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CHELFORD REVIEW

REPORTS w/c 1st February 2010

Special Entries

Monday 15th February 2010

Store Cattle at 11.00am

4 British Blue x Steers 15-18mo. Farm Assured
21 Limousin x British Blue x Steers & Heifers 10mo. Suckler Bred.
4 Pure Blonde Heifers 12/14mo Farm Assured.

Store and Breeding Sheep at 12.30am

40 Welsh & Herdwick Mules scanned in Lamb
15 in Lamb Soay Ewes Mixed Ages
7 in Lamb Soay Ewe Lambs
3 Soay Breeding Rams

Monday 1st March 2010

Special Sale of Store and Breeding pigs.
Entries required now please for the
purpose of advertising. Contact: Nigel Ashley

Already entered 3 Pedigree Pietrain Boars 23 months old (with papers)

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LIVESTOCK REPORTS

Monday 1st FEBRUARY 2010

126 CALVES

Auctioneer: Roy Waller

80 Bull Calves ave. £164.26 46 Heifer Calves ave. £180.50

Another small entry of calves met another good trade. Best calves again in demand.

For calf Marketing information call Roy Waller on 01625 861122

Bulls	Qty	Ave	Pr/ Hd	Min Pr/Hd	Max Pr/Hd	Parish
Holstein x	26	54.19		20.00	166.00	Madeley
Ayrshire	2	31.00		28.00	34.00	Ollerton
Hereford	2	209.00		184.00	234.00	Church Lawton
Charolais x	1	270.00		270.00	270.00	Haslington
Simmental x	14	285.50		95.00	344.00	Sandbach
Limousin x	6	175.33		136.00	240.00	Siddington
Blonde D'Aquitaine x	2	223.00		150.00	296.00	Church Lawton
British Blue	9	270.56		185.00	330.00	Mobberley
Jersey	1	28.00		28.00	28.00	Siddington
Shorthorn	3	100.67		66.00	120.00	Ashley
Aberdeen Angus	10	216.00		100.00	258.00	Aston by Budworth
Montbeliarde	2	250.00		202.00	298.00	Wildboarclough
Heifers						
Hereford	2	145.00		120.00	170.00	Church Lawton
Simmental x	13	191.54		155.00	230.00	Astbury
Limousin x	6	174.00		88.00	225.00	Mobberley
British Blue	9	192.22		120.00	255.00	Mobberley
Shorthorn	1	85.00		85.00	85.00	Dunham Massey
Aberdeen Angus	15	177.60		75.00	214.00	Aston by Budworth

Top Price Bulls	£	Parish	Top Price Heifers	£	Parish
Simmental x	344	Sandbach	British Blue	255	Mobberley
Simmental x	330	Sutton	British Blue	240	Tabley
Simmental x	330	Sandbach	British Blue	235	Norton
British Blue	330	Mobberley	Simmental x	230	Rode Green
Simmental x	322	Sandbach	Limousin x	225	Mobberley
British Blue	315	Byley	Limousin x	220	Mobberley
Simmental x	300	Horton	Simmental x	218	Sutton
Simmental x	300	Biddulph	Simmental x	216	Biddulph
Simmental x	298	Biddulph	Aberdeen Angus	214	Aston by Budworth
Montbeliarde	298	Wildboarclough	Aberdeen Angus	214	Aston by Budworth
Blonde D'Aquitaine x	296	Church Lawton			

390 HEADS OF POULTRY

Auctioneer: Andrew Sellick

A smaller entry than last week on yet another cold Monday. Some better prices today so lets hope it's a sign of things to come.

Prices. Blue Silkies £16 ; Silkie x £10 ; Buff Orpington £26

5 BEEF BREEDING CATTLE

Auctioneer: Gwyn Williams

Short supply, and large crowd and therefore strong trade throughout.

Sample Prices:

Angus Cow with Bull calf

£1150

Simmental Bull 3 ½ y.o.

1150gns

16 DAIRY CATTLE

Auctioneer: Gwyn Williams

Plenty of customers again for a limited entry, which was followed by a good selection of 6-8 week old Heifer calves.

Only smaller, younger Heifers on show, again selling well, to a top of £1650 from Richard Thornicroft, and several from £1300 to £1500 and best of the Cows a Friesian 4th calver at £810.

The Heifer calves provoked plenty of bidding, to £350 and most from £310 upwards.

Principal prices and average.

