LERWICK, Shetland Livestock Marketing Group in conjunction with Aberdeen and Northern Marts on Wednesday 9th of October 2024 sold 456 Weaned Calves, Store Cattle, Breeding and Cast Cows at their Annual Special Sale.

"On the day it was booked, thankfully weather allowed this year's cattle sale to go ahead and 456 head of all classes of cattle sold to exceptional levels, breaking centre records. Spring born calves met big demand and majority selling over £3pkg, with Steers averaging 329.6p and top pence per kilo price at 458p going to Messrs Budge, Bigton House, Bigton for a 262kg Beef Shorthorn Cross. Heifers averaged 308.5p and top price per kilo heifer went to Messrs Nicolson, Lower Longaskule, Twatt with 390.1p for a 282kg Limousin. The entire sale of calves and store cattle averaged 304p. A strong show of store cattle seen a top of £1765 for a 619kg British Blue steer from Messrs Williamson, Vailima, Symbister.

Breeding Cattle met a good enquiry, especially for the Dispersal sale of the Registered Shetland Collafirth Herd from Messrs Ramsay, South Collafirth, Ollaberry, with many buyers local and those online fighting for the chance for the excellent breeding stock forward. Top price breeding cattle came from Messrs Burgess, Lower House, Hillwell with two in-calf heifers realising £2550 and £2250. Cast cows were also well bid for and reached good levels."

## <u>Leading Prices Per Head -</u>

#### Weaned Steer Calves -

Aberdeen Angus - £985 Isbister, North Roe; £955 Isbister; £950 Serrang, Stromfirth; £930 Erinlea, Brough; £900 Doddam, Dunrossness; £870 Solnabrake, Weathersta. Beef Shorthorn - £1200 Bigton House, Bigton; £920 Setter, Bressay; £900 Boddam; £880 Uphouse, Weathersta; £870 Bigton House. British Blonde - £970 Isbister; £790 Isbister. British Blue - £1010 Breckon, Cullivoe; £860 Breckon. Charolais - £1280 Vindas, Laxfirth, Northouse, Gonfirth; £1195 Lower Flugarth, Vidling; £1190 Bakkanlee, Whitesness; £1180 Vindas; £1125 Bigton House; £1120 Vindas. Limousin - £1250 Breckon; £1200 Springwal, Muckle Roe; £1190 Breckon; £1180 Lower Longaskule, Twatt; £1160 Breckon; £1085 Lower Longaskule; £1050 Serrang. Luing - £770 Kurkigarth, Weisdale; £710 Kurkigarth. Salers - £950 Freefield, Browland; £930 Freefield; £790 Northouse; £765 Rockietoon, Aith. Shetland - £500 Islesburgh, Isbister; £420 Islesburgh. Simmental - £1010 Dury, North Nesting; £910 Velzie, Fetlar; £810 Snarraness House, Bridge of Walls, Rockietoon. Stabiliser - £860 Gillarona, Muckle Roe; £790 Gillarona.

# Weaned Heifer Calves -

Aberdeen Angus - £910 Breckon; £890 Hamar Farm, Baltasound; £820 Heogland, Eshaness; £780 Kirkidale, Walls. Beef Shorthorn - £900 Uphouse; £870 Boddam; £840 Setter; £740 Ernahoull, Uyeasound. British Blonde - £860 Isbister; £810 Isbister. Charolais - £1080 Bigton House; £1070 Lower Flugarth; £1050 Vindas; £1000 Bigton House. Limousin - £1100 Lower Longaskule; £1070 Breckon, Lower Longaskule; £980 Lower Longaskule; £950 Breckon; £940 Springwal. Luing – £680 Kurkigath. Salers - £860 Freefield. Shetland - £420 Islesburgh; £360 Islesburgh. Simmental - £980 Dury; £850 Snarraness. Stabiliser - £840 Gillarona; £760 Gillarona.

