THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 17th October) Sold 3628 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

New Season Prime Lambs (2717) averaged 268p per kg (-6p) and sold to 323.6p per kg for 55kg Beltex from Drumnahive, Kildrummy and £178 gross for the same pen of lambs.

New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (637) averaged 277.8p per kg (+2.6p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (911) averaged £92.21 and sold to £229.50 for Beltexs from Bush of Muldearie, Keith.

"A large entry of prime lambs included a high percentage of heavyweight which were also shown in wet order. Trade continues at very acceptable levels with good presentation essential. A mixed show of ewes were forward however all classes sold dearer on the week."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: Cha – Logie, Durno £176, Hillhead, Newmacher 294.6p; ChaX - Drummahive £166, Shougle, Birnie 292.9p; SufX – Cairndaie, Sauchen £157.50, South Coldstream, Drumoak 285.2p; Cont – Thriepland, Boyndie £154.50, The Orchard, Fintray; ContX – 1 Seaton Park, Fyvie £153.50, Foggieley, Cragievar 296.7p; DutSpd – Forebogs, Knaven £150, Kepplecrook, Rhynie 290.4p; Cross – Muce, Birsay £150, Mormond Prop, New Pitsligo 287.8p; Suff – Uppermill, Kintore £148.50, Knowhead, Aberchirder 284.5p; BelX- Uppermill £146,50, Foggieley 312p; Bel – Shougle £144.50, Honeyneuk, Maud 303.3p; TexX – Beinn Alvin, Midmar, Foggieley £143.50, The Orchard 289.3p; Tex – Mid Haddo £143.50, Milton of Finnercy, Echt 287.5p

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Suf – Cairnton, Techmuiry £224.50; Bel – Drumnahive, Kildrummy £224.50; Pure Tex – Broomhead, Durris £201.50; Suf – Newton of Balquhain, Pitcaple £199.50; SufX – Drimmie Farm, Rescobie, Newton of Balquhain £187.50; Tex – Bush of Muldearie £181.50; TexX – South Craighead, Skelmuir £179.50; Down – Cairnton £179.50; DownX – Mains of Inchbreck £175.50; Cont – Yarpha, Swanbister, South Craighead, North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum £169.50; ContX – Muirden of Cranna, Aberchirder, Loanhead, Inverallochy £167.50; Lleyn – Newton of Coldwells, Auchnagatt £167.50; Chv – South Keithney, Burnhervie £165.50; ChvX – Garden, Bixter £157.50; Char – Kepplecrook, Rhynie £155.50; CharX – Little Chapelton, Leslie £151.50; BL – East Lediken, Insch £149.50; BluTex – Drumnahive, Kildrummy £149.50; LleynX – Newton of Coldwells £148.50; ChvMul – Bush of Muldearie £147.50; Mule – Mains of Inchbreck £139.50; BelX – Drumnahive £134.50; Leic – Bogton, Corse £131.50; GF – Whiteknowes, Craigievar, Loanhead £126.50; BF – Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman £93.50.

Feeding Rams: DutSpt – Forebogs pf Knaven, Maud £217.50; Tex – New Moan, Harray £191.50; Suf – Shaggart, Sauchen £177.50; SufX – North House, Bixter £157.50; BFL – Ruthven, Kirkmichael £157.50; Chv – Garden £151.50.