

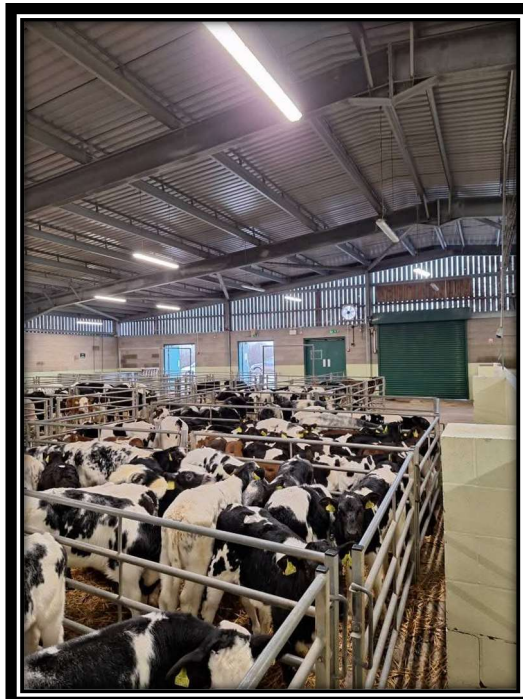
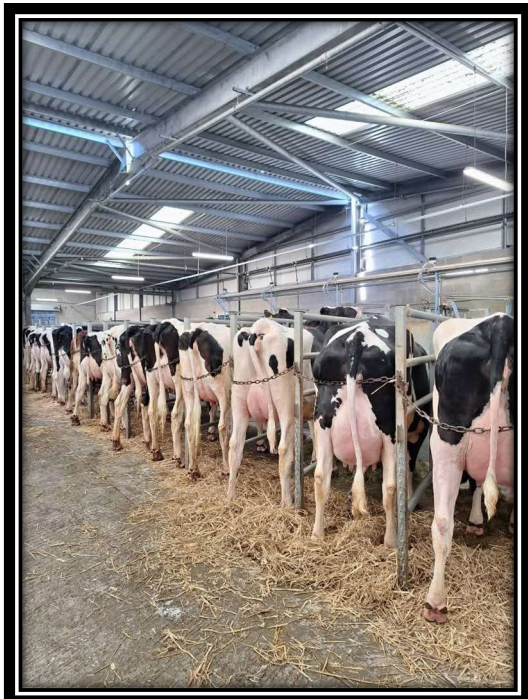


SHREWSBURY AUCTION CENTRE

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MARKET REPORT FOR TUESDAY 8TH APRIL 2025



DAIRY (172)	Top Price	£3622.50 C	£3045 h	
PRIME HOGGETTS (1490)	Top Price	£170.50	or 395pp	Ave:311.55ppk
CALVES (182)	Top Price	£720(B)	£620(H)	
CULL EWES AND RAMS (470)	Top Price	£301(E)	£220(R)	
BARREN COWS/OTM'S (6)	Top Price	£1481.04	or 242ppk	
STORE SHEEP ()	Top Price	£ E/L	£ SL	
SPRING LAMBS (134)	Top Price	£180.00	or 458ppk	

MARKET OPENING TIMES

*****GATES ARE OPEN FROM 6.30AM*****

AUCTIONEERS CONTACTS

CALVES 10am

Nick Griffiths 07748 306442

LAMBS/HOGGETS 10am

James Evans – 07581 552 438

DAIRY & BARREN CATTLE 11am

Jonny Dymond 07803 412617

Henry Hyde 07398 137343

STORE CATTLE 10.30am

WEANLINGS 12.30pm

Jonny Dymond 07803 412617

STARTING TIMES

LAMBS/ HOGGETS: 10AM

CALVES: 10AM

CULL EWES: TO FOLLOW LAMBS

BARRENS COWS AND BULLS: 11AM

DAIRY: 11.15 AM

WEANLINGS: 12.30- 1PM

STORE CATTLE FORTNIGHTLY

THURSDAY: 10.30AM

*******IMPORTANT INFORMATION*******

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172 DAIRY 11.15am

JONNY DYMOND – 07803 412617

Total		Ave (£)	Top (£)	Vendor
8	Freshly Calved Cow	2290.00	2700.00	A & C Drinkall
23	Freshly Calved Heifer	1872.17	3100.00	JM & D Shepherd & Sons
1	Dairy Heifer in Calf	1365.00	1365.00	D Lomas Farming
1	Dairy Calf	260.00	260.00	JB & J Cambridge
1	Breeding bull	1580.00	1580.00	S Kettleborough

