THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 16th September) Sold 6228 Store and Breeding Sheep including Island Consignments.

Breeding Sheep (1383) averaged £219.83 and sold to £340 for a Pair of Blue Faced Leicester Gimmers from Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman.

Ewe Lambs (401) averaged £172.34 and sold to £215 for a Pen of Thirty Mules from Mains of Glenbuchat, Strathdon.

Store Lambs (1727) averaged £88.12 and sold to £152 for Black lambs from Todholes, Lower Cabrach.

Island Consigned Store Lambs (2717) averaged £92.63 and sold to £132 for a Pen of Seven Suffolks from East Toon, Lunning.

"Breeding sheep were a steady trade with an increased sale average of £47.24 on the year. Store lambs saw all classes selling at increased rates with a full house of buyers in attendance."

Leading Prices per Head

Breeding Sheep:

Gimmers: Tex – Whitelums, Gartly £330; **TexX** – Whitelums £282; **BelX** – Bogiefeulach, Tornaveen £280; **Bel** – Bogiefeulach £280; **Suf** – Upper Tillenhilt, Midmar £280; **ChvMule** – Balnakyle, Carron £270; **Mule** – Bogiebrae, Rhynie £265.

1 Crop Ewe – Suf - Upper Tillenhilt £250; **ChvMul** - 52 Conval Street, Dufftown £190.

2 Crop Ewe: BFL – Newton of Hassiewells £220.

WM Ewe: Suf - Upper Tillenhilt, Midmar £255.

<u>Dispersal</u> Clayfolds Cottage, Strichen

1 Crop ChvMul -£202 2 Crop ChvMul - £200, £192 3 Crop Tex -£190 Mule Ewe -£170.

Ewe Lamb: Mule – Mains of Glenbuchat £200; ChvMule – Plewlands, Duffus £198; Suf – Upper Tillenhilt £195; Bel – Bogiefeulach, Tornaveen £175; SufX – Plewlands £172; TexX – Bogiefeulach, Cormalet, Cairnie, Bush of Muldearie, Keith £170; Cross – Belnoe, Chapeltown £165; Cont – Cormalet £155.

Store Lambs: Pure Suf – Cranna Bridge, Aberchirder £129; **Suf** – Braeside, Tough £120; **Pure Tex** – Braeside £119; **SufX** – Kirkford, Premany, Todholes £116; **Tex** – Clinterty, New Aberdour £116; **TexX** – Balladrum Farm, Durris £115; **Bel** – Todholes

£114; **Cont** – Terryvale, Lyne of Skene £110; **ContX** - Burngrains Croft, Alvah £109; **Cross** - Burngrains Croft, Bogiefeulach £107; **DutSptd** – Burngrains Croft £104; **Mule** - Ruthven, Kirkmichael £94; **BF** – Glencatt, Ballogie £88.

Island Consigned Store Lambs: SufX – Grunnafirth, Brettabister £127; Pure Suf – East Toon £120; Suf – South Lea, Vidlin £119; Tex – Fleck, Dunrossness £118; Cross – Grunnafirth £116; Down – North Gardie, Aith £115; TexX – Grunnafirth £114; Cont – Burnbank, Sandwick £112; DownX – South Lea, Hoversta, Uyeasound £112.

Island Ewe: Suf – Daburn, Muckle Roe £160; **Cont –** Norde, Brek £120; **Cross –** Hoversta £94.