

AROUND THE MARKETS

Top price at Otley auction for finished lambs at £94 came from Ivanhoe Livestock, Bedale fed on maize 'o' mix. The best heifer calf at Skipton auction at £400 came from Church Farm Enterprises using IMMU-Power calf milk replacer. The top angus heifer at £245 was from D&J Herd using IMMU-Surge calf milk. The top finished heifer at £1438 was from S&P Scriven feeding premium beef and rolled barley. Customer Stuart Gledhill from Hessay topped the store heifer trade at Thirsk market two weeks running with blue crosses at £1170 and £1215, using a special keymix and homegrown barley. Steers topped at £1210 for a simmental cross from DF Whiteley, Scawton using a special blend. At Northallerton market, the top continental bull was from GA Robson at 219ppk and top at 212p and 221p, using Cattle pro 60. The Bowe family again topped the finished cattle with a heifer at 270ppk and a steer at 246ppk.

Congratulations are due to Keith & Audrey Percival from Constable Burton for the East Witton Fair champion beast at £1390 for a blue cross. Keith & Audrey also enjoyed success with the top price suckled calf at £1140.

Congratulations to Kathryn Henry's dad, David Lawson for a third prize at Middleham Moor fair selling for £1180 and also 3rd prize at East Witton fair selling for £1140. David's heifers are home bred blonde crosses and he uses rolled barley and Cattle Pro gold.

Congratulations to the Hanson family from Hasthorpe winning our £50 cash prize for the highest priced dairy bred bull calf at Otley auction with a brown swiss. The lucky buyer was W. Brass & Son, Chopgate, Middlesborough.



Edward Hanson on the left & Jake Lakin on the right.

For Sale & Wanted

Herdsperson required for dairy farm. Hartlepool area. 0779 5083887.

3 wooden sheep racks on wheels - Grantley sawmills made. Very good condition. £100 each o.n.o. Harrogate area Tel 01423 506331

Wanted Full / Part time farm worker 01765 635318

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Wanted Part time farm worker, small mixed family farm, flexible hours / days to suit. Edge of Ripon 01765 602818.

Apprentice required to work on dairy farm near Northallerton. Please call 07762 953437 for more details.

Contractors / Services

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Fencing Contractors, A and S Corner, Easingwold. Call Andrew for a competitive quote: 01347 823645.

Cattle freeze-branding, North Yorkshire. Tel Steve Johnson 07940 064991 or 01347 810980.

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TAKE CARE WITH LOW PROTEIN SILAGE

Dr Ruth Lawson

Both cattle and sheep are at risk of depleting protein in their bodies because of very low levels of protein in silage this year. A good number of silages are coming back low in protein when we send them to the labs for analysis.

If fed on the silage alone, stock can look full, but deplete protein from around their internal organs. A number of silages are coming back at 10-11% crude protein which is lower than needed for a dry suckler cow. In a normal year, silage will have a protein content of 13-14%.

With very low protein silages the animal's rumen becomes completely blocked with partially digested food and the animal effectively starves to death, known as rumen compaction. However, a simple sign that will indicate if an animal's diet is protein deficient is the consistency of the dung. On a protein deficient diet the animal's

dung will be firm, dry and look like solid, mini-hay bales. It will be very useful to get your silage analysed this year so that supplementary feed can be used.

Protein molasses products can be a cost effective way to balance low protein silages. We have various products available which also contain vitamin & minerals to aid rumen function.

Give Nick Bowkett a call on 01765 689666 to get a quote on 5, 10 & 30t loads of protein molasses.



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Please remember to order early for Christmas. We will close for Christmas at 4pm on Christmas Eve on Thursday 24 December and re-open at 8am on Tuesday 29 December. We will also be closed on both Friday 1st January and Saturday 2nd January.

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Halt the losses

Kathryn Henry

Farmers are reminded to vaccinate lambs before commencing winter feeding to finish lambs.