WEEKLY SALE REPORT

8 Fresh Cows to £2700
ave £2209
27 Fresh Heifers to
£3100 ave £1837

A BUSY RINGSIDE AND GOOD PRICES this week with a very mixed entry consisting of either 1st class or the 3rd with very little in the middle.

A jet black cross bred cow from Alastair Drinkall in her 3rd lactation topped the cow section at £2700 giving 45kg per day. She was followed at £2600 for a commercial cow from Gordon Dutton's ongoing dispersal at £2600, the best of the pedigree cows also at 2600 was **WOLSTON MAAKJE BLACK SCARLET 9 VG85** while was also giving 45kg sold by RM & AD Thomas of Lutterworth.

In the heifers today we warmly welcomed back the team of JM & D Shepherd with their Meldamar Herd from Bakewell topping the section with **MELDAMAR DARWIN LADY RUTH 244** who had calved in mid-February and was producing 40kg per day. She sold to a local pedigree herd at £3100! Her herdmate was close behind at £2950 selling to a newly established herd in west Wales. A brae of heifers for Alastair Drinkall both bred at the Forestgate Herd achieved £2750 while a storming heifer which was still a bit heiferish hit £2650!! A run of small black and white heifers from a non-milk producing home that would improve on a top ration sold to a peak of £1500.

The start of the day though a beautiful jersey heifer calf **JUDES HORIZON NOREEN**, born the 14th March met intense bidding from adorning parents and their hopeful children before selling for £260!!

*****BEESTONVIEW TRADE GOES BALLISTIC TO 3450gns*****

Halls were pleased to have received instructions from David, Joanne and Michael Lomas to disperse their Beestonview herd of Pedigree Holsteins and Purebred Jerseys at Shrewsbury Auction Centre on Tuesday 8th April 2025.

The herd was bred with a keen eye for medium sized robust cows which would milk well using a mixed of Holstein and British Friesian Genetics. This mix appealed to buyers from Anglesey, Derbyshire, Devon, Llandysul, Leicestershire, Somerset and all the surrounding counties with 39 different buyers in attendance, ensuring there was intense demand for all ages and calving dates!!

The sale topper was **BEESTONVIEW APPLEJAX JONES**, by the great bull Applejax she was in due with her 3rd calf a British Blue in September still giving 27kg a day full of style she sold to a farm in Leicestershire for 3450gns. Next in the line was **BEESTONVIEW JINGLE MINT 4** by the British Friesian bull Lakemead Jingle due with her 2nd calf, a longhorn, in October 2025 style and quality she sold for 3400gns, once a again a very strong demand for summer, autumn and winter milk with prices identical or beyond the very strong fresh price.

Top of the fresh cows was **BEESTONVIEW PEPPER ROSE**, a 3rd lactation cow who calved at the end of February giving 41kg per day. In all 31 of the 106 holstein cows on offer in the sale sold for £3000 or more, with exceptional prices seen for senior cows with a 5th lactation cow **BEESTONVIEW GRAZIE MINT 2** who calved in September and was PD+ for November this year and went on to sell for 2800gns ³/₄ and faulted cows sold regularly over 2000gns.

