

SOUTH EAST MARTS – HAILSHAM MARKET

Primestock report for
WEDNESDAY, 22nd MAY 2019

PRIME CATTLE (UNDER AGE & OVERAGE (9) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

Static prices - with good interest in the limited numbers on offer Graham & Julie Beck have homebred Sussex cross steers to 182p and heifer 178p.

Top call of TSV Rollings' Hereford cross steer of 184p to graze on.

CULL COWS (6) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

Perhaps a little dearer, moving in the right direction and that's up, but sadly in short supply. W H Gingell & Son's modern Simmental cross cows flies to 145p and reaches close to £1000.

Best of the dairy types C&CM Hamilton heavyweight Friesian to 117p and grosses £865.

CALVES (--) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

No calves on offer.

PIGS (11) Auctioneer: Roger Waters

A pigeon pair of Landrace from John Brooker no disgrace at 110p per kg and a litter of Berkshire pigs a respectable £26 each.

SHEEP (985)

Auctioneer: Nick Young

MILK LAMBS (106)

Overall average 204p per kilo

Nationally trade is back, however there is an awakening of butcher demand for milk lambs provided they are fresh and meated, stale and unfinished sorts are heavily discounted. Bungehurst Farm Ltd top at £95, in close attendance Norton Farm Partnership and JA Nightingale both at £94. A great run of big lambs from CA Lee & Sons, were well received.

Top prices per head:- Bungehurst Farms £95, £91, £88, The Norton Farm P'ship £94, £81, £80, £78 JA Nightingale £94 (twice), Messrs C A Lee & Sons £93, £90, £80 EJ Day (Penhurst) Ltd £90, £78 J Marsh £85, D,S & P Humphrey £83

Top prices per kilo:- JA Nightingale 233.3p, 207.5p, EJ Day (Penhurst) Ltd 225.0p, 207.5p, The Norton Farm P'ship 223.8p, 205.3p, 204.6p, 202.7p, 197.5p, 197.4p, 197.3p, Bungehurst Farms 218.8p, 197.8p, DS & P Humphrey 200.0p, R & K Livestock Service Ltd 196.9p, C A Lee & Sons 196.6p

HOGGETS (512)

Overall average 181.5p per kilo

A very useful entry. Nationally trade is falling but the Hailsham trade rallied Best Texel hoggets from Littleworth Farms really rang the bell at £102 and £100! A very competitive trade against all expectations.

Top prices per head:- Littleworth farms £102, £100, £95, £90.50 RR Waters £99, £96, £90, D,S & P Humphrey £95.50, W Paxton £94, C Bowers £94,

A Clouting £92.50, Station Farms £92.50, RFF Brown £92, Mrs P Garratt £92
Mr K Davis £90, BJ Hicks £90, L Dace £90

Top prices per kilo:- A Clouting 194.3p, Littleworth Farms 191.0p, 177.9p
GWH Osbourne 190.8p, 177.9p, John Worsfold Ltd, 188.7p, C Bowers 188.0p,
Mrs P Garratt, 187.9p, 179.4p, 178.3p, Mrs L Adams 181.4p, 176.9p, 174.1p
RR Waters 176.5p, C Deroo 174.1p, C A Lee & Sons 172.1p

STORE HOGGETS (48)

'Dr Green 'has worked his magic, all couples and store hoggets, in particular ewe hoggets, an absolute humdinger. At this price surely it makes sense to sell now rather than face the inevitable price drop as summer wears on.

C Bowers £78 (twice), £64, Bungehurst Farm Ltd £70, MK Wickens £61, (twice),
J Morson £60, Station Farms £59.50, RD Uridge Farms £50, PJ Greenaway £38

CULL EWES (216)

A good entry, trade is not very special anywhere. Hailsham produced the best trade in the south east thanks to competitive buyers seeking to stock up prior to the end of Ramadan on 4th June. N J & S M Pile take top honours at £102. Big runs are definitely preferred. Please, please let us know what you have.

Other leading prices:- NJ & SM Pile £102, EA Boyes & W New £97, £78 (twice), £76, £74, C Knierstedt £93, CA Powell £76, £72, SJ & JL Vine Partners £75, C A Lee & Sons, £75, £72 The Norton Farm Partnership £74 (twice), NJC & P Clouting £70, L Dace £69

BREEDING SHEEP (103)

D., S & P Humphrey's Suffolk x Mule and Texel x Mule ewe hoggs with lambs top at a superb £135 per unit, closely followed by Peter Greenaway and G C Knight & Partners' both at £132 per unit.

