

Balla Mart Report....

The sale was held in Balla for bullocks, heifers and cows a huge sale with some better cattle this week. A small bundle of weanlings this week due to the special sale being held on Tuesday evening the 27th. There was a good clearance of cattle with anything good making serious money, Heavy bullocks were a 'site' with northern buyers buying the tops of them. Some buyers even commented it was an 'Exceptional/incredible' trade. Buyers were bidding from all over Ireland using the Farmers Journal APK 'MartBids'. Bullocks 300kg to 400kg averaged 2.73p/kg. Store bullocks 400kg to 500kg averaged 2.52 p/kg...While heavier bullocks 500kg + averaged 2.41 p/kg the best for a long time. A farmer from Murneen - Claremorris had some smashing store cattle and did very well the best a 360kg LMX that made E1,140.00 or 3.17 p/kg. And a farmer from Cullane - Swinford had some heavy bullocks the best a 745kg @ E1,940.00 or 2.60 p/kg. There was a good sale of heifers with just over 400 and they met with some great buying especially for breeding heifers but plainer types were harder to sell. Heifers up to 400 kg averaged 2.57 Euro p/kg. Heifers 400kg to 500kg averaged E2.43p/kg. While 500kg+ averaged 2.35p/kg. There was great prices paid for example a Lim 435kg @ E1,390.00 or 3.20p/kg sold by a farmer from Balla and the best in the heavy heifers a June '19 Lim heifer sold by a Castlebar Rd - Westport farmer weighing 585kg @ E1,790.00 or 3.06p/kg.

There was a large sale of dry cows this Saturday. There was a 1015kg SIX that made E2,180.00 sold by a farmer from Ballyglass - Ballycastle. In the springers there was a good mix of cattle the best being a 820kg LMX @ E1,980.00 Mar '18 1st calver with its bull calf at foot.

Booking as normal this week Bullocks/Heifers will be booked at 09:30am on Wednesday 21st with Cows booked at 11am.

Weanlings will be booked on Thursday 22nd between 09:30am to 01:00pm for the special evening sale of weanlings on Tuesday the 27th...

Booking Number is 0818 301 401