## Store Steers -

**Aberdeen Angus** - £1690 Vailima, Symbister; £1530 Vailima; £1520 Vailima; £1420 Springbank, Twatt; £1330 Haaof Aywick, Yell; £1260 Boitan, Aithsetter. **Beef Shorthorn** - £1630 Gunnister, Uyeasound; £1610 Setter; £1590 Sungaets, Ollaberry; £1455 Sungaets; £1430 Setter. **British Blonde** - £1320 Ringesta, Quendale. **British Blue** - £1765 Vailima. **Charolais** - £1490 Vailima. **Highland Cross** - £980

Ark, Haroldswick. Limousin - £1680 Ringesta; £1645 Ringesta; £1415 Ringesta £1380 Ringesta; £1370 Ernahoull. Lincoln Red - £795 Giggleswick, Burravoe. Salers - £950 Freefield. Simmental - £1530 Mailland, Baltasound; £1420 Ringesta; £1300 Ringesta. Stabiliser - £1555 Sungaets.

#### Store Heifers -

**Aberdeen Angus** - £1310 Parkview, Haroldswick; £1000 Gardens, Culswick. **Beef Shorthorn** - £1450 Gunnister; £1320 Gunnister. **Charolais** – £1140 Vindas. **Limousin** - £1470 Ernahoull. **Lincoln Red** - £1230 Giggleswick; £1195 Giggleswick; £1190 Giggleswick. **Simmental** - £1280 Ringesta.

# Leading Prices Per Kg -

#### **Weaned Steer Calves**

Aberdeen Angus – 337.5p Isbister; 331.6p Isbister; 316.8p Springbank, Twatt; 315.8p Boddam; 312.2p Springbank; 310.7p Berry Farm, Scalloway; 309.5p Serrang; 305.2p Lower Longaskule. Beef Shorthorn – 458p Bigton House; 322.2p Bigton House; 314.3p Lower Flugarth; 316.9p Ernahoull; 316.8p Springbank; 313.6p Boddam; 303.4p Uphouse, Weathersta. British Blonde – 377.4p Isbister; 327.8p Isbister. British Blue – 276.7p Breckon; 264.6p Breckon. Charolais – 416.3p Vindas; 406.5p Lower Flugarth; 399.2p Bakkanlee; 394.4p Vindas; 392p Vindas; 390.2p Northhouse; 385.1p Bakkanlee; 378.8p Bigton House; 374.6p Vindas; 374.3p Vindas. Limousin – 404.1p Lower Longaskule; 403.3p Lower Longaskule; 396.5p Breckon; 381p Springwal; 375.4p Breckon. Luing – 336.5p Kurkigarth. Saler – 316.3p Freefield; 313.5p Northhouse; 305p Bigton House. Simmental – 325.8p Dury. Stabiliser – 298.7p Garden, Bixter; 298.1p Gillarona; 297.6p Gillarona.

#### **Weaned Heifer Calves**

**Aberdeen Angus** – 301.3p Breckon; 295.8p Isbister; 289.1p Isbister; 282.3p Berry Farm. **Beef Shorthorn** – 365.9p Uphouse; 323.7p Springbank; 305.3p Boddam. **British Blonde** – 312.7p Isbister; 306p Isbister. **Charolais** – 384.3p Lower Flugarth; 364p Bakkanlee; 363.9p Lower Flugarth; 357.1p Bigton House; 356.1p Vindas; 355.3p Bakkanlee; 331.2p Vindas; 330.9p Bigton House; 328.7p Solnabrake. **Limousin** – 390.1p Lower Longaskule; 388.9p Lower Longaskule; 368.9p Lower Longaskule; 359.1p Lower Longaskule; 341.8p Springwal; 335.7p Breckon; 329.2p Breckon; 326.3p Springwal; 324.1p Serrang. **Salers** – 291.3p Bigton House. **Simmental** – 315.1p Dury; 296.2p Snarraness; 286.3p Rockietoon. **Stabiliser** – 288.7p Gillarona; 278.4p Gillarona.

### **Dispersal Sale**

Messrs Ramsay - South Collafirth, Ollaberry – Shetland Registered Cattle.

Heifers - £800, £680, £580, £560.

**Bulling Heifers -** £1020, £940, £820, £700.

Cows - £1450 x 2, £1400 x 2, £1150, £1000.

Young Bull - £540.