MARKET DRAYTON MARKET LTD
Barbers Auctions report the following trade at Market Drayton Market :-

MONDAY 14 AUGUST 2017
183 BARREN COWS, BULLS & OVERAGE CLEAN CATTLE (Red Market)

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Rare occurrence being a dry day in August and attentions diverted to harvest than marketing cattle hence a reduced number reported forward. Trade remains as buoyant as ever especially for a summer month and dare I say it many more could have easily been sold to vendors advantage. Demand is certainly outstripping supply and while this in balance remains please, please, please market your barrens to their full potential and sell them on their legs at Drayton. Leading lights shone brightly to 219p for bulls, 217p for clean, 188p for sucklers and 163p for dairy. The overall market average returned at 135.35p.

92 Dairies - The good, bad and ugly all well represented in the ranks and all finding some very competitive bidding throughout. Trade peaked at 163p (£831.30) for young Montbeliarde from J & P. Bradley Ltd, Stoke-On-Tern. Other names to note :- S.M. Gilman & Partners, Lilleshall black and white to 159p (£966.72) and 136p (£1,058.08), Mr Paul Boston, Longden cow to 144p (£918.72), C.J. & S. Lister, Farnold Dairy Shorthorn to 141p (£989.82) and black & white to 136p (£1,365.28). G.S. & A. Sheard, Scholar Green Norwegian Red to 140p (£1,033.20), W.G. Brown & Sons Ltd, Abbots Bromley black & white to 139p (£1,095.32), C.F. Matthews & Son, Burtleton cow to 138p (£988.08) to mention a few. The vast majority of meated cows sold in excess of 130p, steakers 115p to 125p, 138p (£1,116.79). C.F. Matthews & Son, Butterton cow to 139p (£1,095.32), P.R. & P.A. Buxton, Milwich Blue to 186p (£900.24), T.M. & M.E. Morgan, Llanerfyl Limousin to 183p (£1,709.22), Herefords to 178p (£1,559.28) from a regular Cheshire vendor and black & whites to 176p (£883.52) from R.C. & A.L. Adams, Tean to mention a few. The section average returned at 166p (£1,116.79).

25 Clean - The Hughes Family, Selattyn dominated the top slots in both the heifer and steer section at 217p to gross £1,297.66 and £1,466.92 respectively for Limousins and further steer to 215p (£1,337.30) and heifer to 212p (£1,365.28). Mr Bob Yeomans, New Street Lane sold Blue Cross steer to 207p (£1,163.34) and Blue Cross heifer to 200p (£1,184.00).

Sunday 13 August

188 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

- NEXT RED MARKETS -
Monday 28 August (Bank Holiday Gates Open 1pm) - NEXT PIG MARKETS -
Monday 11 & 25 September - Sale 5pm
For all cattle including T.B. restricted holdings with a movement licence from Animal Health direct to slaughter, no six-day rule.

PIGS Auctioneer : Ben Baggott (07791 791356)

- Fortnightly Sale of Pigs Monday 21 August and 4 & 18 September @ 10.30am Cull Sows & Boars Followed by Prime Pigs & Store Pigs
- From Monday 21 August “WE WILL BE PAYING OUT FOR PIGS ON THE DAY”
- Actively Looking For Fat Pigs, Sows & Stores
- Please Pre-Enter Your Pigs
- All Pig Enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

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WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST 2017
188 CLEAN CATTLE & YOUNG BULLS

Auctioneer : Bernie Hutchinson (07778 164274)

