THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 27th October) Sold 3107 Store and Breeding Sheep including Island Consignments.

Breeding Sheep (281) averaged £143.77 and sold to £290 twice for mule Gimmers from Farmton, Tough and St Johns Wells, Fyvie.

Breeding Rams (52) averaged £428.65 and sold to £620 for a Beltex cross Texel Shearling Ram from Tillybo, Fisherie.

Store Lambs (2127) averaged £118.79 and sold to £139 for Beltex cross lambs from Bush of Muldearie, Keith.

Island Consigned Store Sheep (647) averaged £85.89 and sold to £210 for Cheviot Gimmers from South Grinds, Lunna.

"A strong ringside of buyers continues to bid keenly for store lambs with more second and third draw lambs forward."

Leading Prices per Head

Breeding Sheep:

Ewes: Mule 2/3 Crop Todholes, Lower Cabrach £180; **Chv 1 Crop –** St Johns Wells £175; **Tex 1 Crop –** Mains of Blairydrine, Durris £175; **TexX Reg Age –** Soutra, Auchinhove £155; **BF WM -** Drumgask, Laggan £152; **Chv BM –** St Johns Wells £140; **Mule BM –** Todholes £138.

Shearling Rams: BelX – Tiilybo £600; **Tex –** Loanend, Glenkindie £580; **Cha –** Hillhead of Cannahars, Whitecairns £580; **Suf –** Meikle Whiterashes, Turriff £550; **TexX –** Cormalet, Cairnie £550, £520; **Bel –** Meikle Whiterashes £480

Ram Lambs: Suf – Wester Oathlaw, Forfar £500; **BDMX –** Standingstones, Dyce £500, £420.

Store Lambs: SufX – Midtown, Strachan £138; **Cont -** 8 South Road, Rhynie £137; **PureTex –** 8 South Road, Logiefair, Gamrie, Strath Farm, Watten £136; **Tex –** Strath Farm £135; **Cross –** Strath Farm, Hillview, Brae of Scurdargue, Todholes £134; **TexX –** 8 South Road £133; **ContX –** Mains of Blairydrine, Nether Kirkton, Barthol Chapel, Strath Farm, Hillview, Brae of Scurdargue, Delnabo, Glengairn £132; **Suf –** Nether Kirkton £131; **Bel –** Floors Farm, Grange £128; **BelX –** Floors Farm, Rootfield West, Muir of Ord £124; **BluTex –** Bankhead, Durris £122; **ChvX –** Swanford Farm, New Deer £122; **ChaX –** Meikle Haddo, Newburgh £116; **Black –** An Airidh, Cuminestown £110; **BF –** Mains of Lurg, Nethy Bridge £104; **Mule –** Inverlochy Farm, Tomintoul £102.

Island Consigned Store Lambs: Tex – East Shore £121; **SufX –** £120; **Chv –** South Grinds £100.

Ewes: Chv – South Grinds £162, £145; **Cont –** East Toon, Lunning £110.