

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (March, 1st) sold 333 store cattle and 3 adult head of breeding cattle.

Bullocks (172) averaged 234.5p and sold to 290.6p per kg for a pen of 265kg Limousin crosses from Kirkton Farms, Bunchrew, and £1,285 gross for a 585kg British Shorthorn cross from Penick Farm, Auldearn.

Heifers (159) averaged 229.8p and sold to 276.0p per kg for a pair of 250kg Limousin crosses from Easter Aberchalder, Gorthleck, and £1,155 gross for a pen of 565kg Blonde D'aquitaine crosses from Penick Farm.

Young bulls (2) averaged 186.3p per kilo and sold to 202.8p per kg for a 360kg Limousin cross from Easter Aberchalder and £1,180 gross for a 665kg Limousin cross from Kirkton Farms.

Breeding cattle (3) sold to £1,000 gross for a Limousin bull from Easter Aberchalder.

"A good quality show saw prices similar and in some cases slightly dearer than the keen rates of the last sale."

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

Bullocks up to 250kg – 5 Drynoch, Carbost, £640, 261.2p; **251-300kg** – Kirkton Farms, £770, 5 Drynoch, 262.4p; **301-350kg** – Kirkton Farms, £860, 267.1p; **351-400kg** – Pitmain Farm, Kingussie, £1050, 268.5p; **401-450kg** – Pitmain Farm, £1060, 245.4p; **451-500kg** – Glebe Farm, Kiltarlity, £1175, Pitmain Farm, 252.2p; **501-550kg** – Easter Aberchalder, £1240, Meikle Ussie, Dingwall, £225.7p; **551-600kg** – Easter Aberchalder, £1170, Penick Farm, 219.7p; **601-650kg** – Easter Aberchalder, £1280, 211.6p.

Heifers up to 250kg – Easter Aberchalder, £690, Whitebog, Rosemarkie, 268.7p; **251-300kg** – Meddat Farm, Kildary, £740, Kirkton Farms, 275.2p; **301-350kg** – Pitmain Farm, £870, 257.6p; **351-400kg** – Kirkton Farms, £990, 251.9p; **401-450kg** – Pitmain Farm, £1060, 254.2p; **451-500kg** – Mulchaich, Conon Bridge, £1040, Cullisse, Nigg, 217.2p; **501-550kg** – Glebe Farm, £1110, 213.5p; **551-600kg** – Milton of Connage, Ardersier, £1060, Penick Farm, 204.4p.

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (March, 1st) sold 23 OTM cattle.

OTM prime & feeding cows (21) averaged 108.3p and sold to 134.7p per kg for a 735kg Simmental cross from Auchmore Farm, Muir of Ord, and £990 gross thrice for a 805kg British Blue cross and a 795kg Limousin cross from Kindeace, Alness and also for a 735kg Simmental cross from Auchmore Farm.

OTM Bulls (2) sold to 104.1p per kg and £1,010 gross for a Simmental from Meikle Ussie.

Other leading prices per head:

OTM prime & feeding cows: Drynie Farm, Dingwall & Auchmore Farm, (ShoX), £950; Drynie Farm, (ShoX) & Auchmore Farm, (LimX), £910; Torgormack, Beauly, (LimX) & Calrossie Mains, Nigg, (RoX), £830.

Other leading prices per kg

OTM prime & feeding cows: Auchmore Farm, (LimX), 130.9p; Auchmore Farm, (ShoX), 130.1p; Kindeace, Alness, (LimX), 124.5p; Torgormack, Beauly, (LimX), 123.9p; Kindeace, (BRB), 123.0p; Drynie Farm, (ShoX), 116.7p; Calrossie Mains, (RoX), 112.2p.