 2253.30 (277.5p) Langhorn. 1307.67 (239.50p) Lamplugh Hall. **British Blue** – 2220.15 (307.50p), 1900.35 (307.50p) Knott Houses. **Aberdeen Angus** – 2164.58 (325.50p), 1823.24 (295.50p) Lowside, 2075.72 (289.50p) Sneakyeat. **Luig** – 2126.36 (269.50p) Whitekeld. **Holstein** – 2118.60 (267.50p), 1967.01 (259.50p), 1511.97 (249.50p) Donaldsons Dairy.

Well fleshed ewes sold £200 plus today, with a Texel topping at £278 from H Hird, Westray Farm. Hillbred ewes sold well with Lleyms up to £188 from D&MA Wilson, Lamplugh Hall.

Leading Averages (3 or more):-

A Ashburner, Summerhill	avg £233.60
H Hird, Westray	avg £217
J&JK Spedding, Salter Hall	avg £202.67
D&MA Wilson, Lamplugh Hall	avg £170.19

Cast Ewes (price per head) –

Texel – 278, 220, 192 Westray Farm, 256, 234, 230 x2, 218 Summerhill, 248, 215, 190 Mosser Mains, 210, 208 Salter Hall, 198 Stainton Farm, 194 Far End Farm, 188 Kelmores Hills. **Suffolk** – 220, 188, 152, 142 Far End Farm, 198, 152, 122 Kelmores Hills, 178 Lynedraw Farm. **Blue Texel** – 190 Mosser Mains. **Mule** – 190 Salter Hall, 182 Lynedraw, 180 Bell House Farm, 178 Westray Farm, 160, 150 Far End Farm, 150 Mosser Mains, 142 Stainton Farm,

139 Poppy Farm, 136 Station House, 134 Kelmore Hills, 130 Strudda Bank. **Charollais** – 188 Far End Farm. **Lleyn** – 188 x2, 180, 176, 158 Lamplugh Hall, 164 Dockray Nook, 150 Streetgate. **Zwartables** – 188 Wythop Hall, 178 North Lodge, 134 Mosser Mains. **Cheviot** – 180, 138 Lanefoot, 162, 133 Elva Plain, 156 Eastwaite Farm, 135 Blackthorn Close, 134 Poppy Farm. **Bluefaced Leicester** – 180, 100 Wythop Hall, 128 Stainton Farm. **Beltex** – 152 Knock View, 150 Elva Plain. **Herdwick** – 152 Ullock Farm, 136, 134 Church Stile, 132, 124 Gatesgarth, 120, 118 Howside, 120 Elva Plain, 115 x2 Mosser Mains Farm, 114 Seatoller Farm. **Texel x Herdwicks** – 148 Station House, 142 Far End Farm. **Swaledale** – 126 Byresteads Farm, 114 Shatton Lodge Close, 108 Briery Moss, 106 Lanefoot, 120 Strudda Bank.

Cast Ewes			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Texel	£278	H Hird, Westray Farm	£170.79
Suffolk	£220	JE & A Wilson, Far End Farm	£157.78
Mule	£190	J&JK Spedding, Salter Hall	£121.82
Blue Texel	£190	Mosser Mains Farm	£190.00
Charollais	£188	JE & A Wilson, Far End Farm	£188.00
Lleyn	£188	D&MA Wilson, Lamplugh Hall	£156.74
Cheviot	£180	M&GC Graham, Lanefoot	£113.43
Bluefaced Leicester	£180	RW&JH Emmott, Wythop Hall	£105.60
Beltex	£152	WB&SA Steele, Knock View	£132.00
Herdwick	£152	JA&NR Birkett, Ullock Farm	£84.99
Texel x Herdwick	£148	J Hunter, Station House	£98.00
Swaledale	£126	PT&SM Hewitson, Byresteads Farm	£78.49

Cast Rams (price per head) –

Texel – 220 Byresteads Farm, 176 Station House. **Blue Texel** – 196 Station House. **Bluefaced Leicester** – 190 Byresteads Farm, 174 Shatton Lodge Farm. **Cheviot** – 180 Lanefoot. **Kerryhill** – 176 Lanefoot. **Herdwick** – 154 Lanefoot. **Suffolk** – 144 Station House.

