THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 22nd May) Sold 2763 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

New Season Prime Lambs (121) Sold to 332.2p per kg for 45kg Suffolks from East Thunderton, Longside and £158.50 for 60kg black lambs from Darnford, Durris.

New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (28)

Old Season Prime Lambs (1731) averaged 267.9p per kg and sold to 333.3p per kg for 45kg Charollais Cross lambs from Mains of Thornton, Bourtie and £190 gross twice for 71kg Texels and 84kg Suffolks both from Clinterty, New Aberdour.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (613) averaged 276.4p per kg.

Store Lambs (24)

Feeding Ewes & Rams (887) averaged £130.97 and sold to £339.50 for Texels from Uppermill Farm, Tarves.

"New season lambs were an extremely heavy show with quality in spec types scarce. Old season hoggs surpassed expectations with a very mixed entry forward. Good well fleshed hoggs continue to be keenly bid for. 887 Feeding Ewes & Rams sold well with all classes very keenly bid for. More required for next Thursday 29th May."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: SufX – Springburn, Kintore £157.50, Craigmancy, Bridge of Marnoch 330p; **Suf –** Tillyeve, Udny £157.50, Milltown of Birness, Ellon 320.2p; **Cont –** Mains of Thornton £154.50, 315.3p; **TexX –** Milltown of Birness £153.50, 319.8p; **ChaX –** Gaval, Fetterangus £151.50, Little Kirkhill, Maud 328p.

Old Season Prime Lambs: PureTex – Newton of Greeness, Turriff £187.50, Stoneyfield, Fyvie 317.9p; Tex – Newton of Greeness £186, ,Bu, Rapness 310.5p; TexX – Newton of Greeness £181.50, Drumgesk Farm, Dess 307.3p; Cont – Gaval £178, Largie, Kinneff 311p; ContX – Berefold, Ellon £175, Tillykerrie, Keith-hall 308p; Cross – Stoneyfield, Fyvie £168.50, Fendom, Tain 303.7p; BelX – Newton of Greeness £167.50, Culhay, Forbes 303.1p; Suf – Bankhead, Clatt £163.50, Templefold, Skene 307.3p; Bel – Newton of Greeness £156.50, Meikle Tillyeve, Udny 318.1p; SufX – Tapiken, Tyrie £155.50, 305.6p; BluTex – Balladrum Farm, Durris £151.50, 329.3p; Chv – Appieteen, Sandwick £150.50, Braco Park, Roseharty 317.4p; ChaX – Mains of Thornton £150, 321.7p; ChvX – Templefold £147.50, 309.8p; BF – Templefold £147, Stoneyfield 280.6p; Black – Demalfie, Keith-hall £137.50; Mule – Standingstones, Durris £136.50, 252.8p; GF – Rennieshill, Newmacher £133.50, 230.2p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Suf – Mid Mains of Balfour, Fettercairn £249.50; CharX – Newton of Greeness £239.50; Pure Tex – Clinterty, New Aberdour, Rumblie, Craigievar £229.50; Suf – Gaval, Fetterangus £225.50; SufX – Nether Beanshill, Milltimber £219.50; Tex – 4 Largue Cottages, Forgue £217.50; TexX – Regina Croft,

Kintore £214.50; **Cont** – Culhay, Forbes £207.50; **ChvMul** – Rumblie £207.50; **ContX** – Rumblie £203.50; **Cross** – Bogburn, Auchenblae £201.50; **Down** – Tapiken, Tyrie £194.50; **Mule** – Bankhead, Clatt £191.50; **Char** – Gaval, Newton of Carnaveron, Alford £189.50; **GF** – Nether Aucharnie, Forgue £189.50; **CharX** – Gaval £179.50; **BFL** – Nether Aucharnie £179.50; **Dor** – West Teuchan, Cruden Bay £167.50; **BF** - Uppermill, Kintore £139.50.

Feeding Rams: Cross – Mains of Hatton Techmuiry, Strichen £234.50; **BluTex –** Little Broomfield, Ellon £219.50.