

Exmoor Farmers Livestock Auctions

MAY NEWSLETTER

FORTHCOMING SALES

CUTCOMBE

Wednesday 1st June

Store Cattle, Cows and Calves includes dispersal of Cows and Calves from Court Place Farm, including 6 Devon Cows, 8 Welsh Black Cows, 3 incalf Devon cows, 1 incalf Welsh Black heifer, 1 pedigree Limousin bull

Wednesday 8th June

Prime/Store Lambs, Grazing/Killing Ewes

Friday 10th June

Machinery and Miscellaneous Sale
(no poultry)

BLACKMOOR GATE

Monday 23rd April

Store Sheep and Ewes, together with second sale of Couples including 40 YFC couples and 30 other couples entered to date.

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MAY HIGHLIGHTS

CUTCOMBE CATTLE 4th MAY

Store Steers	£1555.00	Limousin x	SJ & RJ Webber
Store Heifers	£1520.00	Limousin x	SJ & RJ Webber
Grazing Cows	£1700.00	British Blue x	DJ Vellacott
Bulling Heifers	£1268.00	Hereford x	P&A White

BLACKMOOR GATE SHEEP 9th MAY:

Couples	£250.00	Double Couple	Blackmoor Gate YFC
Medium Grazing Ewes	£117.00		
Store Hoggs	£114.00		

CUTCOMBE SHEEP 11th MAY

Couples	£188.00	Exmoor Horn	Lady Acland
Grazing Ewes	£147.00		DW & J Jones
Cull Rams	£131.00		Rackenford Manor
Prime Hoggs	£141.50		MG Vellacott
Prime Lambs	£149.00		B Blackmore

COLLECTION W/C 2nd MAY

Cull Cows	£2,007.00	Aberdeen Angus	
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With the load sent averaging £1,468.00.

Auctioneers Comment:

Just a few highlights above of the trade we have had in the last week, this has been a super selling period in recent weeks, with everything in demand and cattle in particular selling at similar levels through February, March and April also. There has been a shortage of breeding cattle but we do have a dispersal in the June sale from Court Place Farm, Porlock together with some other entries and would ask that you make your entries for this sale as soon as possible and by the 24th May at the latest.

Cutcombe Sheep Report – Wednesday 11th May 2022

Prime Hoggs to £141.50 Couples £188.00 Grazing Ewes £147.00
 Cull Rams to £131.00 New Season Lambs to £149.00 (316p/kg)

Prime Lambs (50), new season prime lamb forward for sale. Top price of these at a £149.00 for Mr B J Blackmore, with Lady Ackland seeing hers to 325p/kg, they averaged on the day an SQQ of 315p/kg and as noted prices included T J Buckingham with his to £140.50 for a pen of 44.5kgs, £144.50 for a pen of 48 from O Dyer, a run from B Westcott 48.5kgs to £143.50, and £142.50 to £136.80. P J Blackmore second pen of 45kgs to a £140.50 and a pair of lighter lambs from Lady Ackland 32kgs 104p/kg

Top Prices	Vendor
140.50	T J Buckingham
149.00	B J Blackmore

Prime Hoggs (175)

175 forward to an SQQ average at 259p/kg, top of the day at £141.00 for a pen from M R Scott and Son of 61 kg hoggs, A J Richards saw his 63 kgs to £140.80 and B & C Westcott 59 kgs to 139 which was equalled by a pen from S Coates, DW and J Jones topped at a £138.50 which was equal by pen from R F Jones who had others to £135.50, £135.20 and £135.00.

Still strongest demand in the under 45 kg bracket with at top of 285p/kg for Rackenford Manor and the top price for per head from was for M Brewer and H Purdey whose pen of 43 kgs made a £119.00, S Coates 43.50kgs to £118.80, Rackenford Manor 42 kgs to £118.50, S McCracken 45's to £118.00 and M Brewer and H Purdey followed up their first pen with a second pen of 11 at 42.50 kgs making £110.20. Good demand for the smaller Hoggs. Big Hoggs still struggling.

