

**THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024) Sold 2,080 Store Sheep including Island Consignments.**

**Store Lambs (1,569)** averaged £86.81 and sold to £144 for Texel's from Garvelside, New Pitsligo.

**Island Consigned Store Lambs (511)** averaged £85.04 and sold to £130 for Beltex's from 7 Macdonald Park, South Ronaldsay.

"The opening weekly store lamb sale of the year saw all classes selling at greatly increased rates. A total of 2080 head sold averaging £86.38, this included a large percentage of Blackface and long keep lambs. Numbers needed weekly to satisfy the strong demand."

Leading Prices per Head

**Store Lambs: Char** – Garvelside £130; **Pure Tex** – Blackmyre, St Fergus £125; **Tex** – West Cairnhill, Culsalmond £124; **TexX** – Wester Wyndings, Stonehaven £123; **Cont** – Belniden, Strathdon, Lochhead, Skene £120; **ContX** - West Crichtie Farm, Auchnagatt £117; **Chv** – St Johns Wells, Fyvie, Aulton, Craigellachie £116; **Black** – Speylea, Fochabers £113; **ChvX** – St Johns Wells £112; **Suf** – Tillypronie, Tarland £110; **SufX** – Mains of Allanbuie, Keith, Newton, Tullynessle £104; **Ker** – Newton £96; **Mule** – Backhill Clackriach, Maud £86; **BF** - Backhill Clackriach £86.

**Island Consigned Store Lambs: Black** – South Breck, Burray £110; **BeIX** – Little Howes, Holm £106; **Suf** – Quoy Belloch, Deerness £105; **Tex** – South Breck £104; **SufX** – Quoy Belloch £96; **TexX** – Braehead, Cairston £92; **Cont** – Balfour Estates, Shapisay £87; **ContX** – Skelbister, Orphir £86.