



Wright Manley

Chartered Surveyors, Auctioneers, Valuers, Land and Estate Agents

WEEKLY SALES AT BEESTON MARKET

Tel: 01829 262 100

Report Week Ending 22nd January 2010



MARKET HEADLINES

BEESTON CASTLE AUCTION The UK's Largest Calf Market

**468 Calves Overall average £152.32
202 Continental x including**

BB x Bulls to £382, average £287.52

BB x Heifers to £296 average £239.90

**AA Bulls to £280, Hereford Bulls to £238,
173 Holstein Bulls to £208 AVERAGE £61.59
Weanlings to £420**

**229 Cull Cows to 158.0p/£1,075.50
Averaging 89.4p**

**Black & White Cows to 114.5p
Average 85.9p**

**44 Beef Cattle to 149.5p/£1,049.95
41 Store Cattle: Steers to £845**



AGRICULTURAL FARM DISPERSAL SALE

**BEESTON GATES FARM
BEESTON TARPORLEY**

SATURDAY 30th JANUARY 2010 @ 10.30 am
On behalf of Messrs B.A. Major (Relinquishing
the Farm Tenancy after 3 Generations.
Auctioneer: Alastair Brown



WHAT IS ON

Wednesday 27th January

Sale of Tack @ 10.00 am & Saddles @ 12 noon

Thursday 28th January

Western Holstein Club Sale @ Beeston Castle Auction
@ 11.00 am

Friday 29th January

Sale of Calves @ 8.00 am, Continentals @ 11.00 am,
Weaned Calves @ 11.00 am, Cull Cows @ 9.30 am,
followed by Beef @ 12 Noon & Store Cattle @ approx
12.30 pm, Produce @ 11.45 am

Saturday 30th January

Farm Dispersal Sale @ Beeston Gates Farm, Beeston,
Tarpорley @ 10.30 am

Wednesday 3rd February

Collective Sale of Machinery & Tools @ Beeston Castle
Auction @ 9.30 am
Antique & General Sale Viewing 10.00 am – 5.00 pm

Thursday 4th February

Antique & General Sale @ 10.30 am

Friday 5th February

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Antique & General Sale @ 10.30 am

Geoffrey Garner of Woodford, Cheshire died 19th January 2010 aged 95 years.
Past NFU & MMB Representative.
Funeral Friday 29th January 2010 @ Christ Church,
Woodford @ 1.00 pm

CALVES 468 Overall Average £152.32
Up £13.00

Auctioneers: Native Breeds: Stuart Hassall
Continental: Richard Goodwin & Stuart Hassall
Weanlings: Andrew Wallace

Sale Times: Native Breeds 8.00 am
Weaned Calves 2 – 7 Months approx 11.00 am
Followed by Continentals at approx 11.00 am
According to Weanling Entries

A PLEASING Mid-January entry of 468 from a wide area met a GOOD TRADE across the board with twenty seven recorded purchasers in attendance. Best Continentals made to £382 for a super thirty two day old British Blue Bull from P. & A. Howard while top heifer at £296 went to Marshall Wilson for a twenty five day old British Blue. Holstein Bulls DEARER selling to £208. Plenty of Buyers for Angus and Hereford crosses. Twenty five WEANLINGS this week selling to £420 for a four month old Limousin x Bull.

If your Holding has recently changed from a four year **TB Status** to a one year or two year please remember calves over 42 days **NEED PRE MOVEMENT TESTING.**

Thank you Buyers and Sellers for your custom.

Early Delivery from 6.30 am always appreciated. If you are short of Labour and do not finish milking until 9.00 am you can still bring your calves in until 10.30 am.

ORANGE CARDS MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL VENDORS EACH WEEK TOGETHER WITH THE FOOD CHAIN FORM FOR CALVES INJECTED. ALSO NAMED SIRES FOR ANGUS & HEREFORD CALVES

Friday 29th January the 42 day old calf will have been born on **18th December.**

186 Continentals

A super trade for good shapey calves but a few smaller Bulls and Heifers would be less money. Some older six to ten week olds didn't look dear compared to the price of the sharp shapey three to four week olds.

