

**THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February) Sold 2959 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.**

**New Season Prime Lambs (2250)** averaged 332p per kg (+16.7p) and sold to 426p per kg for a 38kg Beltex from Westerton, Echt and £203.50 gross for 52kg Texels from Nistagar, Harray.

**New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (654)** averaged 350.2p per kg (+15.1p).

**Feeding Ewes & Rams (708)** averaged £139.16 and sold to £315 for a Pure Texel from Nistagar, Harray.

“The Prime Lamb trade took another great move upwards with all classes at excellent rates to a very strong ringside of eleven active buyers. Top price was £203.50 for a Pen of 9 Texel’s scaling at 52kgs from Nistagar, Harray. All classes of Ewes & Rams sold dearer on the week with a top of £315 for a Pure Texel also from Nistagar. With numbers scarce, more are required for next Thursday’s sale.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

**New Season Prime Lambs: Tex** – Albury, Oldmeldrum £198, Nistagar 391.3p; **Suf** – Cairnton, Techmuiry £195.50, Netherton, Garlogie 335.7p; **BeIX** – Westerton £192, 376.5p; **TexX** – Albury, Loanhead, Inverallochy £190, Honeyneuk Farm, Maud 387.8p; **Cont** – Uppermill Farm, Tarves £187.50, Westerton 372.2p; **Cross** – Tillyboy, Echt £185.50, Nistagar 380.7p; **Chv** – Cormalet, Cairnie £185.50, Greens of Gardyne, Forfar 352.4p; **ContX** – Springburn, Kintore £183.50, Tapiken, Tyrie 372.6p; **SufX** – Sootywells, Fordoun £180, Tillyboy 355.7p; **Black** – Croftbain, Tomnavoulin £179.50, 408p; **Bel** – Loanhead £175.50, 381.5p; **Mule** – Barns, Crathes £168, Newmill, Crathes 337.8p; **Cha** - Crofeidly, Glassel £167.50, 370p; **ChvMule** - Mill of Whitehill, New Deer £165.50, Aldie Farm 306.7p; **ChvX** – Aldie Farm, Cruden Bay £160.50, Dorsell, Alford 357p; **BDM** - Croftbain £158.50, 337.2p; **GF** - Aldie Farm £156.50, Greens of Gardyne 333.7p; **BluTex** – South Coldstream, Drumoak £153.50, 348.9p; **BF** – Sootywells £157.50, 338p.

Leading Prices per Head

**Feeding Ewes: Pure Tex** – Ardhuncart, Kildrummy £290; **Tex** – Chapelhill, Forgue £269.50; **Pure Suf** – Cadgerford, Kingswells £264.50; **Suf** – Cranna Bridge, Aberchirder £249.50; **BeIX** - Tillyorn, Lumphanan £249.50; **SufX** – Cadgerford £244.50; **Down** – Cranna Bridge £237.50; **TexX** – Albury, Commercial Road, Ardhuncart £234.50; **Cont** – Tillyorn £229.50; **ContX** – Wards of Boyndlie, Fraserburgh, Loanhead, Inverallochy £219.50; **DownX** – Chapelhill £217.50; **ChvMul** – Auchincrieve, Rothiemay £214.50; **Blk** – Backhill Nittanshead, New Pitsligo, Broomhill, Methlick £209.50; **Chv** – Ardhuncart £199.50; **ChvX** – Lower House, Hillwell £197.50; **Hamp** – Craigentarth Steading, Blairs £197.50; **Zwa** – Little Tulloch, Durris £194.50; **BluTex** – Bridges, Kinnoir £193.50; **BluTexX** – Kirkton, Mintlaw £189.50; **Mule** – Auchincrieve £186.50; **GF** – Rowland, Holm £183.50; **BF** – Loanend, Lumphanan £147.50; **Easy** – Salties, Sanday £129.50.

**Feeding Rams: Tex** – Blackhall, St Ola £249.50; **Chv** – Isbister, North Roe £191.50; **Tex** – Ardhuncart £184.50.

