

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 3rd of September) Sold 6884 Store and Breeding Sheep including Island Consignments.

Breeding Sheep (2305) averaged £223.35 and sold to £270 for Pure Texels from Mid Haddo, Fyvie.

Store Lambs (2388) averaged £99.10 and sold to £165 for Blue Face Leicester from Sonnealm, Dufftown.

Island Consigned Store Lambs (1745) averaged £95.27 and sold to £122 for Suffolks from North Booth, Haroldswick.

West Highland Store Lambs (446) averaged at £81.12 and sold to £114 for Suffolks from 5 Baleshare, North Uist.

“ANM Marts held this years main sale of breeding sheep at Thainstone this week when record averages were set in all departments. The sale topped at £270 for Texel Gimmers from Mid Haddo. Mule Gimmers topped at £265 for a pen of 25 from Messrs Wilson, North Mains of Clush, New Deer, closely followed by Cheviot Mules with £260 being achieved being achieved for a pen of 35 from D & D M Leslie, Redhill, Mosstowie.

First prize in the Show and Sale of Mule ewe lamb kindly sponsored by GWT, Rickarton was awarded to Mr David Cowie, Scollays Cross with a pen of 32 selling to £190 to the judge Mr John MacRobert, Stonieley. All lambs were keenly bid for with a healthy average of £175.99.”

“Store Lambs continue to sell at excellent rates with ample buyers in attendance for both short and long keep sorts.”

Leading Prices per Head

Mule Gimmers averaged £229.39 (+46.33 on the year) – North Mains of Culsh, New Deer £265; Bogiebrae, Rhynie £255; North Mains of Culsh £252, £248; Stonieley, Alvah £245; Bogiebrae £242.

Pure Tex Gimmers – averaged £218.53 - Ballochview, Grange £260; Earsfield Cottage, Kennethmont £220; Sunnybrae Lodge, Blackhills £198.

Cont Gimmers–. averaged £228.92 (+40.78 on the year) - Auchtygall, Peterhead £255; Birkenbog Home Farm, Cullen £225; Bellnagarrow, Craigellachie £222.

ChvMule Gimmers- averaged £251.18 (+63.96 on the year) - Redhill, Mosstowie £260; Mains of Leask, Slains £240.

Char Gimmers- averaged £233.75 Auchtygall £265; Birkenbog £215.

SufX Gimmers- Kinaldie, Logie Coldstone £248.

HB Gimmers- averaged £200.25 (+£7.98) - Birkenbog £218; St Johns Wells, Fyvie £195

BFL Gimmers- averaged £215 - The Bothy, Rivehill £235; Logie Coldstone £195

Ewe Lambs - Tex: Kinaldie £220, £180; **Bel** - Kinaldie £190; **Mule** - Scollays Cross, Strachan £190; Mains of Glenbuchat, Strathdon £185; Scollays Cross £178; Mains of Glenbuchat £178; Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman £170.

Store Lambs: BDM - Bogiefeulach, Tornaveen £152; **TexX** - Midtown, Strachan £133; **Cont** – The Haugh Farm, Ballindalloch £125; **Tex** – Midtown £124; **Suf** – Midtown £123; **ContX**- Bossholes Farm, Rickarton £121; **Cross** – Braehead, Tarland £120; **SufX** – The Haugh Farm £120; **Down** – Newton of Forgie, Keith £115; **Bel** – Hillbrae Farming, Hillbrae £108; **BelX** - Muirton, Corse £107; **Mule** – Dykeside Steading, Kingswells £104; **Char** – Meikle Haddo, Newburgh £95.

Island Consigned Store Lambs: SufX – Exnaboe, Virkie, North Booth, Haroldswick £122; **Suf** – Nia-Roo, Gott £117; **Tex** – Nia-Roo £110; **TexX**- East Langamay, Sanday £108; **Mule** – Brencher, House, Birsay £102; **Chv** – North Gardie, Aith £100; **ChvMul** – Brencher House £94; **ChvX** – Firva, Scousburgh £86.

West Highland Store Lambs: SufX – 9 Gearradubh, Grimsay £112; **Suf** – 5 Baleshare, Lochmaddy £110; **Cont** – Aird, Illeray £106; **Chv** – Aird £98; **ContX** – Aird £97; **ChvX** – 9 Gearradubh £97; **Tex** – Hoglan, 6 Tigharry £92; **GF** – 5 Baleshare, Lochmaddy £90.