TOP TEN CONTINENTAL BULLS
£382 BB x – P. & A. Howard

£358 BB x – P. & A. Howard
£358 Ch x – E. & S.R. Shaw
£358 BB x – R.G. Woolley
£350 Ch x – D.V. Cliffe
£348 BB x – P. & A. Howard
£348 SIM x – J.C. Oakes
£342 BB x – J. & J. Platt
£338 BB x – M. Wilson
£338 BB x – R.G. Woolley

86 Continental Bulls

5 Blonde x to £307 – average £209.40
31 Belgian Blue Bulls to £382 – average £287.52. Up £16
7 Charolais Bulls to £358 – average £277.00
20 Limousin Bulls to £300 – average £210.45
22 Simmental Bulls to £348 – average £283.45. Up £9.
1 Montbel x £58.
86 Bulls averaged £260.49

TOP TEN CONTINENTAL HEIFERS

£296 BB x – M. Wilson
£292 BB x – P. & A. Howard
£292 BB x – J. & J. Platt
£291 BB x – R. Langford
£288 BB x – J. & J. Platt
£285 BB x – R. Langford
£285 BB x – E.M. & R.J. Edge
£278 Sim x – R. Langford
£278 SIM x – R. Langford
£275 BB x – C.N. & I.R. Atkin

98 Heifers

3 Blonde x to £222 – average £172.67
43 Belgian Blue Heifers to £296 – average £239.90
4 Charolais x Heifers to £272 – average £236.00
15 Limousin Heifers to £268 – average £215.40
33 Simmental Heifers to £278 – average £224.70. Up £6.
98 Heifers averaged £228.81. Up £6.00

79 Native Crossbreds

Angus and Hereford Heifers a BETTER TRADE. A mixed quality offering of Angus and Hereford Bulls led to a drop in their averages. Some small calves needed a week longer to sell them "at their best".

33 Aberdeen Angus x

21 Bulls to £280 (8 weeks) for E.M. & R.J. Edge to average £177, with eight over £200 and five more £174 to £199. Small plain Bulls from £52.

12 Heifers to £178 (34 days) for Glyn Hughes to average £145.41, while J.P. & D.M. Davies had joint second with J.R. & F.J. Hocknell on £168. Bottom price £116.

31 Hereford x

15 Bulls to £238 (21 days) for A.E. Stubbs & Son to average £181.33. Three others made £216 to £234 and eight more £158 to £196. Bottom price £76.

16 Heifers to £196 for A.C. Robinson & Sons to average £123.55 with W.M. Challoner & Son in second spot on £176 and Roland Edge next on £172. Six mediums were £128 to £158. Small sorts from £65.

Other Native Breeds

1 Ayrshire Bull £27 – E.H. Arden & Son.
10 Shorthorn Bulls to £140 – average £56 – Ithell Bros.
1 Jersey Bull £13 – J. & J.G. Roberts.
1 Sussex Bull £130 – J. & J.G. Roberts.

173 Holstein Bulls Overall average £61.59. Up £10.

Reduced numbers on offer met an EXCELLENT TRADE with some Bulls £30 up due to EXTRA BUYERS in attendance. 140 went to rear to average £71.29 with thirty one topping £100 and two over £200!! Top price at £202 went to Alan Shallcross and five super Bulls from James Oulton averaged £159. Some five to ten week olds at £75 to £100 looked good value on the day compared to the younger sharp shapely Bulls. Thirty three went to Abattoir averaging about £20. Please be warned calves going to kill must pass Meat Hygiene Inspection. Failures will be binned and a disposal charge levied.

Our Top Ten Bulls

£208 36 days – A.F. Shallcross
£202 35 days – J.E. Oulton
£195 36 days – A.F. Shallcross
£172 18 days – J.E. Oulton
£172 36 days – G.E. Oakley & Sons
£172 34 days – G.E. Oakley & Sons
£166 16 days – D. Thornhill
£162 15 days – H.F. Langley & Partners
£158 28 days – R. Rounding
£153 32 days – P.A.J. & E.H. Davies

26 Weanlings

A pleasing number on offer met a FIRM TRADE but some looked “Good Value” compared to calves. It helps if Vendors tell us on Thursday what they are selling so that appropriate Purchasers can be informed. Continental crosses sold to £420 for E.H. Arden & Sons 3½ month old Limousin Bull.

