Suckled Calf Market Report - Fri 2023 09 29

The first suckled calf sale of the year recorded a good entry of quality calves with some fantastic prices. On the night male calves sold to a top price of £1,280 per head and 382 pence per kilo. While heifers sold to £950 per head and 309 pence per kilo. Leading prices are as follows.

Male calves per head : Ballydonnell farmer CH 384kg £1280 (368)ppk. Ballyclander farmer SIM 468kg £1280 (274)ppk. Ballydonnell farmer CH 350kg £1240 (354)ppk. Saintfield farmer LIM 378kg £1190 (314)ppk. Comber farmer SIM 370kg £1180 (319)ppk. Drumaness farmer SIM 398kg £1170 (294)ppk. Crossgar farmer SIM 372kg £1170 (315)ppk. Ballyclander farmer LIM 378kg £1160 (307)ppk. Downpatrick farmer SIM 388kg £1160 (299)ppk and Ballydonnell farmer CH 310kg £1160 (374)ppk.

Female calves per head: Ballylucas farmer LIM 418kg £950 (227)ppk. Ballyclander farmer SIM 410kg £940 (229)ppk. Ballyclander farmer SIM 434kg £940 (214)ppk. Downpatrick farmer SIM 380kg £900 (237)ppk. Ballyclander farmer SIM 398kg £890 (224)ppk. Ballyward farmer LIM 278kg £860 (309)ppk. Drumaness farmer SIM 400kg £860 (215)ppk and Drumaness farmer LIM 400kg £860 (215)ppk. Ballylucas

farmer LIM 402kg £790 (197)ppk and Drumaness farmer LIM 322kg £790 (245)ppk.

Male calves per kilo: Ballydonnell farmer CH 288kg £1100 (382)ppk, CH 310kg £1160 (374)ppk, CH 348kg £1280 (368)ppk. Ballyward farmer LIM 264kg £950 (354)ppk. Ballydonnell farmer CH 350kg £1240 (354)ppk, CH 270kg £910 (337)ppk, CH 350kg £1120 (320)ppk. Comber farmer SIM 370kg £1180 (319)ppk, Ballydonnell farmer CH 298kg £950 (319)ppk, Ballyward farmer AA 312kg £990 (317)ppk and LIM 270kg £850 (315)ppk.

Female calves per kilo: Ballyward farmer LIM 278kg £860 (309)ppk. Drumnaqoile farmer LIM 238kg £700 (294)ppk. Ardbrin farmer LIM 234kg £660 (282)ppk. Drumnaquoile farmer LIM 274kg £770 (281)ppk. Drumaness farmer LIM 286kg £760 (266)ppk. Ardbrin farmer LIM 215kg £570 (265)ppk, LIM 202kg £530 (262)ppk, LIM 202kg £520 (257)ppk, LIM 226kg £580 (257)ppk and LIM 224kg £570 (255)ppk.