Cast Rams			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	
Texel	£220	PT&SM Hewitson, Byresteads Farm	
Blue Texel	£196	J Hunter, Station House	
Bluefaced Leicester	£190	PT&SM Hewitson, Byresteads Farm	
Cheviot	£180	M&GC Graham, Lanefoot	
Kerryhill	£176	M&GC Graham, Lanefoot	
Herdwick	£154	M&GC Graham, Lanefoot	
Suffolk	£144	J Hunter, Station House	

Today we had 3 Texel lambs from D&KI Clemetson, Outgang Farm up to £145 and averaging 353.7ppk.

Prime Lambs (price per head) – **Texel** – 145 Outgang Farm.

Prime Lambs (pence per kilo) – **Texel** – 353.7 Outgang Farm.

With the glorious weather we have seen the less hogs for sale today. The hogg section topped with a Texel hogg from A&D Smith, Kelmore Hills at £226 and was purchased by Tony Harrison Butchers, Cockermouth. Topping the pence per kilo section was a Texel hogg from P&PI Walker, Beechcroft at 419.6p.

Top Averages:-

M/s S&D Peile, Parkgate Hall	9 avg £197.78
A&D Smith, Kelmore Hills	13 avg £196.62

G Gate, Hollins Farm	5 avg £185.40
M/s P&PI Walker, Beechcroft	16 avg £174.31

Prime Hogs (price per head) –

Texel – 226, 204, 202 x2, 186 Kelmores Hills, 214 Beechcroft, 203, 200 Hollins Farm, 170 Cockley Gill Farm, 170 Stockhill, 170 Greengill Farm. **Beltex** – 220, 204 Kelmores Hills, 208, 205, 198, 189 Parkgate Hall, 208 Hollins Farm. **Suffolk** – 202 Kelmores Hills, 182 Hole House, 178, 170, 164, 155 New Hall Farm, 175, 165 Westray Farm. **Texel x Herdwick** – 198, 188, 169, 160 Beechcroft, 164 Kelmores Hills, 144 Wilkinyke Farm, 137 Howside, 135.50 Grange Farm, 132 Gatesgarth. **Cheviot Mule** – 169 New Hall Farm. **Scotch Blackface** – 160.50, 156 New Hall Farm, 137, 115 Pasture House, 127 Greengill Farm. **Border Leicester** – 160 New Hall Farm. **Mule** – 147 New Hall Farm, 147 Westray Farm, 146 Lanefoot, 143 Shatton Lodge Close, 140 Kelmores Hills, 140 Westray Farm, 134.50 Greengill Farm, 130 Pasture House, 125 Hole House. **Herdwick** – 138, 135 Swinside End Farm, 133.50, 112.50 East House, 121 Westray Farm, 115 Greengill Farm, 114 Forge Farm, 114 Gatesgarth, 113.50 Low Eskholme Farm. **Romney** – 131, 129, 127 Greengill Farm. **Blue Texel** – 130 Woodhall Brow Farm. **Cheviot** – 122 Pasture House, 116 Woodhall Brow Farm, 114 Greengill Farm. **Swaledale** – 115 Hole House, 111.50 Westray Farm, 94.50 Pasture House, 92.50 Baggra Yeat, 91 High Nook, 91 Stainton Farm.

