THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 24th April) Sold 4007 Prime Sheep, Store Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (3392) averaged 304.6p per kg (+6.6p) and sold to 418.2p per kg for 44kg Beltex from Keera, Middlehill and £200 gross for a Pen of 18 58kg Texels from Culhay, Forbes.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1144) averaged 322.9p per kg (+11.8p).

Store Lambs (31) Sold to £103.

Feeding Ewes & Rams (584) averaged £169.86 and sold to £320 for Texels from Silverlea, New Deer.

"Another heavyweight show of prime hoggs saw all classes selling at increased rates with a stronger demand at the ringside. Feeding Ewes & Rams sold dearer on the week with an overall sale average of £169.86 being achieved."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Tex - Stoneyfield, Fyvie £192, South Craighead, Skelmuir 345.8p; **Bel –** Keera £184, Milton of Finnercy, Echt 346.7p; **TexX –** Mill of Newton, Insch £182.50, Culhay, Forbes 344.8p; Cross – Burnend, Forglen, Jacobshall, Gamrie £181.50, Mossneuk, Ellon 347.4p; Cont - Uppermill Farm, Tarves £180, Stoneyfield, Fyvie 342.9p; **Suf –** Westfield, Stromness £175.50, South Easterton, Hatton 353.6p; SufX - Burnend £174.50, South Easteron, Hatton 353.6p; Zwa -Home Farm, Inchmarlo £173.50, 247.6p; ChvX - South Craighead, Skelmuir £169.50, Burnside of Whitefield, Forglen 336p; BelX - Drumfrennie, Banchory £168.50, Mossneuk 344p; CharX - Meikle Haddo, Newburgh £165.50, Burnside of Whitefield 336p; Chv - Little Forgue £165.50, New Barns Farm, Forfar 362.2p; BdgrFd Tex - Shaggart, Sauchen £165, 375p; BlueTex - Comissarybog, Banff £163.50, 333p; **Black –** Craigmancy, Bridge of Marnoch £163.50, Milton of Finnercy 340.4p; Leic - Little Forgue £156, 347.6p; Mule - Woodside of Ashalloch, Corse £154.50, Newmill, Crathes 311p; Lleyn - Tillykerrie, Keith-Hall £148.50, 322.8p; GF - Braco Park, Roseharty £146.50,325.6p; **BF** - Cloves Farm, Alves £145.50, Braco Park 317p; ChvMul - Largie, Kinneff £145.50, 330.7p; Cha - Loanend, Glenkindie £141.50, 336.9p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Tex – Uppermill, Tarves, Tullo, Garvock £284.50; Tex – Middle Muirden, Turriff £271.50; Char – Gaval, Fetterangus £271.50; TexX – Keera, Middlehill £269.50; Pure Suf – Westfield, Stromness £267.50; Cont – Craighead, Skelmuir £264.50; ContX – Silverlea £261.50; Cross – Loanend, Glenkindie, South Craighead, Skelmuir £257.50; Bel – Keera £250; Suf – Uppermill £249.50; SufX – Hillbrae £247.50; BelX – Culhay, Forbes £244.50; Down – Mill of Auchlin, New Aberdour £244.50; BDM – Bridges, Kinnoir £241.50; CharX – Gaval, Fetterangus, Bogentassie, Lumphanan £239.50; DownX – South raedykes, Rickarton £231.50; Mule – South Tarwathie, Strichen, Govals, Kincaldrum £229.50; Rye – Little Barras,

Fordoun £224.50; **ChvMul** – Gowanwell £223.50; **GF** – Culhay £221.50; **BF** – Sheach, Auchmair £177.50.

Feeding Rams: Pure Tex – South Easterton £271.50; **ChvMul** – Meikle Cultain £267.50; **Rou** – Loanend, Lumphanan £259.50; **Tex** – South Craighead £257.50; **Suf** – South Easterton £244.50; **Bel** – Keera £239.50; **Hamp** – Lamington, Insch £229.50.