DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (April, 17th) sold 1,101 store cattle and 63 OTM cattle.

Bullocks (553) averaged 312.0pp per kg and sold to 383.1p per kg for a 355kg Limousin cross from Wester Tomloan, Nairn, and £1,680 gross for a pen of 588kg Limousin crosses from 2 Hallum, Forss.

Heifers (538) averaged 293.2p per kg and sold to 459.4p per kg for a pen of 468kg Simmentals from Blackford Farm, Croy and £2,350 gross for a 580kg Simmental also from Blackford Farm.

Young Bulls (10) sold to 311.0p per kg for a pen of 386kg Limousin crosses from Lower Whitebog, Fortrose and £1,400 gross for a 510kg Limousin cross also from Lower Whitebog.

"A tremendous number of cattle forward which saw more than twice the number forward at the same sale the previous year. Trade remains buoyant however not quite the bonanza that was witnessed earlier on in the season but we are still recording phenomenal averages. A highlight of the sale was batches of breeding heifers forward that were keenly bid for and attained premium prices. Many more of top lots could easily have been sold".

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

Bullocks up to 250kg - Midburn, Lochussie, £700, 290.5p;251-300kg - Midburn, £970, 326.0p, Braebost Farms, £940, 365.8p, 1 & 2 Achnabourin, Strathnaver, £800, 308.9p, Dunlichity Farm, Farr, £760, Ose Farm, Struan, £750, 2 Cragganvallie, Kiltarlity, £680;301-350kg - Wester Tomloan, £1,310, £1,220, 381.3p, 374.3p, Borlum, Scaniport, £1,170, 353.5p, Dunain Mains, £1,160, 335.3p, Dowally Farm, Ballinluig, £1,140, £1,080, 332.4p, 321.4p, Charleston Farm, Barrock, £1,140, £1,110, 325.7p, Braebost, £1,090, £1,080, 340.7p, 333.3p, 323.6p, Auchmore Farm, Muir of Ord, £1,080, 317.6p, Upper Thrumster, £1,080, 321.4p, Badentoul, Fordyce, £1,070, £1,060, Wester Lochend, Flemington, £1,070, 322.3p, Tomchrasky, £1,060, 311.8p, Corrieben, Tulloch, 323.0p, 4 & 5 Totescore, 316.0p, 313.3p, 1 & 2 Achnabourin Strathnaver, 313.8p; 351-400kg - Wester Tomloan, £1,400, £1,380, £1,360, £1,340, £1,320, £1,260, 359.0p, 358.4p, 350.0p, 335.0p, 330.0p, 323.3p,Foddery Farm, £1,330, 341.0p, Kinchyle Farm, Scaniport, £1,320, £1,290, 333.3p, 330.0p, Lochdhu, Nairn, £1,320, £1,260, 332.5p, New Rose Cottage Croft, Inchvannie, £1,310, 338.5p, Meikle Ussie, Lochussie, £1,310, 327.5p, Ardgayhill, Ardgay, £1,310, 335.9p, 322.1p, 4 & 5 Totescore, £1,300, £1,280, £1,270, 326.6p, 325.5p, 324.0p, 320.0p, Strone Farm, Banavie, £1,280, 360.6p, Borlum, £1,280, £1,260, 336.0p, 322.0, Sornum, Easter Kinkell, £1,270, Easter Springfield, Balblair, £1,260, Dowally Farm, £1,260, Charleston Farm, £1,260, 337.0p, 336.9p, 331.4p, ½ of 6 Linicro, 330.6p, 326.3p, Tomchrasky, 326.0p, Badentoul, 323.8p, 322.1p, 320.7p, Braebost Farm, 323.7p, Wester Lochend, 320.0p; 401-450kg - 4 Glaick, Ardross, £1,420, 321.3p, Kinchyle Farm, £1,400, (twice), £1,360, (twice), £1,320, 321.1p, Strone Farm, £1,400, Clynelish, Brora, £1,380, (twice), £1,260, 323.9p, Dunain Mains, £1,370, £1,330, £1,320, £1,310, £1,280, 340.0p, 325.9p, 320.5p, Meikle Ussie, £1,360, Badentoul, £1,360, Borlum, £1,350, 320.7p, Kinnahaird Farm, Contin, £1,340, 321.3p, Tomchrasky, £1,340, £1,300, £1,250, 2 Lochend, Barrock, £1,330, Lochdhu, £1,320, £1,300, 320.2p, 3 Flashadder, £1,320, Braebost Farm, £1,320, 323.5p, Wester Tomloan, £1,280, Easter Templand, Fortrose, £1,270, £1,260, 17 Englishtonmuir, £1,260;451-500kg - 2 Lochend, £1,550, The Cloy, Fortrose, £1,540, £1,450, Kinchyle Farm, £1,520, £1,390, 326.9p, Lochdhu, £1,480, 4 & 5 Totescore, £1,480, Meikle Ussie, £1,460, £1,440, Balnuran, Culloden, £1,460, £1,420, 44 Bornesktaig, £1,450, Easter Templand, £1,430, Sornum, £1,430, Borlum, £1,400, 3 Flashadder, £1,390, Easter Craggach, Kirkhill, £1,370, £1,360, £1,350, New Rose Cottage Croft, £1,360, Kinnahaird Farm, £1,360, 2 Lochend, £1,350; 501-550kg - Meikle Ussie, £1,660, Kinchyle Farm, £1,570, The Cloy, £1,570, 2 Lochend, £1,550, Rothiemurchas Estate, £1,540, £1,500, Easter Springfield, £1,500, Sornum, £1,480; Over 551kg - Tomchrasky, £1,600, 2 Hallum, £1,580, Upper Thrumster, £1,540, Rothiemurchas Estate, £1,540

