

Market Report for Wednesday 19th March 2025

Today we saw 40 cattle through the ring here at Mitchells Auction Company. A very strong trade was seen through out the sale. Cast cows topped at 375.5ppk - £2670.53 for a British Blue weighing 715kg from Ms Fell, Stanger Hill. Following closely behind was a tremendous Limousin cow from I Knight, Stephany Farm selling for 347.5ppk - £2474.20.

Dairy cows were a flying trade, pence per kilo topped at 299.5ppk for a well fleshed British Friesian from J Pattinson&Son, Uldale Hall. Top gross was £2283.60 – 259.5ppk for a Holstein Friesian from JD Faulder, Croft House.

Prime bulls sold a roaring trade with the top price being 421.5ppk and £3110.67 for a tremendous Limousin bull from D&KI Clemetson, Outgang Farm. Dairy bred bulls sold to a top of 345.5ppk - £2093.73 for a 603kg Friesian from G&I Carruthers & Son, Lowca Cottage.

Cast Cows (per head - £ & per kilo)–

British Blue – 2670.53 (373.50p) Stanger Hill. **Limousin** – 2474.20 (347.50p) Stephney Farm. 1788.25 (287.50p) Muncaster Head. 1766.49(291.50p) Hall Waberthwaite. 1716.38 (287.50p) Stanger Hill. 1584.66(269.50p) Muncaster Head.1232.24(229.50p) Charles Ground.**Holstein Friesian** – 2283.60 (259.50p), 1669.63 (237.50p),1602.50 (223.50p) Croft House. 1909.33 (327.50p) Mayfield. 1716.56 (249.50p) Bailey Ground. 1579.38 (237.50p) Bolt How. 1455.88 (237.50p) Outgang Farm. **British Friesian** – 2222.29(299.50p),2058.50 (287.50p) Uldale Hall. 2193.63(287.50p),1803.53 (259.50p),1717.35 (267.50p) Gutterby Farm. **Saler** – 1892.69(275.50p) Hall Waberthwaite. **Holstein** –1686.59 (245.50p), 1586.14 (243.50p) Threapthwaite Farm. **Luining** – 1685.93(265.50p) Muncaster Head. **Belted Galloway** – 1520.88 (287.50p) Charles Ground.

Cast Bulls (per head - £ & per kilo)–

Limousin – 3110.67 (421.50p) Outgang Farm.
Holstein – 2093.73(345.50p),1818.84 (329.50p),1459.08 (289.50p) Lowca Cottage Farm. 2014.28 (297.50p) Bailey Ground.

Cast Ewes

The ewe trade went up another gear today here at Mitchells with all types selling to a fast trade. Suffolk ewes sold to a top of £249.00 from R&E Campbell, Highfield House. Texels sold to £231.00 from LA Hodgson, Woodside Cottage, best bred continental ewes sold to £200 plus, Big mules sold to £197 also from LA Hodgson, Woodside Farm. Best continental types selling for £200 plus. Hill bred ewes sold to £137 from J Bland, Yew Tree. Best Herdwicks all sold over £100. Swaledales to £115 from I & R Millard, Old Hyton.

More rams forward and sold to £209 for Cheviots from TW Bell & Son, Hill Top and Texels to £201 from PT & SE Hewitson, Byresteads.

Suffolk- 249, 229 Highfield House. 211 Woodside Cottage. 187, 179, 141 Scalesmoor. 93, 81 Sands Close.
Texel- 231 Woodside Cottage. 230, 229, 200, 199, High Flatts. 225, 199 Newhouse Farm. 217 Salter Hall. 209 Strawberry How. 199 High Farm. **Cheviot**- 201, 142, 129 Hill Top Farm. 188, 94, 77 Low Stowbank.

Mule- 197 Woodside Cottage. 167, 120 Ghyll Farm. 155 Low Priorscales. 147 Seafield House. 143 Salter Hall. 88 Bailey Ground. 87 Newhouse Farm.

