

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (October, 14th) sold 1630 weaned calves at their second annual district ballot show and sale.

The judge, Mr G. Anderson, Auchenthalrig, Fochabers, awarded the overall champion of the Barclays Haulage sponsored show to a nine month old British Blue cross bullock from the Firm of J. Munro & Son, Invercharron, Ardgay, scaling in at 400kg and realising £950 gross. The reserve champion was a 360kg, six month old Limousin cross bullock from Mr C. Mackay, Westburn, Caithness, weighing 360kg and realising £1,010 to Jamie Fraser, Tore Mains.

Bullocks (968) averaged 245.2p and sold to 360p per kg for 300kg Charolais cross from Invercharron, Strathconon, and £1,110 gross on four occasions, for a pen of 400kg Charolais crosses from Mayfield, Scrabster, a 550kg Limousin cross from 186 Migdale, Bonar Bridge, a 440kg Charolais cross from Gorthleck Mains, Gorthleck, and a 375kg Charolais cross from Abersky, Torness.

Heifers (662) averaged 225.7p and sold to 386.9p per kg for a 305kg Limousin cross from Dunmaglass Estate, Dores, and £1,300 gross twice for a 345kg British Blue cross from Invercharron, Ardgay, and a 350kg Limousin cross from Dunmaglass Estate.

Full prize list

South East Sutherland & Caithness

1st – Firm of J. Munro & Son, Invercharron, 400kg, £950; 2nd - Mr C. Mackay, Westburn, Murkle, 360kg, £1,080

Black Isle

1st – Messrs W. Maclver & Co, Flowerburn Mains, 365kg, £900

Inverness

1st – Mr D. Dalgetty, 21 Cabrich, Kirkhill, 390kg, £1,020; 2nd - Messrs Dunmaglass Estate, Inverness, 305kg, £1,180

Nairn & Speyside

1st – Messrs W. F. Cruikshank & Son, Clury, 300kg, £920; 2nd – Messrs H. Mackay & Son, Wester Tomloan, Ardclach, 350kg, £1,030

Mid Ross

1st – Mrs J. Cameron, Invercharron, 300kg, £1,080; 2nd – Messrs John P. Clark Ltd., Kinnahaird, 405kg, £1,020

Overall Champion

Firm of J. Munro & Son, Invercharron

Reserve Champion

Mr C. Mackay, Westburn, Murkle

“Quality growthy calves sold extremely well, others generally at satisfactory rates.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

South East Sutherland & Caithness: Bullocks up to 200kg – Berry Croft, Harpsdale, £450, 243.2p; **201-250kg** – Westburn, Murkle, £760, 320.6p; **251-300kg** – Westburn, £920, 311.9p; **301-350kg** – Mayfield, Scrabster, £920, 280.5p; **351-400kg** – Mayfield, £1110, Westburn, 280.6p; **401-450kg** – Smerral, Bower, £1020, 245.8p; **451-500kg** – 250 Rearquhar, Dornoch, £1080, 216.9p; **501-550kg** – 243 Rearquhar, Dornoch, £1080, 209.7p.

Heifers up to 200kg – The Rowans, Brora, £440, 225.6p; **201-250kg** – Westburn, £800, 372.1p; **251-300kg** – Westburn, £900, 321.4p; **301-350kg** – Invercharron, £1300, 376.8p; **351-400kg** – 250 Rearquhar, £880, 222.8p; **401-450kg** – Smerral, £935, 214.1p; **451-500kg** – 186 Migdale, Bonar Bridge, £1020, 204.3p; **551-600kg** – 186 Migdale, £1180, 201.7p.

Black Isle: Bullocks up to 200kg – Bogburn, Duncanston, £480, 266.6p; **201-250kg** – Braefindon, Culbokie, £580, 263.6p; **251-300kg** – Flowerburn Mains, £670, 232.6p; **301-350kg** – Flowerburn Mains, £820, 257.9p; **351-400kg** – Flowerburn Mains, £900, 246.6p; **401-450kg** – Beehive, Duncanston, £990, 244.4p.

Heifers up to 200kg – Bogburn, £435, 255.9p; **251-300kg** – Beehive, £650, Bogburn, 239.2p; **301-350kg** – Beehive, £760, 217.1p.

Inverness & South: Bullocks up to 200kg – Dunlichity, Farr, £580, 300.52p; **201-250kg** – Gorthleck Mains, £700, 307.2p; **251-300kg** – Gorthleck Mains, £920, 322.8p; **301-350kg** – Upperton, Glenurquhart, Dell Farm, Whitebridge, and Dunmaglass Estate, £900, Dunmaglass Estate, 290.3p; **351-400kg** – Abersky, Torness, £1110, 296p; **401-450kg** – Gorthleck Mains, £1110, Milton Farm, Aberarder, 254.3p; **451-500kg** – Little Croy, Croy, £1100, 241.7p.

Heifers up to 200kg – Dunlichity, £540, 284.2p; **201-250kg** – Dunmaglass Estate, £710, 289.8p; **251-300kg** – Dunmaglass Estate, £800, Abersky, 278.5p; **301-350kg** – Dunmaglass Estate, £1300, 386.8p; **351-400kg** – Guisachan, Cannich, £880, 224.4p; **401-450kg** – Milton Farm, £1020, 254.3p.

Nairn & Speyside: Bullocks 201-250kg – Clury, £680, 288.1p; **251-300kg** – Clury, £920, Fornightly, Lethen, 318.5p; **301-350kg** – Wester Tomloan, Ardclach, £1030, Alvie Estate, Kincaig, 298.4p; **351-400kg** – Drumgask, Laggan, £950, Wester Tomloan, 254.1p; **401-450kg** – Dell of Killiehuntly, Kingussie, and Wester Tomloan, £1030, Wester Tomloan, 246.4p; **451-500kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1080, 227.3p.

Heifers 201-250kg – Drumgask, £450; **251-300kg** – Castle Grant, Dulnain Bridge, £800, 272.1p; **301-350kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1000, 298.5p; **351-400kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1100, 297.3p; **401-450kg** – Dell of Killiehuntly, £870, 203.2p.

Mid Ross: Bullocks up to 200kg – Dorrachan, Delny, £330, 203.7p; **201-250kg** – Achentoul Farms, Edderton, £660, Conan Mains, Conon Bridge, 284.4p; **251-300kg** – Invercharron, £1080, 360p; **301-350kg** – 9 Lochussie, Dingwall, £930, 278.1p; **351-400kg** – Kinnahaird, £1000, 257.2p; **401-450kg** – Kinnahaird, and Muirton Mains, Urray, £1020, Kinnahaird, 251.8p; **451-500kg** – Muirton Mains, £1040, 217.1p.

Heifers 201-250kg – Achentoul Farms, £524, 253.3p; **251-300kg** – Conan Mains, £760, 269.2p; **301-350kg** – Conan Mains, £940, 280.6p; **351-400kg** – Muirton Mains, £930, 233.6p.