Lift in the weather and in the trade with numbers nationally in short supply and markets at the start of the week reporting 20 to 50% reduction in numbers forward the script was certainly set for a “blue touch paper trade”. Truly blistering trade especially for the bulls with clean also close behind and dare I say it many more could have been sold to vendors advantage. A big thank you to all our vendors who rallied around to find cattle and answer my numerous texts, calls and facebook posts! The only real grumble this week came from our buyers who require more of your cattle to fulfil increasing order books. Summer sizzlers returned at 248p for bulls, 240p for heifers and 232p for steers.
76 Bulls - No where near enough bulls for the level of trade and the trade certainly found another gear this week especially for Drayton Specials. Sucklers raced away to £249p (£1,572.32) for a truly fantastic Blue from Mr Brian Taylor, Scholar Green and a further Limousin to 228p (£1,259.56). Mr Ben Elkin, Hilderstone sold a Blue to 235p (£1,165.60) and a Charolais to 219p (£1,156.32). Mr Pete Bailey & Family, Meiford Blue to 225p x 2 (£1,291.50 and £1,224.00). 220p (£1,346.40) and 216p (£1,321.92). John White & Family, Brewood Limousins to 222p (£1,509.60) and 220p (£1,535.60). Mr S. Beamond, Dolhafren Charolais to 220p (£1,210.00) and 226p (£976.32) and Mr Anthony Heath & Family, Eaton-Upon-Tern Limousin to 219p (£1,331.52). Native types saw the honours shared with Mr Simon Beamond, Dolhafren and Mr Anthony Heath, Eaton-Upon-Tern both selling Angus to 218p to realise £1,155.40 and £1,046.40 respectively. Close behind Mr Charles Forrester, Northwood Hereford to 210p (£1,083.60). Talk of the trade has to be Drayton Specials with black and whites to 210p (£1,108.80) for a bull from Mr Tom Statham, Bramshall. The section average returned at 192.25p (£1,049.98).

54 Steers - Real, real demand and an entry which you could like to “dolly mixtures” with something for everybody and everybody for something from shape to overage, too fat, too thin, assured to non-assured, heavy to light and everything in-between. Good commercial cattle peaked at 232p (£1,164.64) for a Limousin from Simon Bea mond, Dolhafren. Mr Gary Whitehall & Family, Audlem sold Continental to 227p (£1,325.68), 223p (£1,165.52) and 214p (£997.24), Mr Paul Boston, Longden Charolais to 220p (£1,386.00) and a Blonde to 218p (£1,290.56) etc. Mr Derek Buckless, Penkridge Limousin to 216p (£1,179.36) and 210p (£1,113.00) to mention a few. Native types sold to 216p (£1,252.80) for a Hereford from D. & E. Price- Jones, Overton-On-Dee. Dairy types sold to 190p (£1,295.80) for a Montbeliarde from C. Bradbury & Son, Great Haywood. The section average returned at 190.83p (£1,198.20).

58 Heifers - Only disappointing point on the day would be the lack of super stars forward this week to meet the level of demand experienced around the ring. At present we have buyers requiring best “E” type butchers heifers, thick meat commercial heifers, breaking heifers and native heifers and Welsh heifers and in fairness you name it we required it!! Only one super star forward and this sold to 240p (£1,425.60) for a Limousin from Brian & Jackie Noden, Victoria Farm. Commercial types saw Welsh bred heifers to 228p (£1,450.08) from Mr David Jones, Kerry for Limousins and further cattle to 226p (£1,224.92). Mr Ian Dutton, Styche Blue Crosses to 219p (£1,121.28), Mr Clive Bennett & Family, Sutton Blue Crosses to 218p x 3 (£1,120.52, £1,103.08 and £994.08) and Mr Geoff Shropshire, Marchamley Blue Crosses to 216p x 2 (£1,395.36 and £1,144.80) etc to mention a few. Native types saw Mr Ray Roe, Fulford Herefords selling to 209p (£1,299.98). The section average returned at 199.21p (£1,098.42).

46 DAIRY CATTLE (Hassall Brothers)

Auctioneer : Huw Evans (07495 804308/01829 260545)

A Packet Ring at This Week’s Sale with £2000 Topping The Sale

This week’s sale saw forty-six head go under the hammer with a 100% sold rate. Once again the animals which were keenly sought were the animals which displayed strength and power with good udders and high volumes of milk, cows or heifers with poorer conformation a little more tricky to sell today.

Top price today went to a non registered heifer sold by Mr Chris Latham, Malpas. She was sired by Majestic Looter and having calved on the 6th August was already yielding 31kg a day. She was secured for £2,000 by Oakley Farming Ltd, Dorrington.

She was joined by a heifer from the same home that had calved on the 9th August yielding 30kg by D.W. Lea & Son, Loggerheads for £2,000.

Cows sold well today with a third calver sired by Brookview Burt, that was nine days fresh and already yielding 33kg from Mr Richard Thompson, Sudbury selling for £2,000 to a local buyer.

Today saw a cracking entry of baby calves from T.W. Eardley & Sons, Bellaport Lodge selling to £185 for a cross bred dairy heifer that was only twenty days old she was secured by Mr Moseley, Green Lane.

Milkling Ayrshire heifers sold to £1,600 from Mr Mark Partington, Lowton.

Second lactation Jerseys sold to £980 from Mr G. Hollinshead, Haughton.