Beltex- 191 Woodside Cottage. 183 Salter Hall. **Kerry Hill-** 140 Sands Close. **Texel x Herdwick-** 139 Sands Close. 80 Low Stowbank . **Cross Bred-** 125, 6 Buckle Avenue. **Herdwick-** 121 Sands Close. 119 Penny Hill. 106, 92 Scalderskew. 99 Church Stile. 95, 79 Bowderdale. 94 Sun Lea. 90 Ghyll Farm. 89 Low Eskholme.

Swaledale- 115 Old Hyton Farm. 114, 90 Scalderskew. 111, 104 Low Stowbank. 89 Hill Top Farm. 82 Low Priorscales. **Scottish Blackface-** 94 Low Stowbank. 76 Field Head Farm. **Blueface Leicester-** 71 Bailey Ground Farm.

Cull Rams-

Cheviot- 209, 200, Hill Top Farm.

Texel- 201 Byresteads. 181 Yew Tree Farm.

Herdwick- 137, 113, 95 Yew Tree Farm. 119, 83 Wilkinyke Farm. 114 Taw House. 95 Church Stile

Cast Ewes		
Breed	Top Price	Vendor
Suffolk	£249	R&E Campbell, Highfield House
Texel	£231	LA Hodgson, Woodside Cottage
Cheviot	£201	TW Bell & Son, Hill Top Farm
Mule	£197	LA Hodgson, Woodside Cottage
Beltex	£191	LA Hodgson, Woodside Cottage
Bluefaced Leicester	£140	J Hunter, Station House
Kerry Hill	£140	DC Fisher, Sands Close
Texel x Herdwick	£139	DC Fisher, Sands Close
Hebridean X	£125	AM Sessford, Buckle Ave
Herdwick	£121	DC Fisher, Sands Close
Scotch Blackface	£94	GW Whitfield & Sons, Low Stowbank

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Cheviot	£209	TW Bell & Son, Hill Top Farm
Texel	£201	PT&SM Hewitson, Byresteads Farm
Herdwick	£137	J Bland, Yew Tree Farm

Prime Hogs (per Head) Over 45 kg			
Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Beltex	£238	TA Jefferson, Aspatria Hall	£218.75
Texel	£231	G Gate, Hollins Farm	£163.93
Charollais	£184	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	£184
Suffolk	£176	A&D Smith, Kelmore Hills	£158.53
Dutch Spotted	£152	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	£152
Dorset	£150	JG&PH Thompson, Poppy Farm	£150
Swaledale	£149	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£140.25
Mule	£149	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£148.16
Texel x Herdwick	£142	R Starkie, Cobble Hall	£141.91
Woodland	£139	AS&C Hodgson, Glencoyne Farm	£139
Teeswater	£138	WE&DE Litt Ltd, Greengill Farm	£138

Prime Hogs (per Head) Under 45kg

Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Texel	£161.50	TH Craig, High Farm	£137.66
Cheviot	£152	WE&DE Litt Ltd, Greengill Farm	£132.43
Texel x Herdwick	£147	P Naylor, Bowderdale	£129.27
Beltex	£140	AL Leary, Dent Place	£132.50
Dorset	£139	JG&PH Thompson, Poppy Farm	£139
Herdwick	£138.50	MW Hewitson, Shatton Lodge Farm	£113.89
Mule	£136.50	Messrs Richardson, Low Garth	£130.67
Swaledale	£136	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	£118.56
Other	£136	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	£128
Suffolk	£135	Messrs Gate, Low House	£129.45

Prime Hogs (per kilo) Under 45kg

Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Texel	403.8p	TH Craig, High Farm	344.66p
Beltex	378.4p	AL Leary, Dent Place	363.01p
Cheviot	361.9p	WE&DE Litt Ltd, Greengill Farm	346.6p
Texel x Herdwick	360.5p	GA Stamper, Dearham Row	349.25p
Other	347.2p	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	347.22p
Herdwick	344.7p	Messrs Matterson, Low Eskholme Farm	326.57p
Scotch Blackface	328.2p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	323.17p
Mule	324.4p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	311p
Swaledale	323.8p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	301.2p
Suffolk	321.4p	Messrs Gate, Low House	319.37p

