

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (October, 12th) sold 1638 weaned calves at their second annual district ballot show and sale.

The judge, Mr D. Fraser, Easter Clune, Lethen, awarded the overall champion of the NFU Mutual (Dingwall Branch) sponsored show to a six month old Limousin cross heifer from W. O. Kennedy, 189 Fleucharry, Dornoch, scaling in at 280kg and realising £1,250. The reserve champion was a 390kg, nine month old Limousin cross bullock from Messrs W. F. Cruickshank & Sons, Clury Farm, Dulnain Bridge, weighing 390kg and realising £980.

Bullocks (974) averaged 244.9p and sold to 362.5p per kg for a 160kg Limousin cross from 5A Ormlie Hill, Thurso, and £1,270 for a 415kg Limousin cross from Wester Tomloan, Ardclach.

Heifers (664) averaged 237.3p and sold to 446.4p per kg for the champion a 280kg Limousin cross from 189 Fleucharry, Dornoch, and £1,410 for a 360kg Limousin cross from Wester Tomloan.

Full prize list

Mid Ross

1st – Achentoul Farms, 260kg, £800; 2nd – Achentoul Farms, 325kg, £880.

South East Sutherland and Caithness

1st – Mr W. O. Kennedy, 189 Fleucharry, 280kg, £1,250; 2nd – Firm of J. Munro, Invercharron, 295kg, £920.

Black Isle

1st – Messrs Conan Mains Farms, Conon Bridge, 355kg, £1,060; 2nd - Messrs Conan Mains Farms, 350kg, £1,020.

Inverness

1st – Messrs Culmill Partners, Kiltarlity, 295kg, £800; 2nd – Messrs Shewglie Farmers, Glenurquhart, 275kg, £700.

Nairn & Speyside

1st – Messrs W. F. Cruickshank, Clury Farm, 390kg, £980; 2nd – Messrs Hugh MacKay, Wester Tomloan, 415kg, £1,270.

Overall Champion

Mr W. O. Kennedy, 189 Fleucharry

Reserve Champion

Messrs W. F. Cruickshank, Clury Farm

“Quality growthy calves sold met a very strong demand, older stirks and plainer calves a bit more hesitant.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

Mid Ross: Bullocks up to 200kg – Peallaig, Dingwall, £220, 146.7p; **201-250kg** – Achentoul Farms, £750, 319.2p; **251-300kg** – Kinnahaird Farm, Contin, £1000, 350.9p; **301-350kg** – 9 Lochussie, Dingwall, £920, 285.7p; **351-400kg** – 9 Lochussie, £970, 262.2p; **401-450kg** – Kinnahaird Farm, £1020, 235.6p; **451-500kg** – Leidichruich, Heights of Dochcarty, £980, Muirton Mains, Urray, 210.5p; **501-550kg** – Leidichruich, £1100, 209.5p.

Heifers up to 250kg – 9 Lochussie, £600 (twice), 263.2p; **251-300kg** – 9 Lochussie, £810, Achentoul Farms, 325.9p; **301-350kg** – 9 Lochussie, £680, Muirton Mains, 221.9p; **351-400kg** – 9 Lochussie, £840, 228.4p; **401-450kg** – Muirton Mains, £1140, 265.1p; **451-500kg** – 9 Lochussie, £840, 178.7p; **501-550kg** – Muirton Mains, £1070, 213.2p.

South East Sutherland and Caithness: Bullocks up to 200kg – 5A Ormlie Hill, Thurso, £580, 320.0p; **201-250kg** – 5A Ormlie Hill, £720, 301.3p; **251-300kg** – Invercharron, £920, 311.9p; **301-350kg** – Clyth Mains, Occumster, £890, 282.5p; **351-400kg** – The Rowans, Brora, £960, Mayfield, Scrabster, 260.2p; **401-450kg** – Mayfield, £1020, 245.8p; **451-500kg** – Longoe Farm, Mey, £1010, 222.0p.

Heifers up to 200kg – 5A Ormlie Hill, £590, 307.3p; **201-250kg** – Invercharron, £640, Drummuie Farm, Golspie, 260.9p; **251-300kg** – Tacher, Latheron, £780, Invercharron, 283.0p; **301-350kg** – The Rowans, £1020, 304.5p; **351-400kg** – Smerral Farm, Bower and Mayfield, £840, Mayfield, 236.0p; **401-450kg** – 250 Rearquhar, Dornoch, £890 (twice), 219.8p.

Black Isle: Bullocks up to 250kg – Conan Mains, Conon Bridge, £740, 300.0p; **251-300kg** – Conan Mains, £810, 290.7p; **301-350kg** – Conan Mains, £1020, 291.4p; **351-400kg** – Conan Mains, £1060, 298.6p; **401-450kg** – Eilburn, Conon Bridge, £890, 219.8p; **451-500kg** – Eilburn, £1100, 229.2p.

Heifers up to 250kg – Conan Mains, £660, 283.3p; **251-300kg** – Conan Mains, £790, 265.1p; **301-350kg** – Conan Mains, £860, Eilburn, 263.2p; **351-400kg** – Eilburn, £740, 208.5p; **401-450kg** – Braefindon Farm, Culbokie, £780, 180.6p

Inverness: Bullocks up to 200kg – Balloan, Farr, £490, 247.5p; **201-250kg** – Balloan, £680, Dunlichity Farm, Farr, 276.9p; **251-300kg** – Dell Farm (Junor), Farr, £810, 280.3p; **301-350kg** – Milton Farm, Aberarder, £915, Abersky, Torness, £275.1p; **351-400kg** – Dell Farm (MacPherson), Whitebridge, £980, 275.3p; **401-450kg** – Balmaglaster Farm, South Laggan and Ballachraggan, Torness, £1040, Ballachraggan, 252.4p; **451-500kg** – Milton Farm, £1100, 230.6p. **Heifers up to 200kg** – Dunlichity Farm, £475, 263.9p; **201-250kg** – Balloan, £740, 300.8p; **251-300kg** – Dell Farm (Junor), £770, 287.3p; **301-350kg** – Milton Farm, £850, 256.8p; **351-400kg** – Milton Farm, £935, Guisachan Farm, Tomich, 253.5p; **401-450kg** – Little Croy Farm, Croy, £1120, 248.9p; **451-500kg** – Milton Farm, £980, Balloan, 207.4p.

Nairn and Speyside: Bullocks up to 250kg – Clury Farm, £700, 307.0p; **251-300kg** – Clury Farm and Alvie Estate, Kincaig, £830, Clury Farm, 307.7p; **301-350kg** – Castle Grant Home Farm, Grantown on Spey, £890, 290.9p; **351-400kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1020, 268.4p; **401-450kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1190, 306.0p.

Heifers up to 250kg – Alvie Estate, £600, 244.9p; **251-300kg** – Castle Grant Home Farm, £850, 294.1p; **301-350kg** – Wester Tomloan, £870, 285.3p; **351-400kg** – Castle Grant Home Farm, £1060, Wester Tomloan, 391.7p; **401-450kg** – Wester Tomloan, £1000, 241.0p.