Another jam packed day at Leek including the monthly pedigree dairy sale with a top of £1960 for a heifer from the Stone family, Onecote.

A better trade for lambs this week with a top of 217p/kg and overall average of 181p/kg. Ewes sold to £135 for strong Texels, with a solid trade for all types.

Barrens sold to 132p/kg for a British Blue cow with clean cattle to 180p/kg.

Pigs were a good trade with a top of 148p/kg with a nice show of stock forward.

Calves were a solid trade, but not at heady heights, with a top of £300 for a Blue bull calf.

BARREN COWS (53);
Selling time – 10:00am
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
A similar trade to last week, with a good number of cattle forward to satisfy customers orders! Please keep numbers coming forward!

Top price today of 132p/kg for a 625kg British Blue from M & D Barber, Blore, with a 615kg British Blue at 125p/kg for DA & LM Moss, Heaton and a 665kg Simmental selling to 123p/kg for M & D Barber.

Other top prices;
122p 720kg Shorthorn - IJ & AM Barks, Blackshaw Moor
118p 770kg Holstein - S J Potts, Gillow Heath
118p 685kg Friesian - DR & A Shuker, Bosley
117p 805kg Shorthorn - IJ & AM Barks, Blackshaw Moor
117p 640kg Montbeliarde - Woodward Partners, Rudyard
117p 700kg Brown Swiss - DR & A Shuker, Bosley
117p 625kg Simmental - A Simcock & Son, Mobberley
116p 765kg Holstein - DG & JA Ball, Fulford
115p 680kg Friesian - W Carbutt, Siddington
115p 735kg Friesian - S J Potts, Gillow Heath
115p 690kg Fleckvieh - J G Curtis & Son, Basford

Overall average of 103.68p/kg or £677.59.

Top headage price of £941.85 for Shorthorns, with Holsteins to £906.60, £891 & £887.40.

CLEAN CATTLE (21);
Selling time – 10:45am approx.
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
A good number of cattle forward on Tuesday and trade similar to last week.

Top price of 180p/kg for a 655kg South Devon steer, and the same for a 565kg South Devon from the same home.

Young bulls sold to 176p/kg for a 600kg Simmental from Rushton Spencer.

Heifers topped at 168p/kg for a 620kg Charolais, and a 555kg Charolais realised 165p/kg with a 620kg Simmental from Reg Critchlow at 163p/kg, who also sold a 600kg British Blue heifer for 158p/kg.

Top headage price of £1179 and £1017 for the South Devon steers, with bulls to £1056 and heifers to £1041.60 and £1035.

DAIRIES (111);
Selling time – 11:00am
Auctioneers – Meg Elliott (07967 007049) & Mark Elliott (07973 673092)
A packed ring gathered for the August pedigree sale and more milkers were definitely required to satisfy the demand.

There was a real shortage of first quality heifers however all of the entry including Shorthorns, Ayrshires and British Friesians sold to an exceptional trade.

Topping the day at £1960 were the Stone family of Onecote for a commercial heifer giving 30kg. Very close behind at £1940 was a Shorthorn X second calver from the Howe family of Litton. Giving 34kg she made £1940.

Also at £1940 was a powerful heifer from the Rees family of Nantwich. Dalebank Canada Pamela was clinched by Bill Bradbury to join his herd at Earl Sterndale.
A large entry of youngstock sold to a swift trade with British Friesian bulling heifers to £850 with all ages selling exceptionally well.

More milkers are certainly required so get in touch if you have some to sell!

PIGS (106);
Selling time – 9:15am
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
Another strong trade for pigs this week with averages pretty much the same across the board.

Pork pigs sold to 130p/kg for a 68kg pig from Bernard Minshull, Buxton with a 58kg pig from R Parker, Upper Hulme at 107p/kg.

Cutting pigs sold to 148p/kg for a super 83kg pig from PF & PD Parsons, Redbrook who sold others at 143p/kg, 130p/kg and 122p/kg.

Bacon pigs sold to 119p/kg for a pair of 98.5kg pigs from Chris Hine, Biddulph, with an 88kg pig at 132p/kg from Bernard Minshull who also sold at 103kg pig at 130p/kg and a pair of 86kg pigs at 127p/kg and Chris Hine sold a 95kg pig at 130p/kg.