Newly calved Heifers to

£1650

2nd quality average:

£1402

Newly calved Cows to

£810

2nd quality average

£ 725

Heifer calves to

£ 350

150 STORE CATTLE

Auctioneer: Jonathan Farrall

Encouraging numbers once again in the store section. Trade remained on a par with recent weeks with some creditable results achieved.

Of the 60 Steers on offer, short keep animals were scarce and sold accordingly. Henry Hallam's Charolais x were out in front at £930 with Stuart Marson's Limousin x close behind at £920. Plenty of strong bullocks in the high 700's and early 800's. More could be sold.

A similar story in the heifer section. The biggest and best all over £800 peaking at £845 for Will Brydges. Plenty of forward heifers for breeding or feeding over £700 and some superb youngsters from Tom Ryan selling to £652.

A relative 'famine' in the bull section after last weeks monster entry. Suckler bred Blues from Messrs. Potts sold to £645. More quality bulls needed every week.

Steers	Age	£	Parish
Charolais x	20m	930	New Mills x 2
Limousin x	22m	920	Hanchurch x 2
Limousin x	22m	860	Eaton
Simmental x	20m	838	Romiley x 2
Charolais x	21m	820	Arclid x 2
Hereford x	21m	815	Haslington
British Blue x	21m	805	Haslington
Simmental x	19m	790	Romiley x 3

Heifers	Age	£	Parish
Simmental x	25m	845	Biddulph Moor
Simmental x	26m	832	Biddulph Moor
Limousin x	21m	805	Eaton
Charolais x	25m	785	New Mills
Limousin x	21m	745	New Mills
Simmental x	19m	725	Haslington x 2
British Blue x	18m	715	Mossley x 4
Limousin x	16m	700	New Mills x 2

Bulls	Age	£	Parish
British Blue x	8m	645	Over Alderley
Blonde x	8m	495	Over Alderley
Blonde x	8m	450	Over Alderley
Limousin x	11m	410	Mobberley
Friesian	17m	395	Tabley x 2
B. S x	13m	330	Gorstage

172 PIGS

Auctioneer: Nigel Ashley

11 Cull Sows and Boars

A few less met a similar trade with most sows above 60p and boars 40p. Sows averaged £154.41p

2 Boars 39 – 40p Ave.39.47p 9 Sows 58p – 77p Ave. 63.23p

Sows: £231.00 Tregarrow £181.66 Tregarrow £177.03 Uttoxeter (New vendor)

98 BUTCHERS PIGS

Another large entry of butchers pigs. Prices remained in the doldrums for the second week running with a top price of 90p/kg. Coloured pigs sold well in comparison to the rest at 70p – 80p.

19	Cutter	64p – 88p	ave. 77.34p
56	Baconer	70p – 90p	ave. 86.53p
23	Overweight	70 – 77p	ave. 73.49p
98	Overall		ave. 82.13p

Prices.

90p Baconer - Stoke on Trent; 90p Baconer - Belper; 88p Baconer - Alsop en le Dale
 88p Cutter - Stoke on Trent; 88p Cutter - Uttoxeter

63 STORE & BREEDING PIGS

200 less than last week met a firm demand.

£/head	Weight	Parish
59	57	Ratcliffe
54	45	Croston
34	14	Biddulph
31	26	Stoke Lacy
25	17	Biddulph
19	27	Flint
19	12	Rochdale

In the breeding section a Pedigree Pietrain boar realised £210.

258 STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

Auctioneer: Nigel Ashley

167 STORE HOGGETS

A similar entry met a good trade throughout. Black faced ewe hoggs sold to £66.50.

91 BREEDING EWES

A good entry of in lamb ewes met a good trade. Texel 2 shear to full mouth not scanned but due approx. mid February sold to £143. Broken mouth Mule ewes scanned for twins sold to £85.

51 LOADS OF FARM PRODUCE at 12.30pm

Auctioneer: Alan Lane

The biggest entry so far this season, with over 400 tonnes of produce on offer. The strength of demand however was such that every lot sold with prices generally improved on last week. Two loads of good quality small bale hay made £136 per tonne and £154 per tonne with second quality up to £108. The best big bale hay was also a firmer trade at £96, £90 and £84 per tonne with second quality also £10 per tonne dearer on the week, in the 70's rather than the 60's.

In the straw department, small bale barley made up to £108 per tonne and wheat £74 per tonne. In big bales barley straw was dearer than last week at £74 - £80. Wheat similar at £56-£62 and oat at £64.

