

QUOYBRAE, Aberdeen & Northern Marts (August 10th) sold 6,731 prime and store Lambs, Feeding Ewes & Rams incorporating Dunbeath, Bettyhill, Forsinard and North West Sutherland areas.

The overall sale average was £88.89 (-£3.32).

Cheviot Ewe lambs (843) averaged £80.15 (-£6.21) to £120 twice for Cheviots from 6 Borgie and Melvich Hotel Farm.

Cheviot Wedder lambs (3,515) averaged £83.20 (-£3.35) to £138 from Melvich Hotel Farm.

Cross lambs (2,070) averaged £104.31(-£4) to £158 for Texel Crosses from Quoys of Reiss, Reiss.

Prime lambs (209) averaged 320.2p sold to 363.6p per kg for 52kg Texels from Sibmister, Castletown and £220 gross for two 79kg Texels from Carran, Crosskirk.

Feeding Ewes & Rams (94) averaged £130.43 and Sold to £209.50 for Texels from Carran, Crosskirk.

“The opening sale of store lambs saw a great number sold. All classes were sold to a full ringside, with buyers keen to purchase quality.”

Overall Breed Averages

Cheviots – Avg £81.92 Top £138 (-£5.10 on the year)

Texels- Avg £102.09 Top £158 (-£2.38 on the year)

Suffolks Avg £121.32 Top £153 (-£0.70 on the year)

Beltex Avg £96.23 Top £106 (-£21.21 on the year)

AOB Avg £67.63 Top £165 (-£13.23 on the year)

Leading prices per area

Dunbeath

Ewe lambs: Suf – Auldwell Croft £120;

ChvMul – Rhemullen £120;

Chv – Tacher £115, £96; Knockally Croft £114; Braehillor £104, £100; Upper Smerral £101; Achavrole £98; Braemore, Boulcrawford £90; New Black Croft £88

Tex – Tacher £114, £102; Caberfeidh £112; Braehilloe £100;

Blk – Braemore £110.

Store lambs: TexX – Uppat Farm, Brora £122.

Chv – Kockallay Croft £120, £102; Uppat Farm £114; Tacher £111; Braemore £110, £100; Mossziel £105; Uppat Farm £102; Upper Smerral £101; Ballachly £100; Torbeg £98; Broomhill House £94; Rhemullen £92.

Tex – Inver, Boultach, £120; Rhemullen £116, £111, £98; Tacher £115, £104; Rhemullen £111; Caberfeidh, Tacher £104; Knockally £102.

SufX –Auldwell Croft £110.

Bel – Uppat Farm £106.

ChvMul – Rhemullen £102.

BF- Braehillor £72.

Bettyhill & Skerray

Ewe lambs: Tex – 1 Achinloch, Skelpick £136, £131; 110 East Kirtomy £100; 110 East Kirtomy £100.

ChvX – 6 Borgie £120, £116; 18 Strathnaver £110; 65 Clashaidy £90.

SufX- 6 Borgie £90.

Store lambs: Tex – 128 Totiegan, Strathy Point £124; 110 East Kirkatomy £101;

Chv - 6 Borgie £120, £113; 66-78 Farr £115; 1 Achinloch £114; Ard-na-druch £111; 5 Achina £108, £92; The Green £99; 26 Airdneiskich £99; 47 Crask £97, £82; 118 Newlands £98; 128 Totiegan, 110 East Kirtomy £97, £82; 108 Kirtomy £92; 98 Kirtomy £88; 5 Borgie £86; 120 Newlands £83; 19 Lotts £82; 2 Achnabourin £80

Tex- 128 Totiegan £124; 110 East Kirtomy £101.

Suf – 6 Borgie £115; 6 Borgie £90.

ChvX – 66-78 Farr, Bettyhill £115, £92. 18 Strathnaver £97.

Bel- 2 Achnabourin £98.

Halladale, Forsinard and Portskerra

Ewe lambs: SufX – Melvich Hotel Farm £130.

Chv – Melvich Hotel £120, £108; Achiemore £118; Thistle House £110; 170 Trantlemore £109; 177 Trantlemore £98.

Store lambs: SufX – Kirkon £142, £136, £135; Achumore £112; Golval £98.

Chv – Melvich Hotel Farm £138, £113; 170 Trantlemore £119, £98; Achiemore £117; 177 Trantlemore £112, £108; Thistlehouse £110, £103; 54 Melvich £108; 177 Trantlemore £108; Golval £106; Golval £95; Kirkton £89, £84, £80; Upper Blghouse £88. **TexX** – Melvich Hotel Farm £135.

Armadale and Strathy

Ewe lambs

Chev – 19 Baligill £110, £98; 184 Armadale £100, £88; Rivendale £8293 Strathy Point £80.

Store lambs:

Chev – 19 Balgill £110, £89; 184 Armadale £109, £100; Rivendale £98; 62 Strathy East £90; 93 Strathy Point £86; 80 Strathy East £80.

Tex- 27 Brawl £85.

Caithness

Ewe lambs:

SufX – The Hirsell, West Greenland £151; Cruives £135.

Tex – Taldale, Forss £148; Whiteleen £113.

Suf – Cruives, Shebster £135.

Bel- 5 Lybster Road £102.

Store lambs:

Tex- Quoys of Reiss £158, £130, £122, £110; Upper Clayock £137, £103; £110; Balmore £121, £114, £100; Glengolly £118; Glengolly £104; Brigend £102.

Suf- Buldoo £154, £145, £129; Taldaie £124; Cruives £121; Upper Clayock £120, £104; Taldaie £107. **Chv-** Lower Westerdale £136, 108; Buldoo £129, £120; Cruives £123; Brackside £115; Whiteleen £112; The Hirsell £110, £100; Brackside £106; Lhaid £94. **Bel-** 5 Lybster Road £102;

Prime Lambs

Bel- Achunabust £149.50, 347.7p; Sibmister £146.50, 323.3p.

TexX- Sibmister £200, Auchunabust 336.7p; Thirdpart £157.50, 328.1p; Sibmister £154.50, Carran 327.8p; Auchunabust £151.50, Bardnaclavan 327.4p.

Suf- Stemster, Wick £159.50, Bardnaclavan 327.8p; Scarmclate £158.50 Sibmister £158.50, 323.5p; West Durran £155.50, West End Farm, 317.4p; West Durran £154.50, Sibmister 317p; Carran £147.50, 327.8p.

Feeding Ewes & Rams:

NCC- Bardnaclavan £199.50; Thirdpart £174.50. **SufX-** Thirdpart £177.50, £157.50 Caran £164.50. **Chv-** West Mey, Thirdpart £171.50; Uppat Farm £159.50; Bardnaclavan £149.50; Carran £144.50. **TexX-** Thirdpart £157.50; West Mey £149.50, £141.50; £119.50. **Bel-** West Mey £159.50; Bardnaclavana £149.50.