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BC LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS MARKET REPORT

April 28th, 2021

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- WILLIAMS LAKE CONSIGNMENT FARM & RANCH ONLINE
EQUIPMENT SALE, MON 3rd & TUES 4th
- VANDERHOOF REGULAR & REPLACEMENT HEIFER SALE, FRIDAY 7th 9:00 AM
- OK FALLS REGULAR SALE, MONDAY 10th
- KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE, TUESDAY 11th
- WILLIAMS LAKE REGULAR SALE, THURSDAY 20th
- VANDERHOOF REGULAR SALE, FRIDAY 21st 9:00 AM
- KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE, TUESDAY 25th

JUNE 2021 SALES

- KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE, TUESDAY 8th
- VANDERHOOF CONSIGNMENT ONLINE EQUIPMENT SALE, WED 9th & THURS 10th
- KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE, TUESDAY 22nd
- KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE, TUESDAY 29th

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MARKET REPORT FOR APRIL 28, 2021

Total receipts, **3600 hd for Williams Lake, Vanderhoof, Kamloops**

STEERS	HIGH	AVG	HEIFERS	HIGH	AVG
0-299	N/A	N/A	0-299	N/A	N/A
300-399	235.00	235.00	300-399	200.00	200.00
400-499	255.00	241.75	400-499	212.00	203.00
500-599	237.50	226.00	500-599	203.00	192.00
600-699	234.00	216.00	600-699	196.00	184.00
700-799	209.00	190.28	700-799	189.00	178.97
800-899	188.50	186.72	800-899	168.00	161.00
900+	175.50	165.93	900 +	166.50	151.00
Butcher Bulls 110.00 - 124.50 D1 / D2 Cows 82.00 - 97.00 D3 / D4 Cows 40.00 - 52.00					
Cow Calf Pairs 2050.00					

CURRENT MARKET REPORT

GRAIN GRAIN GRAIN! Fund money continues to pour into grain futures indexes and this is weighing heavily on cattle futures indices. There are many variables that need to be negotiated before a rancher even gets their calf crop on the ground, never mind harvested and to market in the fall, but the volatility and vulnerability they're facing these days is unprecedented. Keep your eyes and ears open to this grain market as it can have a profound effect on your selling price come this fall. However, when the pendulum swings too far one way it usually corrects itself, and when the grain futures lends itself to such profitable measures, one would think grain farmers will be looking to capitalize on that, which means record acres planted and pressure on your cereal commodities. Of course exports, tariffs, drought and politics will all have their say before that happens, so try and be cognizant of the whipsaw happening in front of you almost daily! Light feeders under 800 pounds continue to sell well as your fourth-quarter and beyond is where your feeder and finished cattle look to rise in value. Immediate slaughter cattle (cows and bulls) are being actively pursued with many cows in the .90-.95 plus cent range and bulls are consistently in the 1.15-1.20, with some instances beyond the 1.20 mark. At the same time, finished cattle are feeling some pressure as packers are staying out-front of their needs by booking finished cattle well into the future while the cutout price in your retail stores continues to soar! These undulations in the market are unprecedented, but with the connectivity in this day and age, you can only expect that to get worse. It has never been so important to keep your eye on the fundamentals and be in touch with your local market if you wish to do some risk management out-front. One can only guess that with cow numbers dwindling in front of us, as the cowherd numbers decrease the rancher will be the one who inevitably gets paid! Keep your outlook long term and positive, and here's to a prosperous turnout and plentiful grass.

Cordy Cox
GM BCL

WILLIAMS LAKE REGULAR SALE APRIL 22nd

The **Fridlington Family** started Thursday's regular sale off with a video sale of their 230 hd of 745 lb Angus x hfrs that reached 182.00 and a lot of 217 hd of Hereford Influence hfrs reached 174.75. **Diamond Island** set the pace to our ring sale with their 648 lb hfrs rolling to 185.50, a pen of their 550 lb hfrs saw 198.00. **Scott & Janice Meyer** brought a double draft of 769 lb strs that topped 196.25, their big boys 805 lb reached 187.75 and then a pen of lighter 667 lb grass strs topped 200.25. **Rafter T** out of Quesnel brought us a top set of 702 lb strs that sold to 197.75 and their 551 lb strs rolled to 239.00. **Australian Ranch's** 490 lb red x hfrs sold to 212.50. **Miller Ranch** saw their 553 lb Hereford hfrs reach 205.00, their 600 lb Angus x hfrs sold to 205.00. **Stirrup Ranch** 658 lb Blk strs rolled to 229.50 and a ring full of beautiful 627 lb Angus hfrs sold to 190.00. **Don Chambers** had a fancy set of 600 lb strs trade to 222.50. **Calvin & Cathy Kirsch** had 708 lb strs top 201.00 and their ring full of 566 lb fancy red/blk hfrs rolled to 199.50. **Soda Creek Indian Band's** 541 lb blk hfrs brought 202.00. **Steller Red Angus** had fancy 880 lb replacement hfrs sell to 180.00. **Lilac Ridge Farms** powerful liner load of 1029 lb Angus strs sold to 160.00. **Sunnyside Ranch** had 600 lb strs reach 218.00. **Douglas Lake** (Alkali Div) had a package of 888 lb char strs top 181.00. **Pelican Lake Ranch's** 555 lb hfrs topped 201.00 while their 645 lb hfrs reached 188.00. **Sand Creek Ranch** saw their 470 lb strs sell to 235.00 and their light 470 lb hfrs reached 206.00. **Dale James** had a set of 507 lb grasser hfrs top 206.50. **Virginia Mackie** 646 lb Angus hfrs sold to 190.00. A good volume of butcher & feeder cows today. **Australian Ranch's** top 1600 lb butcher cows hit 95.50. **John & Denise Truman's** 1445 lb kill cows sold to 92.50. **Mike & Connie Jasper's** 2050 lb red Butcher bull sold to 117.00. **Harris Ranch's** 1890 lb Butcher bull sold to 116.50.