8 Heifers

BB x 5 month old £415 – R.G. Woolley
BB x 7 month old £320 – K. Fisher
Lim x 5 month old £220 – K. Fisher
Sim x 4 month old £262 – K. Fisher

18 Bulls

BB x 6 month old £350 – K. Fisher
Ch x 10 weeks £400 – E. & D. Littler & Son
Lim x 3½ month old £420 – E.H. Arden & Son
Holstein 8 month old £270 – R.G. Woolley
Holstein 6 month old £244 – K. Harding



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Tel: 01829 262 100

There is a **NEW FOOD CHAIN INFORMATION FORM** which needs **COMPLETING** and **SIGNING** with each batch of calves that could go for **PROCESSING**. This is a Declaration about whether any calf has been injected if so with what **DRUG** and when the withdrawal period finishes. Copies are available from the Market Office. This is particularly relevant to Holstein, Ayrshire, Jersey, Brown Swiss and Swedish Red Bulls, Holstein Free Martin Heifers and very small crossbreds

Calves between seven and nine days old are subject to transport restrictions. Only buyers from within forty miles can buy them. Ideally sell your calves at least ten days old. Please check your passports are correct.

Remember calves over 42 days from one or two year T.B. Status Farms will need a T.B. Test and then sold with a Vet Certificate which is valid for sixty days.

Ideally sell your calves under 40 days old.

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BEESTON CATTLE SECTION

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Auctioneers:

[Alastair Brown](#), FdSc. ALAA. - 07831 395167

[Simon Lamb](#) - 07815 188125

230 CULL COWS/CULL BULLS

Direct Telephone number 01829 262103

Every Friday at approximately 10.00am

(depending on numbers forward)

**OVERALL 230 Entered topping at 158.0p /
£1075.50 Averaging 89.4p**

Another large number forward without notice saw a price ease, due to a lot of numbers throughout the local counties. Best cows back 5-10p, Steaking cows back a couple of pence along with the plainer sorts. **Please inform us of your entries for the next sale and so we can keep you up to date with the current price information and inform the buyers.**

IMPORTANT - PURCHASERS HAVE ASKED IF VENDORS COULD ENSURE THAT THE CATTLE ARE PRESENTED IN A CLEANER CONDITION WITH AS LITTLE MUCK ON THE HIDES AS POSSIBLE. The MHS vets are complaining in the abattoirs of contamination of the meat.

Top Prices Achieved

184 Dairy Breeds. Ave.85.9p

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|--------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 139.5p | Holstein Fr Heifer | J & W D Clarkson |
| 139.0p | B Blue Steer | G A Newsome |
| 134.5p | Friesian Steer | R E Studley |
| 134.0p | Blonde D'A Steer | G A Newsome |
| 114.5p | Holstein Fr Heifer | T A Dobson & Son |
| 114.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | T Lea Sherwin Ltd |
| 113.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | R G Ford |
| 110.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | P A & E Ford |
| 109.0p | Holstein Fr Cow | J & W D Clarkson |
| 105.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | J & W D Clarkson |
| 103.0p | Holstein Cow | T W Darlington |
| 101.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | J Platt & Sons |
| 100.0p | Holstein Cow | D & J Armstrong |
| 100.0p | Holstein Fr Cow | J & W D Clarkson |
| 98.5p | Holstein Fr Cow | Mamex Farms Ltd |
| 98.0p | Holstein Fr Cow | J Platt & Sons |
| 97.0p | Holstein Fr Cow | G J P Robinson & Co |
| 97.0p | Holstein Cow | A R Hough |

26 Continental Breeds. Ave. 109.6p

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| 158.0p | Limousin Cow | J R Edgeworth |
| 142.0p | Limousin Heifer | G A Newsome |
| 141.0p | B Blue Heifer | G A Newsome |
| 138.0p | Limousin Heifer | J & W D Clarkson |
| 135.0p | B Blue Heifer | G A Newsome |
| 133.0p | Charolais Cow | B Burgess |
| 131.0p | Limousin Cow | L Elkin |
| 127.0p | Limousin Cow | Grahams Agricultural |
| 124.0p | Limousin Cow | Grahams Agricultural |
| 119.0p | Limousin Heifer | G A Newsome |
| 111.5p | Limousin Cow | J Stratton |
| 107.5p | Limousin Cow | J & W D Clarkson |
| 107.0p | Limousin Cow | Grahams Agricultural |
| 105.0p | Simmental Cow | C J Faulkner |
| 104.0p | Limousin Cow | C J Stockton |
| 99.0p | Limousin Cow | J Stratton |

