

KINGTON MARKET
FAT SHEEP REPORT
THURSDAY 8th JULY 2021

McCartneys of Kington report a very good entry of sheep with a trade to match.

Much larger entries of sheep being marketed over the past week but with a trade that is holding mainly due from the demand for sheep meet for the upcoming ethnic festival in the middle of July.

The spring lambs and cull sheep were in very good demand with spring lambs selling to £125 per head on a number of occasions and cull sheep to £148 per head.

We have excellent buying support and need good entries each week to suffice the good numbers of buyers we have and their current demand for lambs and cull ewes.

We can easily sell 2000 spring lambs and 600 cull ewe each week given the number of buyers we have on a weekly basis.

The market operated under DEFRA Coronavirus regulations on a drop and go basis due to Coronavirus rules and we thank all sellers and buyers for adhering to the regulations and supporting the sale.

SPRING LAMBS (1608)

We had a good entry of lambs which sold to a very good trade on the week with strong demand by the 9 buyers.

The heavier well meated 40kg plus lambs were the most desirable weights again which sold to an excellent trade. The lighter weights lambs from 30 to 39kg were a harder trade with buyers mainly requiring heavier good meated lambs from their orders. The lighter lambs were still a good trade for the time of year.

Lambs sold to £2.68ppk. All weight ranges were in good demand and sort after by the buyers. The bestselling weights would be the 40kg plus lambs in terms of pence per kg.

Well-bred and meated tups lambs were also a very good trade and will be wanted next week for the upcoming festival.

The lamb section averaged a very good £2.42ppk and £104 per head.

The lambs sold up to £125 per head on a number of occasions.

Our light lamb section under 36kg was very well supported again and received a good trade on the week with these lambs averaging £2.34ppk up to £2.40ppk

Lambs 32 to 39 kg averaged 2.32ppk up to 2.40ppk which averaged £88 per head
Lambs 40 to 45 kg averaged 2.43ppk up to 2.68ppk which averaged £105 per head
Lambs 45 to 52 kg averaged 2.42ppk up to 2.52ppk which averaged £116 per head
Lambs over 52 kg averaged £2.35ppk up to £2.40ppk which averaged £125 per head

CULL EWES, TUPS, WETHERS, STORE LAMBS, HOGGS & GOATS (472)

There was a good entry of cull & store sheep, which sold to an excellent trade throughout again,

The meated ewes remain very dear trade which is being helped by the excellent amount of competition from the buyers we have a Kington. We have a high entry of thinner and hill ewes this week which sold to an excellent trade. There are now a number of buyers looking for grazing ewes, which is helping the thinner ewe trade.

The buyers will be looking for cull sheep running up to the Ethnic festival in the middle of July.

We have excellent demand from 8 buyers on a weekly basis with a good trade and premiums paid to the best meated sheep.

A number of sheep over £100 per head again

The best meated ewes sold regularly from £115 to £148 per head from GV Hardwick and Son

All types of ewes sold to an excellent trade to 8 buyers with a number of the best meated cull sheep regularly selling between £115 and £148 per head depending on type for the stronger sorts and averaged an excellent £87 per head for the quality of sheep we had on the day.

The buyers are currently requiring all kinds of cull sheep for their orders, if you have any cull sheep it is a good time to get them sold.

Continental x and strong ewes averaged £120 per head and sold up to £148 per head
Mule type ewes averaged £92 per head and sold up to £120 per head.

Welsh, Speckle and smaller hill type ewes averaged £75 per head and sold up to £95 per head.

Tups averaged an excellent £96 per head up to £116 per head

Hoggets sold to £100 per head

We have 8 buyers wanting to buy cull sheep on a weekly basis.

Our trade is as strong as anywhere on all types, we require good entries each week to meet buyers demand

McCartneys at Kington, offer an on-farm livestock grading and marketing advice service on a free of charge basis.

CORONAVIRUS

We are holding fat and store markets on our normal days on a drop and go basis..

