## Balla Mart Report....

On Saturday the 23th of November the sale was held at Balla a big sale that consisted of weanlings again on a Saturday. It was noted by everybody that trade was a good bit dearer than last week with cattle up by E40 euro on last week. Buyers were out in style including many buyers from the North and this was the reason for the good trade. Bullocks 300kg to 400kg averaged 2.11p/kg. Store bullocks 400kg to 500kg were improved and averaged 2.16 p/kg...the best sold by a farmer from Ballyglass - Swinford who had a nice group of bullocks and one a 475kg LMX made E1180 or 2.48p/kg, While heavier bullocks 500kg + averaged E1.96 p/kg. A farmer from Meelick - Swinford saw his 650kg CHX bullock make E1.510.00 euro or 2.32 p/kg or E860 with the weight..

There was just over 250 heifers this week. Heifers up to 400 kg averaged 2.17 Euro p/kg. Heifers 400kg to 500kg averaged E2.18p/kg with the weight. A farmer from Edan - Knock had one little 415kg Lim that was bought for northern export that made E1.435.00 or 3.46 p/kg. While 500kg averaged 2.09p/kg.. the best a Lim heifer for export weighing 650kg sold by a farmer from MayoAbbey -Claremorris that made E1,710.00 or 2.63p/kg & E1060 with the weight.

This week cow numbers were 130 for sale. The best dry cow was a SIX cow born Jan '15 sold by a farmer from Brize - Claremorris that weighed 905kg and made E1,710.00 euro again destined for the North. While in the springers there was a special sale of 35 incalf heifers by a Milltown farmer who had very well presented and one really nice heifer born Mar '17 and due in three weeks made E1,820.00.

In the weanlings in general prices were up as farmers/exporters were very active around the ring. And for the good ones trade was a good compared with the stronger cattle. Light Bull weanlings 200kg to 350kg were in demand and averaged 2.26p/kg. Bulls 350kg to 450kg averaged 1.88 p/kg. The best a 350kg CHX at E945.00 sold by a Boher - Charlestown farmer at 2.70p/kg. While heavier bulls 450kg+ averaged 2.00 p/kg. There was just over 100 heifer weanlings. Heifers up to 350 kg were up and averaged 2.17 Euro p/kg. Heifer weanlings 350kg to 450kg averaged 1.97 p/kg with the weight. A 375kg CHX heifer sold by Liscarney - Westport farmer for E880.00 or 2.35p/kg...