CAST COWS AND BULLS

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 20th February) Sold 197 Cows and Bulls to average £2101.79 or 277ppk

Beef Finished Cows (98) averaged £2336.88 and sold to twice £3250, firstly for a 980kg Limousin cross from Cairness, Fraserburgh, secondly a 1038kg Aberdeen Angus from Auchincrieve Farm, Rothiemay.

Beef Feeding Cows (75) averaged £1805.26 and sold to £2270 for a 690kg British Blue Cros from Westerton, Echt.

Boning Cows (8) averaged £1023.75 and sold to £1310.

Dairy Cows (1) Sold to £1430 for a 534kg British Friesian Cross from Berriedale, South Ronaldsay.

Bulls (15) averaged £2681.33 and sold to £3090 for a 1250kg Limousin from Orquil Farm, St Ola.

"Cast cows and bulls continued to rise with the whole sale up £143.88 or 16ppk on the week. The sale topped at a whopping £3,250 on two occasions. Firstly, for a 980kg Black Limousin from Cairness, Fraserburgh and secondly for a 1038kg Pure Aberdeen Angus from Auchincrieve, Rothiemay. With 32 cows being sold in excess of £3 per kg the 98 finished cows averaged a massive 292ppk or £2,336.88. Entries are invited for our weekly sale next Thursday 27th February."

Leading Prices per Head

Beef Finished Cows: Turfhill, Auchylair (Lim) £3200; South Road, Insch (Lim) £3190; Tillyorn Corse, Lumphanan (BBX) £2900; Auchincrieve Farm (AA) £2770; Greenhill, Tullynessle (AAX), Cairness (BBX), Shandford, Fern (AAX) £2740; Wrae Farm, Turriff (AA) £2710

Beef Feeding Cows: Skyeview, Moss of Keppoch (LimX), Overhall, Ruthven (LimX), Murza Farm, Bower (LimX), Bullenie, Harpsdale (SimX) £2170; Windywalls, Westray (SimX), Craigenkerrie Farm, Glassel (SimX) £2090; Bradieston, St Cyrus (SimX) £2075; Overhall (LimX) £2070; Fallow Farm, Inverkeilor £2065

Bulls: Strath Farm, Watten (Lim), Auchnascraw, Chapeltown (Sa) £2990; Braco Farm, Hatton (AA) £2940; Buchaam Farm, Strathdon (BRB) £2890; Backhill Nittanshead, New Pitsligo (AA) £2810; Nether Aden, Mintlaw (AA) £2710; Quoybond, South Ronaldsay (Sim) £2670