

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (September, 24th) sold 1,096 store cattle at their annual show and sale of Aberdeen Angus, native and continental store cattle sponsored by Brogan Fuels.

The judge, Mr H. Milne, Upperton, Fyvie, Turriff, awarded the continental champion to a 510kg Charolais cross heifer from Messrs K & J Grant, 2 Lochend, Barrock, Thurso, realising £1,200. The continental reserve was a 535kg Limousin cross bullock also from 2 Lochend, Barrock, realising £1,310. In the Aberdeen Angus section, the champion prize went to a 525kg bullock from Messrs Home Farms, Oldtown of Leys, Inverness, realising £1,200, and the reserve to a 505kg heifer from Messrs W MacIver & Co., Flowerburn Mains, Fortrose, realising £1,120.

Other prizes awarded:

Aberdeen Angus bullock

1st prize – Oldtown of Leys

2nd prize – Oldtown of Leys

Aberdeen Angus heifer

1st prize – Flowerburn Mains

2nd prize – Stemster mains, Halkirk

Continental x bullocks

1st prize – 2 Lochend

2nd prize – Oldtown of Leys

Continental x heifer

1st prize – 2 Lochend

2nd prize – 141 Burnside, Kinlochbervie

Aberdeen Angus bullocks (266) averaged 221.8p and sold to 238.9p per kg for a pen of 404kg crosses from Smerral Farm, Bower, and £1,420 gross for a pen of 602kg crosses also from Rattar Mains, Thurso.

Aberdeen Angus heifers (128) averaged 205.4p and sold to 233.2p per kg for a pen of 446kg crosses from Stemster Mains, Halkirk, and £1,150 gross for 505kg crosses also from Stemster Mains.

Other native bred bullocks (88) averaged 208.9p and sold to 233.7 per kg for a pen of 505kg Shorthorn crosses from Achvarasdal Farm, Reay, and £1,420 gross for a 715kg Shorthorn cross from Rattar Mains.

Other native bred heifers (31) averaged 194.9p and sold to 222p per kg for a pair of 572kg Shorthorn crosses from Woodlands, Dingwall, and £1,300 gross for a pair of 615kg Shorthorn crosses also from Woodlands.

Continental bullocks (291) averaged 224.7p and sold to 271.8p per kg for a 390kg Limousin cross from 2 Forss, Thurso, and £1,400 gross for a 635kg Limousin cross from Sunnylea, Balblair.

Continental heifers (292) averaged 212.2p and sold to 271.2p per kg for a 365kg British Blue cross from Station Farm, Scotscauder, and £1,400 gross for a 580kg Limousin cross from 7 Balranald, Lochmaddy.

Cow with male calf (2) sold to £1,600 for a Shorthorn cross from The Antlers, Occumster.

Breeding bulls (2) sold to £1,320 for a Simmental from Kinnahaird, Contin.

“An excellent show of cattle sold extremely well ahead of expectations.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

Aberdeen Angus bullocks up to 300kg – Kinnabad, Bonar Bridge, 216.7p; **301-350kg** - Scottag, Watten, £705, 213.6p
351-400kg – Scottag, £860, North Calder, Halkirk, 220.1p; **401-450kg** – Stemster Mains, £980, Mountpleasant, Rosemarkie, & Scottag, 220.5p; **451-500kg** – Longoe Farm, Mey, £1,160, 233.9p; **501-550kg** – Stemster Mains, £1,220, Rattar Mains, 234.6p; **551-600kg** – Stemster Mains, £1,330, 235.5p; **601-650kg** – Longoe Farm, £1,400, Rattar Mains, 235.9p; **651-700kg** – Stemster Mains, £1,410, 213p.

Aberdeen Angus heifers up to 400kg – Scottag, £790; **401-450kg** – Stemster Mains, £1,040, Smerral Farms, 216.3p; **451-500kg** – Stemster Mains, £1,080, 255.5p; **501-550kg** – Oldtown of Leys, £1,070, 197.4p.

Other native bred bullocks up to 400kg – Lower Gartally, Lewiston, £820, 217 The Doll, Brora, 226.8p; **401-450kg** – Achley, Dornoch, £960, 217.3p; **451-500kg** – Achley, £1,100, 224.5p; **501-550kg** – Achvarasdal Farm, Reay, & Greenvale, Dunnet, £1,180, 1 Skail, 225.7p; **551-600kg** – Achvarasdal Farm, £1,330, 229.3p; **over 601kg** – 1 Skail, Dounreay, £1,350, 219.5p.

Other native bred heifers up to 400kg – 217 The Doll, Brora, £860, 217.7p; **401-450kg** – 1 Skail, £860, 209.4p; **451-500kg** – 1 Skail, £1,000, 217.4p; **501-550kg** – Woodlands, £1,070, 209p; **over 551kg** – Woodlands, £1,270, 211.4p.

Continental and other bullocks up to 400kg – 2 Forss, £1,060, Feabait Farm, Muir of Ord, 259p; **401-450kg** – 217 The Doll, £1,120, 251.7p; **451-500kg** – 2 Forss, £1,200, 263.7p; **501-550kg** – 2 Lochend, & Springfield, Culbokie, £1,310, 2 Lochend, 244.9p; **551-600kg** – Coul of Fairburn, Urray, £1,340, 231p; **Over 601kg** – 7 Balranald, Lochmaddy, £1,300, Sunnylea, 220.5p.

Continental and other heifers up to 400kg – Station Road, £990, Lyne of Urchany, Geddes, 226.9p; **401-450kg** – Kennachy, Forss, £1,030, 236.8p; **451-500kg** – Leidichruich, Heights of Docharty, £1,160, 246.8p; **501-550kg** – 2 Lochend, £1,290, 252.9p.

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DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (September, 24th) sold 50 OTM cattle.

OTM prime cows (43) averaged 138.9p and sold to 200p per kg and £1,190 gross for a 595kg Limousin cross from 2 Forss, Thurso.

OTM heifers (7) averaged 155.9p and sold to 181.4p per kg for a 590kg Simmental cross from Kirkton Farms, Inverness, and £1,250 gross for a 785kg Limousin cross from 1 Ahmore, Lochmaddy.

Other leading prices per head

OTM prime cows: Wester Rarichie, Nigg, (StabX) £1,170; Kirkton Farms, (LimX), £1,150; Balintraid & Kinrhive Farms, Invergordon, (AAX), 13 Nether Inshes, Inverness, (LimX), £1,110.

OTM heifers: Kirkton Farms, (SimX), £1,070; Coulmore, North Kessock, (AAX), £970.

Other leading prices per kg

OTM prime cows: 13 Nether Inshes, (LimX), 158.6p; Wester Rarichie, (AAX), 155.7p; Monkstadt, Portree, (SimX) 153.2p.

OTM heifers: Coulmore, (AAX), 178.9p; 1 Ahmore, (LuX), 159.2p.