Weight Range	Top Prices	Weight	Vendor
32.1-39.5kgs	104.00	38.00	V Ellicott
	99.00	38.00	A R Williams
39.1-45.5kgs	119.00	43.00	M Brewer + H Purdey
	118.80	43.50	S Coates
	118.50	42.00	Rackenford Manor
45.6-52kgs	127.00	51.00	Wrylands Farm
	126.50	48.00	M J Buckingham
	124.20	46.00	J Brandfield
52kgs+	141.50	61.00	M R Scott
	140.80	63.00	A J Richards

Store Hoggs (54) just the 54 forward to a top of £104.00 for Mr A Dibble

Top Prices	Vendor
104.00	A Dibble
95.50	PJ & J Webber
89.50	A Venner

Couples (45): 45 ewe and lamb couples forward to a top of £188.00 from Lady Acland for a single Exmoor Horn ewe and lamb. A run from P J & J Webber topped at £180.00 for a pen of 4 double couples. Others from the same home to £152.00, £148.00 and then singles to £127.00 twice and £124.00, and £122.00. Others from Lady Acland sold for a pen of 2 with 3 lambs at £166.00.

Top Prices	Vendor
188.00	Lady Acland
180.00	PJ & J Webber
166.00	Lady Acland

Grazing Ewes (280) forward a flying trade continues and ewes to £147.00 for DW & J Jones. Others from the same home to £146.00, R F Jones to £140.00, DW & J Jones £135.00, A Taylor to £134.00 and J Atkins saw his top to £132.50.

Superb demand in light of the end of Ramadan just over a week ago now, and many more could have been sold to best advantage again today.

Top Prices	Breed	Vendor
147.00	Suffolk	D W & J Jones
146.00	Suffolk	D W & J Jones
140.00	Suffolk	R F Jones
135.00	Suffolk	DW & J Jones
134.00	Suffolk	A Taylor
132.50	Suffolk	J Atkins

Cull Rams To a top of £135.00 for Luckyard Farm Ltd with others from Rackenford Manor to £131.00, A Taylor £130.00, M G Vellacott equalled this and others from J Branfield to £124.50.

Top Prices	Vendor
135.00	Luckyard Farm
131.00	Rackenford Manor
130.00	A Taylor
124.50	J Branfield

Old Season Lambs	Tally	AVE	MAX	MAX PR/KG	AVE	MAX	Max PR/HD
Type		PR/KG	PR/KG	Seller Name	PR/HD	PR/HD	Seller Name
Hoggs 32.1-39kg	18	250.55	274.00	V Ellicott	87.97	104.00	V Ellicott
Hoggs 39.1-45.5kg	60	261.24	282.00	Rackenford Manor	112.42	119.00	M Brewer
Hoggs 45.6-52kg	18	251.01	270.00	J Branfield	122.99	127.00	Wrylands Farm
Hoggs 52kg+	79	224.18	254.00	M G Vellacott	134.22	141.50	M R Scott
SQQ Average	259.14						

New Season Lambs	Tally	AVE	MAX	MAX PR/KG	AVE	MAX	Max PR/HD
Type		PR/KG	PR/KG	Seller Name	PR/HD	PR/HD	Seller Name
Lambs 39.1-45.0	9	315.73	316.00	T J Buckingham	140.50	140.50	T J Buckingham
Lambs 39.1-45kg	41	306.93	325.00	Lady Acland	139.61	104.00	B J Blackmore

Store Sheep	Tally	AVE	MAX	MAX PR/HD
Type	Off	PR/HD	PR/HD	Seller Name
Store Lambs	50	64.81	104.00	A Dibble
Ewes & Lambs	45	135.73	188.00	Lady Acland
Grazing Ewes	280	92.21	147.00	D W & J Jones
Cull Rams	10	105.45	131.00	Rackenford Manor
Hogg	1	119	119.00	T J Buckingham
Total	483			

Blackmoor Gate Sheep Report – Monday 9th May 2022

Store Hogs to £114.00

Couples to £250.00

Grazing Ewes to £117.00

A strong trade with more wanted.

Store Hogs (59), to a top of £114.00 for S McCracken, plenty of life still left in the store hogg trade with plenty of buyers forward. Other noted prices from Mrs A Hall to £107.50, S McCracken followed up with others to £99.00 and P & JE Smyth to £90.00.