Prime Hogs (per kilo) Under 45kg

Breed	Top Price	Vendor	Average
Beltex	457.7p	TA Jefferson, Aspatria Hall	441.83p
Texel	440p	Messrs Richardson, Low Garth	319.75p
Suffolk	323.5p	RB Jackson, Croft House	319.44p
Dutch Spotted	323.4p	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	323.4p
Mule	317.4p	WE&DE Litt Ltd, Greengill Farm	310.5p
Swaledale	317p	MJ Lawson, Pasture House	288.18p
Texel x Herdwick	308.7p	R Starkie, Cobble Hall	306.08p
Teeswater	300p	WE&DE Litt Ltd, Greengill Farm	300p
Charollais	296.8p	P Skelton, Waterloo Farm	296.77p
Dorset	294.1p	JG&PH Thompson, Poppy Farm	294.12

Topping the sale at £238 was paid for a pen of Beltex hogs from TA Jefferson, Aspatria Hall. Texel hogs sold to £231 from G Gate, Hollins Farm. A cracking Beltex hogg from A & D Smith, Kelmores Hills sold to £230. The best bred butchers hogs sold to £200 plus.

Heavy hogs sold to a very similar trade on the week. A pair of 59kgs Texel Hogs from Messrs Fraser, High Flatts sold to £190.

Once again well finished handy weighted continental hogs were in most demand selling between 340p-360p and topping at 447p per kg for smart Beltex from TA Jefferson, Aspatria Hall. Hill bred hogs saw Cheviots sell £162 (361p per kg) from WE & DE Litt, Greengill. Mules sold to £149 (317p per kg) twice from MJ Lawson, Pasture House. Horned hogs saw Swaledale from MW Hewitson, Shatton Lodge making £149. Herdwicks sold to £138.50 from the same home. Herdwick Hogs from Messrs Matterson,

Low Eskholme sold for 344p per kg. Well meated Herdwicks regularly selling 315-330p per kg. More are needed each week.

(Prime Hoggs- per Head)

Beltex- 238, 220 Aspartia Hall. 230 Kelmores Hills. 202 Low Garth. 200 Croft House. 140 Dent Place. 125 High Bewaldeth.

Texel- 231, 214, 196, 190, 185 Hollins Farm. 220, 213, 173 Low Garth. 220, 216, 206 Aspartia Hall. 218, 172 Kelmores Hills. 214, 196, 190, 188 High Flatts. 189 Fieldside Farm. 184 Grange Grassings.

Charollais- 184 Waterloo Farm. **Suffolk-** 176 Kelmores Hills. 165 Croft House. 157, 149 Greengill Farm. 155 Sneckyeat Farm. 135, 119 Scalesmoor. 135 Low House. 133 Waterloo Farm. **Cheviot-** 152, 138 Greengill Farm. 131, 104.50 Sands Close.

Dutch Spotted- 152 Waterloo Farm. **Dorset-** 150, 139 Poppy Farm.

Mule- 149, 148.50, 133 Pasture House. 149 Shatton Lodge. 148 Byresteads. 147.50, 146 Greengill Farm. 146, 132.50 Low House. 141, 135 Bowderdale. 136.50 Low Garth. 132 Whinnah Lodge. 111 Sands Close. 100 Rook Farm.

Texel x Herdwick- 147, 141, 122, 118 Bowderdale. 142, 131 Cobble Hall. 139.50 Fieldside Farm. 139 Grange Grassings. 138, 124.50 Yew Tree Farm. 137, 1 Dearham Row. 137 Poppy Farm. 131 Low Eskholme Farm. 122 Dent Place 115 Woodside Cottage. 110 Scalesmoor. 104.50 Low Stowbank. 101 Ghyll Farm.