Many more wanted please let us know what you have.

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING INTO HAILSHAM

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### **STORE CATTLE REPORT**

**MONDAY, 20th MAY ~ Auctioneer: Roger Waters**

Congratulations to Mark & Jackie Cornwell & Bill Gingell for offering two excellent runs of homebred suckler bred cattle, well received but generally demand easing back as the ground dries out and the summer comes.

### **ABERDEEN ANGUS CROSS**

*are the flavour of the day.*

**MF & JC Cornwell's** Aberdeen Angus cross steers, 14 mos **£970, £900 £880**, ditto  
heifers 14 mos **£750**

**WH Gingell & Sons'** Aberdeen Angus cross steers, 13 mos **£800**,  
ditto heifers 13 mos **£690**

**M Peters'** Aberdeen Angus cross heifers, 6 mos **£290**

**SUCKLER BRED CONTINENTAL CROSS STEERS & HEIFERS**

*Demand easing back as summer approaches*

**MF & JC Cornwell's** Simmental cross steers, 13/14 mos **£900**,  
ditto heifers **£710**

**WH Gingell & Son's** Simmental cross steers, 14 mos **£835**,

**DG & JH Jackson's** Charolais cross steers, 12 mos **£720**, heifers 13 mos **£635**

**D Hobbs & Sons'** Simmental cross steers, 6 mos **£450**, ditto heifers **£460**

**BRITISH BLUE x FRIESIAN STEERS & HEIFERS**

*7-17mos - more interest - spirited competition*

**W Sheffield's** British Blue cross steers, 17 mos **£740**,

**A Compton's** British Blue cross steers, 11 mos **£560**,

**N Hazeltine's** British Blue cross steers, 7 mos **£450**,

**M Peters'** British Blue cross steers, 5 mos **£450**, ditto heifers 8 mos **£400**

**NATIVE AND SCOTTISH BRED STEERS AND HEIFERS**

*- all ages, good in parts some sell better than others*

**MF & JC Cornwell's** Sussex cross steers, 13/14 mos **£900**, ditto heifers **£670**

**R & M Coles'** Sussex x British Blue steers, 19/20 mos **£885**

**W Rydon's** Sussex cross steers, 14 mos **£720**,

**H Venters'** Hereford cross steers, 11 mos **£560**, ditto heifers **£400**

**K Kearn's** Hereford cross steers, 20 mos **£710**

**Mandol Ltd's** Galloway steers, 11/12 mos **£390**

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NEXT SALE MONDAY 3RD JUNE

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Next Sale of  
**STORE CATTLE**  
is on  
**MONDAY, 3rd JUNE**

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NO SALE NEXT MONDAY, 27th - BANK HOLIDAY

Next
STORE SALE
to be held on
MONDAY, 3rd JUNE

Entries now being taken for this sale

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The Summer Collective Sale  
at **OSNEY LODGE FARM**

Byers Lane, South Godstone

*To include 250 Lots of*

FLOWERING TREES, SHRUBS & ROSES  
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HEDGING & SCREENING PLANTS
PRIVET - QUICKTHORN - POPLARS

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PERENNIAL PLANTS  
DICENTRAS - DELPHINIUMS - LUPINS - PYRETHRUMS  
HEATHERS - PAEONIES, ETC.

Subject to Availability

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is on **SATURDAY, 15th JUNE**

Entries now being taken and close Friday, 31st May

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**DISPERSAL ON-SITE SALES**

**PARK NURSERY**

Park Road, Hellingly, Nr. Hailsham

*Dispersal Sale of the entire*

**NURSERY STOCK PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

Viz: '14 DaRosTP-M eight head transplanter; '15 MJF tray filler; Gregoire compost mixer; Javo 20 pot potting machine; Terra Force elevator; Shelbourne Reynolds Wytrac elec. conveyor; Kubota B1610 4 w/d and Yanmar diesel YM186 compact tractors; '03 AUSA CH-150 fork lift; Wessex AT-110 rotary topper; Two Riteair warm air boilers; Heron MC1-96 irrigation controller; Allman CR125 sprayer; Danish trolleys; Office contents; Safe; Hickvision CCTV, etc.