8 Native Breeds. Ave. 94.7p

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| 119.5p | Hereford Cow | D J & S Windsor |
| 107.5p | A Angus Heifer | M & D Jones |
| 95.0p | A Angus Cow | C J Faulkner |
| 87.0p | Hereford Cow | C J Stockton |
| 87.0p | Hereford Cow | C J Stockton |
| 86.5p | A Angus Cow | C J Stockton |
| 86.0p | Hereford Cow | C J Stockton |
| 73.0p | Hereford Cow | C J Stockton |

7 Other Breeds

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| 108.5p | Montbéliarde Cow | L Elkin |
| 97.5p | MRI Cow | L V & D F Dakin |
| 94.0p | Beef Shorthorn Cow | J H Noden & Son |
| 94.0p | Ayrshire Cow | J & W D Clarkson |
| 92.0p | Dairy Shorthorn Cow | G & B Bell |
| 90.0p | Ayrshire Cow | E & D Littler & Son |
| 90.0p | MRI Cow | L V & D F Dakin |
| 79.0p | Jersey Cow | A M & S R Allwood |
| 78.5p | Jersey Cow | Northwood Farms Ltd |
| 74.0p | MRI Cow | P & S S Lea |
| 65.0p | Jersey Cow | Northwood Farms Ltd |
| 51.0p | Jersey Cow | A M & S R Allwood |

0 Cull Bulls.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please make sure that you fill a NEW entry card in with the NEW FOOD CHAIN INFORMATION Details on it FOR ALL ANIMALS GOING TO SLAUGHTER. Please visit our website or contact our office for forms or further information



BEEF CATTLE



EVERY FRIDAY AT approximately 12noon

Prices peaked at 149.5p or £1049.95

44. Less numbers about. Trade steady like all live & dead weight centres, but our trade was certainly in line with all the others. The usual fancy quality sorts not about this week leading us to no impressive top prices as there has been in recent weeks. Think of your carbon foot print when you travel miles further for an extra penny! **If you have some to sell please contact Alastair 07831 395167**

PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY.

Leading the field prices achieved:

21 Heifers Ave. 133.0p

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|--------|-----------|-------|---------------------|
| 149.5p | Limousin | 650kg | P Mottershead |
| 147.0p | Simmental | 555kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 144.0p | Simmental | 515kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 143.5p | Simmental | 575kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 143.0p | Simmental | 540kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 138.5p | B Blue | 630kg | J K & T Rigby |
| 138.0p | Simmental | 550kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 138.0p | Charolais | 610kg | A & R Slater |
| 136.0p | Simmental | 600kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 136.0p | Simmental | 550kg | M D Harding & Ptnrs |
| 136.0p | A Angus | 535kg | J & W D Clarkson |
| 133.0p | Hereford | 540kg | T Bunn |
| 131.0p | Limousin | 600kg | P Mottershead |
| 130.0p | Charolais | 550kg | A & R Slater |
| 130.0p | Limousin | 540kg | P Mottershead |
| 128.0p | Limousin | 555kg | T Bunn |

9 Steers Ave. 125.2p

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| 147.0p | Limousin | 655kg | D Parry |
| 144.0p | Hereford | 635kg | J & W D Clarkson |
| 139.5p | Hereford | 585kg | J & W D Clarkson |
| 139.0p | B Blue | 705kg | J K & T Rigby |
| 136.0p | Limousin | 525kg | D Parry |
| 115.5p | Holstein Fr | 545kg | D M & P J Kinsey |
| 104.0p | Holstein | 630kg | D M & P J Kinsey |
| 102.0p | Holstein Fr | 615kg | D M & P J Kinsey |
| 100.0p | Holstein Fr | 675kg | D M & P J Kinsey |

