

PORTREE, Dingwall and Highland Marts Ltd., (September, 18th) sold 1,327 weaned calves and store cattle at their annual district ballot show and sale.

The judge, Mr B. Watt, Cairntack Farm, Balmedie, awarded the champion and the D. J. Macdonald (Orbost) Memorial Trophy to a nine month old, 410kg Limousin cross bullock from Mr N. Morrison, 12 Portnalong, Carbost, realising £980. The reserve from Mr. M. Macdonald, Meadle, Struan, was an eight month old 360kg Limousin cross bullock realising £860.

Bullocks (728) averaged 266.4p (-6.2p on the year), and sold to 357.1p per kg for a 210kg Limousin cross from 2 Dunans, Flodigarra, and £1,120 gross for a pair 520kg Aberdeen Angus crosses from Waternish Farm, Waternish

Heifers (599) averaged 256.2p (-7.0p on the year) and sold to 368.4p per kg for a pen of 133kg Limousin crosses from Brae Eynort, Carbost, and £980 gross (twice) for a pair of 450kg Charolais crosses from Gesto Farm, Struan and also for a pair of 400kg Aberdeen Angus crosses from 4 Balnacnoc, Uig.

“Another excellent show of calves sold at last years levels with the exception of plainer more weathered types.”

Leading prices per head and per kg:

Bullocks up to 250kg – Corriebhienn Farms, Portree, £830, Burnside Croft, Portree, 355.8p; **251-300kg** – 11 Kendram, Duntulm, £890, Gesto Farm, 238.1p; **301-350kg** – Meadle, £940, 15 Glenconon, Uig, 296.4p; **351-400kg** – 3 Ardmore, Waternish, £960, 3 Kilvaxter, Kilmuir, 260.0p; **401-450kg** – 4 & 5 Totescore, Portree, & ½ of 6 Linicro, £1,000, 4/5 Totescore, 242.1p; **451-500kg** – 40 Mains, Bernisdale, £980, 208.5p.
Heifers up to 200kg – Farm Managers House, Skeabost, £670, 3 Glengrasco, Portree, 364.7p; **201-250kg** – Peingown, Kilmuir, £770, Corriebheinn Farms, 355.8p; **251-300kg** – Peingown, £830, 15 Glenconon, 310.6p; **301-350kg** – 12 Portnalong, £900, Leabost, Glenhinnisdale, 290.3p; **351-400kg** – 4 Balnacnoc, £940, 245.0p.