

## KINGTON MARKET FAT SHEEP REPORT THURSDAY 4th JULY 2019

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 899 sheep on Thursday last the 4th July.

Smaller numbers we forward this week due to the drop in the trade earlier in the week and the good harvesting weather. The numbers have eased nationally and this has helped to firm the trade today in the lamb and cull sheep sections. The finished lambs and cull sheep sold to a good trade on the week in all sections.

## **LAMBS**

We had an entry of 754 lambs, which sold to a good trade on the week. Currently the buyers are requiring the heavier weighted lambs over 43kg for their orders and these weights are selling to the best trade. The lambs averaged a good £1.91ppk up to £1.98ppk from CM & WC Phillips

The demand was good from the buyers and the heavier weights between 43kg and 50Kg would be easier sold than the lighter weights.

The buyers are looking for meated and wellbred lambs for their orders.

The lambs sold up to £98 per head for some 50kg lambs from S Williams and Sons.

The 45kg to 52kg lambs averaged the best PPK and averaged £1.94ppk throughout this weight range.

The whole lamb section from the lightest to the heaviest in the market averaged a reasonable £83.50 per head.

Lambs between 32 kg to 39 kg averaged 1.87ppk up to 1.90ppk which averaged £71 per head Lambs between 40 kg to 45 kg averaged 1.93ppk up to 1.98ppk which averaged £83 per head Lambs between 46 kg to 52 kg averaged 1.94ppk up to 1.97ppk which averaged £94 per head

Our light lamb section for lambs under 35kg sold to a reasonable trade and averaged £1.80ppk upto £1.85ppk. All light lambs averaged a good £60 per head for lambs weighing from 30kg to 34kg.

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

## CULL EWES, TUPS, WETHERS, STORE HOGGETS & GOATS

There was a smaller entry of 145 cull & store sheep, which sold to a very good trade on the week.

The strong well bred cull sheep which were not fat would be the best trade on the day.

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

The buyers are currently requiring good meated sheep which are not fat. All types of cull sheep were in good demand.

The well meated Continental and Suffolk x bred sheep were obtaining market premiums as long as they were not fat.

The cull sheep sold to a top of £117 per head for some Texel x ewes from SJ Cooke and averaged a very good £73 per head.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £95 per head and sold up to £117 per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £70 per head and sold up to £85 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £58 per head and sold up to £66 per head.

Tups sold to £80 per head and averaged £72 per head.

We have buyers for in excess of 2000 lambs 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 Lambs Followed by Cull Sheep, Light and Store lambs

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