14 Bulls Ave. 122.6p

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| 139.0p | British Fr | 435kg | P Barnsley |
| 138.0p | Limousin | 520kg | P Barnsley |
| 138.0p | Holstein | 685kg | Showell Farms |
| 137.5p | Holstein | 740kg | Showell Farms |
| 129.5p | Holstein | 730kg | Showell Farms |
| 126.5p | Holstein | 830kg | H Davies & Ptnrs Ltd |
| 126.0p | Holstein Fr | 460kg | P Barnsley |
| 123.0p | Holstein | 700kg | Showell Farms |
| 120.0p | Holstein Fr | 480kg | P Barnsley |

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|--------|-------------|-------|---------------|
| 119.0p | Holstein Fr | 460kg | P Barnsley |
| 115.0p | Holstein Fr | 490kg | D P Mounfield |
| 109.0p | Holstein Fr | 495kg | D P Mounfield |

STORE CATTLE

Every Friday

(To commence after the sale of the beef approximately 12.30pm)

(41) A few more about with the best Steers to £295 over the £, FRIESIANS to £113 over, but mainly only clear outs of rough types! All types required for various buyers **MORE CATTLE ARE REQUIRED.** Please let us know of your entries, we offer **FREE** pre sale advertising and pre sale inspections.

STEERS - 19

| | | | | |
|------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------------|
| £845 | 610kg | 25mo | Charolais | J & C Paynter |
| £840 | 545kg | 22mo | Limousin | P S & B M Crossley |
| £805 | 640kg | 28mo | Welsh Black | J C Paynter |
| £718 | 520kg | 19mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| £692 | 545kg | 27mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| £670 | 515kg | 515mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| £668 | 555kg | 24mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| £630 | 395kg | 10mo | Limousin | John Nicholas |
| £608 | 495kg | 20mo | Friesian | Dennis Williams |
| 159p | 395kg | 10mo | Limousin | John Nicholas |
| 154p | 545kg | 22mo | Limousin | P S & B M Crossley |
| 142p | 410kg | 12mo | A Angus | John Nicholas |
| 138p | 610kg | 25mo | Charolais | J C Paynter |
| 138p | 520kg | 19mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| 130p | 515kg | 22mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| 127p | 545kg | 27mo | A Angus | P S & B M Crossley |
| 125p | 640kg | 28mo | Welsh Black | J C Paynter |
| 122p | 495kg | 20mo | Friesian | Dennis Williams |

HEIFERS - 1

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|------|-------|------|-------------|-----------|
| £388 | 375kg | 20mo | Holstein Fr | A P Bloor |
| 103p | 375kg | 20mo | Holstein Fr | A P Bloor |

BULLS - 21

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|------|-------|------|------------|----------------------|
| £472 | 465kg | 17mo | Holstein | T A Dobson & Son |
| £330 | 315kg | 9mo | Hereford | R G Woolley |
| £318 | 260kg | 9mo | British Fr | R D Mills |
| £315 | 270kg | 9mo | British Fr | R D Mills |
| £165 | 170kg | 10mo | Holstein | R A Leech |
| £110 | 180kg | 15mo | Hol Fr | BA & AM Charlesworth |
| £100 | 110kg | 3mo | Holstein | R A Leech |
| 122p | 260kg | 9mo | British Fr | R D Mills |
| 116p | 270kg | 9mo | British Fr | R D Mills |
| 104p | 315kg | 9mo | Hereford | R G Woolley |
| 101p | 465kg | 17mo | Holstein | T A Dobson & Son |

Cows & Calves & Breeding Cattle - 0



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Beeston Castle Auction
Tel: 01829 262 100

Horses & Ponies at 11am

Wednesday 10th & 17th February

Tack at 10am, Saddles 12noon & Vehicles at 1pm

Wednesday 27th JANUARY, 10th, 17th, & 24th February

For further enquiries regarding the equine sections please contact the Equine Department On **01829 262170.**
email: alastairbrown@wrightmanley.co.uk



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BEESTON PRODUCE MARKET

Every Friday at 11.45 am
Enquiries to Andrew K. Wallace
on 07850 250 641



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Tel: 01829 262 100

N.V.Z. REGULATIONS

If you want advice or assistance with the New N.V.Z. Storage Requirement Calculations phone Andrew Wallace or Richard Goodwin on 01829 262 132.