The Jerseys in the herd were a pleasure to sell today also with strong demand around the ringside the prices peaked at 2080gns for a sweet purebred heifer calved the 22nd March giving 31kg. 2nd calving jerseys in fresh milked sold to 1900gns, the best of the Jersey x Norweigna reds cruised to 1980gns for a storming type in calf to sexed jersey in September. Jerseys with faults were from 500-1000gns

An exceptional day trading we can only look back on and smile

Averages 108 Holstein Cows in Milk and Dry £2550.70, 27 Jersey Cows and Heifers in milk £1327.17, 1 in calf Jersey x Heifer £1300

6 BARRENS 11.00am

HENRY HYDE- 07398 137343

Breed	PPK	Price	Vendor
Frie	242ppk	£1481.04	D & AC Shakeshaft
Frie	230ppk	£1453.60	SJ & MA Palmer
Swiss	209ppk	£1270.72	R & J Hill & Son
Swiss	156ppk	£960.96	R & J Hill & Son
Sim Bull	235ppk	£2345.30	R & J Hill & Son
Frie Str	350ppk	£2205.00	JT & BP Thomas

A short but sweet entry in the barren cow ring this week, keeping the trade as buoyant as ever! Only one beast under 200ppk mark, the rest topped at 242ppk / £1,481.04 for a cracking 2yr old Friesian from D & A. C. Shakeshaft, Whattall

Farm. Then in the cows topping at 230ppk / £1,453.60 for a 4yr old Friesian Cow from S. J. & M. A. Palmer, Sutton Hill Farm and a Smart Swiss 6yr old cow to 209ppk / £1,270.72 from R & J. Hill & Son, Broomcroft. Barren Bulls to 235ppk / £2,345.30 for a belting Simental X Bull also from R & J. Hill & Son, Broomcroft. Steers topped at 250ppk / £2,205 for a Fantastic Friesian 21month old weighing 630kg from J. T. & B. P. Thomas, Micklewood Farm House.

Many thanks to our buyers & vendors – more barrens needed every week.

182 CALVES 10AM

NICK GRIFFITHS-07748 306442

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Breed	Bulls			Heifers		
	No	Ave	Top	No	Ave	Top
Frie	3	173.33	£240.00			
BB x	43	472.30	£720.00	56	429.96	£620.00
AA x	13	386.15	£480.00	26	304.92	£470.00
Hfd x	6	295.83	£435.00	3	251.67	£335.00
B/Sho	1	398.00	£398.00			
Char x	1	560.00	£560.00	4	407.50	£480.00
Sim x	6	440.83	£610.00	5	392.40	£450.00
Lim x	6	323.33	£555.00	8	303.13	£430.00
W/Bla				1	380.00	£380.00

*****8 Week NON-Slaughter Declarations*** NO FORM NO DECLARATION**

In the interest of protecting your milk contract, Vendors are responsible for declaring their calves individually as not for slaughter, every week the auctioneer will declare at the point of sale and on invoice to our trusted buyers. Halls Holdings Ltd cannot be held responsible for the calf once it leaves the market where the onus transfers to the purchaser.

1490 PRIME HOGGETTS
JAMES EVANS 07581 552438

****SHEEP LICENCES****

**ALL SHEEP LICENCES MUST BE FILLED OUT CORRECTLY.
WE ARE HAVING A LOT OF LICENCES NOT BEING FILLED IN CORRECTLY,
NUMBER OF SHEEP MISSING, CULL EWES NOT BEING ON SHEET, MISSING HOLDING NUMBERS ETC.
PLEASE MAKE SURE THIS IS DONE BEFORE HANDING IN YOUR LICENCE**

Lambs	Ave P/Kg	Top Ave	Vendor	Top Per Hd	Vendor
17-25.4kgs					
25.5– 32kgs	277.30ppk	302ppk	B Elkin	£95.00	B Elkin
32.1 -39kgs	327.82ppk	395ppk	TA Fenton	£150.00	TA Fenton
39.1- 45.5kgs	320.07ppk	364ppk	G & H Parry	£161.00	Black Sheep
45.6- 52kgs	309.73ppk	365ppk	TA Fenton	£168.00	TA Fenton
52+ kgs	289.33ppk	313ppk	TA Fenton	£170.50	TA Fenton
Overall	311.55ppk				
SQQ	321.33ppk				

A total of 1,487 prime hogs were forward at Shrewsbury this week, slightly down on last week's stronger entry of 1,793. Trade continues to ease gently as the spring weeks roll on, with overall averages slipping back again. The market averaged 312ppk, which was up slightly from last week's 305ppk, while the SQQ came to 322ppk, compared to last week's 330ppk. While numbers were lighter this week, the trend of a gradual softening in the trade remains, particularly for the lighter types.

