

## KINGTON MARKET FAT SHEEP REPORT THURSDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2019

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 1080 sheep on Thursday last the 19th of September.

The lamb trade continues at a level with large numbers being marketed from the north of the country and unfinished lambs being put on the market is keeping a lid on the trade. The demand for sheep meet continues to be slow from the UK and EU at present.

## **LAMBS**

We had an entry of 700 lambs, which sold to a slightly better trade than previously in the week.

The buyers are requiring well-bred and good finished lambs for their orders and the right goods command a premium and demand from the buyers. The buyers are looking for heavier weight lambs generally over 40kg. The light lambs under 36kg are also reasonably sort after at present.

The lambs averaged a reasonable £1.67ppk up to £1.75 ppk from A Giordano.

The lambs sold up to £82.50 per head for some 52kg lambs from MO Williams & Sons.

The whole lamb section from the lightest to the heaviest in the market averaged a reasonable £74 per head.

Lambs between 25 to 35 kg averaged 1.65ppk up to 1.70ppk which averaged £56 per head Lambs between 35 to 39 kg averaged 1.64ppk up to 1.67ppk which averaged £60 per head Lambs between 40 to 45 kg averaged 1.67ppk up to 1.75ppk which averaged £72 per head Lambs between 46 to 52 kg averaged 1.62ppk up to 1.70ppk which averaged £77 per head Lambs over 52kg averaged 1.54ppk up to £155ppk which averaged £82 per head

Our light lamb section for lambs under 35kg sold to a good trade on the week and averaged £1.65ppk up to £1.70ppk. All light lambs averaged a good £56 per head for lambs weighing from 30kg to 35kg.

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 good entry of 380 cull & store sheep, which sold to a strong trade on the week.

The strong meated well-bred cull sheep would be the best trade again. We had a larger number than usual of smaller, thinner and hill ewes forward and these sold to a good trade with a number of orders for grazing ewes.

The buyers are currently requiring good meated sheep for their orders and there is also good demand for grazing ewes.

All types of cull sheep were in good demand.

The cull sheep sold to a top of £85 per head for some Suffolk x ewes from R Hammond and averaged a good £57 per head.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £82 per head and sold up to £85per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £57 per head and sold up to £75 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £45 per head and sold up to £60 per head.

Tups sold to £81 per head and averaged £60 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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