A 100% clearance in all sections this Tuesday with good numbers of stock forward. The Dairy shed was buoyant with dairies continuing to sell well topping at £2100 for a 30kg heifer and in-calf heifers to £1480.

Pigs continue to sell on a decent trade to top at 136p/kg for cutters.

Less meated sorts in the barren shed, but a good enquiry for the stock forward selling to 117p/kg for a Simmental and clean to 185p/kg for a neat Blonde heifer.

An improved trade for butchers lambs this Tuesday selling to 206p/kg or £106.02/head. A good number of cull sheep forward also, meeting a firm enquiry selling to £110.

More calves about this Tuesday, with the best sorts selling to £395 for a 2 month old Blue Bull calf, and stronger heifers to £325.

BARREN COWS (52);
Selling time – 10:00am
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
Same number of cattle this week, with trade similar, but a shortage of good meated sorts forward effecting the overall average.

Top price of 117p/kg for an 885kg Simmental cow from A & K Farming, Heaton. Black & whites sold to 116p/kg for a 665kg Friesian from B J Archer, Hilton.

Other top prices includes;
- 115p 825kg Charolais - C & E J Whilock, Werrington
- 115p 685kg Friesian - J E Archer & Sons, Hilton
- 114p 625kg Hereford - JH & IEA Bennett, Brandside
- 114p 640kg Brown Swiss - WM, EM & WP Gleave
- 110p 680kg Angus - FP & SK Goodwin, Wincle
- 108p 570kg Shorthorn - G G Hall & Son, Croxden
- 108p 715kg Holstein - H & E Bailey, Brown Edge
- 108p 595kg Red Poll - G G Hall & Son, Croxden

Overall average of 90.76p/kg or £580.67 per head.

Top headage price of £1035.50 for the 885kg Simmental, with Charolais to £948.75 and black & whites to £787.75 and £782.40.

A 1280kg Angus stock bull sold at 97p/kg from P F Gilman, Thorncliffe to gross £1241.60.

CLEAN CATTLE (21);
Selling time – 10:45am approx.
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
Trade still the same and a top of 185p/kg for a 560kg Blonde heifer from Beryl Kirkham, Leek. Other heifers sold to 159p/kg for a 550kg Angus from S J Potts, Biddulph.

Steers sold to 169p/kg for a 650kg Limousin from E A Sessions & Sons, Dalbury Lees, who also sold a 645kg Limousin steer at 154p/kg. A 515kg British Blue steer sold at 154p/kg from G W Forrester, Abbotts Bromley.

Top headage price of £1098.50 for steers and £1036 for heifers.

DAIRIES (90);
Selling time – 11:00am
Auctioneers – Meg Elliott (07967 007049) & Mark Elliott (07973 673092)
The trade for Dairies at Leek continues to be on a rising plain with all qualities and sectors selling extremely well.

Topping the day at £2100 was a 30kg heifer from Alan Thomas of Kimcote, Leics with another from the Phillips family of Winkhill at £1980.

Next in line at £1920 was a heifer from Derek Davenport of Brereton.

Three groups of in-calf heifers sold well to top at £1480 from Nigel Smith of Lutterworth.

There is already a fantastic entry for nest weeks Pedigree sale which includes the Inaugural Shorthorn Society Sale at Leek. 54 Shorthorns are entered to date from some of the leading herds. Catalogues will be out shortly.

PIGS (87);
Selling time – 9:15am
Auctioneer – Graham Watkins (07976 370894)
Less pigs about this week, but trade still very much buoyant and similar to previous weeks.
 Cutting pigs topped at 136p/kg for a pair of 83kg pigs from PF & PD Parsons, Maeor, who also sold 81kg pigs for 128p/kg and 84kg pigs from J & B Fentem at 122p/kg. 

Bacon pigs sold to 126p/kg for 94kg pigs from Chris Hine, Biddulpj, with the Parson family selling 93kg pigs at 120p/kg and 91kg pigs at 120p/kg for J & B Fentem. 

