

# Rearing Calves & Stirks

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

On Friday, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held its fortnightly sale of 267 calves and stirks.

A fantastic entry of 267 calves and stirks came forward, with another blistering trade witnessed throughout. The 126 bull calves sold to average £605.71, while 77 heifers averaged £606.

Calves topped at a staggering £1,280 for an outstanding Charolais bull calf from M/s Sowerby, Townhead Farm, purchased by Mr B Ridsdale, Yew Tree. Heifers from the same home topping with a Charolais realising £1,080, also purchased by Mr Ridsdale. Messrs Sowerby also sold eight-week-old milk calves to an amazing £920, to average £950.

British Blues topped at £1,000 for a four-month-old Blue bull from M/s JH & JE Taylor, The Harras, selling to Richard Grainger. In total, 16 calves sold in excess of £900. Black and White cattle of all classes met an excellent trade, with M/s JN & FC Walker, Harrington Park Farms, selling Friesians to £190.

Stirks and calves, were short of requirements today, with more needed to satisfy demand. Topping the section at £1,550 was a pair of seven-month-old Limousin bulls from M/s JH Capstick, Lockholme Hall. An outstanding run of Friesian bullocks from M/s R Forrest & Son, Low Rutter, aged three to eight months, sold to average £851 and topped at £1,070 for a pen of five.

Much greater numbers are needed to fulfil the strong ringside demand here in Penrith. The next sale will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 10am. Please contact Paul Gardner on 07552 589141 to advise entries.

## ***Leading Prices***

### **Bull Stirks**

**Limousin** - £1550 (2), £1380, £1140 Lockholme Hall.

### **Heifer Stirks**

**Simmental**- £1360, £1340, £1160, £1140 (2) Moorside Farm.

**British Blue**- £1350, £1140 Moorside Farm; £1170 Low Farm.

**Aberdeen Angus** - £1280 (2) Bridge End; £940 (3). £930 (2) Howes Farm.

### **Bullock Stirks**

**Aberdeen Angus**- £1260 (2), £980 (2) Howes Farming.

**Wagyu**-£1320 Howes Farm.

**Black & White**- £1070 (5), £1060 (5), £1000 (3), £970 (4), £850 (2) Low Rutter; £910 Low Farm.

### **Bull Calves**

**Charolais**- £1280, £1170 Town Head; £920, £840, £810 Town Head Farm,

**British Blue** - £1000, £910 The Harras; £980, £900 (2), £880 (2) Mellgates; £950, £910, £840, £800 Petteril Side; £920, £910, £840, £700 Applegarth Farm; £900 Annfield Farm; £860 Petteril Side; £840 Woodhouse Farm; £790, £700 Monks House; £780, £770, £770 Bridge End.

**Limousin X** - £910, £700, £630, £610, £600 Harrington Parks Farm; £780 Knock Cross; £630 Skirwith Abbey; £600 Park Nook.

**Aberdeen Angus** - £880 Mellgates; £820 Petteril Side; £820 Blunderfield East; £810, £710 Knock Cross; £800 Annfield Farm; £750 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £710 (3) Bridge End.

**Hereford** - £730 Nether Colinhurst.

**Black & White** - £690, £440 Harrington Parks Farms; £520, £460 Petteril Side; £520, £470, £410 (2) Blunderfield East; £490 (2) The Harras; £480, £460, £420, £350 Town Head Farm; £400 Nether Colinhurst; £395 (3), £325 (3), £320 (2), £310 (3) Bridge End; £300 (2) Gatelands Farm.

### **Heifer Calves**

**Charollais**- £1080, £800, £700 Townhead Farm; £810 Woodhouse Farm.

**British Blue** - £910, £850 (2), £750, £740 Applegarth Farm; £860 (2) The Harras; £830 Petteril Side; £805 Woodhouse; £780, £670 (2) Bridge End; £750 Rosewain; £700 Brackenburgh Home Farms; £700 Monks House; £680 Rosewain; £655, £635, £600 (2) Bridge End; £650 Annfield.

**Hereford** - £710 £680 Annfield Farm.

**Aberdeen Angus** - £700 Petteril Side; £650 Annfield Farm; £640 Blunderfield East; £560 (2), £480 (2) Skirwith Abbey; £515 (2), £480 (3) Bridge End;

**Limousin X**- £620, £600, £590 Skirwith Abbey; £595 Harrington Parks Farm.

**Beef Shorthorn** - £590 Nether Colinhurst.