There were several loads of good quality haylage on offer today meeting a keen demand with first quality £72 and £76 per tonne and second quality £36 - £48 per tonne. A single load of loose silage made £16 per tonne. Three loads of fodder beet made £22 - £18.

Several purchasers bought more than one load and quite a few of those who bought one load were looking to buy more but were unsuccessful at these prices which bodes well for the coming weeks.

Tonnes	Commodity	From £	To £	Average £
6.48	1 st quality Small Bale Hay	136	154	145
6.9	Other Small Bale Hay	52	108	80
26.62	1 st quality Big Bale Hay	84	96	90
70.60	Other Big Bale Hay	46	73	59
53.1	Big Bale Barley Straw	56	80	72
4.12	Small Bale Wheat Straw	74	74	74
126.73	Big Bale Wheat Straw	46	62	58
11.98	Big Bale Oat Straw	64	64	64
10.62	1 st quality Wrapped Haylage	72	76	74
35.8	Other Silage/Haylage	30	58	42
39	Fodder Beet	22	28	25

HORTICULTURAL REPORTS

WEDNESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2010

SHRUBS, TREES & CONIFERS

Auctioneer: Jonathan Farrall

The best entry of the year so far, including a special entry of trees from our regular Cambridge vendor.

Given the weather conditions, trade was steady enough and although there was little in the way of headline prices, there was a sound enquiry for Hedging, Fruits Trees and Evergreen shrubs.

Next week will see similar entries. The next special sale is scheduled for Wednesday 17th February.

Prices. Picea Pungens Glauca £20; Shrubs 60p - £2; Conifers 50p - £3
Cryptomeria £7.50; Witch Hazel £6; Acer £6.50; Cornus Kousa £6.50
Ivy Gold King £8; Sky Rocket £10.50; Weeping Birch £10; Corkscrew Salix £9

Fruit Trees £6 - £8. Ornamental Trees £4- £10. Soft Fruits 50p - £3

1449 Dozen EGGS

Auctioneer: Roy Waller

A similar entry of hen eggs met a slightly improved trade. Duck eggs improved.

Free Range Extra Large	to	£1.70	Ex Large	£1.00
Large	to	£1.35	Large	£1.2p
Medium	to	£1.05	Medium	0.82p
			Small	0.55p

Duck £2.60. Quail 0.70p Pheasants £1.25 per brace.

1389 POTATOES AND STOCK FEED CARROT

Auctioneer: Roy Waller

300 less Stockfeed carrots had the obvious effect. Potatoes are reasonable. How can we produce potatoes at 10 year ago prices ? Top price was one lot of Wilja at £3.00. All the rest (£1.75 - £2.00)

Prices.	Piper	£2.00	Bakers x 50	£4.50
	Wilja	£3.00	Charlotte x 10kg	£3.50
	Ceaser	£2.75	Washed x 10kg	£2.25
	Nadine	£2.25		
	Valor	£1.50		

Stock Feed	Carrot	£1.30	Potatoes	£0.70
	Rolled Oats	£3.25	Barley Straw	£1.75
	Rolled Barley	£2.75	Hay	£3.25

1561 PACKAGES OF VEGETABLES

Auctioneer: Roy Waller

More on offer. Produce that was frost free was sold at a premium.

Prices. Cabbage Hard x 6	£3.00	Carrot	Washed	£2.50
Savoy x 6	£2.50		Dirty	£3.00
Tundra x 6	£2.50	Parsnip	x 10kg	£1.50
Rex x 6	£2.25	Leek	x 10lb	£3.00
Onion x 20kg	£7.00	Swede	x 12.5kg	£3.50
x 12.5 kg	£4.00	Beetroot		£1.75
x 4kg	£2.00	Sprout Stem x 8		£3.50
Red x 12.5	£5.25	Sprout	x 20lb	£3.75

CUT FLOWERS

Auctioneer: Anne Porter

A good entry this week with a fast trade. Chrysanthemums to £1.80

Chrysanthemums	£1.80	Roses	£1.00
Spray Carnations	£1.00	Lily	£1.50
Alstro	£0.90	Arrangements	£7.00
Spray Rose	£1.50	Gyp	£3.00

POT PLANTS

Auctioneer: Anne Porter

A good selection this week with less primulas in.

