

KINGTON MARKET
FAT SHEEP REPORT
THURSDAY 10th OCTOBER 2019

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 1720 sheep on Thursday last the 10th October 2019.

LAMBS

We had a better entry of 1369 lambs, which sold to a reasonable good trade on the week particularly for the lighter lambs under 46kg. The heavier lambs were harder work due to the numbers of heavy lambs being marketed at present. The buyers are not keen on tup lambs and these are at a disadvantage at present in terms of price and desirability.

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 bestselling lambs were the well-bred and handier weights ranging from (39 to 44kg).

The lambs averaged a good SQQ of £1.72ppk up to £1.96 ppk from S Postons

The lambs sold up to £82 per head for some 54kg lambs from Russel Drew.

The whole lamb section from the lightest to the heaviest in the market averaged a good £76 per head

Lambs between 35 to 39 kg averaged 1.66ppk up to 1.96ppk which averaged £61 per head
Lambs between 40 to 45 kg averaged 1.72ppk up to 1.80ppk which averaged £76 per head
Lambs between 46 to 52 kg averaged 1.64ppk up to 1.72ppk which averaged £78 per head
Lambs over 52kg averaged 1.52ppk up to £1.55ppk which averaged £82 per head

Our light lamb section for lambs under 35kg sold to a good trade on the week and averaged £1.62ppk up to £1.72ppk. All light lambs averaged a good £56per 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 an entry of 351 cull & store sheep, which sold to a good trade on the week for the types forward.

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 again and these sold to a good trade with a number of orders for grazing ewes. The thinner mules and hill ewes are the most difficult to sell at present.

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 £99 per head for some Texel x ewes from P Williams and Son and averaged a good £51 per head give the number of smaller hill and leaner mule ewes we had on offer.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £85 per head and sold up to £99per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £56 per head and sold up to £73 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £40 per head and sold up to £55 per head.

Tups sold to £70 per head and averaged £65 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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