CAST COWS AND BULLS

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 15th January) Sold 259 Cows and Bulls to average £1448.63 or 193ppk

Beef Finished Cows (138) averaged £1573.08 and sold to £2610 for a 1000kg Limousin from Easterside, Dunnottar.

Beef Feeding Cows (88) averaged £1265.85 and sold to £1630 for a 766kg Charolais from Inverlochy Farm, Tomintoul.

Boning Cows (7) averaged £1101.40 and sold to £1510 for a 818kg Limousin cross.

Dairy Cows (8) averaged £1113.12 and sold to £1390 for a 606kg Holstein Friesian from Georth, Evie.

Bulls (18) averaged £1672 and sold to £2270 for a 1165kg Charolais from Newseat of Tolquhon, Tarves.

"A large show of 259 cast cows and bulls once again met a strong demand with all classes being easily sold. Topping the sale at £2610 was a 1000kgs Limousin cow from Easterside, Dunnottar. With a regular ringside of bidders in weekly attendance here at Thainstone, more numbers are required to satisfy the demand."

Leading Prices per Head

Beef Finished Cows: Muce, Birsay (LimX) £2450; Culfork (SimX) £2250; Davidson Farms, Inverurie (Lim) £ 2170; Nether Balfour, Alford (LimX) £2150.

Beef Feeding Cows: Granton Mains, Bower (SimX) £1590; Clatequoy (SaX), Flett Park, Kirkwall (BSHX), Inverlochy Farm (Char), Shandford Fern (AAX) £1570; Sootywells Farm, Laurencekirk (SimX), Granton Mains (SimX) £1535; Durran, Castletown (SimX) £1510.

Dairy Cows: Mains of Glasgoforest, Kinellar (BFX) £1150; Upper Forgie, Keith (H) £995.

Bulls: Hallhill, Kinneff (Lim) £2070; Burnside of Gight, Gight (Lim) £2010; Cleat Work Road, St Ola (Lim), Auchnarrow Farm, Glenlivet (Sim) £1990; Auchterblair Farm (Lim) £1970.