Heavy pigs topped at 126p/kg for a 107kg pig from S Bailey, Knypersley, with a pen of 106kg pigs at 105p/kg for LA & EJ Hayes, Sutton in Ashfield.

Cull boars sold for 69p/kg for a 323kg boar from J & B Fentem, and a 398kg boar at 62p/kg for LA & EJ Hayes.

Only one sow forward sold at 60p/kg for a 205kg sow from Alan Worth, Marton.

An in-pig sow from D K Collier, Oldham sold for £155.

Averages;
Pork Pigs (2) av 119.41p/kg or £75.23/head
Cutting Pigs (40) av 109.31p/kg or £87.45/head
Bacon Pigs (45) av 111.98p/kg or £106.06/head
Heavy Pigs (13) av 86.94p/kg or £102.19/head
Cull Sows& Boars (5) av 56.34p/kg or £129.24/head

SHEEP SECTION;
Selling time 11:00am
Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652)
BUTCHERS LAMBS (817);
A similar entry sold on a firmer trade with competitive bidding throughout. Many more could have been sold!

Best on offer raced away to 217p with best sorts generally 190p and above.

Overall average at 181p/kg.

Sample prices;
217p 42.6kg M Wright, Hartington
201p 41.2kg F Yates & Son, Longford
198p 42.3kg G Mosley, Wormhill
198p 43.4kg S & J Reeves, Blythe

Butchers Lambs av 119p/kg or £72.56/head
Best Mules well sold to £82, overall average were in at just under £60/head which included a large number of plain and horned ewes.

CALVES (189);
Selling time – 10:00am
Auctioneer – Oliver Hiles (07801 530899)
More calves on offer and a few extra buyers around the ring led to a solid trade for all calves on offer. No records broken but competitive bidding and a level price.

50 Continental Bulls av £183.34
All shapes and sizes on offer with plenty of bidders for all but at realistic prices. 18 better sorts topped £230 with a high of £300 for Wes Clark, Bradnop. Mediums generally £150 - £200 with a handul of plain calves under £100. 30 Blues av £196 to £300 - W G & J Clark, Bradnop 10 Sims av £163 to £275 - WJ & MJ Holdcroft, Sandbach 7 Lims av £164 to £232 - N E Goodwin & Son, U. Hulme 3 Cha/Blo av £161 to £235 - DG & JA Ball, Fulford

58 Continental Heifers av £154.98
Nearly exactly the same average as last week and considered a better price than the bulls. 13 better heifers sold over £200 with a high of £238 for a lovely Blue from TD & DA Higginson, Knutsford. Mediums £130 - £170 with 11 smalls under £100. 35 Blues av £155 to £238 - TD & DA Higginson 11 Sims av £179 to £220 - WJ & MJ Holdcroft, Sandbach 10 Lims av £129 to £208 - J R Mosedale & Son 3 Blo av £150 to £185 - WH Townsend & Son, Sudbury

40 Native Bred Calves
Some good sorts on offer with Herefords selling to £215 for bulls and £195 for heifers for R J Salt, Rudyard. Angus bulls sold to £230 for C Jackson & Sons with Angus heifers to £215 for P T Beswick, Cauldon.
38 Black & White Bulls av £43.28
Friesians to £110; Holsteins to £95; Brown Swiss to £140; Montys to £135 and £115 with a good few for rearing today. Processing bulls generally £12 - £40 depending on size.

THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST 2019 – 4PM
RED MARKET
Fortnightly Sale of Barren & Clean Cattle
Entries taken from 2pm onwards
***PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR TB24b LICENCE IF YOU ARE UNDER TB RESTRICTIONS***
Next Sale: 12th September

SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2019
Catalogued Sale of Store & Breeding Sheep to Include Special Show & Sale of Shearlings
Sale to Commence 10am
Entries Close Friday 30th August

FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2019
Catalogued Show and Sale of Pedigree Texel Sheep On Behalf of The Derbyshire Texel Club
Catalogues Available Shortly

SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2019
Monthly Sale of Store and Breeding Pigs
Entries Invited

SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2019 – 10AM
Catalogued Sale of Store and Breeding Cattle
To Include Breeding Cows & Heifers. Some with Calves, Maiden Heifers, Breeding Bulls, Young Bulls & Store Cattle
Entries Close Friday 6th September
Next Sale: 28th September