AN AGRICULTURAL FARM DISPERSAL SALE

AT BEESTON GATES FARM
BEESTON, TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE
ON SATURDAY 30th JANUARY 2010 at 10.30am

Briefly Comprising of:

LAVERDA 3700 Combine Harvester 1995
JOHN DEERE 6300 4Wheel Drive Tractor
1978 **JOHN DEERE** 930 2Wheel Drive Tractor
ISEKI 4270 4Wheel Drive Compact Tractor
1990 **SANDERSON** 726 Telescopic Handler
TRACK MARSHALL 135
TEAGLE Tomohawk 4040 Silage/Straw bale shredder
WEST 1300 Dual Spreader
DOWDESWELL DP8 4 Furrow Reversible Plough
2002 **KHUN** FC302G Trailed Mower Conditioner
AS MARSTON 6Tonne Grain Trailer complete with Silage Sides
Appachie Off Road Go Cart, **MALGAR** Slurry Pump
LAWNFLITE MTD 906 165/40 Ride On Lawn Mower
4 x 15Tonne **KONGSLIDE** Wooden Sectional Grain Bins
2 x 60Tonne Corrugated Tin Bulk Grain Bins
1 x 40Tonne Corrugated Tin Bulk Grain Bins
3 Phase **BRICE BAKER** Grain Auger on Tripod
GASCOIGNE 7 a side Herringbone Parlour
SPRINGFIELD Water Heater
5 x Agricultural Buildings
YARA Extran 10 x 600kg Bags of Fertiliser
600 Wrapped Round Bales of Grass Silage
200Tonnes of Clamped Grass Silage
Over 300Large Heston Bales of Straw
On behalf of Messrs B A Major (Relinquishing the farm tenancy after 3 generations)
Auctioneer in charge Alastair Brown.
Please contact Beeston Market for catalogue requests or visit our website

BEESTON COLLECTIVE IMPLEMENT SALE

Wednesday 3rd February 2010
To Commence at 9.30am, Implements,
Tractors, Trailers, Vehicles & Implements at 12Noon
This sale will include: **MASSEY FERGUSON** 178 2Wheel Drive Tractor, **BGE** Sawdust Dispenser, 22 Head to Head Cow Comfort Cubicles, **IFOR WILLIAMS** DP120 Triple Axle 14 Stock Trailer with Easy Load Sheep Decks, 15' Sheep Feed Trailer, Hydraulic Log Splitter, 4Tonne Hydraulic Tipping Trailer, **TEAGLE** Round Bale Shredder, **PARMITER** Shear Grab, Large quantity of New & Used Timber of various sizes, **INSIDE:** New & Used Power Tools, Chain Saws, Strimmers, Garden Equipment, etc. Entries will be taken on Monday & Tuesday before the sale. For further information please contact the Beeston Auction 01829 262100



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Milk Quota Department

Either to buy or to sell

Milk Quota For Sale
1,000,000 Litres @ 3.927424% BF
Enquiries to Jean @ Beeston
Tel: 01829 262 132

WINTER GRAZING at Alvanley: 7 Acres Sheep
Grazing until 28th February 2010. Part fenced.
33 Acres Cattle/Sheep until 28th February 2010.
15 acres Sheep Grazing until 28th February 2010



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Sharon Mayer
Agricultural Chaplain Confidential Support to the
Agricultural Community.
Tel: 07540 761 972 also Associate Chaplain Lewis Rees
on 01244 335 830

WINTER ACCOMMODATION
Cubicles for 50 cattle at Malpas with Silage. AKW/JL

Produce at Alvanley
Approx 75 Bales of Silage and 60 Bales of July 09
Haylage. Buyer to Load.
Also approx 200 Conventional Bales of 2009 Hay.

