

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Tuesday 14 January) Sold 1488 Store and Breeding Sheep including Island Consignments.

Store Lambs (865) averaged £121.98 and sold to £160 for Texels from Gowanwell, Auchnagatt also for Blue Texel's from Tannachie, Stonehaven.

Island Consigned Store Lambs (623) averaged £116.36 and sold to £160 for Beltex's from Strathore, Balfour.

"The store lamb trade easily maintained the recent excellent demand with fewer strong sorts on offer. Buyers remain very keen for stock."

Leading Prices per Head

Store Lambs: Pure Tex – Belniden, Strathdon £144; **TexX** – West Crichtie Farm, Auchnagatt £142; **Suf** – Ardgeith, Strathdon £142; **Tex** – Ledmacoy, Strathdon £140; **SufX** – Tannachie £140; **Cont** – West Quoscies £138; **Cross** – West Crichtie Farm, Craigmancy, Bridge of Marnoch, Ledmacoy, Strathdon £138; **Bel** – Ledmacoy £137; **Cont** – Ledmacoy £136; **Chv** – East Cowbog Farm, Aberdour £135; **ContX** – West Quoscies, Newtonhill, Waterside, Birse, Katoms Cottage, Kirkton of Rayne £135; **BelX** – Gilrivie Cottage, Montrose £134;

Island Consigned Store Lambs: Suf – Howan, Dounby £144; **SufX** – Binscarth Farm, Finstown £136; **BelX** – Biggings, Toab £135; **Bel** – Howan £132; **Down** – Binscarth Farm £128; **TexX** – Biggings £127; **Tex** – Biggings £126 (x2); **DownX** – Quendale, Dunrossness £126; **Cont** – Quendale, Howan £122; **ContX** – Scholland, Virkie £120