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STAGS REPORT

A busy few days in South Molton! Breeding ewes to £200 & rams to £670! Lamb trade brighter on the week than originally expected!

CATALOGUES NOW LIVE!

The Summer Devon Connections Sale are both now available on the website

Late entries are still being accepted, contact Andrew Lane

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SOUTH MOLTON LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

THURSDAY 24TH AUGUST 2023

1163 SHEEP SOLD

899 PRIME LAMBS & 264 CULL EWE & RAMS

899 PRIME LAMBS:

A smaller entry of prime lambs this week which was expected following yesterdays breeding sale and the continued better weather. Overall another good quality entry with a few more heavier lambs forward this week. Trade has started steadier this week with a number of abattoirs dropping the deadweight prices. Trade was actually better than predicted on the weekly market text and very similar to last week. The handy weight and heavy lambs were again wanted as long as they had good cover; and the lighter lambs although harder to sell were definitely dearer than last week with a few new faces looking to buy store lambs. Hopefully the trade has bottomed and we will see some improvement in the coming weeks but numbers being sold nationally in the last two week have been lower. **Best pens today rose to 280ppk to 55kg Charollais crosses from Mr R Irwin of Kings Nympton** whose second pen of 52.7kg Lleys followed at 275ppk. 273ppk to 51kg Charollais crosses from Messrs IP & L Stagg of Newton Tracey with 272ppk again to 57kg Charollais crosses from Mr R Irwin. 271ppk to 52kg Charollais crosses from Messrs A & S Hoskin of Bishop Nympton with 270ppk twice; the first to 51.8kg Charollais crosses from Mr W Milton of Chapelton and the second to 50kg Texel crosses from Mr N Rottenbury of Heasley Mill. 52.4kg Suffolk crosses from Mr RH Dymond & Son of Croyde hit 267ppk with 266ppk to 56.3kg Charollais crosses again from Messrs Stagg. 265ppk hit four times; the first to 49.5kg Charollais crosses from Mr G Mills & Partners Ltd of Witheridge; the second to 55kg Texel crosses from Mr AE Chudley & Son of Romansleigh; the third to 60kg Suffolk crosses from Messrs A & S Hoskin again and the third to Messrs Stagg's third pen of 52.5kg Charollais crosses.

Topping the day at £159 to 60kg Suffolk crosses from Messrs A & S Hoskin of Bishops Nympton with £155 twice; both to Charollais cross pens from Mr R Irwin of Kings Nympton and £154 to

other 55kg pens. £150 hit four times; the first to 56.3kg Charollais crosses from Messrs IP & L Stagg of Newton Tracey; the second to 60kg Suffolk crosses from Messrs AD & SM Bray of Knowstone; the third to 57.1kg Suffolk crosses from Messrs G & P Kivell of Ashreigney and the fourth pen to 64kg Suffolk crosses from Mr G Mills & Partners Ltd of Witheridge. 59kg Suffolk crosses from Messrs Lucas & Ridge of Chulmleigh rose to £148.

264 CULL EWES & RAMS:

As with the lambs a smaller entry of cull sheep this week and a lot of local farmers of standstill. Again a very mixed entry with a large proportion of plain and lean ewes forward this week. Trade actually a touch dearer than last week even though the overall average was back (which was due to more small, plain ewes on offer). More buyers beginning to look for the grazing ewes and overall trade likely to remain strong in the coming weeks. Best Suffolk Mules this week £116 plus (very few) and best Mules £105. **Top of the day at £132 to an Aberblack ram from Mr R Crang of Dulverton who sold others to £131. Best ewes to £124.50 to Suffolk Mules from Mr MD Bray of Knowstone** with other blackfaces from Messrs A & S Hoskin of Bishops Nympton at £119. Texel crosses from Mr G Mills & Partners Ltd of Witheridge to £118 with Suffolk Mules from Mr W Moore & Sons of Rackenford at £117. Closely following at £116.50 to other similar blackfaces from Mr JF Norman of Shirwell. Closewools from Messrs S & J Bale of Challacombe at £116 with Bluefaced Leicesters from Messrs Lucas & Ridge of Chulmleigh at £114.50, the same money as Suffolk Mules again from the Mills family. Other Suffolk Mules from Mr B Elston of Rose Ash hit £109.50.

IMPORTANT CULL EWES

Please ensure when selecting cull sheep for market that they are suitable for presenting at market and for further onward travel after the sale - They MUST all have double tags!