Heavy pigs sold to 111p/kg for 125kg pigs from J Wheawall, Leigh. 

Cull sows sold to 74p/kg twice for 240kg and 273kg sows from G W Brock & Son, Warrington, with an 180kg sow at 72p/kg from Chris Hine, and a 340kg sow at 65p/kg from J Armitage, Belper. 

Averages; 
Cutting Pigs (43) av 109.92p/kg or £90.52/head 
Bacon Pigs (31) av 105.10p/kg or £97.92/head 
Heavy Pigs (6) av 83.13p/kg or £94.76/head 
Culls Sows (7) av 70.69p/kg or £182.56/head 

SHEEP SECTION; 
Selling time 11:00am 
Auctioneer – Robert Watkins (07929 946652) 
BUTCHERS LAMBS (669); 
A reduced entry which is a shame given the increased demand with one order for best types unable to get started. 

Best types in strong demand to a top of 206p/kg; big lambs also very keenly sought after to top at 200p for 50kg lambs and 186p/kg for 57kg lambs to top at £106.02. 

Plainer sorts still harder to sell but notably firmer than last week generally 155p - 165p/kg. 

Overall average of 168p/kg. 

Sample prices; 
198p 38kg A C Langridge, Fole 
206p 40kg R & S Bailey, Cloudside 
201p 43.3kg S & J Reeves, Grindley 
190p 40kg J Gilman & Partners, Bosley 
200p 50kg Shirley & Boam, Longnor 
181p 45.7kg S & J Reeves, Grindley 
186p 57kg Shirley & Boam, Longnor 

CULL SHEEP (343); 
A strong entry sold on a solid trade to top at £112 for best Texels from Roger & Simon Bailey with others at £110 from the Mifflin family at Bignall End. 

Best Mules sold to £68 and generally meated types £60+. Mediums £50 - £60 and lean sorts £30 - £50. 

Overall average £63.18. 

CALVES (200); 
Selling time – 10:00am 
Auctioneer – Oliver Hiles (07801 530899) 
A bumper entry of calves with yet more new faces amongst the sellers who are trying Leek for the first time. 

62 Continental Bulls av £190.48 
Simmys & Limousins dearer but Blues less with some very ordinary calves amongst them today. A lovely run of Limousins from C E Hine sold to £395, £350(twice), £290 etc all at 2 months old. 20 better sorts £260+ with 20 mediums £180 - £250 and smaller calves either side of £100. 
30 Blues av £140 to £295 - NG & JMH & H Mellor 
18 Sims av £239 to £290 - D Swinson 
14 Lims av £235 to £395 - C E Hine 

63 Continental Heifers av £130.55 
Double the number of last week with averages little changed despite some very small calves in the ntry. Messrs Hine had stronger Limousins at £325, £270 (tice), £260 £250 etc. 19 best over £170. Mediums generally £120 - £160 and smalls under £100. 
32 Blues av £104 to £210 - S Bailey 
11 Sims av £128 to £245 - JJ & PN Holdcroft 
19 Lims av £173 to £325 - C E Hine 
1 Char to £185 - D & G Tudor 

46 Native Bred Calves 
Plenty of autumn calving calves about but all selling to rear at about processing money. Best bulls to £230 for C V Whilock & Sons for Angus’ with Hereford heifers to £140 for B W Swindells, Oncote. 

29 Black & White Bulls 
All for processing today with no rearing sorts on offer. 

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2019 
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 4th October 
Next Sale: 26th October 
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SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2019 
Monthly Sale of Store and Breeding Pigs 
Entries Invited 
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SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2019 
Catalogued Sale of Store & Breeding Sheep 
Sale to Commence 10am 
Catalogues Available 
Next Sale: Saturday 2nd November 
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SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2019 
Multibreed Ram Sale To Include Prize Show & Sale of Blue Faced Leicester’s Catalogued Sale of MV and Non MV Breeding Rams & MV Only Females 
Sale to Commence 10am 
Entries Close Friday 18th October