

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 5th) Sold 5060 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (3899) averaged per 361p per kg (+20.4p) and sold to 488.2p per kg for 35kg Beltex's from Westerton, Echt and £200 gross for 55kg Beltex Crosses from South Blachrie, Fyvie

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1761) averaged 377.1p per kg (+13p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (1161) averaged £138.72 and sold to £340 for a Pure Texel from Inchbruich Fram, Cornhill.

“An excellent entry of 5060 head of prime hogs and feeding ewes sold at tremendous rates to an eager ringside of buyers. The hogg trade once again increased with a top of £200 and a strong whole sale average £167.33 per head. The cull ewe ring also saw stronger prices reaching £340 for a pure Texel ewe.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex – North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum £182, Ferniebrae, Meikle Wartle 401.2p; **Tex** – Nistagar, Harray £181.50, Mapleview, Lumphanan 398.9p; **TexX** – Nistagar, Lost, Strathdon, South Blachrie £180, Braeside 398.8p; **Cont** – Lost Farm £179.50, Broomhill, Methlick 417.1p; **Char** – Lost Farm £180, Demalfie, Inverurie 395.2p; **Pure Suf** – South Craighead £180, Netherton, Garlogie 391.9p; **ContX** – Lost Farm £179, Birkenbower, Lumsden 406p; **Cross** – Holmhead, Bucksburn, South Craighead, Mains of Slains £178.50, Birkenbower 401.2p; **Suf** – South Blachrie £178.50, Caiesmill, Kinellar 389.5p; **SufX** – Clashendamer, Fordyce, Mains of Slains £177.50, Netherton, Garlogie 387.5p; **Pure Bel** – Culhay, Forbes £177.50, Westerton, Echt 435.9p; **Chv** – Hillhead, Birnie £177, Braeside 391.5p; **Down** – Malt Croft, Kildrummy £176.50, Longside, Old Rayne 387.2p; **DownX** – Caiesmill £175.50, West Teuchan, Cruden Bay 385.6p; **Bel** – Netherhill, St Fergus £175.50, Birkenbower 433.8p; **BelX** – Mapleview £175, 426.8p; **ChvMul** – Loanend, Inverallochy £174.50, Netherhill 381.7p; **CharX** – Shougle, Birnie £173.50, Netherhill 376.7p; **BF** – Templefold, Skene £169.50, 375p; **Mule** – Newmill, Crathes, Lost Farm £168.50, Netherton, Clatt 375p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Tex – Inchbruich Farm £320, £279.50; **Suf** – South Tillydesk, Ellon £267.50; **SufX** – Jacobshall Cottage, Gamrie £244.50; **BluTex** – Odinstone, Shapinsay £239.50; **Cross** – South Tillydesk £237.50; **DownX** – South Blachrie, Fyvie £234.50; **TexX** – Wester Allathan, New Deer £227.50; **HB** – South Blachrie £219.50; **Cont** – Breck, Orphir £221.50; **ChvMul** – Daleford, Rathen £211.50; **Chv** – Nistagar, Harray £195.50; **Cha** – Eastside Farm, Whitecairns £191.50; **Lleyn** – Blackpots, Auchnagatt £185.50; **ChvX** – South Mains of Balgaveny, Rothienorman £181.50; **GF** – West Quoscies, Newtonhill £179.50; **Mule** – Wester Cairnglass, Gollanfield £176.50; **Black** – North Garmond, Turriff £171.50; **BFL** – Brencher House £169.50; **BelX** – Whitehall Farm, Inch £154.50; **Jac** – Buckie Burn Croft,

Methlick £147.50; **BF** – Brencher House £145.50; **Bel** – Mains of Allanbuie, Keith £141.50; **DutSptd** – East Cowbog Farm, New Aberdour £141.50; **Dor** – North Garmond £134.50; **Zwa** – Nether Woodside, Cullerlie £115.50.

Feeding Rams: **DutSptd** – Craibstone Farm, Bucksburn £189.50; **BluTex** – Craibstone Farm £187.50; **Tex** – Jacobshall £181.50; **Chv** – West Quoscies £167.50; **TexX** – West Quoscies £149.50; **ChvX** – Upper Lea, Vidlin £149.50; **BFL** – West Quoscies £141.50; **Suf** – South Lea £131.50; **Zwa** – Knowehead of Cairncake, Cuminestown £129.50.