CAST COWS AND BULLS

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 31st July) Sold 175 Cows and Bulls to average £2036 or 285ppk.

Beef Finished Cows (89) averaged £2305.05 and sold to £3070 for a 937kg Charolais from Forsie, Bridge of Westfield.

Beef Feeding Cows (56) averaged £1814.64 and sold to £2040 for a 692kg Simmental Cross from Mill of Saphock, Oldmeldrum.

Boning Cows (7) averaged £1182.85 and sold to £1340.

Dairy Cows (4) averaged £857.50 and sold to £1410 for a 462kg Holstein from Mill of Saphock.

Bulls (19) averaged £1990.52 and sold to £2840 for a 1175kg Charolais from Nether Coullie, Kemnay.

"A more commercial show of 175 cast cows and bulls witnessed cows average on the week increasing by a phenomenal 13.7p to 297.9ppk. A top price of £3070 for a homebred Charolais cow from Messrs Mill, Forsie. Where 19 cast bulls topped at £2840 for a Charolais from Messrs Riddell, Nether Coullie. With a whole sale average of 285ppk. Many more required to meet the national demand for cast cows and bulls from Thainstone."

Leading Prices per Head

Beef Finished Cows: Harestone, Insch (SimX) £2640; Skitten, Wick (AAX), Wester Coltfield, Kinloss (Sim) £2640; Harestone (SimX), Newmill, Crathes (SHX) £2590; Harestone (SimX) £2570.

Beef Feeding Cows: West Watten (AAX) £2030; Ackergill Mains (AAX) £2010; Croftbain, Tomnavoulin (SimX) £2010, South Auquhorthies, Oldmeldrum (SimX), Ackergill Mains (AAX), Killimster Mains, Wick (AAX), Quanterness, St Ola (AAX) £1990; Quanterness (AAX), Essich Farm (BBX) £1970.

Bulls: Hindatoon Farm, Harray (Sim), Drumforber, Laurencekirk (Lim) £2690; Nether Balfour, Alford (Lim) £2590; Braes of Coynach, Mintlaw (BB) £2490; Durran Mains, Castletown (Char) £2440; Allochie, Netherley (Lim) £2240; Hoversta, Bressat (AA) £2190; Cluseburn, Inverbervie (Char) £2140.