Market Report - Cutcombe Market Sheep Sale, Wednesday 22nd July 2020

Sale Report for the Dispersal Sale of the Entire Flock on behalf of the Hon RT Lytton

Exmoor Farmers were delighted to be instructed to hold the dispersal sale on behalf of the Hon RT Lytton, Bratton Court Farm and the sale saw 449 breeding ewes being Poll Dorset and crossbred Poll Dorset mules removed to Cutcombe Market for ease of sale. A commercial flock in their working clothes with lambs only weaned a month the ewes were mending after the early very dry weather. The pure bred ewes originated from The Anclar pedigree flock now managed as an unregistered purebred nucleus flock to produce its own replacement and cross bred commercial replacements.

The sale kicked off with 4 pens of 2T Dorset mule ewes, the first pen away to £137 with the second and third to £126 and £123, the fourth pen to £114. 4T ewes hit £124 and the best pen of 6T ewes to £114. A pen of 16 first year FM ewes went to a buyer from Wales at £110 and two pens of 2^{nd} Yr FM ewes again headed the same direction at £91 each.

The pure-bred Poll Dorset' first pen of 17 shearlings sold to £141 and was followed by the second pen at £120. The first pen of 12, 6T ewes sold to £117 with the second pen away at £107. The 1st Yr FM ewes looked one of the strongest pens of the day and sold to £120 with the next pen being 2^{nd} Yr and 3^{rd} Yr FM which sold to £115. The second pen of these older ewes were second year plus FM away at £95 and a pen of broken mouth ewes sold to £82. An exceptionally strong trade across the board for Mr. Lytton's ewes and we thank him again for his kind instruction and to the buyers on the day for their support.

Outside Entries following the dispersal East Ilkerton Farm Partnership had a run of 41 ewes for sale. The first pen of these, a mixed age group from 4T and some showing 6T sold to \pm 90, a second pen of 6 to \pm 80 and a pen of 10 FM to \pm 86. We then went onto a run of 103 North Country mules from Phoines Estates, all shearling 2T ewes and a terrific show of ewes forward which sold to \pm 140 all the way with keen demand from buyers, East Ilkerton Farm sold a FM Poll Dorset ram to \pm 120 and a run of 4 Texel rams from W Coles & Daughters sold to a top of \pm 390 for a smart 4T ram, this was followed up by 2 6T rams sold away at \pm 290 and \pm 270 and a final FM to \pm 220.

An excellent trade on breeding ewes across the board, we hope that this demand and excellent prices will hold firm until the main shearling sale to be held on 7th September at Blackmoor Gate.

PRIVATE SALES

SHEEP

HERDWICK Ewes & Lambs

12 Ewes with 14 April bn Lambs by BFL (lambs have had Clik)

6 Shearling Ewes (Will Split)







CATTLE

Pedigree Aberdeen Angus Bull, 30 mths old

32 BULLING HEIFERS AA X Frei and Lim X Frie 15-18 mths

5 SALERS X, LIM X, AA X HEIFERS - RW Lim Bull since 17th May

IN-CALF COWS - 5 AA and AAX. In Calf 5-8 mths, PD to Lim Bull. 3-6 yrs old



Pedigree South Devon Bull 'Hartnoll Sexton', 3 years old



Aberdeen Angus X Cow bn 5.6.16. Due next few months to AA

Aberdeen Angus X Heifer bn 24.3.18. Due with first calf next few months to AA

Ruby Red Devon X Cow bn 10.7.15. Due to AA next month







Three Pedigree Whitebred Shorthorn Bulls $2 \ge 5$ year old, $1 \ge 8$ year old. Proven and sound feet







PROPERTY FOR SALE



19.4554 ACRES HUISH CHAMPFLOWER, Guide: £180,000

Four well-proportioned roadside parcels of land with 80' x 60' Timber Frame Shed.



PART WOOLCOMBE FARM, SANDYWAY, 86.2 ACRES OF PASTURE LAND Guide: £350,000

A healthy and accessible block of pasture land, being situated to the south west side of Woolcombe Farm.

LAND AT BRIDGETOWN, Nr DULVERTON

0.9466 Acres (0.3831 ha) of Amenity Pasture Land For Sale by Informal Tender closing 14th August 2020 at 5pm



WINSFORD, MINEHEAD

Two Semi-Detached Cottages (each 3 bed) Attractive pair of traditional cottages. As a whole or in two lots with in total 1.09 acres. With potential, needing some modernisation Lot 1: £220,000 Lot 2: £240,000



BILBROOK, MINEHEAD SALE AGREED For Sale by Informal Tender

Range of 4 Stables with turnout paddock. Accessible. Other uses (STP). Guide: £30,000 - £40,000

Other Notices

Mental Health And Wellbeing Event 31st July 2020 6-8pm

Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards are co-ordinating an event to promote mental health and wellbeing in the farming community on 31st July 2020.

The ongoing Covid-19 crisis and increasing industry pressures mean that the regions farmers are under pressure more than ever. This has led to increased incidents of mental illness within the industry. To recognise this Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards are working on several projects to play a role in tackling the stigma surrounding mental health and to help publicize the support and guidance available to those who need it. On the back of Farm Safety Week running between 20th and 24th July 2020 the service is aiming to keep the momentum of the issues raised during that week and are holding an event on 31st July 2020 between 6 and 8pm. The event will be online and will feature speakers from The Farm Community Network, The Yellow Wellies Campaign and The National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs. Each organisation will focus on the importance of mental health and wellbeing highlighting what help is available and where to get support.

In addition to the speakers there will be an opportunity to ask questions to the speakers as well as Trading Standards Officers. The format of the meeting will allow you to do this anonymously if you prefer.

Those unable to attend the online event will have the opportunity to watch it again on the Trading Standards YouTube page the following week.

Those interested in attending this online event should contact Chris Rice by emailing christopher.rice@devon.gov.uk or by calling 01392 388743.