QUOYBRAE, Aberdeen & Northern Marts (September 9th) sold 3,577 Prime and Store sheep, Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Prime lambs (975) averaged 275.3p per kg to 325.6p for 41kg Suffolks from Backlass Croft, Watten and £147.50 three times, firstly for a 51kg Beltexs from Bardnaclavan, Bridge of Westfield, secondly for 63kg Charolais from 31 Larel, Halkirk and thirdly for 59kg Texel from Midtown, Freswick.

Ewe lambs (504) averaged £85.25 (+3.57) and sold to £155 for North Country Cheviot Park Ewe Lambs from Lynton Cottage, Ulbster.

Store lambs (1,463) averaged £83.49 (+£14.76) to £126 for Texels from West Bardnatua, Latheron.

Feeding Ewes and Rams (635) averaged £90.87 and sold to £181.50 for a Texel from The Smithy, Haster.

"Store lambs were once again very keenly bid for with strong continentals in high demand. A strong entry of prime lambs followed national trends and would be slightly easier on the week with all ewes in short demand of buyers requirements."

Leading prices per head and kg

Prime lambs:

Suff – East Murkle £145.50, The Smithy, Haster 279p; SufX- Sibmister £144.50, Scarmclate, Halkirk 278.6p; Blk- Borgie Mains, Castletown £144.50, Sibmister 277.2p; Bel- Olrig Mains, Castletown £143.50, Bardnaclavan 289.2p; Tex – Bardnaclavan £143.50, Hillhead, Dunnet 278.8p; DownX-Granton Mains, Bower £142.50, Backlass Croft 277.9p; TexX- Stitley, Claredon £142.50, Newlands of Geise, Janetstown 286.7p; Cha- Upper Geise, Janestown £141.50, 288.8p; Cont- Norland, Lybster £141.50, West Watten, Watten 286.5p; ChvX- Castleheather, Smerlie £138.50,282.7p; Blk-Greenvale, Dunnet £135.50, 260.6p; BelX- Quarryside, Castletown £135.50, Olrig Mains 287p; NCC-Reaster, Lyth £134.50, East End John O Groats 270.7p; ChaxX- Ackergill Mains, Ackergill £131.50, 279.8p; Chv- Backlass, Watten £131.50, 276.8p; NCC- East End £129.50, Reaster 270.2p; Chv-Brickigoe, Thrumster £123.50, 274.4p.

Ewe Lambs

NCC- Lynton Cottage, Hillside, Killimster £135, Albyn, Gills £104. **Blk-** Reaster, Lyth £130. **Tex-**Skinnet, Halkirk £130, Housequoy £118; Glencroft £110. **Suff** – Stirkoke Mains £91. **AberX-** Ballachy £88, Hillcrest £79. **Chv-** Achairn, Stirkoke £86, Gansclett Croft, Thrumster, Hillcrest, Sibmister Rd £80. **ChvMule-** West Catchery £85. **ChvX-** Dunbeath Estate, Pentland View £78. BF- Hollyview, Janetstown £73.

Store Lambs

Tex – Seaview, Old Wick £125, Stitley £109.50, Tor-Na-Mae £105. **NCC-** Lynton Cottage £118 £110, Reaster £100, East End £99, Castle Heather £94.**Suff** – Stemster £114. **ChaX-** Mavsey £109. **SufX-** The Smithy £109 £100, Achscrabster £106, Winless Mains, Dunbeath £100; Skinnet £99, Hillhead, Lybster £98. **Bel-** Curlew, Mybster £108. **Blk-** Mavsey, Lybster £108, Braehill Dunbeath £108, 1 Achinlochy, Skelpick £95. **Cont-** Housequoy £103, The Smithy, Stitley £102, Swiney Hill £101. **BF-** Hollyview, Janetstown £100. **Cha**- Swiney Hill £100. **Chv**- Hill of Dunn £100, Gansclett Croft £96; Achavrole, Dunbeath, Achairn £92; 26 Airdneiskich £85. **BelX-** Inkstack £99, Winless Mains £98. **Zwa-** Stitley £98 **ChvMule-** Braehill, Dunbeath £98. **BFL-** West Catchery, Watten £88. **BluTexel-** 1 Auchinlochy £85. **ChvX-** Scrabster House £84, Plover Inn £86. **AberX-** Ballachly, Dunbeath £79. **Mule-** Scrabster House £77.

Feeding Ewes & Rams

Tex – The Smithy £171.50, Midtown £161.50; Ochnigh £149.50; Ham Farm, Hillhead £137.50
Cont- Scarmclate £149.50, Slickly £129.50. Suff – Inkstack, Ochnigh £149.50; Inkstack £144.50;
Curlew £141.50; Mill Farm £127.50. TexX- Bardnaclavan £147.50, Hillhead £139.50. Chv- Ballachly £144.50, Buldoo Latheron £139.50, Lower Westerdale £131.50. ChvMule- Quarryside £137.50,
Boultintogle £129.50, 2 Forss £127.50. ChX- Scarmclate, Hillhead £134.50; Inkstack £131.50, Hillhead £127.50. BelX- Inkstack £127.50. NCC- Hillhead, Dunnet £124.50, £121.50, Bardnaclavan £98.50;
Lower Thura £97.50. BluTexel- Mill House £117.50. SHC- Lower Thura £109.50. Mule- Cairnside, Scarmclate £109.50, Midtown £99.50. BF- Slickly £64.50.