

## KINGTON MARKET FAT SHEEP REPORT THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER 2019

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 1013 sheep on Thursday last the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

## **LAMBS**

We had a smaller entry of 812 lambs due to the poorer trade earlier in the week. The lambs sold to a reasonable good trade particularly for the handier weight lambs from 39kg to 44kg. The heavier lambs were the hardest to sell due to the numbers of heavy lambs being marketed at present.

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 reasonable SQQ of £1.66ppk up to £1.82 ppk from Whitewall Farm Partnership.

The lambs sold up to £86.50 per head for some 60kg lambs from Lew Lloyd.

The whole lamb section from the lightest to the heaviest in the market averaged a reasonable £75 per head

Lambs between 32 to 39 kg averaged 1.64ppk up to 1.66ppk which averaged £64 per head Lambs between 40 to 45 kg averaged 1.66ppk up to 1.82ppk which averaged £73 per head Lambs between 46 to 52 kg averaged 1.60ppk up to 1.67ppk which averaged £77 per head Lambs over 52kg averaged 1.51ppk up to £1.55ppk which averaged £81 per head

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 201 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 and mule ewes forward again 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 £120 per head for some Texel ewes from DT & SM Owens and averaged a good £52 per head give the number of smaller hill and leaner mule ewes we had on offer.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £89 per head and sold up to £120per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £56 per head and sold up to £70 per head.

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

Tups sold to £75 per head and averaged £63 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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