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on **SATURDAY, 1st JUNE**

in conjunction with Samuel & Son, Heathfield

on behalf of Sussex Plants Ltd.

*Catalogues now available*

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CRIPPS AVENUE

Peacehaven

Sale of the entire

PLANT, MACHINERY & WORKSHOP EQUIPMENT

Viz: Two '05 Scania R420 6 x 2 tractor units; 2 '13' Nooteboom tri axle stepframe trailers, all MOT'd and LEZ certified - Daf 45 7.5 tonne plant transporter; '15 Takeuchi TB 228 2.8 tonne excavator/digger; two '08 Vauxhall Corsa vans; Hyster fork lift; two car trailers; workshop tools, welders, benches, stores, etc. etc.

on **SATURDAY, 22nd JUNE**

on behalf of J Webb Plant Hire

Selected entries of plant and machinery

now being invited and close Monday, 3rd June

DALLINGTON PARISH MAGAZINE MAY 2019 - WRITTEN BY HENRY GRISSELL

There are only two livestock markets left in the south east of England. I can remember markets in most small towns, easily accessible for farmers selling their stock and local butchers to buy their requirements for the following week. Nowadays the old market sites contain desirable, supposedly affordable, houses. We are left with only Hailsham and Ashford markets. I take our sheep to Hailsham and it is quite a social occasion on a Wednesday. There is a wonderful, if slightly old fashioned cafeteria which is run by Colin Keeley and his partner. (His father, uncle and Grandfather farmed for many years at Carricks Farm, Dallington). Their breakfast is second to none and just the sort that one is not allowed at home!

This year the sheep pens are full to overflowing with sheep most weeks. Some come from as far away as Portsmouth and even up in to the Midlands. They are professionally sorted in to fat sheep ready for the butcher and store sheep which will be bought by someone willing to take them to fatter and heavier weights. The older sheep, i.e.: granny ewes that have done their stuff are sold in a separate area. They usually end up in the Muslim and Indian trade. If you see some of those old ewes you may understand why I do not like eating Indian curries! But I suppose if you marinade and spice them up for long enough you just do not know the difference!

Being an auctioneer is a skilled job. You need wit, a quick brain and a certain charm and personality and low cunning. You see some strange people buying, but rest assured they are all sharp as razors. Any chink in the auctioneer's armour and they will have him for breakfast and lose not a wink of sleep. I suggest that there are few people who have the character to be a livestock auctioneer. Sometimes the buyers fall out amongst themselves arguing over a pen and who placed the last bid. Always a cheering spectacle!

The market report appears by email on the following Thursday with comments like, "The auctioneer was on fire", "An out and out humdinger of a trade". Then the following week we may discuss it in the market in the cafeteria, and agree what rubbish it all is!

There is even a "Market Chaplain". He goes to Ashford on a Tuesday and Hailsham on a Wednesday. I am not quite sure what purpose he serves, and he certainly has no influence on the prices. But farming can be a lonely old job, if you farm alone, sometimes you don't see a fellow soul day in or day out. The weather, the bank balance and unforeseen problems leading to depression is common amongst farmers. There is plenty to think about where farming will be going in the next few years. To

have someone to talk to can be a comfort. He is also incumbent in Rolvenden and Newenden. If he removed, his now bushy beard, which hides his dog collar, he would be easier to recognise as a man of God! But well done the Church of England for putting him in to the markets.

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**Dexter Herd - Cows & calves, in-calf cows and young stock,**  
approx. 50 head, Four year TB

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40 FRIESIAN STIRKS
6/12 mos, Four year TB

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**Two Young Highland Cows**  
Registered with February born heifer calves at foot

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DAIRY DIRECT
TWENTY FOUR BRITISH FRESIAN HEIFERS,
recently stocked or being stocked now
Homebred youngstock/followers from herd recently
dispersed, High health status, Four year TB

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**TWENTY TWO PEDIGREE FRIESIAN HOLSTEIN HEIFERS,**  
calving July onwards, to Aberdeen Angus  
breeding & photos available

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FOUR PEDIGREE HOLSTEIN HEIFERS
July/August calvers, non dairy source

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**FODDER IN THE STORE**  
**BIG BALED HAY**  
sold hay last week, not sold out yet, its not rained yet either.  
Good '18 baled hay at a realistic price

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