

CAST COWS AND BULLS

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 11th January 2024) Sold 343 Cows and Bulls to average £1,390.98 and 182p per kg.

Beef Finished Cows (127) averaged £1,687.44 and sold to £2,540 for a 940kg Limousin cross from Meikle Geddes, Nairn.

Beef Feeding Cows (151) averaged £1,238.70 and sold to £1,670 for a 614kg Limousin from Hillocks, Whiterashes.

Boning Cows (33) averaged £697.27 and sold to £1,290 for a 684kg Simmental cross.

Dairy Cows (9) averaged £1,202.78 and sold to £1,530 for a 876kg Holstein Friesian from Quendale Farm, Dunrossness.

Bulls (22) averaged £1,806.36 and sold to £2,470 for a 1,350kg Charolais from Auchincrieve, Rothiemay.

“A greatly increased entry of 343 cast cows and bulls met a strong demand once again. With a far greater percentage of store cows forward all classes met a fast-selling trade with well fleshed cows being in particular demand. Topping the trade at £2,540 was an outstanding 940kg Limousin cross from Meikle Geddes, Nairn. 22 cast bulls were a plainer quality show and sold to £2,470 for a Charolais from Auchincrieve, Rothiemay.”

Leading Prices per Head

Beef Finished Cows: Meikle Geddes (LimX) £2,440, £2,370; Whiteside, Tullynessle (LimX) £2,130; Braco Farm, Hatton (StX), Newbigging, Rothienorman (Cha) £2,090; Home Farm, Cairness (Lim) £1,990; Annamuick Farm, Stonehaven (Bda) £1,980; Glasslaw, Dunottar (SimX), Balthayock, Perth (Cha) £1,970.

Beef Feeding Cows: Scholland, Virkie (AAX) £1,570; Heatherquoy, Ulbster (SmX) £1,550; Murza Farm, Bower (AAX) £1,540; Meikle Tullo Farm, Edzell (BshX), Home Farm, Rothienorman (SmX), Brokenwynd Farm, Newmachar (AAX), Crannabog, Rothienorman (SmX) £1,490.

Dairy Cows: Quendale Farm (HF) £1,490; Bain, Sandwick (FkvX) £1,350.

Bulls: Wellheads, Huntly (Cha) £2,370; Balthayock, Perth (Cha), Culhay, Forbes (Lim) £2,310; Auchincrieve Farm (Cha) £2,290.