Thainstone - Aberdeen & Northern Marts (Thursday 29th August 2024) A total of 84 Cast Cows, Prime Cattle and Bulls and 225 Sheep were forward from Orkney consignors with leading prices as follows.

Beef Cows

Sold to £1,870 gross for a 792kg British Blue from Maesquoy Farms, Harray and to 273.3p per kg for a 536kg Saler from S J & L Foubister, Diamonds, Deerness.

Leading Prices per Head

BB – Maesquoy £1,810 & £1,755; Cockmurra £1,670.

AA – Skaill £1,810; Backakelday £1,810; Heatherbell £1,670; Quoys £1,590; Burness, Firth £1,570 & £1,530; Quoys £1,530; Arion £1,490; Suquoy £1,450

Sim – Redland £1,810; Maesquoy £1,770, £1,750 & £1,710; Diamonds £1,630; Muckle Pow £1,630; Backakelday £1,550; Muckle Pow £1,530; Quoys £1,490; Arion £1,485; Burness £1,455. **Lim**- Backakelday £1,795; Arion £1,505.**Stx** – Burness £1,750; New Holland £1,350. **Sax** – Redland £1,710; Diamonds £1,630 & £1,470. **Lux** – Quoys £1,430.

Leading prices per kg

Diamonds 273.2p, Burness 268.4p & 261.6p; Diamonds 261.2p & 259.4p; Burness 255.5p; Backakelday 254.9p; Maesquoy 241.8p, 236.1p & 234p; Quoys 229.1p; Skaill 228.8p; Redland 227.3p & 226.2p; Muckle Pow 225.6p; Backakelday 223.3p; Heatherbell 218p; Suquoy 215.7p; Arion 213.6p; Cockmurra 212.5p.

Mature Bulls (8)

Sold to £2,110 gross for a 1160kg Charolais from E Tait & Co, Skelday, Dounby Leading Prices per head

Queenamuckle (Char) & Maesquoy (Cha) £2,070; Orphir House (Sim) £2,070; Backakelday (Cha) £2,040; Bryameadow (Cha) £1,990; Burgar (AA) £1,790; Upper Hobbister (Cha) £1,670.

Prime Cattle

Sold to £1,695.75 gross and 285p per kg for a 595kg Stabiliser from A T Bown, New Holland, Holm

Prime Sheep (225)

Lambs

Sold to £127.50 for Texels from M & R Cursiter, Arwick, Evie

Feeding Ewes

Sold to £214.50 gross for a Texel from K W Hourston, Skelbister, Orphir.

Leading prices per head Suff – Stonelea £167.50. BT – Stonelea £151.50. Tex – East-house £151.50; Stonelea £149.50. Zwa – Skelbister £128.50.Mule – Farrivald £120. Lleyn – Arwick £117.50. Chev – Snelsetter £117.50; Stonelea £109.50; Arwick 105.50. Cross – Snelsetter £89.50; Aithsdale £87.50. Rams Sold to £154.50 for a Texel from Arwick, Evie. <u>Leading prices per head</u> **Tex –** East- House £107.50.