

QUOYBRAE, Aberdeen & Northern Marts (29th October) sold 2,769 prime, store and breeding sheep.

Prime lambs (311) sold to 156.7p for 45kg Texels from Braeside, New Road, Mid-Clyth and £73.50 gross for seven 53.6kg Suffolks from East Durrans, Castletown.

Ewe lambs (222) averaged £55.77 to £76 for Half-Breds from Aimster, Thurso.

Store lambs (1,532) averaged £53.94 to £71.50 for Half-Breds from Hunster, Bower.

Breeding sheep (492) to £350 for a Texel Shearling Ram from Stainland & Sibmister Farms, Castletown.

Feeding ewes and rams (212) to £89 for Cheviot Ewes from Overton, Mid-Clyth.

Leading prices per head and kg

Prime lambs: Tex – Oldfield £71.50, Newlands of Geiss 152.5p; Chev – Oldfield, Thurso £72.50, Brickigoe, Thrumster 148.9p; Cont- Newlands of Geise, Janetstown £72, 153.3p; Tex- Folly Farm, Murkle £72, 22 Laurie Terrace, Thruso 153.3p; Suffolk- Achscrabster, Bridge of Westfield 152.7p.

Leading prices per head

Ewe lambs: Tex- Folly farm, Murkle £73; Bel- 31 Larel, Halkirk £73; Chv- 31 Larel £73; SufX- Granton Mains, Bower £69; TexX- Burnside, Huna £65; SufX- Wester, Dunnet £64; HB- Overton, Mid-Clyth £64.

Store lambs:

Tex- Tacher, Latheron £70; Suff X – Cairnside, 36 Oldhall £70; Suff – Kirkton, Melvich £68.50; Tex – Borrowston Mains, Dounreay £67; Chev – Hillside, Killimster £66.50; Cont- Tongside, Scotscalder £65.50; HB- Overton, Mid-Clyth £65; Chv- Wester £57.

Breeding sheep:

Chv Gmr – Oldfield £130; Tex Gmr – Oldfield £120; Suf WM – Balbeg Spittal £70; Chv WM – Balbeg £63; Chv 1Crop- Thuster Mains £96; Chv 2Crop – Thuster Mains £95.

Dispersals

ChvX 1Crop- Shielton, Watten £88; Cont Ewes- Quoybrae £86; ChvMule Ewes Quoybrae £80; Tex Ewes- Quoybrae £80; ChvX 2Crop- Shielton £72. ChvX- 1Crop- Shielton £71

Shearling rams: Suff – Olgrinmore, Scotscalder £300; Chv- Oldfield £250; Tex- Stainland & Sibmister £250; Suffolk- Olgrinmore £220.

Feeding ewes and rams: Tex – Cairnside, 36 Oldhall £85; Suf- 3 Skail, Forss £85; SufX- Hummer Croft, Mid-Clyth £79; Chev – Sunray Cottage, Huna £79; Cont- 5 Upper Dounreay, Thurso £78; Cont- Scarmclate, Halkirk £70; Chv- Old Inn £67; Tex Ram- Sunray Cottage £76.