

Livestock market

Chambersburg Auction Chambersburg, PA Thursday, March 22

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CATTLE: 386. Compared with last Thursday's market: Breaking Utility & Commercial Sl. cows 1.25-2.50 lower. Sl. steers: (few) Good 57.35-61.85, holsteins 56.85-58.85; Standard 48.60-56.50. Sl. heifers: (few) Choice 58.10-62.00; (few) Good 57.35-61.85, holsteins 56.85-58.85; Standard 48.60-56.50. Sl. heifers: (few) Choice 58.10-62.00; (few) Good 52.75-56.75; (few) Standard 48.60-51.25. Sl. cows: Breaking Utility & Commercial 41.85-46.85, with couple at 47.60; Cutter & Boning Utility 40.50-45.00; Canner & L. Cutter 37.50-41.50; Shells down to 33.00. Sl. bullocks: (few) Good 48.75-52.60. Sl. bulls: Yield Grade No. 1, 960-2000 lbs. 47.25-56.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers, Medium Frame No. 1 500-800 lbs. 53.00-60.00. Heifers, Medium Frame No. 1 325-700 lbs. 39.00-48.00.

CALVES: 491. Couple Prime 106.00 & 109.00; Choice 81.00-96.00; Good 60.00-77.00; Standard & Good 110-125 lbs. 57.00-62.00; 75-105 lbs. 51.00-60.00; Utility 60-85 lbs. 45.00-52.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 58.00-98.00, mostly 75.00-90.00; Hol. Heifers 90-130 lbs. 60.00-76.00.

Weekly Summary

Fri., March 23

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CATTLE: 7647. Compared with 7257 head last week, and 6446 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's market: Slaughter steers mostly steady, spots 1.00 lower; Sl. heifers steady to 1.00 higher; Sl. cows uneven; Sl. bullocks weak to

1.00 lower. Sl. bulls steady to 1.00 higher. Sl. steers High Choice & Prime No. 3-4, 69.50-72.25; Choice No. 2-4, 67.00-69.75; Good 60.00-67.00; Standard 50.00-60.00. Sl. heifers. Choice 63.00-69.50; Good 57.00-63.00; Standard 47.00-57.00. Sl. cows: Breaking Utility & Commercial 43.00-46.50; Cutter & Boning Utility 40.00-45.00; Canner & L. Cutter 34.00-42.00; Shells down to 29.00. Sl. bullocks: Choice 61.00-65.25; Good 56.00-60.50. Sl. bulls: Yield Grade No. 1, 1000-2300 lbs. 51.00-58.00; Yield Grade No. 2, 900-1450 lbs. 47.00-51.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers, Medium Frame No. 1, 300-750 lbs. 57.00-66.50. Heifers, Medium Frame No. 1, 300-700 lbs. 39.00-55.00. Bulls, Medium Frame No. 1, 400-775 lbs. 45.00-58.00.

CALVES: 4574. Compared with 4338 head last week and 4000 head a year ago. Vealers mostly steady. (few) Prime 105.00-125.00; Choice 80.00-105.00; Good 65.00-80.00; 110-130 lbs. 60.00-70.00; 90-110 lbs. 48.00-61.00; 65-90 lbs. 40.00-53.00; Utility 50-110 lbs. 30.00-40.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-130 lbs. 48.00-103.00, mostly 70.00-90.00; Hol. Heifers 90-135 lbs. 55.00-91.00.

HOGS: 7260. Compared with 6602 head last week and 7737 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts 50-2.00 higher. US No. 1-2 200-245 lbs. 48.00-49.50. No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 47.00-48.75; No. 2-3 200-285 lbs. 45.00-47.00; No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 37.00-45.00; Sows steady to 3.00 lower. US No. 1-3 300-585 lbs. 40.00-46.00; No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 35.00-41.00. Boars 27.00-35.00.

FEEDER PIGS 940. Compared with 879 head last week and 721 a year ago. Uneven. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 17.00-26.50 per head; No. 1-3 35-

LANCASER — Despite the current Avian Influenza and the financial problems it has caused, Pennsylvania poultrymen continue to show strong support for the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation.

With two weeks left to go, the Federation's Annual Fund Raising Banquet has sold 1500 tickets only

200 short of the sales record set last year, according to John Hoffman, the Federation's executive director.

