

Balla Mart Report....

The sale was held in Balla this Saturday a big day with 1200 cattle between all. There was great buying for cattle with more farmer and other buyers around the ring and online. This resulted in a good trade especially in the heavy bullocks and heifers suitable for breeding. It was commented on the 'Great yard of Heifers'. I would ask that you 'Follow' us on Facebook to see our posts. Bullocks 300kg to 400kg averaged 2.58p/kg. Store bullocks 400kg to 500kg averaged 2.58 p/kg...While heavier bullocks 500kg + averaged 2.41 p/kg. Heavy bullocks 700kg+ were still making EXCELLENT prices over the E1100/1200 with the weight. A farmer from Tubbercurry – Sligo had a bullock weighing 665kg born Apr '19 that made E1,770.00 or 2.66p/kg. And another AAX sold by a farmer from Belcarra – Castlebar born Aug '19 weighing 735kg made E1,810.00.

There was 500 heifers this week and if anything they were a better yard than last week. Heifers up to 400 kg averaged 2.35 Euro p/kg. Heifers 400kg to 500kg averaged E2.45p/kg. While 500kg averaged 2.46p/kg. There was a 560kg LMX born Apr '20 that made E1,960.00 or 3.50 p/kg sold by a farmer from Logaphuill – Castlebar and another heavier 755kg AAX @ E2,060.00 sold by a farmer from Brickens – Claremorris who had some good stock.

The third ring was in operation for the cows this Saturday with over 200 lots on offer including some groups of in calf heifers. Dry cow prices were up due to the presence of Northern Ireland and Factory buyers paying upto 2.60p/kg for the good ones. A 885kg LMX dry cow Apr '17 born made E2,210.00 sold by a farmer from Ballinrobe and another 735kg Lim that made E1,930.00 or 2.63p/kg sold by a farmer from Belcarra – Castlebar. In the springers the best a Dec '14 Lim cow with its heifer calf at foot that made E2,400.00 sold by a farmer from Aclare - Sligo.

****Next Saturday the 16th there will be a Special sale of 20 Continental 1st calf heifers. They are scanned to calf Dec to Jan '22 to a Pedigree LIM easy calving stock bull.**

Booking for Saturday next the 16th of October will be on Wednesday the 13th as usual from 09:30 am to 01:00pm on 0818 301 401.... With the weanlings been booked on Thursday the 14th.

The weanling sale was held on the 12th October with numbers well up on last year. A good sale with practically a full 100% clearance of weanlings with plenty of buying for all types around the ring and online, They averaged 56 euro dearer than this time last year. Online sales were really impressive this week giving everything a lift. Online buyers made their presence felt taking out a lot around the ring. There was large number of well fed continental types for feeding. Light Bull weanlings 200kg to 350kg averaged 2.81p/kg. There was a lot of these 300kg+ lots that were well done and making over the 3:40 to 3:80p/kg. Bulls 350kg to 450kg averaged 2.62 p/kg. While 450kg+ averaged 2.37 p/kg. One CHX bull born Mar '21 weighing 360kg made E1,360.00 euro or 3.78p/kg sold by a farmer from Ross –

Castlebar bought for export while another fine BBX bull 355kg made E1,300.00 or 3.66p/kg sold by a farmer from Belcarra – Castlebar.

There was just over 300 heifers weanlings and those up to 350 kg averaged 2.79 euro p/kg. Heifer weanlings 350kg to 450kg averaged 2.51 p/kg. The best a really special 300kg LMX bought online that made E1,990.00 sold by a farmer from Errew – Castlebar while another LMX heifer weighing 295kg made E1,860.00 sold by a farmer from Ballyvary - Castlebar.

The next sale of weanlings will be on Tuesday the 19th of October with booking on Thursday next the 21st between 09:30 and 1:00pm on 0818 301 401....