



**WALLETS MARTS CASTLE DOUGLAS LIMITED
MONDAY 13th AUGUST 2018
STORE AND OTM CATTLE**

Wallets Marts Castle Douglas Limited held their annual Anniversary Show and Sale of 745 Store Cattle on Monday 13th August. This event celebrates 162 years of auction business being conducted under the proud Wallets name. Despite continuing fears over the availability of winter fodder and the recent drought Wallets once again defied the odds with one of the dearest trades witnessed in recent weeks. The lack of English buyers was noticeable, for obvious reasons, but this was greatly supplemented by the additional buyers being forward from further north. Cattle were showing the effects of the recent drought conditions and as a result of this would definitely be lighter on the year.

At the pre-sale show the judge, Mr William Purdon, found his champion in a Limousin cross bullock from P & M Gray, Eastfield, Symington. Scaling 552kgs it made £1265 to the Judge. Reserve champion was another Limousin bullock, this time from R Watson, Slatehouse, Moniaive. Scaling 452kgs it made £1040 to an Aberdeenshire buyer. First prize heifer was a Limousin cross from Culdoach which weighed 368kgs and made £920. First prize pen of 4 bullocks were Limousin crosses from Fagra which weighed 569kgs and made £1255 to the judge, whilst first prize pen of 4 heifers were again Limousins from Mains of Collin and weighed 417kgs and made £980 to Messrs Stoddart, Mill of Invererity, Forfar.

Outwith the show cattle Simmental bullocks from Trolane topped at £1320 for 563kgs. Top price per kg in the bullock section was 258.6p for a pen of Charolais crosses from M & G Barr, Meikle Kirkland. Heifers topped at £1190 for a Simmental from Glenturk and 250p per kg for Limousins from Culdoach. Overall averages levelled at 214.4p (222.4p last year) and heifers were 205.3p (212.3p last year).

A small show of 16 OTM cattle were a much plainer quality show than recent sales and sold to 141p per kg for a Limousin cow from Netown, Gatehouse and to £1069.60 from the same home. Sale average was 112.5p per kg.

Leading prices

Steers

Angus

£1260 Trolane; £1125 Balcraig Moor; £1090 Hill of Balmaghie; £1040 Mid Threave; £1030 Boreland of Girthon; £1020 Redbank; £1010 Hillside; £1000 Moss-Side

Limousin

£1315 Shangan; £1275 Trolane; £1265, £1250, £1170 Eastfield; £1255 Fagra; £1250; £1175, £1125 Barscarrow; £1120 Edingham; £1120 Fingland

Simmental

£1320, £1285 Trolane; £1155(x2), £1145, £1080 Mid Threave; £1120 Slatehouse; £1100 Shangan; £1085 Garrochtrie; £1080 Borgue House

Charolais

£1220, £1030 Hill of Balmaghie; £1190, £1150 Hillside; £1165, £1055 Kirranrae; £1065 Drumneil; £1030 Borgue House; £1010 Castlehill

British Blue

£1130, £1090, £1025 Mid Threave; £990 Fagra; £825 Meikle Kirkland

Salers

£925, £905 Boreland of Girthon £900, £870 (x2) Rusko Farms

Hereford

£810 Glenturk; £810 Low Mains; £780 Mayhaar

Shorthorn

£945 Barbershall; £880 Glenkiln

Luing

£900 Horsecrook

Heifers

Charolais

£965 Kirranrae; £945(x2) Borgue House; £940 Horsecrook; £940 Castlehill; £910 Trowdale

Simmental

£1190 Glenturk; £960 Slatehouse; £945(x2) Borgue House;

Limousin

£995 Edingham; £980 mains of Collin; £980 Slatehouse; £970 Fingland; £950 Glenturk; £920 Culdoach

Angus

£1035 Hill of Balmaghie; £975 Slatehouse; £905, £900 Balcraig Moor

British Blue

£935 Hightae

Salers

£1105, £910 Culdoach

Hereford

£735 Low Mains

OTM

Cows

£1069, £1051, £865 Newton; £729, £642, £611 Mayhaar; £608 Margrie

