

KINGTON MARKET FAT SHEEP REPORT THURSDAY 19th DECEMBER 2019

McCartneys of Kington report an entry of 2565 sheep on Thursday last the 19th December 2019 for the last sale of the year.

We had an excellent entry and trade to match trough out all sections, mainly fuelled by the Christmas and New Year demand.

LAMBS

We had an excellent entry of 2187 lambs which sold to an excellent trade throughout all weight ranges and the dearest we have seen them for some time.

The lambs sold to an excellent trade which had lifted throughout the week. All weight ranges have seen a significant lift.

The buyers are requiring well-bred and good finished lambs for their orders which are not fat.

The lambs averaged an excellent SQQ of £2.12 ppk up to £2.30 ppk fromCR Evans

The lambs sold up to an excellent £108 per head for some 55 kg lambs from SI Rogers

The whole lamb section from the lightest to the heaviest in the market averaged an excellent £91 per head throughout the whole lamb section.

Lambs between 32 to 39 kg averaged 2.03ppk up to 2.15ppk which averaged £75 per head Lambs between 40 to 45 kg averaged 2.14ppk up to 2.30ppk which averaged £91 per head Lambs between 46 to 52 kg averaged 1.94ppk up to 2.05ppk which averaged £93 per head Lambs over 52kg averaged 1.82ppk up to £1.90ppk which averaged £102 per head

We had a good entry of light lambs which were in good demand by the buyers. The light lambs ranged from 28 kg to 36 kg and averaged a very good £1.83 ppk (£68 per head) up to £1.95ppk (£78 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 a good entry of 378 cull & store sheep, which sold to a very strong trade on the week for the types forward with excellent demand from the buyers on all types.

All types of ewes would sell to an excellent trade to 6 buyers

The strong meated well-bred cull sheep would be the best trade again.

We had a better quality entry this week and a very strong following for the best meated sheep.

There are a number of buyers still wanting 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.

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The cull sheep sold to a top of £109.50 per head for some Texel x ewes from EJ & HM Price and averaged an excellent £70 per head.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £94 per head and sold up to £109.50 per head.

Mule type ewes averaged £65 per head and sold up to £85 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £50 per head and sold up to £65 per head.

Tups sold to £80 per head and averaged £71 per head

May we wish all our clients a very happy Christmas and New Year

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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