May I thank everyone for adhering to these regulations and for your support with each sale it is greatly appreciated. If you have any queries please do not hesitate in contacting me on 07974143336 or on market days 01544 231154

FARM ASSURANCE AND GREEN FORMS

Please could all livestock entries be accompanied with a completed green form with correct and up to date farm assurance details on. If you are selling livestock which is stated that it is farm assurance then the details must be valid and up to date. Some sheep buyers can only buy farm assure stock and if they are found to be not assured after the sale or worse in the abattoir they will not process the sheep nor pay for them. If you have a farm assurance inspection and further information is required then please forward that information to the relevant office as the farm assurance schemes will suspend farm assurances and this then makes the livestock nonfarm assured.

AGRICULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE

McCartneys can offer access to competitive finance from a number of lenders for the purchase of land and property, development opportunities, poultry buildings and renewable energy projects etc. Please contact Gareth Wall for further information.

McCARTNEYS COLLECTIVE MACHINERY SALE AT THE BEECH, LITTLE HEREFORD, LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

Our next collective machinery sale with poultry, plants and fur will be held on Saturday 31st July 2021 at 11am with poultry followed by machinery and items.

We had an excellent sale at the end of June.

We invite entries for this sale, please send entries to the following.

Gareth Wall on 07974 143336

Michael Thomas on 07890 898239

FARM BUSINESS COMPLIANCE SERVICE

McCartneys are launching a new farm business compliance service to assist farmers regarding the completion of records and documentation required for Basic Payment Scheme Cross Compliance, Farm Assurance and other statutory requirements.

This service will include the completing of the following documentation for the RPA and Welsh Assembly.

- * Records and documentation for BPS cross compliance.
- * NVZ documentation
- * Personal Guidance and support during inspections
- * Under taking appeals against RPA and Welsh Assembly
- * Mapping Issues
- * BPS applications
- * Greening and EFA advice and calculations
- * Agreements for the letting of land
- * Countryside Stewardship, Glastir and other grant scheme applications
- * Farm assurance documentation.
- * Environment Agency/ Natural Resources Wales issues

For further advice please contact

Gareth Wall, Beth Hanson or Amelia Crofts Hill on 01544 230316

FARMS AND LAND WANTED

We have a number of enquiries for potential purchasers to buy farms and land in the Herefordshire, Shropshire and Mid Wales area. If you are considering selling please contact us for a confidential appraisal. Please contact Gareth Wall on 07974 143336.

ELECTRIC CABLES AND WATER PIPE LINES

The utility providers are under taking works of repair and renewal of electricity and telephone lines in the area and also water pipe lines. As a landowner or tenant of land which is affected you are entitled to compensation. If you are affected we can undertake the compensation claim on your behalf and the utility company also pays our fees in addition to the compensation claimed on your behalf.

GRANT SCHEMES

There are a number of grant schemes and stewardship schemes which have just opened in England and Wales. For full information and guidance on applying please contact Gareth Wall, Beth Hanson or Amelia Crofts Hill.

FARM FOR SALE

We have been favoured with instructions to offer for sale by informal tender Yew Tree Farm Letton Herefordshire on behalf of Mr and Mrs P Roberts.

Tew Tree Farm is an immaculate 32.11 acre holding with a good 5 bedroomed farm house, a large range of traditional and modern farm buildings and 32.11 acres of level arable and grass land. The farm is offered for sale as a whole or in two lots. Lot1 is the farm house buildings and 22.98 acres and Lot 2 is 9.13 acres of land.

Informal tenders close on Friday 6th August at mid-day.

Further details from Gareth Wall on 07974 143336

STANDING STRAW FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY

We have 60 acres of excellent winter wheat straw for sale at Monkland, Leominster in lots ranging from 4 acres to 17 acres.

10 acres of Triticale standing straw at Kington.

Further details from Gareth Wall on 07974143336

Further enquiries regarding the above please contact:

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Gareth Wall - 07974 143 336

Beth Hanson - 07947 356 668

Ameila Crofts Hill - 07870 311885

David Morgan – Field Officer - 07779 360 874