Next week we have good entries already received please call us for further details.

For more details on this sale please call our office we have facilities for overnight accommodation for cattle prior to the sale. More cattle needed to meet demands. Entries to Harry: harry@hassallbrothers.co.uk or 01829 260545

135 STORE CATTLE

Auctioneer : Mark Jones (07791 791356)

Good numbers forward when coupled with a weaning sale. A large crowd of buyers present witnessed a very fast trade. A couple of cows and calves started the sale which changed hands at £1,250 and £1,180 from J.W. & S.C. Rawlings, Admaston. More breeding stock needed please.

Yarding cattle a very fast trade 200 to 230p/kg for the top end topping at £1,205 for Limousin steers from I.G. & T.M. Beckett, Willington and generally trading £1,000 to £1,150. Some nice farming cattle on offer today with suckler bred types very much in demand and trading £850 to £950 and £750 to £850 for native steers. More stores needed please - all stores enquiries to Ben 07791 791356.

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1,647 PRIME LAMBS
Auctioneer: Mark Jones (07813 625787)
A good number forward with well meated heavier lambs selling to a premium with lighter leaner sorts a little harder work nevertheless an overall market SQQ average was returned at a pleasing 191p.
Lights hit 183p for some 32kgs to return £58.56 for Messrs M. Morris & Co.
Standards sold to 210p for some 36kgs to gross £78.00 for Mr S.H. Hamplott, Haughton who achieved the same price for 36.1 kilos to return £75.81. Top price in the lump £78.28 for some 38 kilos from Mr R.E. Roberts, Llanfyllin. Coming a close second was J.E. & R. Hockenhull & Sons, Uffington with their 38.3 kilos grossing £78.13.

826 BUTCHERS EWES
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283 CALVES
Auctioneer: Ben Baggott (07791 791356)
Great numbers of calves forward this week when you consider the weather! More and more calves travelling a real distant to take advantage of our consistent trade.

2304 STORE SHEEP
Auctioneer: Mark Jones (07813 625787)
Yearling ewes to £136.00. Three year old ewes to £140.00. Store lambs to £52.00, average £48.67. Breeding rams to £265.00 for a two year old Texel ram.

SHEEP FAIR 2017
Thursday 31 August and Thursday 5 October at 5pm.
This will be a catalogued Show & Sale of all classes of Breeding/Store Sheep.
Comminging at 5pm for Shearing Ewes followed by Aged Ewes, Ewe Lambs, Store Lambs and at approx 6.30pm Breeding Rams.
Entry forms available from the market office to be completed and returned to the market office by Wednesday 23 August!
**SHEEP :-**

- 200 x North Country Mule Shearlings
- 65 x Texel X Mule Shearlings
- 35 x Beltex, Texel Black Beltex Ewe Lambs
- 40 x Lleyn Ewes 2, 3 and 4's.

**CATTLE :-**

- 22 x British Blue Steers & Heifers (6 to 12 Months) TB Restricted.
- 50 x Hereford & Angus Steers & Heifers (6 to 8 Months) TB Restricted.
- 100 x British Blue Steers & Heifers (4 to 6 Months) TB Restricted.
- 25 x British Blue & Hereford Steers & Heifers (8 to 12 Months) TB Restricted.

**CONTACT :-** Ben Baggott on 07791 791356.

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**PRIVATE SALE**

Top Quality Pure Texel & Charolais Shearing Rams Excellent confirmation with tight skins. All home bred. Please contact 07974 386812/07767 826179 or 01630 661415.

Labrador Puppies (2 Golden/4 Black) KC Registered Contact 07817 307975.

17 Acres of Oats (Hankelow Area) 07812 444846.

Blow Bin Holds 25 to 30 Tonnes 07860 716407 (Shifnal).

10 Acres Maize (Shavington) 07828 031501.

Cattle Information Service - Looking for contract milk recorders in The Shropshire Area - Contact Bernadette Crayston 07964 918476.

2 Pedigree Blonde Bulls (15 Months) 07779 791356.

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**GRAZER’S CAFE - WE NEED YOUR VOTE**

We made it to the last five Cafes in the Farmers Guardian, Marts The Heart Award. Thanks to everyone that nominated us to get this far, we really do appreciate it. We now need your votes to get us to win. The closing date is **30 August** and all you have to do is log on the following link & follow the instructions on screen.

https://www.martstheheart.com/

Or fill in the form in the Farmers Guardian. Thanks Again. Ann