Store Hogs – Top Prices	Vendor
£114.00	Mr S McCracken
£107.50	Mrs A Hall
£99.00	Mr S McCracken
£90.00	Messrs P & JE Smyth

Grazing Ewes (43), a shorter number forward to a top of £117.00 from P & JE Smyth with others to £114.00 from RG Tucker. £113.00 from S McCracken, £111.50 from C Dapling and DG Pile saw his to £106.50. Again, much better than anticipated after some reports of a lull last week, demand seems strong for these.

Grazing Ewes - Top Prices	Vendor
£117.00	Messrs P & JE Smyth
£114.00	Mr RG Tucker
£113.00	Mr S McCracken
£111.50	Mr C Dapling

Couples (72), to an average price of £144.93 for the outfits forward. Top price for Blackmoor Gate YFC who had couples to £250.00 for doubles and £160.00 for singles. Other doubles from H Scott to £206.00 and £205.00. J Nicholas saw his to £200.00 and A Dunn saw his to £189.00. Plenty of other couples forward over £60 a life, the best of the single couples to £166.00 from RI Crocombe for Suffolk 4T ewes with Suffolk x lambs at foot. K Harris sold a good pen of Cheviot x type ewes with single lambs at foot to £154.00. The majority of ewes forward full and lost, with a strong enough trade for what was on offer.

Couples – Top Prices	Vendor
£250.00	Blackmoor Gate YFC
£206.00	Ms H Scott
£205.00	Ms H Scott
£200.00	Mr J Nicholas

Store Sheep	AVE	MAX	MAX PR/HD
Type	PR/HD	PR/HD	Seller Name
Store Lambs	84.27	114.00	Mr S McCracken
Couples	144.93	250.00	Blackmoor Gate YFC
Grazing Ewes	82.19	117.00	P & JE Smyth
Total Forward	175		

Cutcombe Market Report –Wednesday 4th May 2022

Exmoor Farmers are delighted to report a tremendous sale of store cattle with everything selling and highlights too numerous to list them all.

Store heifers to £1520.00, store steers to £1555.00, grazing cows to £1700.00 and bulling heifers to £1268.00. Many more would have sold to vendors advantage with a slightly lower than normal May entry of 375.00 to 100% clearance.



Store Steers:

Limousin x	£1555.00	650kgs	21 months	SJ & RJ Webber
	£1385.00	535kgs	18 months	SJ & RJ Webber
	£1280.00	445kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
	£1248.00	440kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
	£1130.00	400kgs	12 months	DW & J Jones
	£1085.00	410kgs	13 months	R Takle
	£1000.00	370kgs	12 months	R Takle
	£980.00	340kgs	12 months	R Takle
	Charolais x	£1395.00	520kgs	14 months
£1278.00		495kgs	15 months	DJ Vellacott
£1225.00		465kgs	15 months	EC Farms
£1215.00		455kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
£1200.00		470kgs	13 months	D Vellacott
£1175.00		450kgs	14 months	EC Farms
£1125.00		430kgs	14 months	P & O Jemmission
£1065.00		440kgs	12 months	Wrylands Farm