LAMBS	SOLD	AVE	TOP	AVE	TOP
		Pence	Per kg	£ per	head
STANDARD 32-39	16	248.55	256.00	£93.78	£99.00
MEDIUM 39.1-45.5	334	254.11	262.00	£109.95	£117.80
HEAVY 45.6-52	431	255.46	273.00	£123.61	£141.00
HEAVY + 52+	118	262.90	280.00	£142.82	£159.00
SQQ	350				253.88

CULL SHEEP	SOLD	AVE (£)	TOP (£)
ALL CULL & DRAFT EWES	260	£73.81	£124.50
1ST QUALITY EWES	96	£89.63	£124.50
MULE EWES	46	£75.45	£105.00
2ND/3RD QUALITY EWES	118	£68.49	£74.00
CULL RAMS/WETHERS	4	£90.75	£132.00



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WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST 2023

THE GREAT ANNUAL SHEEP FAIR

966 OLDER EWES; 1459 SHEARLING EWES; 78 EWE LAMBS & 86 RAMS

SHEARLING EWES:

An excellent entry of over 2800 sheep forward for the annual sheep fair sale. Trade was strong throughout the day with the quality, stronger sheep the most wanted. In the breeding ewe section trade **topped at £200 twice in the Suffolk Mule shearlings; firstly to a pen of 24 from Mr RW Tapp & Son of South Molton and the secondly to a pen of 15 from Messrs RJ & JC Rottenbury of Black Dog.** Mr RW Tapp & Son had a wonderful run of Suffolk Mule shearlings and had other pens to £195 (x2); £188; £185 (x3). Other Suffolk Mule shearlings hit £188 for a pen of 21 from Messrs H & M Thorne & Sons of Warkleigh and £185 for a pen from Mrs M Tapp of South Molton. **Overall the Suffolk Mule shearlings averaged £171.61.**

A decent entry of over 600 North Country Mule shearlings **topped at £198 for a pen of 22 from Messrs H & M Thorne & Sons of Warkleigh** who also sold other pens to £185 (x2); £182 and £180. Next best was £195 for a pen of 20 from Mr W Smale of North Molton who also sold further pens to £190 and £182. Messrs DWC & MJ Elworthy of Satterleigh had two pens of 20 both realise £185. Other notable prices included £178 (x2) from Messrs GR & LTD McLeod of Swimbridge and Mr LAJ England of Tiverton. £175 (x2) both from Mr SJ Dallyn of Barnstaple **with the overall mule average hitting £177.09.**

Whiteface shearlings saw the best to £192 for a pen of Texel Mules from Messrs H & M Thorne & Sons of Warkleigh who also sold others to £182. Next best at £188 for another pen of Texel Mules from Messrs RJ & JC Rottenbury of Black Dog whose second pen followed closely at £185. Other notable prices included £182 for Texel Mules from Mr ME Snell & Son of Knowstone; £170 to further Texel Mules from Mrs M Tapp of South Molton. £165 (x2) to Exmoor Mules from Messrs DWC & MJ Elworthy of Satterleigh and £160 to Blue Faced Leicester cross Texels from Mr MEJ Branfield & Sons of Wiveliscombe. **Overall the whiteface shearlings average £140.53.**

FLOCK DISPERSALS:

This year's fair included three flock dispersals which all met much interest. First into the ring was 160 homebred, mainly purebred Lleyens from Tim Buddon of Higher Hacknell Farms Partnership. He topped at £160 for 4T ewes with full mouths to £158; shearlings to £155 and 6T to £155. Mrs M Tapp of South Molton and family have been great supporters of South Molton market over many years and today was the day they dispersed the flock of mainly Suffolk and Texel Mules. Prices topped at £185 for their Suffolk Mules shearlings with the 4T Suffolks following at £180; 6T Suffolk Mules to £160 and full mouths to £140. The Texel Mules sold to £170 for the shearlings; 4T to £162 and 6T to £155. Messrs Fuller & Son of Chulmleigh was the third and final dispersal of the day with just over 400 mainly purebred Lleyen ewes forward. Pens for the family peaked to

£140 for 4T with the shearlings followed at £135. 6T to £115 and full mouths to £120.

OLDER EWES:

The sale started off with an super entry of genuine farming aged ewes which met a buoyant trade throughout with a 100% clearance. **Topping at £188 twice; both to 4T Suffolk Mules from Messrs BW, MR & SW Cottle of Petrockstowe and the second to Messrs IFJ & JC Harris of Beaworthy** with other pens to £160 for 4T from the Cottle family and £158 and for the Harris family. 4T North Country Mules from Messrs H & M Thorne & Sons of Warkleigh topped at £162 with full mouth Suffolk Mules again from Messrs Harris peaked at £148. Messrs GR & LTD McLeod sold their run of 2 crop North Country Mules to a top of £140 three times with others to £135. Full mouth North Country Mules from Mr FC Reed of North Molton rose to £128 with their second pen following at £120, the same money as other similar mules from Messrs A & C Rowland of Bampton.

EWE LAMBS:

A small show of ewe lambs **peaked at £128 to Texel Mules from Mr AJ Dart of Chulmleigh** with Suffolk Mules from Mr ME Snell & Son of Knowstone at £120 twice.

RAMS:

Rams saw a reduced entry this year with a selective trade from start to finish. Quality bred rams in demand however the smaller sorts difficult to place. **Top today at £670 to a shearling Suffolk from Messrs RJ & SJ Geake of Tavistock** with Charollais shearlings from annual consignor Mr D Smith of Chulmleigh at £550 three times and £520 respectively. Other Charollais shearlings to £550 from Mr GA Endacott & Son of Spreyton who sold other similar shearlings to £500 twice. A slim show of Texel shearlings this year saw the best to £480 from Mrs CA Smale of North Molton. Older rams today saw the best to full mouth Texels from Mrs M Tapp of South Molton topped at £220 twice. 6T Lleyens from the Higher Hacknell Farms realised £200 and £170.



