THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024) Sold 2,857 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

**New Season Prime Lambs (80)** averaged 406.6p per kg (-16p) and sold to 426.7p per kg for 45kg Texel crosses from Drum Farm, Keith and £206 gross for 50kg Suffolk crosses from Mains of Cowie, Stonehaven.

**Old Season Prime Lambs (1,863)** averaged 379p per kg (-7.2p) and sold to 476.2p per kg for 42kg Beltex' from Mains of Allanbuie, Keith and £217.50 gross for 61kg Texel's from Newton of Greeness, Turriff.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (961) averaged 386.8p per kg.

**Sheep Over 1 Year Old (94)** sold to £174.50 for 61kg Cheviot's from Cummerton, New Aberdour.

**Feeding Ewes & Rams (820)** averaged £119.55 and sold to £234.50 for a Suffolk Ram from Cadgerford, Kingswells.

"Prime lambs and Hoggs continue to sell extremely well at top levels. A mixed show of 820 Cast Ewes & Rams topped at £234.50 for a tremendous Suffolk ram from Cadgerford, Kingswells. Best Mules and smaller ewes met the strongest demand on the day. A Cheviot ewe was sold from F Chapman, Kinaldie in aid of The Colin Slessor Edinburgh marathon appeal for Friends of Anchor. The ewe was first purchased by Charlie Anderson, Dumfries for £210 and offered up again, selling again at £210 to Mr Blair Duffton, Huntly who also offered her up, the ewe finally sold for £220 to Ross Brothers, Strichen."

## Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: Pure Suf – Newton of Balquhain, Pitcaple £202, 422.2p; Pure Tex – West Cairnhill, Culsalmond £196.50, 418.1p; Tex – Drum Farm £192, 418.9p; Suf – Newton of Balquhain £190, Mains of Cowie, Stonehaven 412p; Cont – Drum Farm £189.50, 421.1p; TexX – Drum Farm £188.50, 403.4p; SufX – Drumsleed, Fordoun £185.50, East Thunderton 382.6p; Cha – Blackpool Farm, Millbrex £181.50, 403.3p.

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex – Newton of Greeness £211.50, Lenahowe, Sandwick 438.4p; Tex – Knowehead, Sinnahard £210, 4 Bualnaluib 433.7p; TexX – Newton of Greeness £205.50, Newbigging Farm, Insch 423.9p; BelX – Mosshead, Whitehouse £201.50, 433p; Bel – Mains of Allanbuie, Keith £200, 448.6p; Cont – 4 Bualnaluib, Aultbea £199.50, Mains of Leslie, Leslie 429.1p; ContX – Mains of Corsegight, New Deer, Braebuster, Deerness, Drum Farm, Blackhouse, Methlick £197.50, 4 Bualnaluib 424.4p; SufX – Newburgh Farm, Memsie £195.50, Backley, Pitcaple 403.5p; Suf – Wester Badentyre, Turriff £194.50, Pitgersie, Ellon, Bankhead, Clatt, Berefold, Ellon 401.1p; Down – Gibston, Huntly, Mains of Thornton, Bourtie £193.50, Southbank, Skene 400p; DownX – Newburgh Farm £191.50, Bankhead 399p; ChaX – Bankhead £191.50, 407.4p; BF – West Cranloch, Ythanwells £187.50, Quarryburn, Rosehearty 393.9p.

## Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Tex – Rowanhill, Kininmonth £229.50; Tex – Lower Cottisgarth, Rendall £227.50; TexX – Kinaldie, Logie Coldstone £220; Cont – Mains of Orchardtown, Udny £217.50; Pure Suf – Cadgerford £207.50; ContX – Midtown of Barras, Stonehaven £199.50; Char – Newton of Greeness, Turriff £191.50; BluTex – Greystone, Peterhead £189.50; Suf – The Glebe, Grimbister £184.50; Bel – Mains of Allanbuie, Keith £179.50; CharX – Meiklebogs, Gordonstown £177.50; SufX – Skiebhill, Aberchirder £175.50; BelX – Glenfinnan, Findon £174.50; Down – Tillypronie, Tarland £170.50; Cross – Glenfinnan £169.50; Chv – Greenfield, Cuminestown £166.50; ChvMul – Elrick Farm, Alford £163.50; Lleyn – Midtown of Barras £163.50; Mule – Nether Kinmundy, Longside £160.50; DownX – Greenfield £159.50; Dor – Gowanwell, Auchnagatt £159.50; Black – Braigiewell, Echt £155.50; DutSpt – Craigley, Corvichen £147.50; GF – Tillyfour, Alford £147.50; BF – Crichneyled, Fyvie £119.50.

**Feeding Rams: Suf** – Cairnton, Lumphanan £187.50; **SufX** – Tillykerrie, Keith-hall £181.50; **Char** – Meiklebogs £171.50; **Cont** – Cadgerford £164.50; **BDM** – Mosshead, Whitehouse £164.50; **Tex** – Drum Farm, Keith £151.50; **Zwa** – Middelton, Blackford £151.50.