

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 5th September) Sold 2470 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

New Season Prime Lambs (1372) averaged 286p per kg (+2p) and sold to 355.2p per kg for 47kg Beltex from Plewlands, Duffus and £184 gross for 61kg Texels from Newton of Budgate, Cawdor.

New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (672) averaged 293.4p per kg (+0.6p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (1098) averaged £95.62 and sold to £254.50 for Texel's from The Cottage, Wardes.

“Prime lambs met an increased demand for those with weight and good levels of finish. The entire sale average per head of £131.87 reflected the strong trade. Lean sorts would however be better sold in the store ring. 1098 ewes and rams sold similar on the week with best ewes in short supply.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: SufX – Netherton, Inverveddie, Peterhead £166, Holmhead, Bucksburn 308.3p; **Bel** - Plewlands £166, Bogside, Fyvie 344.2p; **DownX** – Broomhill, Methlick £161.50, Garvelside, New Pitsligo 308.1p; **Suf** – Barnyards of Badenyoucher, Cornhill £160, Muir, Alford 309p; **Tex** – Plewlands £158, Newton of Budgate 340.9p; **Cont** – Lost, Strathdon £157.50, Newton of Budgate 331.8p; **ContX** – Muir £154.50, West Cairnhill, Kepplecrook, Rhynie 312.5p; **BelX** – Mid Newton, Skelmuir £150.50, Kirkton, Mintlaw 317.9p; **TexX** – Newton of Budgate, West Cairnhill £150, Nether Drumallochie, Glenkindie 317p; **Char** – Seats, Tough £148.50, Corefeidly, Glassel 309.6p; **CharX** – North Crannoch, Crossroads £147.50, Lost 308.3p; **Black** – Hillcrest, Clola £147, Dunecht Home Farm 308.1p; **Down** – South Blachrie, Fyvie £146.50, Creagan, Kinneff 306.3p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Tex – Clinterty, New Aberdour £240; **Tex** – The Cottage £229.50; **TexX** – Craigshowdie, Ardallie £197.50; **Cont** – The Haugh Farm, Ballindalloch £181.50; **ContX** – Clinterty £179.50; **SufX** – Soundmoor, Mulben £167.50; **BFL** – Brencher House, Birsay £163.50; **Suf** – Boghead of Cobairdy, Fergie £161.50; **Down** – Quendale, Dunrossness £154.50; **Blue Tex** – Newton of Budgate, Cawdor £151.50; **DownX** – Grunnins, Ollaberry £147.50; **ChaX** – Drumnahive, Kildrummy £147.50; **Lleyn** – Nether Toucks, Dunnottar £147.50; **Mule** – Wellheads, Huntly £135.50; **BF** – Belnoe £92.50.

Feeding Rams: Cont – South Byebush, St Katherines £211.50; **Tex** – Boyndlie Estate £157.50; **TexX** – Easter Corrie, Botriphnie £151.50.