

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 18th February) Sold 1643 Breeding Sheep and Store Lambs including Island Consignments.

Breeding Sheep (162) averaged £201.17 and sold to £240 twice for in lamb Texel Gimmers from Purgavie, Linrathen and Brechins, South Ronaldsay and in lamb Texel Ewes from Purgavie.

Store Lambs (1135) averaged £120.94 and sold to £159 for Texels from Coldhome, Dallas.

Island Consigned Store Lambs (346) averaged £112.79 and sold to £158 for Blue Texels from Keirfield, Sandwick.

“A big demand for in lamb ewes was witnessed with many buyers returning home empty handed. Store lambs easily maintained recent averages, with one home averaging £119 per head for 131 Blackface hoggs sold. The next sale will be held on Tuesday the 4th of March.”

Leading Prices per Head

Breeding Sheep: 1 Crop Mule Ewe – 3 Conglass Walk, Inverurie £235; **2 Crop Tex Ewe** – Brechins £230; **WM Suf Ewe** – Brechins £210; **TexX Gmr** – Overton of Ardo, Methlick £195; **2 Crop Cont** – Mains of Pronie, Tarland £180; **4 Crop Chv** – Purgavie £175; **WM BF Ewe** – Gilvirie Cottage, Montrose £175.

Store Lambs: Pure Tex – Bogmill, Pitcaple £157; **Tex** – Little Chapelton, Leslie £150; **TexX** – Little Broomfield, Ellon £149; **Cross** – Coldhome, Little Chapelton £148; **Cont** – Blevie Mains, Rafford £146; **ContX** – Bogmill, Overton of Ardo, Ledmacoy, Strathdon £144; **Chv** - Newton, Glenbuchat £142; **Suf** – West Davoch, Tarland £142; **SufX** – Downies, Inverkeithny, Chapelton £140; **Bel** – Kinaldie, Logie Coldstone £134; **BF** - Glenernie, Dunphail £132; **BelX** – Newwells, Oldmeldrum £131; **ChaX** - Little Chapelton £131; **ChvX** - Kinaldie £127.

Island Consigned Store Lambs: Bel – Kierfield £150; **Cont** - Garth Corston, Harray £148; **ContX** – Kierfield £144; **Suf** - Trondheim Farm, Rendall £139; **Chv** - Trondheim Farm £138; **Tex** - Garth Corston £131; **Cross** – Balfour Estate, Shapinsay £128; **TexX** – Garth Corston £121; **BelX** – Tingwall, Rendall £118; **ChvX** – Kirbuster, Longhope £117.