

LERWICK, Shetland Livestock Marketing Group in conjunction with Aberdeen and Northern Marts on Wednesday 9th April 2025 sold 217 head of Cattle and 1,111 head of all classes of sheep at its annual Spring Show & Sale.

“The Annual Spring Show and Sale held on Wednesday 9th April seen an increased entry on the year with 217 cattle and 1,111 sheep selling to record levels. The cattle entered for the show were judged by Mr Bill Cameron, Burnside of Edingight, Aberdeenshire. His Champion winning the Bryden Budge Memorial Trophy came to be a 490kg Limousin Cross Steer which was consigned by W A Fraser, North House, Setter, realising £2100 and bought by the judge. Thanks to Harbro for their sponsorship at the Spring Sale.

All classes of cattle were well bid for with averages up on the year, steers averaging 431 pence per kilo, up 146 pence per kilo on the year. Heifers averaged 414 pence per kilo, up 140 pence per kilo on the year. Top average coming from a 386kg Limousin Cross steer from Brouster, Bridge of Walls realising 495 pence per kilo. Top gross for the sale was £2680 for a 688kg Simmental Cross steer from Noss Farm, Twatt.

Sheep sold to excellent levels, following national trends, with Ewes and Rams selling very well and hoggs with cover easiest to cash.

Thanks to SLMG staff and customers for their continued support. All the best for this year’s lambing season. Ellis Mutch, Auctioneer.”

Cattle

Steers (130) sold to 495p per kg for a 386kg Limousin Cross from Brouster, Bridge of Walls and £2680 gross for a 688kg Simmental Cross from Noss Farm, Twatt.

Heifers (72) sold to 486p per kg for a pen of three 346kg Limousin crosses for Lower Longaskule, Twatt and £2430 gross for a 586kg Charolais cross from Solnabrake, Weathersta.

Breeding Cattle (12) sold to £2580 for an in-calf cow from Northpark, Cunnister.

Cast Cows (3) sold to £2290 for an 809kg Simmental Cross cow from Hellia, Aithsetter.

Leading Prices Per Head – Steers

Aberdeen Angus - £2140 Grindischool, Bressay; £1930 Scholland, Virkie; £1810 Scholland. **Beef Shorthorn** - £2330 Niaroo, Gloup; £2140 Grindischool; £1880 Noss Farm, Twatt. **Charolais** - £2260 Niaroo; £1770 Grindischool. **Hereford** - £1560 Scholland. **Limousin** - £2200 North House, Setter; £2190 Braewick, Eshaness; £2100 North House Setter; £2090 Brouster, Bridge of Walls. **Luing** - £1490 Klettnahoull, Garth; £1370 La Morlaye, Selivoe; £1210 Klettnahoull. **Saler** - £1850 Bigton House, Bigton; £1550 Bigton House. **Simmental** - £2260 Noss Farm; £1960 Noss Farm. **Stabiliser** - £1860 Noss Farm; £1720 Da Knowes, Twatt.

Leading Prices Per Kg – Steers

Aberdeen Angus – 488p Scholland; 483p Scholland; 449p Gardens, Culswick. **Beef Shorthorn** – 450p Haygreen, Cunningsgurgh; 424p Niaroo; 421p Noss Farm. **Charolais** – 448p Grindischool; 435p Niaroo. **Hereford** – 450p Scholland. **Limousin** – 495p Brouster; 491p Brouster; 485p Brouster. **Luing** – 421p Klettnahoull; 403p La Morlaye, Selivoe; 402p Klettnahoull. **Saler** – 440p Bigton House; 426p Bigton House. **Simmental** – 404p Noss Farm. **Stabiliser** – 409p La Morlaye; 408p Da Knowes; 407p Da Knowes.

Leading Prices Per Head – Heifers

Aberdeen Angus - £1980 Grindischool. **Beef Shorthorn** - £1980 Skeotaing, Busta; £1380 Bigton House. **Charolais** - £2430 Solnabrake, Weathersta; £1570 Bigton House; £1420 Bakkanlee, Whiteness. **Limousin** - £2260 Firva, Scousburgh; £1950 (twice) Brouster; £1910 Lower Longaskule, Twatt; £1890 Brouster. **Saler** - £1490 Bigton House; £1240 Bigton House. **Simmental** - £1420 Burnside, Williamsetter. **Stabiliser** - £1220 Tow, Cunningsburgh.

Leading Prices Per Kg – Heifers

Aberdeen Angus – 413p Grindischool. **Beef Shorthorn** – 403p Skeotaing. **Charolais** – 445p Bigton House; 415p Solnabrake. **Limousin** – 486p Lower Longaskule; 484p Brouster; 464p Lower Longaskule; 453p Firva, Lower Longaskule. **Saler** – 397p Bigton House. **Simmental** – 354p Lower House, Hillwell. **Stabiliser** – 403p Tow.

Sheep

Store Old Season Lambs

Leading Prices –

Texel - £148 Vinjara, Baltasound; £139 Pouster, Effirth; £122 Taing, Whiteness; £116 Skellister, South Nesting. **Suffolk** - £148 Annsville, Sand; £140 Grunnafirth, Brettabister; £130 Annsville; £117 North House, Setter. **Cheviot** - £145 Findlins Farm, Hillswick, Lower House, Hillwell; £138 Solnabrake; £130 The Old School House, Girsta, Lower House; £128 Erensdale, Cunningsburgh; £127 La Morlaye, Selivoe; £126 Brouster, Bridge of Walls. **Shetland** - £117 Findlins Farm; £104 Annsville; £100 Vinjara, Brouster; £99 Kekira, Ollaberry; £89 Gremista Farm, Gremista.

Ewes and Rams

Leading Prices Ewes -

Texel - £224 Burnside, Williamsetter; £140 Parkview, Bigton. **Cheviot** - £170 North House; £158 Findlins Farm, Gremista Farm; £148 Noss Farm. **Suffolk** - £144 Noss Farm. **Blackface** - £112 Brough, Skeld. **Shetland** - £78 North House.

Leading Prices Rams -

Cheviot - £188 Findlins Farm; £178 Noss Farm; £170 Westerloch, Burravoe; £158 Roadside; £154 Reawick. **Texel** - £180 Roadside; £146 Noss Farm. **Lleyn** - £186 North House. **Beltex** - £162 Roadside, North Roe. **Suffolk** - £172 Swarthoull, Wester Skeld; £170 Roadside; £160 Roadside, Hamnavoe. **Shetland** - £124 The Haa, Queyfirth; £118 Binnaness; Whiteness, Gremista Farm.