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FORTHCOMING SOUTH MOLTON SALES

TUESDAY 29TH AUGUST 2023

SALE TO COMMENCE AT 11AM

THE SUMMER DEVON CONNECTIONS SALE OF

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PEDIGREE, PUREBRED & CROSSBRED RED RUBY DEVON CATTLE

IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANDREW LANE

To include: Dispersal Sale of 2 Cows; 2 Cows & Calves; 1 Bulling Heifers & 1 Steer plus; 45 12-21mo Steers; 7 Cows & Calves; 10 Served Heifers & 30 Bulling Heifers

CATALOGUE NOW AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE.

COMING SOON!

SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

SALE TO COMMENCE AT 10:30AM

THE SOUTH WEST HANDLING LTD & GOOSEFORD DAIRY OPEN DAY MACHINERY
& EQUIPMENT SALE

COLLECTIVE ONSITE & ONLINE WEBCAST SALE
(ONLINE BIDDING AVAILABLE ON SELECTED LOTS)

AT GOOSEFORD FARM, WHIDDON DOWN, DEVON, EX20 2QQ

Open Day to include Quad Bike demo rides, Trade Stands, Milking Demonstration, Bouncy Castle, Burger Van & Bar and many other exciting attractions.

ENTRIES INCLUDE: **Vehicles:** 2005 Merlo P30.7KT Telehandler (12,200 Hrs); **Trailers:** 22' Cattle Livestock Twin Axle Trailer; 30' Twin Axle Bale Trailer; 23'5" Tri-Axle Bale Trailer c/w Air Brakes & Air Suspension; Single Axle Livestock Trailer; Trailer Chassis; **Farm Machinery:** John Deere 512 1200L 24M Crop Sprayer Folding Disc Harrows; Kockerling 6M Folding Grassmaster Tine Weeder Haybob c/w New PTO Shaft; Dowdeswell Bale Wrapper; Kubota RC60R-25B Finishing Mower; Major MR150 Finishing Mower; Fleming Link Box; A-Z Yard Scraper (Not used); 2022 A-Z 1.83M Muck Grab c/w KV Tines & Euro Brackets; 2022 Strimech KV Power Grab c/w JCB Brackets; MX Bucket c/w Euro Brackets; 7'6" Bucket; 6'6" Bucket c/w removable cutting edge & JCB Brackets Bolt-on Brackets; **Livestock Equipment:** IAE Cattle Crush (hardly used); **General Equipment:** Lorry Body c/w 1-ton tail lift on back with sliding doors; 6 Cylinder Perkins Engine ; 3 Phase Compressor; 2 IBC's; 2 Super Single Wheels & Tyres; 2 Wheels & Tyres; Household Furniture Inc: 2 Tables, Sideboard & 5 Chairs

CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE TEAM IF YOU HAVE ANY ENTRIES OR QUERIES

FORTHCOMING TAVISTOCK SALES

TUESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

SALE TO COMMENCE AT 10:30AM

GOOSE CATTLE FAIR SALE

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR CATALOGUING: WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER AT 12 NOON



WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER
SHOW TO COMMENCE AT 9:00AM
SALE TO COMMENCE AT 10:30AM
1ST SEASON SHOW & SALE OF
MULE EWE LAMBS



On behalf of the South West Mule Group

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR CATALOGUING: WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER AT 12 NOON

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Raddington

185.53 Acres

A very private residential farm, centrally set within its own land yet with excellent accessibility. Farmhouse (not Listed) for improvement with stone barns offering potential for additional accommodation, all nestled down at the end of a private entrance lane. Modern buildings. Appealing mixture of pasture & arable land with park land, ponds and mature woodland.

Guide price £2,600,000

Wellington 01823 662822



Chipstable

44 Acres

An attractive small farm nestled within a pretty valley. Fine location near to the Exmoor National Park with good accessibility to nearby towns and the M5. South-facing semi-detached house (Not Listed) with 4 bedrooms. Shepherds Hut for holiday use with stunning views. Traditional stone barn and modern stabling. An appealing mixture of pasture & woodland with interesting topography. FREEHOLD.

Guide price £925,000

Wellington 01823 662822



Newton Tracey

49.82 Acres

Productive arable and pasture land with the remains of a former farmstead. Registered as organic. Direct road access. Mains water. Gently sloping and level land with panoramic views. For sale by private treaty. FREEHOLD.

Guide price £425,000

Bideford 01237 425030



Poughill

38.10 Acres

South-facing pasture land with direct road access, near to the village of Poughill. Mains water connected. Available as a whole or in two lots. LOT 1: 27.87 acres. LOT 2: 10.23 acres. Used for mowing and grazing. For sale by private treaty.

Guide price £320,000

Exeter 01392 680059

