

QUOYBRAE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (July 10th) sold 538 store and breeding cattle.

Champion in the show sponsored by Allan's of Gillock and judged by Bruce and Sophie Watt, Cairntack, Balmedie was a 448kg Limousin cross bullock from Messrs Swanson, Quarryside, Castletown and sold for £1,320 to G and D Cowie, Cairnton, Fordyce, Banff. Reserve was a 619kg Limousin cross bullock from D A Budge, Brae-edge, Castletown and sold for £1,480 to D and V Buchan, Savocho, Longside, Peterhead.

Bullocks (267) averaged 244.3p per kg (+ 16.9p on the year) to 290.5p for a 451kg Limousin cross from I Campbell, North Lyth Farm, Lyth and £1,560 gross for a 725kg Charolais cross from Brae-edge, Castletown.

Heifers (245) averaged 235.3p (+ 16.2p) to 280.3p for a 314kg Blonde D'Aquitaine cross from D N Campbell & Son. Bardnaclavan, Bridge of Westfield and £1,320 gross for a 478kg Limousin cross from V De Paola, Norland, Lybster.

Breeding cattle (26) to £2,350 for a Charolais cow with Charolais cross heifer calf from J Falconer, Tacher, Latheron.

A good show of cattle forward met a fast selling trade.

Leading prices per head

Bullocks up to 300kg: Nottingham Mains £805; Rockhill Farm, Wick £750; Lieurary Mains £730.

301-350kg: Westerloch Farm £960; East End £870; Glengolly (Mackintosh) £860.

351-400kg: Achscrabster £1,040; Woodside Farms £1,025; Quarryside £1,020.

401-450kg: Hillhead, Lybster £1,145; South Keiss Farm and East Kirk £1,110; Balnahard £1,100.

451-500kg: Norland £1,320; North Lyth Farm £1,310.

501-550kg: Woodside Farms £1,340; Hoy Farm £1,280; Balnahard £1,265.

551-600kg: Hoy Farm £1,370.

Heifers up to 300kg: Bardnaclavan £710; Ritchies Croft £670; Hillview, Sarclet £640.

301-350kg: Bardnaclavan £880; Nottingham Mains £860; Boulintogle £850.

351-400kg: Bardnaclavan £1,010; South Keiss Farm £1,000; Boulintogle £980.

401-450kg: Hillhead £1,115; Bardnaclavan £1,065; Granton Mains £1,060.

451-500kg: Woodside Farms £1,185; Hoy Farm £1,170; Norland and Granton Mains £1,150.

501-550kg: Hoy Farm £1,270; Woodside Farms £1,205.

Leading prices per kg

Bullocks up to 300kg: Nottingham Mains and Lieurary Mains 271.1p.

301-350kg: Westerloch Farm 275.1p; Glengolly 265.4p; East End 261.3p.

351-400kg: Quarrysdie 274.2p; Achscrabster 270.1p; Boulintogle 269.8p.

401-450kg: South Keiss Farm 263.7p; Hillhead 260.8p; Quarryside 256.5p.

451-500kg: Norland 276.2p; Quarryside 270.5p; Hoy Farm 255.8p.

501-550kg: Hoy Farm 250p; Woodside Farms 244.5p; East End 232.4p.

551-600kg: Hoy Farm 244.2p.

601-650kg: Brae-edge 239.1p.

700kg+: Brae-edge 215.2p.

Heifers up to 300kg: Bardnaclavan 249.1p; Ritchies Croft 241.9p.

301-350kg: Quarryside 261.4p; Nottingham Mains 256.7p; Woodside Farms 255.5p.

351-400kg: Boulintogle 267.2p; Bardnaclavan 259.6p; South Keiss Farm 253.8p.

401-450kg: Hillhead 260p; Norland 252.5p; South Keiss Farm 241.5p.

451-500kg: Norland 249.5p; Woodside Farms 248.9p; Granton Mains 245.2p.

501-550kg: Norland 253.4p; Hoy Farm 243.3p.

Breeding cattle: Cow with hfr calf – Tacher £2,250;

Cow with str calf – Swiney Hill £1,700;

Heifer with hfr calf – Cairnside, 36 Oldhall £2,050.

First part dispersal from H Harper, Upper Dounreay, Thurso – Heifer with str calf £1,700; Heifer with hfr calf £1,500; Cows with str calves £2,000, £1,850 and £1,700; Cow with hfr calf £1,650.