

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 25th January 2024) Sold 3,644 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (2,363) averaged 287.9p per kg (+3.9p) and sold to 730.2p per kg for 63kg Texel's and £520 gross for 72kg Texel's both from Harestone, Crathes.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1,129) averaged 291.4p per kg (+1.8p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (1301) averaged £79.57 and sold to £202 for a Beltex from North Tarwathie, Strichen.

“All classes of prime hogs sold dearer on the week with trade far stronger than anticipated. A good average per head of £132.51 was achieved. A far larger show of 1,301 cull ewes sold at very sound rates ahead of early week markets.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex – Harestone £460, 722.2p; **Tex** – Harestone £320, 533.3p; **TexX** – Harestone £300, 507.9p; **Blue Tex** – Harestone £190, 380p; **Bel** – Culhay, Forbes £167, Burnside Croft, Lethenty 351.2p; **BelX** – Drumnahive, Kildrummy £162, Culhay 347.9p; **Cont** – South Mains Balgaveny, Rothienorman £157.50, Mosshead, Whitehouse 330.7p; **ContX** – Auchorrie, Midmar £156.50, Halley Farm, Deerness 325.6p; **SufX** – South Blachrie, Fyvie £155.50, Johns Forest 306.6p; **Suf** – South Blachrie £154.50, Northfield, Gamrie 314.8p; **BF** – Harestone £141.50, 277.2p; **Mule** – Deskie Farm, Glenlivet, Middlehill, Rothienorman £131.50, Pittenkerrie 282.1p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: TexX – Midhill of Seggat, Auchterless £200; **Pure Tex** – North Quilquox £187.50; **BelX** – Midhill of Seggat £169.50; **Tex** – Dunscroft, Huntly £165; **Cont** – Ardhuncart, Kildrummy £161.50; **ContX** – Archgrove, Station Road £151.50; **Suf** – Newton of Balquhain, Pitcaple £147.50; **Bel** – Burnside Croft, Lethenty £147.50; **SufX** – Dunscroft £131.50; **Down** – North Quilquox, Ythanbank £129.50; **ChvMul** – Kinknockie, Mintlaw £125.50; **DownX** – Denside, Auchenblae £121.50; **Black** – Burnside Croft £120; **BFL** – Whiteknowes, Craigievar £119.50; **HB** – North Fornet, South Auchronie £115.50; **Mule** – Lower Inchcorsie, Rothiemay £111.50; **CharX** – Ankerville, Nigg Station £107.50; **GF** – Wellheads, Huntly £106.50; **BF** – Mains of Craignell, 17 Bellfield Road £89.50.

Feeding Rams: Cont – Broughnamary, Mulben £197.50; **BDM** – Craigiebrae, Aberchirder £177.50; **Suf** – Brodieshill Farm, Alves £177.50; **Char** – Barrogill Mains, Mey £174.50; **TexX** – Mayfield, Rathen £164.50; **Tex** – St Johns Wells, Fyvie £160; **BluTex** – West Balthangie, Cuminstown £141.50.