\*\*\*Balla Mart Report the 26th July.

There were some great cattle in it today for the end of month continental sale.

It had to be the highest it ever was with some stores up by approx. E200 on last week.

Although there was around 500 cattle showing there appears to be a ‘famine’ for cattle as supply contracts. The average continental store especially heifer 400-500kg making €2000 to €2500. There were many farmers looking for cattle but unable to buy due to the high prices they 'were taken out'

There were extra buyers around the rings from Donegal and the midlands.

The average price this week was €2,304.00

Bullocks 300kg to 400kg averaged 4.91/kg. Store bullocks 400kg to 500kg averaged 4.79p/kg. While heavier bullocks 500kg were well up and averaged 4.62/kg.

A two year old bullock weighing 690kg was sold for 4.90/kg by a Knocknaskibbole - Castlebar farmer.

BULLOCKS:

370KG CHX @ E2,320.00 OR 6.27/KG

470KG CHX @ E2,780.00 OR 5.91/KG

690KG SAX @ E3,380.00 OR 4.90/KG

Lighter store heifers 300 – 400kg averaged 5.17/kg. Heifers 400kg to 500kg averaged 4.89/kg. And 500kg+ heifers averaged 4.66/kg.

HEIFERS:

255KG CHX @ E1,590.00 OR 6.24/KG

385KG LMX @ E2,890.00 OR 7.51/KG

460KG BBX @ E3,100.00 OR 6.74/KG

635KG BBX @ E3,820.00 OR 6.02/KG

A farmer who travelled from Glasson – Athlone had a cracking March ‘24 [**Limousin**](https://www.facebook.com/nw.limousin.3?__cft__%5b0%5d=AZVulLvNNg_ibMbtzogB9lfK98DOx9WTzwPthCOnw4tldPg--T_8uSxKh9N_o-Eob8hH5tCgQLAO148Ep5FmsXWFqWQtd1xRfKL6V4a--hd6tBDulQuHwdBOWOdtetTSbU-YQBYDnU6A13KFwoIRymgjow4eklgkWNv8Dqf62TwTHVFs4TJvuRiWVuIZaKG3x-2n3d1gEzaHroNzLFJTz0h6&__tn__=-%5dK-R) heifer weighing 385kg that made E2,890.00 euro or 7,51/kg.

As usual the cows were a good trade with prices holding up well and giving the biggest prices. Dry cows 500kg+ averaged 3.95/kg this week. This week there was a lot of heavy fleshy cows and not many stores or feeding cows.

The tops in the dry cows was a six year old Charolais weighing 795kg that made E3,580.00 for a farmer from Parke - Castlebar.

The best this week in the springers was a 4 year SIX recip dam ‘Corrandulla Princess’ and its [**Belgian Blue**](https://www.facebook.com/ibbcs?__cft__%5b0%5d=AZVulLvNNg_ibMbtzogB9lfK98DOx9WTzwPthCOnw4tldPg--T_8uSxKh9N_o-Eob8hH5tCgQLAO148Ep5FmsXWFqWQtd1xRfKL6V4a--hd6tBDulQuHwdBOWOdtetTSbU-YQBYDnU6A13KFwoIRymgjow4eklgkWNv8Dqf62TwTHVFs4TJvuRiWVuIZaKG3x-2n3d1gEzaHroNzLFJTz0h6&__tn__=-%5dK-R) bull calf at foot Sired by ‘DouDou’ that was bought for €6,650.00 from a farmer who travelled all the way from Athboy – Co Meath.

The weanlings were sold after the bullocks and prices were similar to last week due the great demand from export buyers.

Bull Weanlings 200 – 350kg averaged 4.97/kg, Bulls 350 – 450kg averaged 5.03/kg,

Bulls:

240KG LMX @ E1,260.00 OR 5.25/KG

310KG CHX @ E1,900.00 OR 6.13/KG

435KG BBX @ E2,380.00 OR 5.47/KG

There will be no sale next Saturday the August Bank holiday weekend ‘Galway Race Week’

Booking for Saturday the 9th will be on Wednesday and Thursday the 6th & 7th on lowcall 0818 301 401