For Sale by Private Treaty

32 Round Bales of 2009 Silage at Knighton, near Woore.
No Rain. Well Wrapped. £15 per bale, also Quantity of 6
String Haylage Bales £20 per bale.
Contact Andrew Wallace

**FOR SALE
HAY & STRAW**

Thorley Bros can supply you with Hay & Straw in all sizes
of bales. Contact 01829 262 124

300 Tonnes Grass Silage
50 Round Bales of Grass Silage
Hanmer area. Enquiries to R.H. Mottershead
01948 830 270

BIG BALE SILAGE: 40 Bales of second cut silage @
Borras, Wrexham. Contact A.K. Wallace. Ref: AKW/NJ

LAND WANTED TO RENT: 50 to 100 acres
Grass/Arable Land in Chester/Helsby Area. Ref: AKW
20 to 50 Acres Arable Land in Tarporley Area. Ref: AKW



**Pedigree & Commercial Dairy Cattle
Department Tel: 01829 262 120**

Thursday 28th January

The Western Holstein Club's Monthly Show & Sale of
130 Fresh Calved Holsteins. 10 Bulls & 56 Embryos
Comprising: 25 Cows & 105 Fresh Heifers.

56 EMBRYOS

Featuring 12 packages sired by Mr Sam, Goldwyn, Planet,
Hayden, Laurin, Dundee, Pronto, Jenny-Lou, Atlas, Sept
Storm and Talent, representing many outstanding families
including Gracious, Blackrose, Shoremar Maggie (same as
Milan, Mason etc), Penn-gate Finesse, Miss Maui,
Comestar G, Dellia and Cleevale Mania.

Followed by 10 BULLS

From **AINTREE, GRANTCHESTER, DALEBANK,
FORDSWOOD**

Tuesday 9th February

Mid Month Sale of Commercial & Pedigree

Dairy Cattle @ Beeston Castle Auction.

Entries please by Monday 1st February PROMPT
Cataloguing will close promptly on this morning.

Tuesday 23rd February

Coloured Dairy Breeds Sale

To include Pedigree and Unregistered Cows,
Fresh and In-Calf Heifers & Youngstock from
Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Shorthorn, Guernsey,
Jersey Breeds & Crossbreds.

Entries will close Monday 8th February Prompt.



FURNITURE & FINE ART DEPARTMENT

**PLEASE CHECK THE DATES AS THERE MAY
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The three most common cross compliance breaches in England

This year has seen a change in the way the Rural Payments Agency (RPA) deals with breaches of cross compliance. In previous years, in many cases the RPA would give a warning letter or a 1% penalty for what it considered to be minor breaches of the cross-compliance requirements. However the EU Commission was not happy with that approach, and told the RPA to take a harder line. The result of this is that now the **starting point for a breach is usually a 3% penalty.**

Added to this, the most breached requirements have been the same year after year, so we are starting to see cases of “repeated non-compliance”, where the penalties are substantially higher. When the RPA finds that a claimant has failed to comply with the same requirement for a second time within a three year period, **the original penalty will be multiplied by three.** Where the same problem is repeatedly found, the RPA may regard the breach as intentional; if the RPA considers that non-compliance is intentional then the starting point for a penalty will usually be 20%.

Inspections

Each year, the RPA has to ensure that a certain percentage of SPS claimants are inspected to check compliance with the cross compliance requirements. Some of these inspections are targeted randomly, so any claimant can be inspected regardless of whether they have previously breached a requirement or not.

Other inspections are targeted specifically at “high risk claimants”. High risk claimants include those who have a history of breaching cross-compliance requirements, large claimants and, for animal identification, those with high numbers of movements.

The RPA conducts inspections covering all the standards of Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition, and many of the Statutory Management Requirements (SMRs). There are other Competent Control Authorities who carry out inspections on the remaining SMRs. For example, animal health and welfare inspections under SMR 18 are carried out by Animal Health.

Cattle Identification and Registration

SMR 7/8 (now SMR 7) imposes a number of requirements on claimants relating to the identification of their animals and the recording and reporting of cattle movements; many of these requirements mirror those imposed by the Cattle Identification Regulations 2007.

Penalty Classification

Like all cross compliance breaches, breaches of SMR 7 will be classified as:

- Negligent or intentional;
- Limited or not limited to an on-farm effect;
- Rectifiable or permanent.

The way that the breach is classified will determine the level of the penalty imposed in respect of it. Where it is not possible to challenge the fact that the breach occurred, it is sometimes possible to challenge the level of the penalty, by arguing that one or more elements of the classification are incorrect.