	£1055.00	405kgs	12 months	P & O Jemmison
	£1055.00	435kgs	12 months	LC & CA South
	£1050.00	420kgs	14 months	AR Williams
	£1045.00	350kgs	14 months	AJ & MJ Tarr
	£1045.00	435kgs	13 months	R Winzer
	£1035.00	440kgs	15 months	PJ Bowden
	£1030.00	375kgs	12 months	Mrs A Hall
	£1008.00	370kgs	14 months	AR Williams
	£920.00	340kgs	12 months	MJ Petherick
	£875.00	315kgs	10 months	Miss V Black
British Blue x	£1225.00	480kgs	22 months	Ward Farms Ltd
	£812.00	285kgs	7 months	S Atkins
Stabiliser x	£1072.00	430kgs	14 months	Loscombe Partners
Hereford x	£1050.00	505kgs	21 months	R Winzer
Devon	£1005.00	455kgs	24 months	T Yandle
	£820.00	370kgs	13 months	DL & EL Wallace
Simmental x	£1000.00	465kgs	8 months	CJ Facey
	£960.00	440kgs	8 months	CJ Facey
Aberdeen Angus x	£955.00	375kgs	13 months	EC Farms
	£915.00	435kgs	20 months	WJ & WG Witheridge
	£895.00	420kgs	21 months	R Winzer
Store Heifers:				
Limousin x	£1520.00	590kgs	24 months	SJ & RJ Webber
	£1450.00	640kgs	21 months	SJ & RJ Webber
	£1330.00	540kgs	23 months	DJ & RJ Webber
	£1120.00	435kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
	£840.00	360kgs	12 months	R Takle
	£800.00	335kgs	11 months	Farmlea Ltd
Simmental x	£1222.00	540kgs	24 months	Ward Farms Ltd
	£1095.00	470kgs	23 months	KJ Parker
	£1050.00	505kgs	24 months	Ward Farms Ltd
	£950.00	460kgs	15 months	R Winzer
Charolais x	£1190.00	555kgs	26 months	R Winzer
	£1170.00	530kgs	14 months	DJ Vellacott
	£1155.00	480kgs	14 months	DJ Vellacott
	£1155.00	465kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
	£1130.00	405kgs	15 months	EC Farms
	£1112.00	495kgs	15 months	AR Williams
	£1090.00	385kgs	24 months	DR Cronk
	£1045.00	410kgs	13 months	DW & J Jones
	£1000.00	420kgs	14 months	P & O Jemmison
	£975.00	380kgs	11 months	Loscombe Partners
	£920.00	360kgs	14 months	P & O Jemmison
	£895.00	330kgs	13 months	AJ & MJ Tarr & Son

British Blue x	£1125.00	470kgs	22 months	T Yandle
	£1068.00	470kgs	21 months	T Yandle
	£1040.00	380kgs	14 months	T Yandle
	£868.00	410kgs	21 months	WJ & WG Witheridge

A shortage of breeding and grazing cattle to a fantastic trade with grazing cows to:

£1700.00 860kgs Limousin x DJ Vellacott

£1360.00 720kgs Devon x KJ Parker

Heifers with calves at foot to £1370.00 Hereford x from M Jones. Bulling heifers to £1268.00, Hereford x from P & A White who also had £1260.00, Aberdeen Angus x to £1238.00 from Miss S Wates & Mr J Thayne, Hereford x to £1220.00 T Yandle also £1100.00.

Top ppk – Steers 298.6ppk (Ch) from AJ & MJ Tarr & Son

Top ppk – Heifers 279.00ppk (Ch) from EC Farms

Grazing Cows 197.7ppk from DJ Vellacott

CUTCOMBE COLLECTION CENTRE

- ✓ Prime Lambs & Cull Ewes
- ✓ Prime Cattle & Barren Cows
 - ✓ *Farm Assured*
 - ✓ *Non-Farm Assured*
 - ✓ *Any TB Status*

Stock required EACH week – MUST be prior booked

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CLAIMS & PAYMENTS

With the Basic Payment Scheme application period now finalised for 2022 and the Revenue Claims for Environmental and Countryside Stewardship also coming to a close, we now begin to focus on new applications for Mid Tier and some Higher Tier Countryside Stewardship as well as stand-alone capital grants.

The future of payments is very much in the melting pot at the moment with a variety of things to consider. In the first instance for a very small number of farmers, the Lump Sum Exit Scheme if it suits the on-farm situation and also the fast approaching new world of rapidly reducing Basic Payments and the de-linked payment basis from 2024.

Countryside Stewardship applications for Mid Tier are open until 29th July 2022 with application packs needing to be acquired before the end of June. If you wish to have some assistance with your application, we would be pleased to do so but please contact us sooner rather than later.

Some of the revenue payments have been improved for existing and new agreements effective 1st January 2022 and in following years but at the current time there has been no announcements about changes to the capital payments.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAND MANAGEMENT SCHEMES

Latest RPA information seems to suggest that the ELMS scheme will be open for new agreements from 2025 and up until that time, Countryside Stewardship agreements will still be available. Other schemes in the pipeline include: Sustainable Farming Incentives which will open later in 2022; Local Nature Recovery and Landscape Recovery.