Swaledale- 149, 136 Pasture House. 138.50 Sneckyeat Farm. 135 Uldale Hall. 124, 122, 68 Gate Ghyll. 120 Poppy Farm. 119 Whinnah Lodge. 105.50, 105 Low Stowbank. **Woodland-** 139 Glencoyne Farm.

Herdwick- 138.50 Shatton Lodge. 131 Low Eskholme. 129.50 Glencoyne. 128, 111 Church Stile. 123.50 Yew Tree Farm. 120.50 Taw House. 115 Penny Hill. 108 Poppy Farm. 93 Ghyll Farm. 89 Rook Farm.

Teeswater- 138 Greengill Farm

Scottish Blackface- 131, 122, 81 Field Head. 128, 127 Pasture House. 128 G, 115 Greengill Farm. 120, 116 Sands Close. 111, 107 Low Stowbank.

(Prime Hoggs -Per kilo £)

Beltex- 457.70, 415.10 Aspartia Hall. 408.20 Croft House. 381.10 Low Garth. 378.40 Dent Place. 365.10 Kelmores Hills. 347.20 High Bewaldeth.

Texel- 440, 394.40, 368.10, 367.90 Low Garth. 403.80 High Farm. 392.90, 388.70, 385.70 Aspartia Hall. 375, 362.50, 359 Greengill. 365.40 Sands Close. 363.30 Kelmores Hills. 363 High Flatts. 362.10, 354.30 Dent Place. 361.10 Poppy Farm. 359.50 High Bewaldeth. 357.10 Woodside Cottage. 354.10

Cheviot- 361.90, 336.60 Greengill Farm. 307.40, 297.70 Sands Close.

Texel X Herdwick- 360.50 Poppy Farm. 360.50, 1 Dearham Row. 348.60, 334.10, 310.50, 282 Bowderdale. 348 Low Stowbank. 345.80, 336.60 Yew Tree Farm. 344.70 Low Eskholme Farm. 338.20 Woodside Cottage. 335.90, 308.70 Cobble Hall. 333.30 Scalesmoor. 332.10 Fieldside Farm. 329.70 Dent Place. 325.80 Ghyll Farm. 308.90 Grange Grassings.

Herdwick- 344.70 Low Eskholme Farm. 328.20, 326.50 Church Stile. 310.80 Penny Hill. 308.60 Poppy Farm. 308.30 Glencoyne. 307.80 Shatton Lodge. 306.90 Rook Farm. 301.20 Yew Tree Farm. 300 Ghyll Farm. 286.90 Taw House.

Dorset- 339, 294.10 Poppy Farm.

Suffolk- 332.50 Croft House. 331.40 Low House. 320, 307.80 Greengill Farm. 314.30 Kelmores Hills. 309.30 Waterloo Farm. 305.10, 293.50 Scalesmoor. 298.10 Sneckyeat Farm.

Mule- 324.40, 317, 316 Pasture House. 317.40, 314 Greengill Farm. 317.40 Low Garth. 307 Whinnah Lodge. 306.80 Bowderdale. 301.10, 275.50 Low House. 300 Sands Close. 298 Shatton Lodge. 296 Byresteads. 285.70 Rook Farm. 276.50 Bowderdale. 167.70 Ghyll Farm.

Scottish Blackface- 328.20, 309.80 Pasture House. 326.50, 314.70 Low Stowbank. 315.80, 269.80 Sands Close. 311.90, 305, 270 Field Head. 304.80, 302.60 Greengill Farm.

Swaledale- 323.80, 317 Pasture House. 319.70, 308.80 Low Stowbank. 305, 302.40 Gate Ghyll. 300 Uldale Hall. 297.50 Whinnah Lodge. 292.70 Poppy Farm. 282.70 Sneckyeat Farm. 226.70 Ghyll Farm.

Dutch Spotted- 323.40 Waterloo Farm.

Teeswater- 300 Greengill Farm

Charollais- 296.80 Waterloo Farm.