

## CADZOW BROS 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PRODUCTION SALE

Cadzow Bros, Isle of Luing held their 6th annual production sale at Oban, conducted by United Auctions on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November, where 97 head (-8 on the year) sold to an overall average of 2176 gns, an increase of 263 gns on the year. Averages for in-calf heifers were up on the year, while bulling heifers and cows fell slightly on the year. Once again brisk bidding saw the lots disperse as far south as Shropshire. A mix of rising 2 and 3 year old purebred heifers in calf to a variety of Luing genetics, due in spring 2025, were most keenly sought after averaging 2647 gns for 55 sold, an increase of 51 gns on the year. The top price for in calf heifers peaked at 3400 gns for 4 different lots. The first of these was Luing Arduling C10, a February 2023 born daughter of Luing Zinc. She sold in calf to Luing X-am, due March 2025, selling to Messrs McGowan, Incheoch, Blairgowrie. The second to reach 3400 gns was Luing Ardluing C37, a red polled March 2023 born heifer, also a Luing Zinc daughter. This one had Lochbroom Talisker on her dam's side, selling in calf to Luing X-am, and was purchased by Jamie Gilchrist, buying for Ettrickshaws, Selkirk. Third in-calf heifer to reach 3400 gns was Luing Ardluing C41, also a Luing Zinc daughter, selling in calf to Luing X-am, and will go home to Scammadale, Kilninver. Messrs McGowan, Incheoch also went to 3400gns for another heifer in calf to Luing X-am, this time by Luing Yoda, boasting Luing Major on its dam side.



Bulling heifers were a solid trade, averaging 1304 gns, back 228 gns on last year, and for 27 sold. The top priced bulling heifer at 1900 gns, a March 2023 born Luing X-Ray daughter, which formed part of a significant load home to Messers Dodd, Tundergarth Mains, Lockerbie. The first bulling heifer into the ring made 1800 gns and was by Luing Xavier. These spring 2023 born heifers were sired by both homebred bulls, and bought in bulls, 15 different sires in total, giving buyers a good selection of genetics to choose from.

Of the 4 bulls entered, only one found a new home. Luing Callum, a February 2023, heterozygous polled Luing Zodiac 3rd son, realised 6000 gns and is away to Messrs Christie. Callum's performance figures were displayed and he sported a Beef Value of +36 (73% accuracy), and his dam had excellent classification scores, even given that she was 13 years old.

The best of the cows on offer was an in-calf third calver, Luing Ardlarach A41 by Luing Tain. She sold back in calf and due in the spring to Luing Wolf and is away to will also form part of the load down to Ettrickshaws, Selkirk. Fourteen weaned cows sold to average 1736 gns, with a top of 2600 gns, on par with last year.

### Summary Stats

|                       | Average (gns) | Top (gns) | Average (£)   | No.       |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Luing In Calf Heifers | 2,647         | 3400      | £2,780        | 55        |
| Luing Bulling Heifers | 1,304         | 1900      | £1,369        | 27        |
| Luing Cows            | 1,736         | 2500      | £1,823        | 14        |
| Luing Bulls           | 6,000         | 6000      | £6,300        | 1         |
|                       | <b>2,176</b>  |           | <b>£2,285</b> | <b>97</b> |