Tags

As well as killing the cat, curiosity also de-tagged the cow. When a cow wants to investigate a small space it pushes its head in; when it pulls its head back out, tags can be ripped out of the cow’s ears. As a result of this, every farmer will, at some point find one or more of his animals with a tag missing and there is nothing farmers can do to prevent this happening.

Fortunately, the cross compliance requirements do recognise this, and penalties are not imposed simply because an animal has a missing tag.

Penalties are imposed if a tag is not replaced within 28 days of the date on which it was discovered that the tag was missing.

So, the first thing to consider when looking at a case involving tagging issues is when the fact that the tag was missing was discovered. If a farmer can show that the inspection took place less than 28 days after he discovered that the tag was missing, this could be used to challenge the penalty.

Movements, Births and Deaths

Many of the problems identified are paperwork errors, such as dates of birth on passports not matching dates of birth in the herd register, or dates of movements in the herd register not matching the date reported to the British Cattle Movement Service (BCMS). Encouraging farmers to implement systems where they complete both the movement card/passport details at the same time as filling in the herd register can help to minimise these issues.

Animal Health and Welfare

At first glance, the fact that animal health and welfare (SMR 18) features in the most common cross compliance requirements breached in England may give cause for concern, especially as we pride ourselves on having high welfare standards. However, a closer look at the cause of the problems reveals that many breaches are due to record keeping.

Penalty Classification

Penalties are classified under the categories outlined above. However, for many (but not all) breaches of SMR 18, the inspector's guidance indicates that the severity will be either:

Medium severity where the breach has not caused unnecessary pain, distress or injury to the animals; or

High severity where breach has caused unnecessary pain, distress or injury to the animals.

Medicine Records

SMR 18 includes a requirement that farmers should keep records of the medicines they use to treat their animals for at least three years. This is one of the most breached elements of SMR 18.

In some cases farmers are keeping the records, but the system they have implemented is not sufficient to comply with the rules. For example, they may be recording treatments on a blackboard, but not recording them in the medicine book sufficiently promptly to fulfil the requirements. In other cases farmers are confused about what they need to record, and mistakenly believe that a particular treatment does not need to be recorded.

Housing

Over time housing and fencing etc, can become damaged. This can result in sharp edges which could injure animals, or holes which could trap animals. The presence of such hazards is a common reason for a penalty being imposed under SMR 18.

Temporary repairs are acceptable, provided they are sufficient to protect the animals from the potential danger posed by the problem. So if a long term solution cannot be implemented immediately because of the cost or the time it would take, but it is part of a long term plan, temporary interim repairs should be sufficient to prevent SPS problems.

Treating Sick Animals

In many cases, Animal Health/RPA are likely to consider that a failure to treat animals promptly has caused unnecessary pain, suffering or distress to an animal, so high severity breaches are likely. Added to this, there is the potential for animal welfare prosecutions to be brought alongside SPS penalties in the most extreme cases. However, serious cases are rare.

Farmers may be treating animals themselves, without veterinary input. As many farmers have considerable experience in these matters,

that is often perfectly acceptable, although if an animal is not responding to treatment it is a requirement to seek veterinary advice.

It may be useful if the farmer has good accurate on-farm records showing what treatments have been given to which animals, so they can demonstrate that they are treating animals appropriately if necessary. It is difficult to prepare these records after the event, so having these measures in place before an inspection can be useful.

Conclusion

The above requirements have consistently had the highest number of breaches since SPS commenced, costing the industry as a whole a very large sum in terms of SPS penalties. In addition, many of the issues discussed above are also legal requirements, with potential criminal sanctions.

Where there are problems on a farm, as well as considering an appeal, it is important that the underlying issue is addressed. A 5% penalty in 2009 could lead to a 15% (or more) penalty if the same requirement is breached in 2010, and 45% (or more) penalty if the same requirement is breached in 2011, even where the breach is classed as negligent, rectifiable and limited to an on-farm effect.

| Statutory Management Requirement – No of Instances | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 7/8 – Cattle Identification & Registration | 1419 | 1213 | 1286 |
| 8a Sheep & Goat Identification | 72 | 178 | 218 |
| 8 – Animal Welfare | n/a | 143 | 204 |



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