

**DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (October, 3<sup>rd</sup>) sold 666 weaned calves at their first annual district ballot show and sale.**

The show champion sponsored by Barclays Transport, Portsoy was awarded to a five month old Limousin cross bullock from Messrs Croick Estate, Ardgay scaling in at 295kg and realising £800 gross. The reserve champion was a 300kg, six month old Limousin cross bullock from Mr D. MacLean, 4 Bualnaluib, Aultbea, which realised £830.

**Bullocks (414)** averaged 220.0p and sold to 322.3p per kg for a pen of four 211kg Charolais crosses from Messrs A. & D. Renwick, Keppoch Farm, Dundonnell and £930 gross for a 480kg Limousin cross from Mr M. MacRae, 9 Balmacara, Kyle of Lochalsh.

**Heifers (242)** averaged 214.9p and sold to 300.0p per kg for a pen of six 170kg Charolais crosses from Mr A. C. Smith, Dunlichity, Farr and £820 gross for a 325kg Limousin cross from Mr R. MacLeod, 12 Bualnaluib, Aultbea.

**Young Bulls (10)** averaged 174.4p and sold to 251.6p for a 155kg Simmental cross from Mr C. A. Macdonald, Tote House, Portree and sold to £745 gross for a 345kg Aberdeen Angus from Messrs Strathglass Farms, Cannich.

**Full prize list**

**North West Sutherland**

1<sup>st</sup> – Messrs Croick Estate, 295kg, £800.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Messrs Croick Estate, 243kg, £610.

**North West Ross**

1<sup>st</sup> – Mr D. MacLean, 4 Bualnaluib, 300kg, £830.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Messrs A. & D. Renwick, Keppoch Farm, Dundonnell, 250kg, £690.

**South West Ross & any other Districts**

1<sup>st</sup> – Mr J. A. MacLennan, Driseach, Plockton, 315kg, £700.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Messrs Strathglass Farms, Cannich, 325kg, £710.

**Islands**

1<sup>st</sup> – Druim Torrach Croft, North Uist, 395kg, £855.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Druim Torrach Croft, North Uist, 340kg, £670.

**Overall Champion**

Messrs Croick Estate, 295kg, £800.

**Reserve Champion**

Mr D. Maclean, 4 Bualnaluib, 300kg, £830.

“A mixed show saw trade better than expected with quality calves meeting a satisfactory demand.”

**Other leading prices per head and per kg:**

**North West Sutherland & Caithness: Bullocks up to 200kg** – Croick Estate, Ardgay, £580, 290.0p; **201-250kg** – Balnabruich, Ardgay, £590, 256.5p; **251-300kg** – Croick Estate, £800, 274.3p; **301-350kg** – Keoldale SSC, Durness, £820, 252.3p; **351-400kg** – Tressady, Lairg, £660, Balnabruich, 250.7p.

**Heifers up to 200kg** – Croick Estate, £485, Rheanbreck, Lairg, 228.3p; **201-250kg** – Croick Estate, £610, 251.0p; **251-300kg** – Balnabruich, £635, Croick Estate, 251.0p; **301-350kg** – Keoldale SSC, £800, 262.3p.

**North West Ross: Bullocks up to 200kg** – Keppoch Farm, £560, 302.7p; **201-250kg** – Keppoch Farm, £690, 276.0p; **251-300kg** – Keppoch Farm, £760, Slattadale, 279.1p; **301-350kg** – 12 Bualnaluib, Aultbea, £815, 248.4p; **351-400kg** – Keppoch Farm, £860, 242.3p.

**Heifers up to 200kg** – Keppoch Farm, £520, 281.1p; **251-300kg** – 12 Bualnaluib, £730, Slattadale, 257.7p; **301-350kg** – 34 Midtown, Inverasdale, £740, 12 Bualnaluib, 252.3p; **351-400kg** – 3 Braes, Inverasdale, £700, 177.2p.

**Islands: Bullocks up to 200kg** – Tote house, Isle of Skye, £465, 258.8p; **201-250kg** – Sandamhor, Isle of Eigg, £670, 281.5p; **251-300kg** – Sandamhor, £680, Tote House, 252.8p; **301-350kg** – 17 Hougharry, Lochmaddy, £770, 221.3p; **351-400kg** – 17 Hougharry, £216.5p.

**Heifers up to 200kg** – 7/8 South Duntulm, Isle of Skye, £395, 240.7p; **201-250kg** – 5 Drynoch, Carbost, £510, 514.3p; **251-300kg** – Tote House, £620, 243.1p.

**South West Ross & any other district: Bullocks up to 200kg** – Dunlichity Farm, Farr, £550, 289.5p; **201-250kg** – Ruthven Farm, Ballindalloch, £565, Tullochard, Glenelg, 246.0p; **251-300kg** – Strathglass Farms, Cannich, £685, 234.6p; **301-350kg** – Strathglass Farm, £710, Driseach, Plockton, 222.2p; **351-400kg** – Newlands of Clans, Lochflemington, £730.

**Heifers up to 200kg** – Dunlichity Farm, £510, 276.2p; **201-250kg** – Morile, Tomatin, £500, Dunlichity Farm, 220.4p; **251-300kg** – Eilburn, Conon Bridge, £585, 208.9p; **301-350kg** – Dunlichity Farm, £710, 202.9p.

**DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (3<sup>rd</sup> October) sold 49 OTM cattle.**

**OTM prime and feeding cattle, (49)** sold to 143.6p per kg for a 550kg Shorthorn cross cow from Doneve, Lochcarron, and £990 gross for a 795kg Simmental cross from Auchmore, Muir of Ord.

**Other leading prices per head:**

**OTM cattle:** Auchmore Farm, (SimX), £950; Auchmore Farm, (ShoX), £950; 3 Torlum, Benbecula, (LimX), £890; Balloan, Farr, (CharX), £810; Rhifail, Strathnaver, (AAX), £790.

**Other leading prices per kg:**

**OTM cattle:** Rhifail, (AAX), 136.2p; Auchmore Farm, (ShoX), 134.8p; Auchmore Farm, (SimX), 128.4.