

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (April, 24th) sold 22 pedigree bulls at their annual show and sale sponsored by Messrs Mackenzie, Whitebog, Fortrose.

The judge, Mr G Rhind, Newton of Struthers, Kinloss, awarded the supreme overall champion to Knock Nearco, a 23 month old Limousin, from Messrs A & G Howie, West Knock, Peterhead to H I MacKinnon Esq, 6 Heastie Broadford for 3,500gns. The reserve champion went to Caithness Nick a 24 month old Charolais from Messrs D & M Campbell, Lingland, Occumster to W Nicolson Esq, 15 Glenconon, Uig for 4,000gns.

Pedigree bulls (22) sold to a top of 4,000gns for the reserve champion and averaged 2,489gns (£2,613.07).

Other leading prices:

Lim – West Knock, 3,400gns; Clury Farm, Dulnain Bridge, 3,000gns; Easter Aberchalder Estate, Gorthleck, 2,000gns twice; Calrossie Mains, Nigg, 1,800gns; Badrain, Culbokie, 1,750gns.

Sim – Druid Temple Farm, Inverness, 3,100gns; Birchfield, Huntly, 2,400gns; Blackford Farm, Croy, 2,000gns.

Char – Tacher, Latheron, 3,300gns; Mains of Auchmedden, Pennan, 3,000gns, 2,800gns.

Sal – Whitebog, Rosemarkie, 1,450gns.

AA – Inkstack, Thurso, 3,000gns; Wester Fearn, Ardgay, 2,300gns; Balavil Estate, Kingussie, 2,200gns.

BSH – Smallburn Farms, Duffus, 3,400gns; Glenrinnis Estate, Dufftown, 1,900gns.

WSH – Holly House, Conon Bridge, 1,500gns.

Breed averages: 4 Charolais, 3,275gns; 2 British Shorthorn, 2,650gns; 3 Simmental, 2,500gns; 3 Aberdeen Angus, 2,500gns; 7 Limousin, 2,493gns; 1 Whitebred Shorthorn, 1,500gns; 1 Saler, 1,450gns.

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd., (April, 24th) sold 52 adult head of breeding cattle.

Bulling heifers (4) sold to £1,080 gross for an Aberdeen Angus from Orbliston, Fochabers.

Cow with female calf (20) sold to £2,120 gross for a Saler cross from Whitebog.

Cow with male calf (11) sold to £2,050 gross for a Simmental cross from Fanblair Farm, Kiltarlity.

Heifer with female calf (1) sold to £1,900 gross for a Shorthorn from 4 & 5 Totescore, Portree.

Heifer with male calf (7) sold to £1,850 gross for a Saler from Whitebog.

In calf cows (1) sold to £1,120 gross for a Saler cross from Whitebog.

In calf heifers (8) sold to £1,550 gross twice for Simmental crosses from Fanblair Farm.

“A good selection in all breeds met a firm demand”

Other leading prices

Bulling heifers: AAX – Orbliston, £1,040, £990; **Sim** – 15 Achnairn, Shinness, £920.

Cow with female calf: SAX – Whitebog, £2,020, £2,000 twice; **SimX** – Fanblair Farm, £1,900.

Cow with male calf – Sal – Whitebog, £1,950; **BRB** – Fanblair Farm, £1,920.

Heifer with male calf: - Sal – Whitebog, £1,800; **SimX** – 4 & 5 Totescore, £1,720.

In calf heifers: BSH – Fanblair Farm, £1,450; **SimX** – Fanblair Farm, £1,320.