VANDERHOOF REGULAR SALE APRIL 23rd

1,073 head of cattle were sold in Vanderhoof on Friday. Receipts consisted of a strong run of feeder cattle as well as about 120 cows and bulls and a half dozen cow/calf pairs. **James Breit** treated us to some Angus x strs, 783 lbs for 191.00 and 684 lbs saw 216.00. The heifers at 765 lbs fetched 190.00 and 686 lbs were 186.50. **Clarence Friesen** brought some crossbred strs to town, 926 lbs stopped at 170.50, 884 lbs up to 177.00 and 793 lbs all the way to 183.00. **Dykam Ranch and Woodlot** saw their 677 lb hfrs bring 190.50 and the 482 lb hfrs raced to 204.00. **Diamond Lazy H Enterprises Ltd** saw their 649 lb strs reach 220.00. Kevin and Trista Isaac with 654 lb strs traded for 217.00 and 590 lb strs raced to 235.00, the sisters at 640 lbs saw 180.00. **Floyd Jackson** saw his good green x bred strs 755 lbs top out at 196.00 and 640 lbs touched 226.00. **Johnson Farms** saw 45 head of their Angus x strs at 753 lbs sell for 191.25 and 695 lb strs all the way to 204.75. **Clint Lambert** from Burns Lake offered top grass cattle, 654 lb strs to 224.00, 533 lb strs rocketed up to 253.00.

The heifers at 583 lbs reached 196.00 and 510 lbs saw 200.00. **Little Valley Farms** hfrs at 649 lbs achieved 191.00, 559 lbs saw 200.00 and 487 lbs settled at 214.00. **Andy Meints Contracting** brought over 240 head to town, a liner load, 81 head of strs weighing 769 lbs fetched 190.50, big strs at 907 lbs saw 170.00 and 677 lb strs rolled to 213.00. On the heifer side, 680 lbs were 179.50 and 590 lbs topped out at 191.00. **Mountain View Ranch** presented 720 lb strs reaching 190.00, 620 lb strs to 226.00 and 674 lb hfrs forced 188.50. **Levi Walkers** hfrs had everyone's attention, 661 lbs soared to 190.00 and 579 all the way to 201.50. **Ross and Sherry Wright** showcased 841 lb blk x bred strs selling for 176.00, 768 lb strs for 190.00 and replacement quality hfrs at 805 lbs all the way up to 189.50 with the 702 lb hfrs climbing to 192.00. On the slaughter side, **Cary Chenard** sold a big red bull at 2325 lbs for 115.00. **Ian and Annie Van Metre's** 2025 lb Simm bull fetched 115.50. **Muir Stock Farms** good 1493 lb cows saw 94.50, the sort of 1645 lb cows were 93.75. **Alex and Julie Kulchar** sold 1522 lb cows for 93.50. Thanks to the buyers for supporting the sale, some good local interest in grass cattle was seen today. Thanks as always to the contributors for the quality cattle they bring in which allows the staff and crew to sort up and present on sale day in an efficient manner. Next sale May 7, featuring replacement heifers as well as regular sale cattle.

KAMLOOPS REGULAR SALE TUESDAY APRIL 27th

Again Kamloops stock yards was alive with action as just under 400 hd of cattle hit the sale ring. An excellent volume of cow/calf pairs were also available at the sale today. Interest was very evident on the grass cattle as its starting to green up. **Brian Yamelst** had 480 lb s/c sell to 234.00. **Wayne Bonneau** from Vernon had 470 lb s/c top 250.00 and 609 lb hfrs reach 189.00. Wayne also tested our c/c pair division with good young red & blk Angus pairs trading to 1750.00. **Jim Knight** from Vernon with an excellent pen of 636 lb Blk Angus strs rocketing to 234.00. **Eric Bergstrand** had 668 lb hfrs top 190.00. **Don Louis** had 610 lb s/c reach 218.00. **Phil & Shirley Johnson** had 950 lb fancy strs sell to 175.50. **G&R Proppe's** 700 lb Angus strs hit 209.00, while their 588 lb strs traded to 230.00. **Al Lagaden** had 465 lb s/c reach 255.00, the fancy 410 lb h/c sold to 212.00. **Dan Speller's** 2440 lb Butcher bull hit 116.00. **Deanfield Ranch's** 750 lb Hereford x hfrs topped 189.00. **John Grawehr** of 70 Mile had 550 lb red s/c reach 234.00, the 590 lb s/c sold to 222.00. **The Someday Ranch** had 600 hfrs top the sale at 203.00. **Doug Lansdall** had top Angus c/c pairs reach 2050.00, his 1490 lb 2 yr old hfr reached 125.00. The Butcher cow trade was tested today, as **Danica Webster** from Chilliwack had 1536 lb cows that saw 94.00 and 1688 lb cows topping our sale at 97.00. **Barb Harrison** put a top on our Butcher bull trade with 1840 lb bulls at 116.00. **West Fort Ranch** from Westwold with young 1300 lb hfrs topping 136.00. **Dan Summers** also had 1842 lb Butcher cows reach 96.00. **Mary Curnow** had 913 lb speckle park hfrs top our market at 166.50. **Randy & Wendy Prebushewski** had 1645 lb Butcher cows sell to 96.50. A huge thankyou to a house full of buyers and a great group of quality cattle that kept the sale strong. Next sale is 2 weeks away Tuesday May 11.



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