Prime Hogs (pence per kilo) –

Texel – 419.6 Beechcroft, 374.1, 342.4, 332.4, 329, 320.7 Kelmores Hills, 370.4, 369.1 Hollins Farm, 354.2 Greengill Farm, 323.7 Low Eskholme Farm, 321.1 Pasture House. **Beltex** – 407.8, 373.6, 363.5, 359.6 Parkgate Hall, 378.2 Hollins Farm, 370.9 Kelmores Hills, 351.4 Low Eskholme Farm. **Suffolk** – 348.3 Kelmores Hills, 313 Greengill Farm, 308, 286.9, 279.7 Westray Farm, 300 Low Eskholme Farm, 287, 278.7 New Hall Farm. **Texel x Herdwick** – 347.4, 301.9, 296.5, 292.3 Beechcroft, 307.3 Greengill Farm, 304.4 Howside, 300 Gatesgarth, 294.1 Stybeck Farm, 288.3 Grange Farm. **Cheviot** – 321.1 Pasture House, 291.9 Muncaster Head Farm, 285 Greengill Farm. **Scotch Blackface** – 302.6 Pasture House, 302.4 Greengill Farm, 275.6 x2 Woodhall Brow Farm, 269 New Hall Farm. **Blue Texel** – 302.3 Woodhall Brow Farm. **Herdwick** – 294.6 Low Eskholme Farm, 292.3, 284.2 Gatesgarth, 291.7, 275 Westray Farm, 284, 282.9, 281.3 East House, 277.8 Church Stile. **Romney** – 286.7, 282.2, 278.7 Greengill Farm. **Mule** – 286.2, 283.7 Greengill Farm, 277.4 Westray Farm, 276.6 Pasture House, 269.8 Shatton Lodge Close, 269.2 Westray Farm, 264.2 Kelmores Hills, 257.9 New Hall Farm, 253.2 Stainton Farm. **Border Leicester** – 280.7 New Hall Farm. **Swaledale** – 265.5 Westray Farm, 248.7 Pasture House, 237.2 Baggra Yeat, 227.5 High Nook, 225.5 Hole House, 225 Seatoller Farm. **Cheviot Mule** – 260 New Hall Farm.

Prime Hogs (per Head) Over 45.5kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Texel	£226	A&D Smith, Kelmores Hills	£161.46
Beltex	£220	A&D Smith, Kelmores Hills	£206.67
Suffolk	£202	A&D Smith, Kelmores Hills	£172.95
Texel x Herdwick	£198	P&PI Walker, Beechcroft	£169.59
Cheviot Mule	£169	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	£169.00
Scotch Blackface	£160.50	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	£157.73
Border Leicester	£160	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	£160.00
Mule	£147	T Hird, Westray Farm	£144.87
Herdwick	£138	AG&KF Nicholson, Swinside End Farm	£134.14
Romney	£131	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	£131.00

Prime Hogs (per Head) Under 45kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Texel x Herdwick	£137	R&A Maxwell, Howside	£121.38
Texel	£137	L Wood, Woodhall Brow Farm	£123.03
Beltex	£130	M/s Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	£130.00
Blue Texel	£130	L Wood, Woodhall Brow Farm	£130.00
Romney	£129	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	£128.14

Scotch Blackface	£127	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	£121.40
Cheviot	£122	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£110.80
Mule	£122	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	£122.00
Herdwick	£121	T Hird, Westray Farm	£114.23
Suffolk	£120	M/s Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	£120.00
Swaledale	£111.50	T Hird, Westray Farm	£99.05

Breed	Top Price	Prime Hogs (per kilo) Under 45kg Vendor	Average
Beltex	351.4p	M/s Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	351.35p
Texel	323.7p	M/s Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	290.63p
Cheviot	321.1p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	297.85p
Texel x Herdwick	307.3p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	290.5p
Scotch Blackface	302.4p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	291.83p
Blue Texel	302.3p	L Wood, Woodhall Brow Farm	302.33p
Suffolk	300p	M/s Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	300p
Romney	286.7p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	284.76p
Mule	283.7p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	283.72p
Herdwick	281.3p	G&T Tyson, East House	272.85p
Swaledale	265.5p	T Hird, Westray Farm	241.8p

Breed	Top Price	Prime Hogs (per kilo) Under 45.5kg Vendor	Average
Texel	419.6p	P&PI Walker, Beechcroft	288.99p
Beltex	407.8p	S&D Peile, Parkgate Hall	378.06p
Suffolk	348.3p	A&D Smith, Kelmores Hills	289.17p
Texel x Herdwick	347.4p	P&PI Walker, Beechcroft	337.59p
Mule	286.2p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	254.68p
Herdwick	284p	G&T Tyson, East House	275.37p
Border Leicester	280.7p	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	280.7p
Romney	278.7p	WE&DE Litt, Greengill Farm	278.72p
Scotch Blackface	269p	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	267.9p
Cheviot Mule	260p	R Skelton, New Hall Farm	260p
Swaledale	225.5p	LG Sibson, Hole House	225.49p