Balla Mart Report....

On Saturday the 11th of January the first sale of 2020 was held. The sale consisted of just over 300 cattle and there was some good quality stock for the time of year. It was a good sale and trade was slightly up all round. Bullocks 300kg to 400kg averaged 2.11p/kg. Store bullocks 400kg to 500kg averaged 2.13 p/kg...the best sold by a farmer from Carrick on Shannon - Roscommon who had some nice cattle and a 495kg LMX made E1185 or 2.39p/kg, While heavier bullocks 500kg + were well up and averaged E2.14 p/kg. The same farmer from Carrick had a 595kg LMX bullock that make E1.380.00 euro or 2.32 p/kg or E785 with the weight.. There was 120 heifers this week. Heifers up to 400 kg averaged 2.23 Euro p/kg. Heifers 400kg to 500kg averaged E2.04p/kg with the weight. A farmer from Ballinasmalla - Claremorris had a nice 470kg LMX heifer born April '18 that made E1.250.00 or 2.66 p/kg. While 500kg averaged 2.12p/kg.. the best a Char heifer weighing 880kg sold by a farmer from Prizon - Balla that made E1,940.00 or 2.20p/kg & E1060 with the weight.

This week cow numbers were 60 lots for sale. Buyers were saying they "Were dear anough!" The best dry cow was a LMX cow born May '14 sold by a farmer from Currane - Ballyvary that weighed 785kg and made E1,640.00 euro or 2.06p/kg. . While in the springers there was a Jan '18 incalf heifer due mid march sold by a Moylough - Tubbercurry farmer that made E1,740.00.

In the weanlings in general prices remain steady as numbers are small. Light Bull weanlings 200kg to 350kg were in demand and averaged 2.38p/kg. Bulls 350kg to 450kg averaged 2.17 p/kg. The best a 505kg LMX at E1,080.00 OR 2.14p/kg sold by a Barnacarroll - Claremorris farmer at 2.14p/kg......