"Frankly, I was concerned about ticket sales this year because of the heavy financial losses our industry has suffered due to the Avian Influenza epidemic," said

Hoffman. "Our salespeople have done a wonderful job up to this point and all indications are that they will continue to do so until the very day of the banquet," he added. The Federation sells tickets to the banquet through a network of voluntary salespeople from its membership list.

Hoffman credits banquet co-chairman Jay Greider of Greider's Hatchery in Elizabethtown, and Mel Mitchell of V.F. Weaver, Inc., New Holland, with getting the word out to salesmen that the need to actively show support for the Federation is greater this year than it has ever been.

Both Greider and Mitchell are pleased at the numbers so far and hope to be able to match last year's sales before April 5, the date of the banquet.

The gala banquet, which is the largest poultry related event in the Northeastern United States, features a social hour and dinner followed by entertainment from some of the top stars in America. This year, the featured entertainers are country western recording star Reba McEntire and comedian David Brenner. The same format that was used last year, which had attendees enjoying their meal and then proceeding to another large room to watch the show, will be used again at this year's banquet.

Tickets for this year's banquet, which will be held at the Hershey Convention Center, can be purchased by contacting the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation office in Harrisburg at (717) 652-7530.

50 lbs. 22.00-42.00; No. 1-3 50-85 lbs. 39.00-52.00.

3 GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES: 2287. Compared with 1390 head last week, and 2656 head a year ago. All sales by CWT. Feeder Pigs mostly 9.00-14.00 higher. US No. 1-2 20-40 lbs. 112.00-136.00, 40-50 lbs. 100.00-130.00, 50-60 lbs. 90.00-114.00, 60-85 lbs. 68.00-97.00; US No. 2-3 30-40 lbs. 110.00-127.00, 40-50 lbs. 86.00-110.00.

Leesport Auction

Leesport, Pa.

Wednesday, March 21

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CATTLE 313: Supply included 58 feeder cattle. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter steers 1.00-1.50 lower. Slaughter cows uneven, Utility & Commercial 50 cents to \$1.50 lower, Canner & Cutter steady to 1.00 higher. Few High Choice & Prime 1280-1340 lbs. slaughter steers 69.00-69.75, Choice 1100-1340 lbs. 65.85-67.60, one 68.25, Good 59.25-66.25; Good & Choice 1250-1400 lbs. holsteins 56.50-61.00; Standard 51.60-55.50, few 59.10, few Utility & Low Standard 47.00-50.00. Few Choice slaughter heifers 59.75-67.85, few Good 53.00-54.85, few Standard 50.75-53.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter

cows 42.50-45.50, few 46.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 40.00-43.85, Canner & Low Cutter 34.75-40.35. Good & Choice slaughter bullocks 56.00-66.00, mostly 59.00-64.25, few Standard 47.75-52.00. Yield Grade #1 1250-2200 lbs. slaughter bulls 52.00-57.00, few 59.75, few #2 1000-1300 lbs. 47.25-50.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: Few Medium frame #1 340-500 lbs. feeder steers 61.50-70.00, few 87.00, few Large & Medium #1 550-675 lbs. 55.50-59.00, few Large #2 550-625 lbs. 45.00-45.50. Few Large Frame #2 450-530 lbs. feeder heifers 39.50-50.00, few Large & Medium #1 670-940 lbs. 44.00-53.50.

CALVES 157: Vealers weak to 5.00 lower. Few Choice vealers 85.00-90.00, Good 62.00-81.00, Standard & Good 110-125 lbs. 60.00-65.00, 90-110 lbs. 50.00-59.00, 70-85 lbs. 40.00-50.00, few Utility 65-95 lbs. 20.00-38.00.

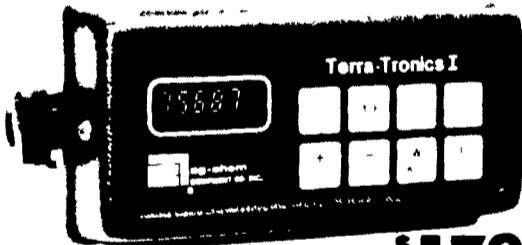
FARM CALVES: Holstein Bulls 90-130 lbs. 70.00-81.00, few down to 58.00; few Holstein Heifers 90-110 lbs. 58.00-67.00.

FEEDER PIGS 120: One Lot US No. 1-3 27 lbs. feeder pigs at 101.00, No. 1-3 40-75 lbs. 59.00-71.00, few Utility 40-45 lbs. 50.00-54.00. All Sales Per Hundredweight Basis.



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