

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (October, 5th) sold 816 weaned calves at their first annual district ballot show and sale.

The show champion sponsored by Barclays Transport, Portsoy was awarded to an eight month old Charolais cross bullock from Corriebheinn Farms, Portree, Isle of Skye, scaling in at 365kg and realising £1,000 gross. The reserve champion was a 245kg, six month old British Blue cross bullock from Mr D. Grant, Slattadale, Lochmaree, which realised £780.

Bullocks (455) averaged 245.2p (242.3p last year) and sold to 351.5p per kg for a 202kg Limousin cross from 4 Bualnaluib, Aultbea and £1,000 gross for the champion which was a 365kg Charolais cross from Corriebheinn Farms. **Heifers (361)** averaged 231.9p (224.7p last year) and sold to 320.0p per kg for a Limousin cross from Corriebheinn Farms and £840 gross for a pair of 360kg Charolais crosses from 4 Bualnaluib.

Full prize list

North West Sutherland

1st – Messrs Croick Estate, Ardgay, 340kg, £780

2nd – Messrs Croick Estate, 308kg, £700

North West Ross

1st – Mr D. Grant, Slattadale, Lochmaree, 245kg, £780

2nd – Mr D. Maclean, 4 Bualnaluib, Aultbea, 300kg, £800

Islands

1st – Messrs Corriebheinn Farms, Portree, 365kg, £1000

2nd – M. A. MacDonald, Meadle, Struan, 265kg, £750

Overall Champion

Messrs Corriebheinn Farms, Portree

Reserve Champion

Mr D. Grant, Slattadale, Lochmaree

“Top quality calves met keen rates. Smaller and weathered calves also sold well.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

North West Sutherland & Caithness: Bullocks up to 200kg – 68 Foindle, Lairg, £520, 276.6p; **201-250kg** – Croick Estate, Ardgay, £620, 263.8p; **251-300kg** – Croick Estate, £690, 250.9p; **301-350kg** – Carrol Farm, Brora, £830, 253.1p; **351-400kg** – 16 Achnairn, Shinness, £750, 198.4p.

Heifers up to 200kg – 68 Foindle, £500, 260.4p; **201-250kg** – 1 & 2 Achnabourin, Strathnaver, £455, 195.3p; **251-300kg** – Croick Estate, £620, 236.6p; **301-350kg** – Lingland, Occumster, £740, 238.7p; **351-400kg** – Stirkoke, Wick, £630, 179.5p.

North West Ross: Bullocks up to 200kg – Keppoch Farm, Dundonnell, £580, Tournaig Estate, Poolewe, 315.5p; **201-250kg** – Slattadale, £780, 4 Bualnaluib, 326.7p; **251-300kg** – 4 Bualnaluib & Keppoch Farm, £810, Keppoch Farm, 280.1p; **301-350kg** – 12 Bualnaluib, Aultbea, £810, 254.7p; **351-400kg** – Keppoch Farm, £920, Slattadale, 250.0p; **401-450kg** – 4 Bualnaluib, £880, 214.6p.

Heifers up to 200kg – Tournaig Estate & Keppoch Farm, £520, Keppoch Farm, 284.2p; **201-250kg** – Keppoch Farm, £680, 284.5p; **251-300kg** – 4 Bualnaluib, £660, 232.7p; **301-350kg** – Keppoch Farm, £810, 258.0p; **351-400kg** – 3 Braes, Inverasdale, £740, 4 Bualnaluib, 233.3p.

Islands: Bullocks up to 200kg – Monkstadt, Portree, £590, 326.0p; **201-250kg** – Tote House, Portree, £650, 302.3p; **251-300kg** – Meadle, Struan, £780 (twice), Monkstadt, 277.0p; **301-350kg** – 1 & 2 Ose, Struan, £705, 227.4p; **351-400kg** – 4 Eynort, Carbost, £890, Corriebheinn Farms, 274.0p; **401-450kg** – Meadle, £860, 207.2p.

Heifers up to 200kg – Burnside Croft, Portree, £570, Monkstadt, 313.0p; **201-250kg** – Tote House, £700, 289.3p; **251-300kg** – Corriebheinn Farms, £760, Meadle, 283.0p; **301-350kg** – Meadle, £770, 244.4p; **351-400kg** – 5 North Duntulm, Portree, £500, 140.9p.

South West Ross & Inverness: Bullocks up to 200kg – Dunlichity Farm, Farr, £435, 267.7p; **201-250kg** – Driseach, Plockton, £695, 289.6p; **251-300kg** – Tullochard, Glenelg, £760, 286.8p; **301-350kg** – 9 Balmacara, Kyle of Lochalsh, £750, 221.9p; **351-400kg** – Fornightly Farm, Lethen, £880, 220.0p; **401-450kg** – Croft 101, Drumbuie, £870, 212.2p.

Heifers up to 200kg – 2 Station Road, Plockton, £480, Dunlichity Farm, 241.4p; **201-250kg** – Dunlichity Farm, £525, Driseach, 257.4p; **251-300kg** – Croft 101, £590, 9 Balmacara, 217.7p; **301-350kg** – Croft 101, £770, Rootfield West, Mulbuie, 220.9p.

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (5th October) sold 32 OTM cattle.

OTM prime and feeding cows, (32) averaged 110.8p and sold to 143.8p per kg and £1,150 gross for an 800kg Aberdeen Angus cross from Calrossie Mains, Nigg.

Other leading prices per head:

OTM cows: Calrossie Mains, (AAX), £1,110; Muirton Mains, Urray, (SimX), £1,070; Rhychraggan Farm, Drumadrochit, (ShoX), £910.

Other leading prices per kg:

OTM cows: Tournaig Estate, (LimX), 137.4p; Muirton Mains, (SimX), 134.6p; Rhychraggan Farm, (ShoX), 127.3p.

