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SOUTH MOLTON LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT
5TH DECEMBER 2024
2001 SHEEP SOLD
1428 PRIME LAMBS, 162 STORE LAMBS & 411 CULL EWES & RAMS

STAGS REPORT
 MORE LAMBS FORWARD THIS WEEK WITH TRADE REMAINING STEADY

Annual Oven Ready Christmas Poultry Sale at South Molton Market on Thursday 19th December commencing after the sale of prime & store lambs at approximately 1pm

Please note that VAN numbers are only valid for one year. A large amount were issued 12 months ago, so are becoming invalid and will need to be renewed with a vet visit

As of January 2025 we are going paperless for all market statements and tags!

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PRIME LAMBS (1428)

A bigger entry again this week which has followed the national trend with more lambs carried forward. Overall a very mixed entry with a lot more lighter and leaner lambs forward as well as hill bred lambs. Again a big number of heavier lambs (over 50kgs) on offer and a good number of medium weight lambs (44-47kgs). Trade back on last week with the heavier lambs the most affected. The medium weight lambs would be back approx. 5-10ppk depending on quality. Buyers reporting slower sale and more numbers coming forward has just seen the trade ease throughout this week. It was also noticeable that the FABBL lambs are more sought after than the VAN lambs if they are between 40-47kgs and there are fewer buyers to bid for the lambs that don't have either FABBL or VAN. The heavier lambs there is very little difference between FABBL or VAN lambs.

Top call in the lamb sales this week was seen for Messrs Lucas and Ridge of Chulmleigh for their pen of 72kg lambs achieving £181.00, the same vendor had a further pen of 60.5kg lambs to £170.50. £179.50 was seen for Messrs DJ & RA Woollacott of Yarnscombe for their pen of 61.4kg lambs, a further pen of 62.2kg lambs reaching £178.00 and £174.00 for a pen of 60kg lambs. Messrs DJ & LM Stephens of East Anstey saw their pen of 61kg lambs to £178.50. £174.50 was seen for Messrs MJ & IM Parkhouse and Son of Marwood for their pen of 60kg lambs.

Topping the Pence Per Kilo this week was Mr RP Williams of Winsford for his pen of 45.6kg lambs achieving 322ppk, the same vendor had a pen of 44kg lambs reach 311ppk. 311ppk was seen for Messrs TH & PM Bolt of Huntsham for their pens of 45.4kg lambs and 44.5kg lambs. 309ppk was seen twice this week, firstly for Messrs A & C Rowland of Bampton for their pens of 45.8kg lambs and 44.4kg

lambs and secondly for Messrs RD Middleton & Son of Chulmleigh for their pen of 45.6kg lambs. Topping the pence per kilo in the heavier lamb section this week was Messrs Tucker Crooke Burnell of Okehampton for his pen of 53.4kg lambs achieving 297ppk.

STORE LAMBS (162)

A slightly smaller entry of 162 store lambs saw another increase in quality. The majority forward being stronger Suffolk and Texel cross lambs which met a buoyant trade a few pens of smaller and leaner lambs met the strongest trade of the day which reflects in the overall average of £110.01.

Top price in the store lamb sales this week was seen for Mr MD Bray of Knowstone for his pen of Texel store lambs achieving £124.00 and Messrs DL & JM Bray & Son of Knowstone for their pen of Suffolk lambs also achieving £124.00. £121.00 was seen for both Messrs M & L Gardiner of South Molton for their pen of Charollais lambs and Messrs DL & Jm Bray & Son of Knowstone for a further pen of Suffolk lambs.

CULL EWES & RAMS (411)

A bigger number entry this week and overall a better quality entry with some good runs of well bred ewes forward. A large contingent of the entry were Mule ewes but in fairness there were a lot of strong well framed Mule ewes. Trade very similar to last week which was actually better than expected. All buyers present and all keen to secure ewes especially the bigger strong sorts. Not many grazing or very lean ewes forward this week and those well framed 3/4 meat ewes remain well sought after. Best Suffolk Mules this week £145 plus and best Mules this week £135 plus.

Top price in the cull ewe sales this week was seen for Messrs G Dart & Sons of Molland for their pen of Texel ewes achieving £194.00. £179.00 was seen for Mr DJ Baker of Yarnscombe for his pen of Charollais ewes. Messrs Cook Partners of Braunton saw their pen of Suffolk ewes to £166.00. Messrs Mildon & Ley of Bishops Nympton saw their pen of ewes to £159.00.

Top price in the ram sales this week was achieved by Messrs GC Thomas & Son for their Texel ram achieving £154.00, the same vendor had a further ram achieve £147.00.

| NSL | SOLD | AVE | TOP | AVE | TOP |
|------------------|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | Pence | Per kg | £ per | head |
| STANDARD 32-39 | 59 | 286.32 | 307 | 107.67 | 117.5 |
| MEDIUM 39.1-45.5 | 404 | 297.41 | 311 | 128.28 | 141 |
| HEAVY 45.6-52 | 624 | 295.77 | 322 | 142.1 | 151 |
| HEAVY 52 + | 285 | 283.92 | 297 | 156.44 | 181 |
| SQQ | 463 | | | | 296.15 |



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SOUTH MOLTON FATSTOCK SHOW RESULTS 2024

SOUTH MOLTON FATSTOCK SHOW AND SALE (CATTLE)

1ST & OVERALL SHOW CHAMPION - Messrs MR & VA Smith & Miss J Maynard of Thelbridge

2ND & RESERVE SHOW CHAMPION - Messrs JE & M Mather & Son of Arlington

PEN OF 5 SUFFOLK X LAMBS (UP TO 46KGS)

1ST - Mr G Mills & Partners of Witheridge

PEN OF 5 SUFFOLK X LAMBS (OVER 46KGS)

1ST - Messrs AD & SM Bray of Knowstone

PEN OF 5 CONTINENTAL X LAMBS (UP TO 46KGS)

1ST - Messrs T & S Jones & Sons of South Molton

PEN OF 5 CONTIENTAL X LAMBS (OVER 46KGS)

1ST & OVERALL FATSTOCK SHOW CHAMPION PEN - Mr G Mills & Partners of Witheridge

PAIR OF CONTIENTAL LAMBS

1ST - Mr G Mills & Partners of Witheridge

OPEN CLASS FOR BEST PAIR OF BREEDING EWE LAMBS

1ST - Mr B Slawson of Braunton

OPEN CLASS FOR BEST PAIR OF BUTCHERS LAMBS

1ST & RESERVE FATSTOCK SHOW CHAMPION PEN - Messrs AD & SM Bray of Knowstone

OPEN CLASS FOR BEST PAIR OF BUTCHERS LAMBS Sired BY A TEXEL RAM

1ST - Mr R Trenaman of Umberleigh

OPEN CLASS FOR BEST PAIR OF NATIVE BREED BUTCHERS LAMBS

1ST - Mrs J C Hewitt of Wheddon Cross

OVERALL SHOW CHAMPION CARCASS

1ST - Mr NA Cooke of Torrington



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SOUTH MOLTON CHRISTMAS DRESSED POULTRY SALE

**Expected Entry of 200 Turkeys, Geese, Chickens and
Ducks**

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER

**South Molton Livestock Market, South Molton, EX36
4BH**

Doors open 6:30am – Sale to commence at approx 1pm
(After sale of prime & store lambs) - Sale to be held in
the calf shed

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TAVISTOCK CHRISTMAS DRESSED POULTRY SALE

MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2024

**Tavistock Livestock Centre, Whitchurch Road,
Tavistock, PL19 9BB**

Doors open 6:00am – Sale to commence at 11am