

LUING CATTLE SOCIETY PREMIER SALE 2025

7th February – Wallets Marts, Castle Douglas

The Luing Cattle Society held their annual PREMIER SALE on 6th February at Wallets Marts, Castle Douglas. Demand for both males and females exceeded expectations, and averages for all sections were up on the year. Heifers enjoyed a 100% clearance while bulls averaged 11,181 gns (£11,741) for 22 sold and a 95% clearance.



Champion Bulling Heifers consigned
by Messrs Barr, Milkieston

The pre-sale show of heifers, divided into bulling heifers and in-calf heifers, saw judge Jill Hunter, Meikle Fieldie, Perth, choose a pair of in calf heifers consigned by W W Dunlop, Commonsides as her first prize. This March 2023 born pair, in calf to Commonsides Assassin, were purchased at 4700 gns (£4935) by Messrs Halligan and Burke for their Stewarton herd. The best pair of bulling heifers were consigned by Mr D Barr, Milkieston, sired by Blackhouse Yarrow, and again purchased by Messrs Halligan and Burke for 3900 gns (£4095).

Overall, W W Dunlop, Commonsides sold three in calf heifers to average 4450gns (£4673) to a top of 4700gns (£4935). The MacGregors from Allanfauld took the top average for their two heifers at 4500gns (£4725). This was followed by the McNees from Woodend with their 7 in calf heifers averaging 3860 (£4053) to a top of 4500gns (£4725). In-calf heifers averaged 4088gns (£4292) for 24 sold, up an encouraging £1449 on the year.

Bulling heifers sold to an average of 2919 gns (£3065) for 32 sold, an increase of £82 on the previous year. Two herds achieved the best herd average among the bulling heifers. D & A Barr, Milkieston sold 12 to average 3000 gns (£3150), and to a top of 3400gns (£3570). Meanwhile, Wm. Graham & Son, Craigdarroch, sold a run of 6 heifers also at 3000gns (£3150). Following this, W A Penney sold 22 heifers to average 2922gns (£3068), for a level bunch of heifers. Kirkland Farming sold 6 heifers to average 2767 (£2605) with a top of 3400 gns. C C MacArthur sold 4 heifers to average 2600gns (£2730) and topping at 2700gns (£2835).

Bulls saw a fantastic trade with 22 of the 23 forward finding new homes to give a 95% clearance. Topping the sale at 25,000gns (£26,250) was lot 76, Nunnerie Daer, from C C MacArthur, Nunnerie. Purchased by W Graham & Son, Craigdarroch, this heterozygous polled son of Commonsides Assassin is out of a homebred daughter of Finlarg Tornado. The Grahams had earlier set a strong price marker for their lot 74 at 23,000gns (£24,150). Craigdarroch Dallas, a homozygous polled son of Kirkland Buster sold to Ted Fox, St Johns Kirk. Following this price was lot 67, Benhar Diamond from the



Lot 76 Nunnerie Daer,
25,000gns. Sold to W
Graham & Son.

McNees at Woodend. Selling at 20,000gns (£21,000), this Candies Xmin son heads to Commonsides for W W Dunlop & Son.

Commonside themselves sold the next priced bull, Commonsides Duke, a Commonsides Scania son at 17,000gns (£17,850) to A J Kennedy, Mitchellhill. The Grahams, Craigdarroch sold the next two top prices. Lot 77, Craigdarroch Dax, a Craigdarroch Arlo son. was bought by W A Penny for the Harehead herd at 16,000gns (£16,800). Behind him, Craigdarroch Digby, a Kirkland Yorkie son was knocked down at 15,000gns (£15,750) to A L & A C McCall, Culmaily.



Lot 74 Craigdarroch Dallas, 23,000gns. Sold to Ted Fox.



Lot 67 Benhar Diamond, 20,000gns. Sold to W W Dunlop.



Lot 82 Commonsides Duke, 17,000gns. Sold to A J Kennedy



Lot 77 Craigdarroch Dax, 16,000gns. Sold to W A Penny.



Lot 70 Craigdarroch Digby, 15,000gns. A L & A C McCall.

Other leading prices: W Graham, Craigdarroch, 13,000 to Shell; A Macgregor, Allanfauld, 12,000 to Allanton Farming; C C Macarthur, Nunnerie, 11,500 to I H G Warden; W A Penny, Harehead, 10,000 to Outchester Farms; Mrs Una Hodge, Kirkland, 10,000 to S McClymont; Messrs Renwick, Blackhouse, 9,000 to H Robson.

	No. Animals	Average (gns)	Top (gns)
Bull	22	11182	25000
C C,MACARTHUR & CO,NUNNERIE, ELVANFOOT,	3	14667	25000
W,GRAHAM & SON,CRAIGDARROCH, SANQUHAR,	4	16750	23000
R,MCNEE LTD,WOODEND FARM, ARMADALE,	2	14000	20000
W W,DUNLOP & SON,COMMONSIDE, HAWICK,	1	17000	17000
A,MACGREGOR ,ALLANFAULD, KILSYTH, GLASGOW	2	9000	12000
W A,PENNY O.B.E.,HAREHEAD FARMS, CRANSHAW, BERWICKSHIRE	4	7125	10000
KIRKLAND FARMING CO,KIRKLAND FARM, SANQUHAR,	2	9000	10000
T,RENWICK & SONS,CRAIG DOUGLAS, YARROW,	2	7750	9000
A C & A L,MCCALL,CULMAILY FARM, GOLSPIE,	2	5000	6000
In Calf Heifer	12	4088	4700
W W,DUNLOP & SON,COMMONSIDE, HAWICK,	3	4450	4700
A,MACGREGOR ,ALLANFAULD, KILSYTH, GLASGOW	2	4500	4500
R,MCNEE LTD,WOODEND FARM, ARMADALE,	7	3860	4500
Heifer	50	2919	3900
D & A,BARR,MILKUESTON FARM, EDDLESTON,	12	3000	3900
W A,PENNY O.B.E.,HAREHEAD FARMS, CRANSHAW, BERWICKSHIRE	22	2922	3400
KIRKLAND FARMING CO,KIRKLAND FARM, SANQUHAR,	6	2767	3200
W,GRAHAM & SON,CRAIGDARROCH, SANQUHAR,	6	3000	3000
C C,MACARTHUR & CO,NUNNERIE, ELVANFOOT,	4	2600	2700