Recent research has shown that there was a peak for pulpy kidney, a common clostridial disease, in lambs in October 2014. It is suggested that this could have been triggered by changes in gut flora as a result of dietary change. In the case of the lambs receiving hard feed, the new study showed that most lambs had not received a booster prior to the change in diet. Any immunity they may have had from drinking colostrum at birth may have waned, suggesting that a booster would have prevented most of the losses as the vaccinations generally work very well in sheep and are cost effective. The results also showed a peak of cases where pasteurised milk was the cause of death in lambs in October, gradually increasing from September.

Farmers keeping or buying in store lambs during this period, should be vaccinating ahead of any anticipated adverse weather or other stressors such as moving. Lambs that are vaccinated when they are young, from one-month-old, may lose their immunity by the autumn if not given a booster around September.

These diseases can be prevented by the administration of appropriate vaccines and should be done as soon as possible. Please call in the trade desk to discuss clostridial vaccination of lambs.



Winners keep on winning



David Lewis

Congratulations are due to RF & J Hildreth of Curlew Fields Farm, Hessay for winning the Promar Milkfinder Manager of the Year 2015. They hosted a Farm Walk on November 4th to explain how they farm and why they achieved this success.

With a great attention to detail and on a relatively simple system, they produce 10,522 litres of milk per cow with 4235 of those litres coming from forage - a tremendous achievement! The cows graze in summer and are fed grass and maize silage over winter. Jameson No.6 grass seeds and Ambition maize seed are the source of that silage.

Also the calves are now fed on an accelerated growth programme starting with Jameson's IMMUSURGE milk powder to produce new calving heifers at 22 to 24 months of age. To achieve this goal calves must double their birth weight by the time they are 8 weeks old and be 380kgs by 13 to 15 months for service.

We sponsor Milkfinder costings for Jameson dairy customers from Promar – feel free to ask me about this (07710600848).



Christmas in the Country Store

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in the Country Store, tree, decorations and new products are out. This year we have a new and exciting range of cushions and mugs from At Home in the Country with designs to suit all the family. For the kids this year Bruder Toys have expanded, stocking many new products from butterfly mowers, logging trailers to horse box and Jeep. We

have a range of ladies Jack Murphy clothing and Silly Moo hand cream and lip balms. Even catering for man's best friend with Danish Design tweed beds and a new range of collars and bowls. In stock again are Jo Garlick Christmas card assorted packs (10% of the profit from each pack is donated to Great North Air Ambulance). We look forward to seeing you in store soon!

Fertiliser update

Jonathan Stansfield



This autumn fertiliser sales have been very low. A combination of poor cash flow throughout all sectors of the industry and sheds full of forage and grain have contributed to very little interest in forward buying of fertiliser. The lower price of oil and gas has also led to an expectation that prices need to fall.

Nitrogen

In the second half of November we have seen falls in the price of Lithuanian nitrogen in an attempt to increase sales. Some fertiliser has now started to move to farms at prices we haven't seen for several years. We are not sure where this price will end up but would like to think that we can continue these sales over mid-

winter to prevent a huge backlog in spring. If you think you can store some fertiliser contact me in the office for an up to date price.

P and K

As in previous years we recommend soil testing to determine how much P and K is needed. If the soil levels are low then the plant will not respond fully to nitrogen so the return on P and K will be good. If P and K are high then none will need to be applied and money can be saved. As with nitrogen prices, phosphate and potash prices have both dropped since summer and are more attractive than before.

For more advice on the fertiliser market please give me a ring on 01765 689666.

Winters here! Are you prepared for mud fever?

Emma Backhouse

With fields becoming muddier by the day, horses are left paddling knee deep in mud! Mud fever bacteria *Dermatophilus congolensis* can cause many problems, from a mild skin irritation to infected sores causing swelling and lameness. Our Lincoln Muddy Buddy powder and ointment is a waterproof barrier for the infected area. If however your horse is already infected there is the Muddy Buddy Kure Cream containing Metasolan 47, a fast and effective therapy scientifically proven to kill the bacteria.

Call in for a chat with me about mud fever.



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