Primula	0.30p	Fuchsia Whips	£ 1.20
Pansy Hanging Pots	£2.00	Stock Fuchsia	£ 1.00
Bridal Crown	80p	Herbs	£ 1.10
Azalea	£1.50	Small Pyramid Bay	£10.00

113 CAGE & AVIARY BIRDS

Auctioneer: Andrew Sellick

A small entry of birds on yet another cold morning.

Sample Prices. Gouldians £38; Rosa Bourkes £16; Siskin Hen £14; Norwich Canaries £12; Irish Fancy £8.

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Entries Close Monday 22nd February 2010.

Thursday 4th February 2010

121 CULL COWS, BULLS AND OTM CATTLE

Auctioneer: Roy Waller

A smaller entry of Cows (10 less) met an improved trade. Meat was the order of the day. Some good Cows forward and the average was up 5p – 2.5p of which reflected in the entry of better Cows. The psychological barrier is 100p. If the best Black and White cows pass this figure, the best may increase further quite quickly.

For advice in Cow Trade and Trend call Roy Waller 01625 861122/ 07774995969

<u>COWS</u>	<u>Breed</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>p/kg</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>Parish</u>
	Holstein x	870	99	861.30	Whaley Bridge
	Simmental x	752	112	842.24	Gawsworth
	Holstein x	886	93	823.98	Ollerton
	Holstein x	874	142	812.82	Twemlow
	Holstein x	824	98	807.52	Gawsworth
	Holstein x	822	98	805.56	Bradwall
	Holstein x	788	102	803.76	Gawsworth
	Holstein x	812	98	795.76	Byley
	Holstein x	820	99	787.20	Twemlow
	Holstein x	852	91	775.32	Sproston
	Limousin x	580	133	771.40	North Rode
	British Blue x	784	98	768.32	Chinley
	Holstein x	776	94	752.72	Allstock
BULLS	Simmental x	864	105	907.20	Balterley
	Aberdeen Angus	654	93	608.22	Mottram St Andrew
STEER	Holstein x	696	130	904.80	Barthomley

<u>Cull Cows</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Ave PR/KG</u>	<u>Min PR/KG</u>	<u>Max PR/KG</u>
Holstein x	62	602.12	271.32	861.30
Friesian	21	533.12	275.60	741.60
Black	2	647.46	588.60	706.32
Ayrshire	4	472.68	367.22	617.40
Hereford	1	595.58	595.58	595.58
Red	1	445.50	445.40	445.40
Charolais x	1	722.92	722.92	722.92
Simmental x	4	717.04	639.36	842.24
Limousin x	3	619.52	454.40	771.40
British Blue x	3	689.47	576.24	768.32
Jersey	5	222.10	178.02	286.72
Shorthorn	1	494.10	494.10	494.10
Aberdeen Angus	5	539.87	466.64	824.16
Brown Swiss	1	462.68	463.68	463.68
Montbeliarde	1	530.00	530.00	530.00
Cull Bull				
Simmental x	1	907.20	907.20	907.20
Aberdeen Angus	1	608.22	608.22	608.22
Steer				
Holstein x	1	904.80	904.80	904.80

666 BUTCHERS SHEEP

Auctioneer: Gwyn Williams
582 Old Season Lambs

****TOP SPOT ** 232p.0p/kg)48.2kg Texel Crosses
) 48.8kg Texel Crosses**

R & S Bailey, Rushton Spencer

A very short supply, leaving a couple of buyers unable to really get started. More lambs would have encouraged more buyer power, and therefore just as strong a trade.

As it was, those who presented lambs were well rewarded once again with excellent returns for all weights shapes and level of finish.

Top quality at a premium as usual, as shown by the average price per kg achieved by Roger and Simon Bailey's 25 lambs at 229p/kg, and £112.53 per head. A further 16 pens made in excess of 200p/kg, with plenty of well finished lambs from 190p/kg upwards. Only the heavier and plainer lambs less than 180p – including several pens which may well have made more in Monday's store sale.

