

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 7th November) Sold 3863 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

New Season Prime Lambs (2388) averaged 282.5p per kg (+14.5p) and sold to 352.9p per kg for 35kg Beltex from Springburn, Kintore and £170 gross for 72kg Suffolk from Drumwhindle Mains, Ellon.

New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (931) averaged 295.3p per kg (+22.2p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (1475) averaged £106.99 and sold to £265 for Texels from Ros Cillala, Glassel.

“The prime lamb trade took a substantial lift with export weights at excellent levels.”

“ANM Group are proud to support the IAAS lamb donation for St Andrew’s Day. Over 30,000 pupils from across 180 Scottish schools will celebrate St Andrew’s Day by cooking and enjoying Scotch Lamb, we would like to thank G Ross, Mosshead, Whitehouse, who generously donated a lamb to the campaign. A large show of 1475 Cast Ewes & Rams sold at very fast rates. The sale topped at £265 for a pen of five Pure Texel ewes from Teresa Anderson, Ros Cillala, Glassel.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: Tex – Sheep Park Farm, Bridge of Marnoch £164, Greystone, Kingsford 329.8p; **Suf** – Sunnybrae Lodge, Blackhills £162, Walkerhouse, Birsay 320.2p; **Bel** – Mosshead £160, Ferniebrae, Meikle Wartle 333.8p; **BeIX** – New Mains, Glenkindie £155.50, 332.1p; **SufX** – Uppermill Farm, Tarves £154, Strath Farm, Watten 319.8p; **ContX** – Hillcrest, Clola £153, Greystone 331.4p; **Cont** – 4 Drimmies Cottage, Pitcaple £151.50, Cairns of Mayen, Rothiemay 323.2p; **Cross** – Mosshead, Mid Haddo, Fyvie (x2), Uppermill Farms £150, Burnside of Tynet, Clochan 330.5p;

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Feeding Ewes: Pure Tex – Mid Haddo £254.50; **Tex** – Gaval, Fetterangus £241.50; **TexX** – Ros Cillala £234.50; **Char** – Barnyards, Clola £224.50; **Cont** – Ros Cillala £214.50; **BeIX** – Hillcrest, Clola £211.50; **CharX** – Clackriach, Maud £209.50; **ContX** – Foggieley, Craigievar £207.50; **Suf** – Cadgerford, Kingswells £204.50; **Cross** – Foggieley £201.50; **Chv** – Dykneuk, Netherley £197.50; **SufX** – Harestone, Crathes £107.50; **Bel** – Strathore, Balfour £187; **ChvX** – Northouse, Gonfirth £157.50; **Mule** – Auchorrie, Midmar £155.50; **ChvMul** – Harestone £149.50; **GF** – Ardlaw, Tyrie, South Craighead, Skelmuir £147.50; **BFL** – Garth, St Ola £141.50; **BF** – Mains of Glenbuchat, Strathdon £111.50

Feeding Rams: Chv – Grunnafirth, Brettaberster £205; **BFL** – Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman £179.50; **Char** – North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum £154.50; **Tex** – Little Howes, Holm £139.50; **BluTex** – 1 Stewart Drive, Alford £139.50.