CAST COWS AND BULLS

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 28th November) Sold 276 Cows and Bulls to average £1576.12 or 213ppk

Beef Finished Cows (136) averaged £1869.96 and sold to £2700 for a 916kg Limousin Cross from South Breck, Firth.

Beef Feeding Cows (109) averaged £1288.34 and sold to £1750 for a 678kg Limousin Cross from Strathcool, Harpsdale.

Boning Cows (17) averaged £671.47 and sold to £930.

Dairy Cows (2) averaged £1442.50 and sold to £1520 for a 712kg British Friesian Cross from Cleat, St Ola.

Bulls (12) averaged £2163.75 and sold to £2640 for a 1020kg Simmental from Cairnhill, Huntly.

"A larger show of 276 cast cows and bulls met their dearest trade of the year with prices well ahead of sellers' expectations. Topping the cow section at £2700 or 295p per kg was a Limousin Cross from South Breck, Firth. 264 cows averaged £1526.45 or 215.5p per kg. Cast bulls were once again short of numbers with 13 topping the sale at £2640 for a 1020kg Simmental from Cairnhill and averaging £2163.75."

Leading Prices per Head

Beef Finished Cows: Edinbanchory, Kildrummy (LimX) £2570, 2450; Home Farm, Rothienorman (LimX) £2390; Edinbanchory (SimX) £2310; Tarbothill, Bridge of Don (LimX), Sauchenbush, Echt (SimX) £2290; Sauchenbush (SimX), Home Farm (Lim), Edinbanchory (Sim) £2270

Beef Feeding Cows: Edinbanchory (SimX) £1640; Parkside, Lybster (SimX) £1610; Dorsell, Alford (SimX) £1590; Newbigging, Skelwick (SimX) £1570; Burn, St Margaret Hope (ChaX), Arwick, Evie (LimX) £1550; Mains of Balhall, Menmuir (AAX) £1545

Dairy Cows: Cleat (BFX) £1365

Bulls: East Gowkhill, Maud (LimX) £2590; Dorsell (Lim) £2440; Hewitts Farm, Kennethmont (Lim), Farmton, Tough (Sim) £2340; Crossroads Farm, Rothiemay (Lim) £2210; Bogburn, Auchenblae (ST) £2070; Orquil, Rendall (AA) £1970