Heifers up to 350kg – Wester Tomloan, £1,240, £1,040, (twice), 359.4p, Braebost, £1,090, 333.3p, Whitebog, Fortrose, £1,040, 348.8p, 4 & 5 Totescore, £1,030, 319.6p, Badentoul, £1,020;351-400kg – Kinnahaird Farm, £1,480, 387.4p, New Roes Cottage Croft £1,310, 338.5p, Dunain Farms, £1,300, 325.8p, 44 Borneskitaig, £1,260, 319.0p, Wester Tomloan, £1,240, £1,220, 359.4p, 334.2p, Badrain, Culbokie, £1,220, 3 Flashadder, £1,220, Clynelish, £1,200, Clury Farm, Dulnain Bridge, £1,200, Dowally, £1,220, £1,200, Badentoul, £1,200, Lochdhu, £1,320, 332.5p; 401-450kg – Kinnahaird Farm, £1,780, £1,720, 404.5p, 386.5p, Upper Blairnain, Aberlour, £1,500, 337.8p, Little Kildrummie, Nairn, £1,500, 347.2p, Tomcluich, Cawdor, £1,480, 344.2p, Smallburn Farms, Elgin, £1,420, 330.2p, Clury Farm, 335.8p; 451-500kg – Blackford Farm, £2,150, Kinnahaird Farm, £2,000, £1,800, (twice), £1,620, 402.4p, 395.8p, 393.9p, 375.0p, 356.0p, Wester Dunnet, £1,750, £1,540, £1,420, 380.4p, Tomcluich, £1,720, £1,580, £1,420, 362.1p, 325.8p, Upper Blairnain, £1,520, 323.4p, The Cloy, £1,450, Sornum, £1,410; 501-550kg – Blackford Farm, £2,300, 418.2p, Smallburn Farms, £1,600, Upper Thrumster, £1,580, £1,500, £1,480, Tomcluich, £1,550, Upper Blairnain, £1,550, Ardgayhill, £1,460, £1,440, Sornum, £1,440, Rothiemurchas, £1,420;551kg and over – Blackford Farm, £2,300, (thrice), 405.2p, 377.0p, 362.2p, Upper Thrumster, £2,000, £1,850, £1,550, Kinnahaird Farm, £1,900, £1,680, Smallburn Farms, £1,850, £1,750, £1,700, £1,520, Balnuran, £1,550, 4 Glaick, £1,560.

OTM prime & feeding cows (63) sold to 246.2p for a 520kg Limousin cross cow from Braebost Farm, Edinbane and £2,450 gross for a 1250kg Charolais Bull from Shoreton Farms, Culbokie.

Other leading prices per head:

OTM prime & feeding cows: Burnside Croft, (LimX), £1,820, Kinnahaird Farm, (SimX), £1,800, £1,500, £1,480, £1,390, £1,300, (LimX), £1,780, Groam, (SimX), £1,720, £1,680, £1,560, (LimX), £1,500, £1,280, Kinchyle Farm, (LimX), £1,700, £1,660, £1,640, £1,560, £1,520, Sornum, (SimX), £1,560, Mossside, (AAX), £1,540, (SimX), £1,320, £1,250, Badrain, (LimX), £1,420, ½ of 7 Torrin, (SHX), £1,380, Penick Farm, (BRBX), £1,300, 20 Borve, (AAX), £1,300, (BSHX), £1,280, Craigton, (LimX), £1,300, 2 Lochend, (SHX), £1,280, Dunlichity Farm, (SHX), £1,280, 6 Bracara, (LimX), £1,280, Braebost Farm, (LimX), £1,280, (SHX), £1,260, Meddat Farm, (SimX), £1,260, Dunain Farm, (SalX), £1,260.

Other leading prices per kg:

OTM prime & feeding cows: Braebost Farm, (LimX), 246.2p, 229.6p, Kinchyle Farm, (LimX), 240.6p, 226.7p, 217.1p, 215.2p, Kinnahaird Farm, (LimX), 237.3p, (SimX), 235.3p, 231.3p, 217.4p, 4 & 5 Totescore, (SimX), 226.1p, Midbadgrinan, (BSHX), 220.6p, Sornum, (SimX), 219.7p, Burnside Croft, (LimX), 216.7p, 6 Bracara, (LimX), 215.1p, Groam, (LimX), 212.8p, Badrain, (LimX), 211.9p, Mossside, (SimX), 211.2p, (AAX), 209.5p, Coldhome Farm, (LimX), 210.5p.