Quality Averages (all weights)	Max.	Ave.
Premium	232.0p/kg	209.6p/kg
Prime	206.0p/kg	197.5p/kg
Others	188.0p/kg	185.2p/kg

Top Five Pens per Kilo

	P/kg	Kg	Breed	Vendor
1	231.0	48.4	Rouge x	R & S Bailey
2	228.0	48.8	Texel x	R & S Bailey
3	222.0	51.6	Texel x	R & S Bailey
4	214.0	42.2	Texel x	J Trueman, Prestbury
5	214.0	44.2	Texel x	J Trueman, Prestbury

Top Five Pens per Head

	£	Kg	Breed	Vendor
1	114.55	51.6	Texel x	R & S Bailey
2	113.22	48.8	Texel x	R & S Bailey
3	111.82	48.2	Texel x	R & S Bailey
4	111.80	48.4	Rouge x	R & S Bailey
5	111.26	48.8	Texel x	R & S Bailey

84 BUTCHERS EWES & RAMS

Auctioneer: Gwyn Williams

Overall average £66.52

Very, very short of numbers, and buyers all anxious to keep prices down, watching each other warily, but being forced by the shortage to pay a lot more than they would have liked. Let's hope

that, at these prices, they can sell the meat at a price which will allow them to keep coming back and maintaining current price levels.

Blueface Leicester Rams to £100; Best Suffolk cross Ewes to £92; Texel crosses to £86; Mules to £85. Plenty of half meated, smaller ewes from £60 - £80.

76 BUTCHERS CATTLE

Auctioneer: Jonathan Farrall

An almost 'palpable' sharpness in the trade – now there's something you don't get selling deadweight ! The better show of quality was well received by Chelford's loyal buyers and the overall average of 143.86p is up 6p on the week **and includes everything !**

25 Steers. No real headliners on offer, but consistent quality in the 'prime' bracket. Bill Jepson showed some tremendous cattle once again to 167p/kg and testing the weighbridge grossing £1259, £1230 and £1169 in the lump. The top 10 steers averaged over 150p – More quality needed !.

22 Heifers. Still no where near enough best heifers to satisfy demand. Any Gibbon was in the driving seat once again at 188p. John Cantrell came close at 177p and the top 10 cleared the 150p average but several butchers unable to start due to lack of "Goods".

29 Bulls. Another consistent entry and prayers answered with better quality. The day's top price went to John Gate with a superb home bred Blonde at 194p. Andy Gibbons 183p model netted a fantastic £1277.34 and the best Black and Whites sold to 155p for Frank Londgen and grossed £902 for Jim Thornhill.

Number		Top p/kg	Average
25	STEERS	167	136.04
22	HEIFERS	188	145.37
29	BULLS	194	150.15
76	OVERALL AVERAGE		143.86

Quality Price Report

Steers		TOP P/KG	AVERAGE P/KG
0	Premium	-	-
10	Prime	167.0	151.6
15	Other	136.0	124.86
Heifers			
2	Premium	188.0	182.5
11	Prime	169.0	150.0
9	Other	139.0	132.5
Bulls			
2	Premium	194.0	188.5
11	Prime	174.0	161.8
15	Other	155.0	145.5

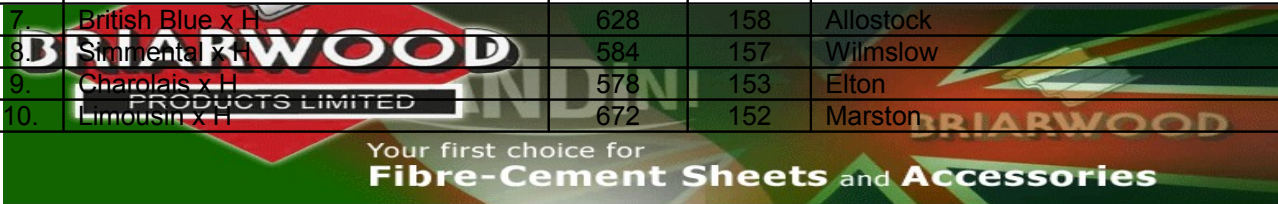
TOP FIVE BULLS

	BREED	KG	P/KG	PARISH
1	Blonde x	518	194	Lostock Green
2	Limousin x	698	183	Marston
3	British Blue x	594	174	Swettenham
4	Shorthorn x	558	171	Winwick
5	Blonde x	462	170	Lostock Green

TOP TEN CATTLE

	BREED	KG	P/KG	PARISH
1	Limousin x H	528	188	Marston
2	Blonde x H	482	177	Macclesfield
3	Limousin x H	572	169	Broughton
4	British Blue x S	754	167	Smallwood
5	British Blue x S	722	162	Smallwood

6.	British Blue x S	774	159	Smallwood
7.	British Blue x H	628	158	Allostock
8.	Simmental x H	584	157	Wilmslow
9.	Charolais x H	578	153	Elton
10.	Limousin x H	672	152	Marston



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