THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 25th September) Sold 3150 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (1426) averaged 294p per kg (-18p) and sold to 344.8p for 48kg Beltex Cross from Mains of Leslie, Leslie and £192 for 70kg Beltex from Broadwater, Skene.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (377) averaged 303.2p per kg (-17.3p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (1724) averaged £96.08 and sold to £320 for a Pure Texel ram from Boghead, Drumblade.

"A mixed entry of prime lambs saw trade ease slightly with well finished lambs still keenly bid for. In the cull ewe ring, a large proportion of the sale consisted of leaner, hill bred sorts. The sale topped at £320 for a Pure Texel ram from Boghead, Drumblade"

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: BFL – Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman £190, 263.9p; BluTex – Collieston Farm, Fordoun £185, 312.7p; Black – South Craighead, Skelmuir £184, 278.8p; Pure Tex – Aul Steading Steens, Kinnadie £175, Fordmouth, Tomintoul 325p; TexX – South Easterton, Hatton £173.50, Bogside, Fyvie 319.2p; Tex – Easthouse, Holm £171.50, Bogside, Fyvie 319.2p; Pure Suf – South Easterton £168.50, Ardgeith, Strathdon 298.9p; SufX – Mains of Leslie £165.50, 344.8p; Suf – South Craighead, Skelmuir £164.50, 304.6p; Bel – Burnside, Keig £158.50, Strathelen, Ringorm Farm 335.2p; BelX – Auchenbreddie Farm, Insch £157.50, Belnaboth, Glenkindie 325.6p; Mule – Sauchentree, Methlick £156, 283.6p; Cont – Westerton, Echt £150, 322.4p; ContX – Shougle, Birnie £147.50, Mains of Leslie 321.1p; ChaX – Burnside £147.50, Tillyboy, Echt 313.1p; Cha – Shougle £144.50, South Byebush St Katherines 303.6p; Chv – West Cranloch, Ythanwells £138.50, 322.1p; ChvX – 25 Brae Cres, Kintore £135.50, 322.1p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: PureTex – Kingswells Croft, Oyne £274.50; Tex – Ros Cillala, Glassel £267.50, £254.50; Cont – Rowanhill, Kininmonth £249.50; Cross – Auchenbreddie Farm, Insch £234.50; ContX – Bogiefeulach, Tornaveen £224.50; Suf – Mid Mains of Balfour, Fettercairn £221.50; PureBel – Hillbrae Farming £214.50; TexX – North Boddam, Insch £209.50; BelX – Woodhead, Cairness £185.50; ChvX – Newton of Balquhan, Pitcaple £183.50; SufX – Honeyneuk Farm, Maud £181.50; ChvMul – Mill of Gellan, Coull £179.50; Bel – Meikle Whiterashes, Turriff £179.50; BluTex – 29 York Street, Dufftown £169.50; Black – Kirkhill, Alves £151.50; Mule – Dunphail, Forres £153.50; BFL – Garth Farm, St Ola £143.50; GF – Rownanhill, Kininmonth £140; Chv – Upper Third Croft, Rothienorman £139.50; Dor – Woolhillock, Skene £121.50; BF – Glencat, Ballogie £117.50.

Feeding Rams: Tex – Boghead £254.50; TexX – Mid Haddo, Fyvie £189.50; **BdgF** – Broadwater, Skene £179.50; **Chv** – Upper Third Croft £170; **Cont** – Ros Cillala £167.50; **ChvX** – Upper Third Croft £143.50; **Black** – Broadwater £114.50; **Cross** – Dell Farm, Isle of Lewis £101.50.