Lightweight hogs (25.5 – 32kg) saw 34 forward, fewer than last week's 42, but with a slightly stronger average of 277ppk, compared to 284ppk previously. The top price per kilo came in at 302ppk, back from last week's high of 331ppk, with a top per head of £95, also down from £102.50. While not as fiery as last week, these weights still sold to decent interest for well-bred, shapely sorts.

Standard weights (32.1 – 39kg) saw a reduced entry of 260 this week, down from 325 last week. Trade eased slightly here too, averaging 328ppk, compared to last week's 348ppk. However, the top-end trade was still there, with 395ppk and £150/head achieved by TA Fenton, bettering last week's top ppk of 393ppk and equalling the per head high. Although fewer pens pushed past the 370ppk mark this week, buyers remained keen for smart, tight-skinned lambs with finish.

Mediums (39.1 – 45.5kg) held firm on numbers, with 367 forward compared to last week's 457. The average dropped to 321ppk, slightly below last week's 320ppk. The top price per kilo reached 364ppk, lower than last week's 357ppk, but a pen from Blacks Sheep topped the price per head at £161, holding steady with last week's £160.50. Seven pens broke 350ppk, showing that the sharper, meatier hogs still catch the buyer's eye.

Heavier weights (45.6 – 52kg) were the talking point again this week, with 665 sold, up slightly from last week's 676. While the average dipped to 310ppk (last week 292ppk), the demand was clearly stronger with more money about for weight. The best per kilo made 365ppk, and the top head price was a healthy £168, both up on last week's figures. Six pens made over £160/head, compared to three last week, and two pens cleared the 348ppk mark, underlining that better-finished heavier hogs continue to attract a strong following.

Superheavies (52kg+) saw a sharper drop in numbers with 161 forward, well back from last week's 257. The average came in at 290ppk, showing a good lift from 268ppk last week, while the best per kilo reached 313ppk, up from 294ppk. TA Fenton led the way again with a top head price of £170.50, stronger than last week's £165.50. Eight pens broke the £160 mark, an improvement on last week's five, and two pens surpassed 300ppk, matching last week's effort. These weights continue to find favour with certain buyers chasing cover and frame.

In summary, while trade is showing the expected seasonal slowing, heavier hogs were notably dearer on the week, with improved returns across both per kilo and per head averages. Lighter weights remain more selective, but shapely, meaty types across all categories are still in demand. As always, finish and quality make the difference.

The next prime hogg sale at Shrewsbury Auction Centre is scheduled for Tuesday, 15th April 2025. For entries or further information, please contact James Evans on 07581 552438

Lambs 25.5-32		
£95.00	302ppk	B Elkin
£90.00	286ppk	B Elkin
£79.00	277ppk	B Elkin
£		

Lambs 32.1-39		
£150.00	395ppk	TA Fenton
£137.50	353ppk	DW Benbow
£135.50	352ppk	D Lloyd
£133.00	341ppk	DW Benbow
£132.50	358ppk	JK Piper

Lambs 39.1- 45.5		
£161.00	358ppk	Blacks Sheep
£156.50	364ppk	G & H Parry
£156.00	355ppk	TA Fenton
£154.00	358ppk	TA Fenton
£153.50	357ppk	RJ Savage

Lambs 45.6-52		
£168.00	365ppk	TA Fenton
£165.00	344ppk	TA Fenton
£162.00	352ppk	GV & JA Hardman
£160.00	333ppk	GH Kynaston
£160.00	308ppk	MJ & RJ Lewis

Lambs 52+		
£170.50	275ppk	TA Fenton
£167.00	253ppk	TJ Lewis
£166.00	313ppk	TA Fenton
£165.00	284ppk	HH Jones & Partners
£163.50	297ppk	Ta Fenton

NOTICE TO PRIMESTOCK VENDOR

Due to the continuous increase in values of Primestock, abattoirs are demanding that the highest welfare standards be upheld. Sheep must be "fit to sell" in the market and be fit for human consumption. Any Whole or Part of a carcass which is condemned is the responsibility of vendor and any deduction will be taken from your sale proceeds.

