

KINGTON MARKET
FAT SHEEP REPORT
THURSDAY 18th APRIL 2019

McCartneys of Kington report a smaller entry of 698 sheep on Thursday last the 18th of April due to the Easter weekend and the shorter working week.

We had a good entry of spring lambs, hoggets and cull ewes, which sold to an excellent trade throughout all sections with excellent demand from the buyers.

HOGGETS

We had an entry of 451 hoggets which sold to an excellent trade on the week on all weight ranges. We had a number of mule bred sheep and end of season runs again. The light and handy weight hoggets again from 32kg to 45kg would command the best trade and demand from the buyers in terms of pence per kg but all hoggets were very well sort after.

The heavier hoggets from 45kg to 52kg were also an excellent trade and generally sold between £90 and £100 per head.

The very heavy hoggets over 52kg were a good trade on the week and generally sold from £90 to £100 per head.

The yard of hoggets ranged from 32 kg to 70kg.

The hoggets sold to a top of £100.50 per head from JT Jones and Sons.

The hoggets averaged an excellent SQQ of £2.14ppk up to £2.22ppk for some 38kg hoggets from RT Sankey & Co

The whole hogget section averaged an excellent £93 per hogget and £2.05ppk through all the hoggets sold.

Hoggets between 32 kg to 39 kg averaged 2.16ppk up to 2.22ppk which averaged £84 per head

Hoggets between 40 kg to 45 kg averaged 2.14ppk up to 2.20ppk which averaged £93 per head

Hoggets between 46 kg to 52 kg averaged 2.04ppk up to 2.15ppk which averaged £97 per head

Hoggets between over 52 kg averaged 1.68ppk up to 1.70ppk which averaged £94 per head

Our light hogget section saw a very good trade with hoggets ranging in weight from 32kg to 38kg and averaging an excellent £2.00 ppk up to £2.15 ppk. All hoggets forward averaged £77 per head.

SPRING LAMBS

We had a small entry of spring lambs, which sold to a good trade on the week and averaged £2.40ppk.

We are fortunate to have excellent buyer support from 7 regular buyers giving excellent competition for the hoggets each week.

CULL EWES, TUPS, WETHERS, STORE HOGGETS & GOATS

There was a good entry of 243 cull & store sheep, which sold to a very strong trade on the week.

The cull sheep trade remains strong on all types.

We had a good entry of cull sheep again with the usual entry of thin and small hill bred sheep.

The well meated Continental and Suffolk x bred sheep were obtaining market premiums.

Store hoggets were well bid for, for further finishing

The cull sheep sold to a top of £150 per head for some Texel x ewes from MH Gwilliam and averaged a very good £70 per head which included the usual entry of thin and small hill bred sheep. Strong meated ewes sold to the best trade again but a good trade on all sorts was achieved.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £98 per head and sold up to £150 per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £69 per head and sold up to £85 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £58 per head and sold up to £68 per head.

Tups sold to £100 per head and averaged £75 per head.

We have buyers requiring store hoggets and light hoggets each week to suffice their orders.

We have buyers for in excess of 2000 hoggets and 750 cull sheep per week to meet our buyers' requirements.

McCartneys at Kington, offer an on-farm livestock grading and marketing advice service on a free of charge basis.

**Kington Market is every Thursday,
commencing at 11.00am with Hoggets
Followed by Cull Sheep, Light and Store Hoggets**

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