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Report for the Sale of Cattle and Sheep on Wednesday 19th November 2014

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Introduction

Lewis and Harris Auction Mart in Stornoway held the final sale of the 2014 season on Wednesday 19th November. The sale saw an excellent selection of good quality cattle and sheep presented for sale.

The judging of cattle was conducted by Blair Dufftown and lambs by D Macleod, Shulishader.

Cattle Prizewinners

Prize Bullock		Weight (kg)	Price (£/kg)	Gross
1st	A Ferguson, North Street Sandwick	555	£5.30	£2941.50
2nd	K Macleannan, New Park Callanish	575	£2.70	£1552.50
3rd	D A Mackenzie Parkend	610	£1.85	£1128.50

Prize Heifer		Weight (kg)	Price (£/kg)	Gross
1st	A Ferguson, North Street Sandwick	505	£2.20	£1111.00
2nd	I Maclean, Cross Skigersta	630	£1.80	£1134.00
3rd	<i>No Entries</i>			

- **Supreme Champion** - A Ferguson, North Street
- **Reserve Champion** - K Macleannan, Callanish

Lamb Prizewinners

Prize Blackface Lamb		Weight (kg)	Price (£/kg)	Gross
1st	No Entries			
2nd	No Entries			
3rd	No Entries			

Prize Cheviot Lamb		Weight (kg)	Price (£/kg)	Gross
1st	N Macleod, Fleming Place	52.5	£1.33	£70.00
2nd	N Macleod, Fleming Place	40	£1.57	£63.00
3rd	S Montgomery, Balallan	38.5	£1.43	£55.00

Prize Lamb (other breeds)		Weight (kg)	Price (£/kg)	Gross
1st	H Leach, North Bragar	54	£1.57	£85.00
2nd	Macritchie, Habost, Ness	41	£1.46	£60
3rd	S Montgomery, Balallan	Not Sold		

- **Supreme Champion** - Hannah Leach, North Bragar
- **Reserve Champion** - Neil Macleod, Fleming Place

Sale Summary and Comparisons

CATTLE

Year	Total Cattle Sold	Top Bullock Price	Top Heifer Price	Average Bullock Price	Average Heifer Price
Nov '14	64	530p/kg and £2942 Gross	270p/kg and £1134 gross	239.6p/kg	186.5p/kg
Nov '13	46	330p/kg and £2100 Gross	290p/kg and £1581 gross	220.0p/kg	240.0p/kg
Nov '12	38	380p/kg and £1938 Gross	240p/kg and £1152 gross	244.2p/kg	197.4p/kg
Nov '11	69	260p/kg and £1469 Gross	250p/kg and £1475 Gross	202.8p/kg	174.2p/kg
Nov '10	55	172p/kg and £760 Gross	327p/kg and £800 Gross	No data	No data
Dec '09	34	250p/kg and £1500 Gross	300p/kg and £1695 Gross	No data	No data

SHEEP

Year	Total Lambs Sold	Top Lamb Price	Average Lamb Price (All Classes)	Total Sheep Sold (All Classes)	Top Sheep Price (All classes)
Nov '14	77	£85.00	£48.43	116	£68.00 (ewe) £80.00 (ram)
Nov '13	103	£150.00	£44.13	203	£80.00 (ewe) £110.00 (ram)
Nov '12	134	£80.00	£42.18	193	£50.00 (ewe) £140.00 (ram)
Nov '11	171	£100.00	£34.62	371	£59.00 (ewe) £140.00 (ram)
Nov '10	307	£105.00	£33.27	409	£180.00
Dec '09	229	£100.00	£31.45	206	£47.00

CATTLE PRICES

STORE & OTM CATTLE

Bullocks - sold to 232.0p per kg for a Charolais cross from 11 Garyvard, Lochs, and £650 gross for 290kg Aberdeen Angus crosses from 8A Ranish, Lochs.

Heifers - sold to 270p per kg for a 200kg Simmental cross from 7 Balallan, Lochs, and £580 gross for an Aberdeen Angus cross from 2 North Shawbost, Barvas.

OTM cows - sold to 128.2p per kg and £750 gross from 8 Swainbost, Ness.

Other leading prices per head and per kg

Bullocks up to 250kg – 11 Garyvard, Lochs, £580, 46 Borve, Barvas, 225p;
251-300kg – 31 Northton, Isle of Harris, £290, 8A Ranish, Lochs, 224.1p.

Heifers up to 200kg – 7 Balallan, £540, 11 Garyvard, Lochs, 266.7p;
201-250kg – 13 North Street, Sandwick, £480, 31 Ranish, Lochs, 204.3p;
251-300kg – 8A Ranish, £500, 188.7p;
301-350kg – 5 Mangersta, Uig, £490, 2 North Shawbost, 190.2p.

PRIME CATTLE

Prime Bullocks - sold to 530p per kg for a 555kg Limousin cross, from 3 North Street, Sandwick, and £2,941.50 gross for the same animal.

Prime Heifers - sold to 220p per kg for a 505kg Limousin Cross from 3 North Street and £1,134.00 gross for a 630kg Charolais cross from 100 Cross Skigersta Road, Port of Ness.

OTM Prime Heifers - sold to 170p per kg for a 645kg Charolais cross from 100 Cross Skigersta Road, Port of Ness.

Leading prices per kg:

Bullocks: 1B Breasclate Park, Callanish (LimX), 270p; 1 Gress, Back, (AAX), 2.18p.

Heifers: 100 Cross Skigersta Road, (CharX), 180p; 26 Melbost, Point, (SimX), 175p.

Leading prices per head:

Bullocks: 1B Breasclate Park, (LimX), £1,552.50; 1 Gress, (AAX), £1,472.90.

Heifers: 3 North Street, (LimX), £1,111.00; 100 Cross Skigersta Road, (CharX), £1,102.50.

LAMB/SHEEP PRICES

STORE LAMBS, EWES & RAMS

Lambs - sold to £49 per head for Blackfaces from 10 Valtos, Uig.

Ewes - sold to £68 per head for a cheviot from 8 Sand Street, Stornoway.

Rams - sold to £80 per head for a Cheviot from 15 Vatisker, Back

Feeding Sheep - sold to £56 per head for Blackface wedders 25 Lower Shader, Barvas.

Leading prices per head

Store lambs: Chev – Struan Cottage, Isle of Harris, £47; BF – 10 Valtos, £46; Cross – 8 Maryhill, Stornoway, £45; SuffX – Atlantic View, Isle of Harris, £38; TexX – 8 Maryhill, £37

Ewes: cross – 10 Valtos, £68; BF – 22 Crowlista, Uig, £46.

Rams: BF – 2A Tolstachaolais, Isle of Lewis, £60; Chev – 5 Swainbost, Ness, £50.

PRIME LAMBS

Champion pen of lambs – H Leach, 7 North Bragar, for a pen of 54kg Suffolk cross lambs realizing £85.

Reserve champion pen of lambs – N MacLeod, 7 Fleming Place, for a pen of 52.5kg Cheviot lambs selling at £70 gross.

New season lambs averaged 148p and sold to 157.5 per kg and £85.00 gross for a pen of champion lambs from 7 North Bragar.

Leading prices per head and per kg:

New season lambs: BF – 18 Habost, Ness, £60, 146.3p; Cross – 30 Balallan, Lochs, £55, 142.9p.

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