The Welfare of Animals in Markets Order 1990 states in order to be sold stock must not show any signs of being Diseased, Ill, Injured or Infirm. Anything that does not meet the standards will not be offered for sale and instead returned to its holding or origin.

****** IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL VENDORS ******

VETERINARY ATTESTATION NUMBER (VAN) From the 13th December 2023 the European Union will not accept ANY part of a Carcass or Offal from UK livestock producers unless that have a Veterinary Attestation Number, this is relevant for Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Chickens and any other livestock in the UK.

IF YOU ARE FARM ASSURED your stock is considered to meet the requirements for export and you can ignore the rest of this statement.

IF YOU ARE NOT FARM ASSURED, please contact your Vets about getting a number.

While your stock can be sold at the market with or without a VAN Halls **STRONGLY ADVISE** getting one. The process from our experience is based on the health and well-being of your livestock, rather than paperwork.

OUR BUYERS REQUESTING THIS! The meat industry is complex and when we trade in a world market ticking this box will be financially beneficial to you

470 CULL EWES AND RAMS: To Follow Lambs

TOM JERMAN :07948 080906

Ewes Top Price	Vendor	Ram Top Prices	Vendor
£301.00	M Manning	£220.00	DA & JM Embrey
£251.00	Robert Hares	£188.50	MP & MR Jones
£250.00	SM Baylis	£165.00	TM Morgan
£240.00	Aw Jones	£140.00	MP & MR Jones
£237.00	AW Jones	£135.00	B Elkin
£235.00	SM Baylis	£120.00	K Gorski
£231.00	IT Manning & Partners		
£230.00	DA & JM Embrey		

A slightly smaller entry of 466 cull sheep went under the hammer at Shrewsbury this week, just down on last week's 472. Trade, however, saw a significant lift, with averages rising to £161, a jump from last week's £141, showing renewed strength in the ewe job and underlining continued demand for heavier, meatier types.

Top-end ewes were in sharp demand throughout, with pure Texels from M Manning hitting £301, a full £80 stronger than last week's top of £221 for Suffolk-crosses. It marked a return to the kind of festival-fuelled highs seen earlier in the season. Several other standout prices were seen, including Shropshires to £251 from R Hares, and strong runs from SM Baylis and AW Jones with Texel crosses and Suffolks all consistently making £235–£250+.

Big-framed, well-fleshed ewes once again ruled the roost, with plenty of Texel and Charollais types sailing over £220, a marked improvement on last week when only a handful broke that threshold. In comparison to last week's softer mood, trade this week was significantly firmer, with buyers clearly keener and more competitive.

Welsh Mules and other medium-weight lowland types generally sold between £180–£200, up from last week's £130–£150 range, while plainer but framed ewes saw £120–£140, also improving on last week's softer figures. Hill ewes such as Welsh, Speckled Face, Swales, and Blackface types continued to trade well, mostly between £110–£140, showing little change from the previous week and maintaining their value due to grazing interest.

The cull ram section saw another tight entry of 6, matching last week, but trade was notably firmer, with a top of £220 for a Texel from DA & JM Embrey, up from last week's £190. Rams averaged £162, ahead of last week's £138, indicating renewed interest in heavier male sheep.

