

Rearing Calves & Stirks

Friday 17th April 2026

Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held our fortnightly sale of 263 calves and stirks on Friday.

Another outstanding day at PDFM, where seeing truly is believing. Our continued growth was evident once again, with increasing numbers of both stock and customers. The auction mart was packed from 10am to 4pm.

We extend our sincere appreciation to all new and returning customers for their ongoing support and trust. Demand remains strong across all classes, and more stock can be sold to full advantage here at Penrith. Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sale Highlights

- Top Price: £1,880 for a pair of 15-month-old dairy bred Limousin bullocks from Messrs A & W Johnston, Whitefold. Their run of 12 averaged an impressive £1,797.50.
- Bulls: Bulls continue to excel at Penrith. Messrs J D & F Wharton, Town Head Farm, sold 7-month-old Limousin-cross bulls (out of Black & Whites) to £1,480 for a pair, with their run of six averaging £1,411.67. Dairy bred bulls also sold exceptionally well, topping at £910 for a 6-month-old Montbéliarde.
- Calves: Calves were in strong demand, with bulls particularly sought after. Frizington Parks topped the section at £1,070 for a 4-month-old British Blue, with others from the same home at £1,020. Their run of nine averaged £915.
- Aberdeen Angus & Hereford: Messrs P H Thompson & Partners, Greengill Head, brought a run of 29 Aberdeen Angus and Hereford bulls and heifers, topping at £1,030 for a pen of four 4-month-olds. The run averaged an excellent £834.
- Heifers: Heifers sold to £850 for 5-week-old Limousins from Messrs J P & G J Simpson, Knock Cross.

More numbers are needed to meet the strong demand here at Penrith. Our next sale will be held on Friday 1st May at 10am. Please contact Paul Gardner on 07552 589141 to advise entries.

Leading Prices

Bullock Stirks

Limousin - £1880 (2), £1870 (3), £1840 (2) White Fold; £1110 (2) Blacksyke Farm

British Blue - £1840 White Fold; £1370 (2) Blacksyke Farm

Beef Shorthorn - £1500, £1370 (2) Kaber Fold

Heifer Stirks

Limousin - £1670 (4) White Fold; £1240, £1220 High Pow Farm; £1100 Blacksyke Farm

British Blue – £1320 (2) Woodhead Farm; £1290 (4), £1190 (2) Wyngarth; £1250 (4), £1160 (5) High Pow Farm

Hereford - £1260 (3) Crib Farm; £840 Bank Farm

Aberdeen Angus - £1110, £980 Whitestone Farm; £850, £840 Bank Farm; £830 (2) Crib Farm

Bull Stirks

Limousin - £1480 (2), £1460, £1400 (2), £1250 Town Head Farm (Wharton); £1380 Fell End; £1310 Grange Farm; £1240, £1130 Woodhead Farm; £1160 Grange Farm

British Blue - £1470 Woodhead Farm; £1300 (4), £1210 Wyngarth; £1210 (2) Benty Close Farm; £1190 (2), £1180, £1110 Penny Hill Park

Beef Shorthorn - £1400 (4), £1260 (2), £1080 Croft Ends Farm

Aberdeen Angus - £1360 Croft Ends Farm

Charolais - £1180 Moss Thorn Farm

Hereford - £1050 Benty Close Farm

Montbeliarde - £910 Bank Farm

Black & White - £900, £850 (2) Parkside Road; £740 (2), £690 (3) Whitestone Farm

Bull Calves

British Blue - £1070, £1020, £990, £930, £860, £830 Frizington Parks Farm; £1040 Annfield Farm; £860 The Harras; £850 Weary Hall Style; £800 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £785, £750, £730 Moss Thorn Farm; £750 Nether Colinhurst

Aberdeen Angus - £1030 (4), £980 (3), £940, £920 Greengill Head; £920, £880 Street House (Strong); £840, £720, £690 Clarks Farm; £720, £650 Nether Colinhurst; £560 Greenah Cragg; £555 (2), £550 (2), £530, £510 (2) Round Hill Farm; £550 (2) Priory Farm; £540 (2) Gatelands Farm

Hereford - £980, £890 (2), £780 (2) Greengill Head; £800 Nether Colinhurst; £450 (2) Cairnhead Farm

Limousin - £960, £910, £640, £630 Harrington Parks Farm; £960 Frizington Parks Farm; £870 Knock Cross; £780 Street House (Strong)

Black & White - £640 (2), £440 (3) Bunkers Hill; £500 (2), £340, £260 Bouch House Farm; £480 Annfield Farm; £340, £290 (2) Cape Farm; £310 Moss Thorn Farm

Dairy Shorthorn - £570 Nether Colinhurst; £350 Cape Farm

Montbeliarde - £500 Street House (Strong)

Beef Shorthorn - £470 Gatelands Farm

Heifer Calves

Limousin - £850 Knock Cross; £790, £760 Street House (Strong); £760, £720 (2) Weary Hall Style

British Blue - £810, £770 Frizington Parks Farm; £800, £790, £770, £760 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £790 Annfield Farm; £770, £690, £650 Weary Hall Style; £570 Bouch House Farm

Aberdeen Angus - £780 Nether Colinhurst; £760 (2), £740 (6), £735 (2), £720 (2), £710, £690 (2) Greengill Head; £680 (2) Nether Colinhurst; £650 (2) Street House (Strong); £635 (2) Greenah Cragg

Longhorn - £560 Weary Hall Style