

**DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (September, 19<sup>th</sup>) sold 725 store cattle at their annual show and sale of Aberdeen Angus, native and continental store cattle sponsored by Johnston Carmichael Chartered Accountants, Inverness & Shearwell.** The judge, Mr J McKay, Fletcherfield, Kirriemuir, awarded the Aberdeen Angus champion to a 560kg bullock from Mr M Munro, Balaldie, Fearn, realising £1,360. The Aberdeen Angus reserve was a 465kg bullock from Mr R Sanderson, Smerral, Bower realising £1,180. In the Shorthorn section, the champion prize went to a 545kg bullock from Messrs P & A Harrison, Balliefurth, Granttown On Spey realising £1,210, and the reserve to a 550kg heifer also from Balliefurth realising £1,100.

Other prizes awarded:

Aberdeen Angus bullock: 1<sup>st</sup> – Balaldie; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Smerral.

Aberdeen Angus Heifer: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> – Gaskbeg, Laggan.

Shorthorn Bullock: 1<sup>st</sup> – Balliefurth; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Knockdee, Halkirk.

Shorthorn Heifer: 1<sup>st</sup> - Balliefurth.

Pair of Angus/Shorthorn: 1<sup>st</sup> – Smerral; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Skail, Dounreay.

**Aberdeen Angus bullocks (349)** averaged 220.1p and sold to 253.8p per kg for a 465kg cross from Smerral, Farm, Bower, and £1,360 gross for a 560kg cross from Balaldie Farm, Fearn.

**Aberdeen Angus heifers (158)** averaged 200.3p and sold to 232.8p per kg for a 335kg cross from Gaskbeg, Laggan, and £1,270 gross for a pen of 584kg crosses from Balintraid, Delny.

**Other native bred bullocks (93)** averaged 201.5p and sold to 249.4p per kg for a pen of 385kg Shorthorn crosses from Clatequoy, Thurso and £1,210 gross for a pair of 545kg Shorthorn cross from Balliefurth, Granttown on Spey.

**Other native bred heifers (66)** averaged 181.1p and sold to 225.7p per kg for a pair of 452kg Shorthorn crosses from Balintraid and £1,200 gross for a 560kg Shorthorn cross also from Balintraid.

**Continental bullocks (41)** averaged 208.0p and sold to 243.1p per kg for a 325kg Limousin cross from Trien Croft, Carbost and £1,210 gross for an 545kg Simmental from Barns of Hempriggs, Wick.

**Continental heifers (18)** averaged 209.4p and sold to 223.9p per kg for a pen of 402kg Wagu crosses from Knockdee Farm, Halkirk and £950 gross for a 455kg Limousin cross from Trien Croft.

“A tremendous entry of forward Aberdeen Angus and Shorthorn cattle met a firm enquiry.”

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

**Aberdeen Angus bullocks –301-350kg** – Charleston Farm, Barrock, £800, 229.9p; **351-400kg** – Charleston Farm, £940, 241.0p; **401-450kg** – Wester Fearn, Ardgay, £1,040, 244.1p; **451-500kg** – Smerral Farm, £1180, Skitten, Killimster 232.1p; **501-550kg** – Skitten £1250, Smerral Farm, 237.6p; **551-600kg** – Stempster Mains, £1300, Balaldie Farm 242.9p

**Aberdeen Angus heifers – 251-300kg** – Tullochgorum Farm, £635, 219.0p; **301-350kg** - Gaskbeg, £780, Clatequoy, 208.8p; **351-400kg** Gaskbeg, £870, 232.0p; **401-450kg** – North Calder, Halkirk, £910, 205.9p; **451-500kg** – Laggan of Clachaig, Nethybridge, £1,010, Knockdee Farm, 205.5p; **501-550kg** – Balintraid, £1,100, Stempster Mains, 209.5p; **551-600kg** – Balintraid, £1160, 217.5p.

**Other Native bred bullocks - 201-250kg** - Achley Farm, Dornoch, £400, 186.1p; **251-300kg** – Achley Farm, £510, 192.5p; **301-350kg** – Clatequoy, £775, 226.6p; **351-400kg** – Clatequoy, £960, Achley Farm, 227.0p; **401-450kg** – Laggan of Clachaig, £900, Croft Martin, Kingussie, 216.9p; **451-500kg** - New Croft, Knockfarrel, £985, Tullochgorum Farm, 215.4p; **501-550kg** – Knockdee Farm, £1,140, Balliefurth Farm, 222.0p; **551-600kg** – Balliefurth Farm, £1190, 212.5p.

**Other Native bred heifers – 351-400kg** – Knockdee Farm, £800, 201.5p; **401-450kg** - 3 Dounie, Edderton, £900, 200.9p; **451-500kg** – 3 Dounie, £1,030, Balliefurth Farm, 210.5p; **501-550kg** – Balliefurth Farm, £1,100, 200.0p.

**Continental cross bullocks 251-300kg** - New Cottage Farm, Lyth, £680, 226.7p; **301-350kg** – Trien Croft, £800, 235.3p; **351-400kg** – Trien Croft, £760, 215.9p; **401-450kg** – Milton Croft, Edderton, £900, 208.3p; **451-500kg** – Stempster Mains, £1,080, 220.0p **501-550kg** – Stempster Mains, £1,100, Barns of Hempriggs, 222.0p; **551-600kg** - Barns of Hempriggs, £1050, 184.9p.

**Continental cross heifers 251-300kg** – New Cottage Farm, £520, 174.5p; **301-350kg** – Trien Croft £675, 217.7p; **401-450kg** – Milton Croft, £910, 207.8p;

**DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (September, 20<sup>th</sup>) sold 38 OTM cattle.**

**OTM prime cows (35)** averaged 119.8p and sold to 190.3p per kg and £1,370 gross for a 720kg Aberdeen Angus cross from Balintraid, Delny.

**OTM bullocks (one)** sold to 143.6p per kg and £890 gross for a 620kg British Shorthorn cross from Swordale House, Evanton.

**OTM bulls (2)** sold to 96.7p per kg and £870 gross for a 900kg Simmental from Upper Thrumster, Wick.

Other leading prices per head:

**OTM prime cows:** Upper Thrumster, (SimX), £1,190; Eilburn, Conon Bridge, (Sim), £1,150; Balintraid, (AAX), £1,090; Trien Croft, (LimX), £910; Greenvale, Dunnet, (CharX), £890; Ardjachie, Tain, (WShoX), £890.

Other leading prices per kg:

**OTM prime cows:** Balintraid, (AAX), 158.0p; Achley Farm, (Sim), 150.7p; Trien Croft, (LimX), 144.4p; Barns of Hempriggs, (SimX), 143.6p