With a variety of other possible options in the pipeline to include Farming in Protected Landscapes, Tree Health Pilot Schemes, Woodland Creation Offers and Farming Innovation Programme, there is plenty to get our heads around.

Whilst all the news things are coming through, many people still have existing Environmental Stewardship Schemes (HLS), many of which do not end until 2023 and 2024 but many are currently on a rolling one year basis, which gives some stability until new schemes are available.

As the scheme world changes we will be pleased to offer advice and assistance with applications and options wherever possible.

LAND AND PROPERTY

All Sold? Considering Selling?

Currently we have sold or sale agreed on all the property we have been handling in recent months and are desperately looking for more land and property to satisfy a wide range of buyers requests.

Just within the last few days, we have had requests from Essex, the Midlands, right down to the far end of Cornwall for a range of property from cottages to farms, so if you are considering selling this summer, autumn or even next year, we would be more than pleased to come and give a free market appraisal.

You will have seen in the press and within this newsletter that we have been favoured with instructions to offer a Farm Business Tenancy on a large block of land near Parracombe, being 996 acres in total with the option of a house nearby in the village. This is a super opportunity which seldom arises and if you would like more details please look on our website or contact us for more information. Tenders close Friday 10th June with viewing days available.



7.5 ACRES OF PASTURE LAND AT BRATTON FLEMING

A most attractive field comprising 7.5 acres approximately of permanent pasture land with excellent road access. A sheltered field surrounded by hedges with a metal gated access to Lodge Lane and is conveniently situated to the east of Bratton Fleming.

SALE AGREED



40.25 ACRES OF PASTURE LAND AT YARDWELLS CROSS, NORTH MOLTON, SOUTH MOLTON

A most attractive block of 40.25 acres approx of permanent pasture land, being south facing with excellent road access. Land is divided in two enclosures with approximately 15.5 acres at the east side adjoining Yardwells Cross and the balance to the west.

SALE AGREED

2022 SALES FIXTURES

Cutcombe - Cattle

<i>Wednesday 1st June</i>	<i>Store Cattle, Cows and Calves</i>
<i>Wednesday 6th July</i>	<i>Store Cattle, Cows and Calves</i>
<i>Monday 8th August</i>	<i>SUCKLED CALVES FOR ESCRA</i>
<i>Wednesday 7th September</i>	<i>Store Cattle, Cows and Calves</i>
<i>Wednesday 28th September</i>	<i>Grand Annual Sale of Store Cattle</i>
	<i>Store Cattle, Cows and Calves</i>

Cutcombe - Sheep

Grazing/Killing Ewes, Prime/Store Lambs – Sale at 2.00 pm

<i>Wednesday 25th May</i>	
<i>Wednesday 8th June</i>	
<i>Wednesday 22nd June</i>	
<i>Wednesday 6th July</i>	
<i>Wednesday 20th July</i>	
<i>Thursday 22nd September</i>	<i>Exmoor Horn Breed Society Sale of Ewes and Rams</i>

Blackmoor Gate

<i>Monday 23rd May</i>	<i>Store Lambs, Ewes</i>
<i>Monday 20th June</i>	<i>Store Lambs, Ewes</i>
<i>Monday 11th July</i>	<i>Store Lambs, Ewes</i>
<i>Monday 1st August</i>	<i>Store Lambs, Ewes</i>
<i>Monday 22nd August</i>	

Poultry, Poultry Equipment and Other Misc Deadstock and Machinery

<i>Friday 10th June</i>	<i>4pm</i>
<i>Friday 22nd July</i>	<i>4pm</i>
<i>Friday 26th August</i>	<i>4pm</i>

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**ALL AUCTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO MOVEMENT RULES AS SET BY DEFRA  
COLLECTION EVERY WEEK – LAMBS AND CATTLE. TB RESTRICTED CATTLE  
COLLECTED  
TO SLAUGHTER**

*Must be prior booked [www.exmoorfarmers.co.uk](http://www.exmoorfarmers.co.uk)*  
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