

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (March, 4th) sold 433 store cattle, 10 adult head of breeding cattle and 43 OTM cattle.

Bullocks (262) averaged 257.5p and sold to 301.8p per kg for a 275kg British Blue cross from Dunmaglass Estate, and £1,380 gross for a pair of 660kg Aberdeen Angus crosses from Muirend Croft, Auldearn.

Heifers (169) averaged 239.8p and sold to 325p per kg for 280kg Limousin crosses from Balvullich, Muir of Ord and £1,140 gross for 481kg Charolais crosses from Kindeace, Alness.

In-calf cows (10) sold to £1,240 gross for a Simmental cross from Fairview, Nethy Bridge.

OTM prime & feeding cows (39) averaged 132.4p per kg and sold to 165.6p per kg for a 610kg Limousin cross from Strone Farm, and £1,210 gross for an 815kg Limousin cross from Kinchyle Farm, Scaniport.

OTM bulls (3) sold to 95.8p per kg and £890 gross for a Limousin from Westburn, Murkle.

“An excellent show of quality cattle met an extremely firm demand.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

Bullocks up to 250kg – Keppoch Farms, Roy Bridge, £700, Balvullich, 300p; **251-300kg** – Dunmaglass Estate, £830, Kirkton Farms, 292.9p; **301-350kg** – Balvullich, £1010, 288.6p; **351-400kg** – Wester Tomloan, Ardclach, £1160, 297.4p; **401-450kg** – Ardnagrask, Muir of Ord, £1240, Druid Temple Farm, Inverness, 294.5p; **451-500kg** – Strone Farm, Fort William, £1290, Milton of Culloden, Inverness, 264.2p; **501-550kg** – Kindeace, £1300, 259.5p; **551-600kg** – Milton of Culloden, £1360, Muirend Croft, 234.8p; **Over 601kg** – Muirend Croft, £1380, The Cloy, Fortrose, 214.5p.

Heifers up to 250kg – Erchite, Dores, £740, 168 West Helmsdale, 297.3p; **251-300kg** – Balvullich, £910, Strone Farm, 317.2p; **301-350kg** – Tofts of Tain, Castletown, £910, 298.4p; **351-400kg** – Chapelpark Farm, Kingussie, £1010, Kirkton Farms, 276.5p; **401-450kg** – Ardnagrask, £1130, 253.9p; **451-500kg** – Conan Mains, Conon Bridge, £1100, 238.1p.

Other leading prices per head:

OTM cows: Newlands of Clans, Loch Flemington, (SimX), and 6 Balnabeen, Conon Bridge, (SalX), £1,170.00; 6 Balnabeen, (LimX), £1,130.00; Keppoch Farm, Dundonnell, (Sho), £1090.00.

Other leading prices per kg

OTM cows: Udale, Poyntzfield, (SimX), 159p; Udale, (BRB), 157.4p; Meikle Phoineas, Beauly, (LimX), 156.8p.