While last week's market saw a slight lull following the festival rush, this Tuesday's sale bounced back strongly. Heavier, meatier types were met with lively competition, with some of the best ewe prices we've seen this season. Demand is there, and with numbers still manageable, sellers are well-advised to take advantage of this strong trade

135 SPRING LAMBS
TOM JERMAN :07948 080906

<u>Lambs 32.1-39</u>		
£171.50	451ppk	IT Manning & Partners
£170.50	437ppk	K Dodd
£170.00	447ppk	IT Manning & Partners
£169.50	458ppk	CJ Mytton
£161.50	425ppk	R & J Hill

<u>Lambs 39.1- 45.5</u>		
£180.00	429ppk	IT Manning & Partners
£180.00	439ppk	TW & AL Littler
£180.00	419ppk	CJ Mytton
£180.00	429ppk	K & R Price
£175.50	408ppk	DT Roberts

<u>Lambs 45.6-52</u>		
£178.00	387ppk	R Hares
£173.00	368ppk	CR & JM Bowen
£173.00	360ppk	DT Roberts
£173.00	376ppk	CJ & HM Evans
£		

This week saw Shrewsbury's annual Easter "Lamb-Tastic" Prize Sale of Spring Lambs, and it certainly lived up to its name. With a significantly larger entry of 134 head, up from just 36 the previous week, vendors turned out in strength with quality stock, and trade responded accordingly. Buyers were out in force, keen to secure lambs in time for Easter, which helped lift the overall market average to 398ppk and SQQ to 400ppk—both a solid jump from last week's 373ppk and 382ppk respectively.

Standard-weight lambs (32.1–39kg) were forward in much stronger numbers, with 43 penned compared to just one entry last week. They met a blistering trade, averaging 420ppk, up from 394ppk, with the top price per kilo hitting 458ppk (CJ Mytton) and the best per head reaching £171.50 (IT Manning). There were three pens over £170/head and four pens topping 440ppk, showing the kind of keen bidding that comes with both quality lambs and a special Easter sale.

Medium-weight lambs (39.1–45.5kg) again made up the largest portion of the entry, with 81 sold, up from 31 last week. The average lifted slightly to 385ppk, compared to 382ppk last sale, with a top of 439ppk (TW & AL Littler) and a superb £180/head from IT Manning. Five pens broke £175, and another five went over 425ppk, reflecting strong competition for well-fleshed, shapely lambs in this weight range.

Heavy lambs (45.6–52kg) also saw more forward, with 10 penned, compared to just three last week. They averaged a very respectable 382ppk, a big jump from 344ppk, with the best hitting 387ppk and £178/head, both from R Hares. Four pens broke £170/head, with two exceeding 370ppk, confirming that heavier lambs, when well-finished, remain firmly in demand.

There were no superlight, light, or superheavy lambs entered this week, unlike last sale which had a single

Overall, this year's Easter Lamb-Tastic Prize Sale saw a tremendous show of quality springers backed up by firm demand and enthusiastic bidding. As numbers of spring lambs begin to grow, the market has shown it's more than ready to absorb them—particularly when the quality is there.

For more details or to enter lambs for upcoming sales, contact James Evans on 07581 552438.

Tuesday 15TH April

SHREWSBURY EASTER “Spring Fling” WEANLING, COWS & CALVES/ YOUNG STORES SHOW AND SALE

Entries Welcome

Wednesday 16th April

MAJOR MACHINERY SALE ANNOUNCEMENT

Extensive Range of Modern Farm Machinery to be held at Sandhole Farm, New Marton, St Martins, Oswestry. SY11 3HR

Thursday 17th April

BISHOPS CASTLE (DQCA) SALE

Entries Welcome

Saturday 19TH April

SHREWSBURY SALE ON BEHALF OF THE HEREFORD CATTLE SOCIETY

Tuesday 22ND April

SHREWSBURY “ROBIN MAUND” EASTER DAIRY SHOW AND SALE

Sponsored Show and Sale

Thursday 24th April

SHREWSBURY PRIZE SHOW & SALE OF STORE CATTLE



**BISHOPS CASTLE
PRIZE SHOW & SALE**

Thursday 17th April 2025

**Bishops Castle Auction Centre
Station Road | Bishops Castle | SY9 5DD**

ENTRIES INVITED
Last entries by 5pm on Thursday 10th April 2025

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By Kind Permission of J. H. Morris & Sons

On

Wednesday 16th April 2025

Starting at:

10:30am Workshop Tools, Spares & Parts

11:00am Implements, Tractors, Loaders & Forage Harvesters



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