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In completing my first year as National Chairman can I formally thank my fellow members for bestowing upon me this great privilege. When I consider the contribution of some great Welsh breeders over the last 40 years I am very proud to be the first National Chairman from the region and will endeavour to fully vindicate your support.

I would thank my predecessor David Mawhinney for his hard work over his period of office and his personal support in ensuring my smooth transition to succession. I would also thank his fellow directors for ensuring the continuing financial stability of the Society and over the past year I have been massively impressed at Council and F&GP meetings by the diligence that they scrutinise and continually endeavour to implement improvements to society business.

The year started off with a bang at the AGM held at Belfast in Northern Ireland. Socially we have always been a welcoming Society and it was a great turnout of members who greatly appreciated the hospitality and entertainment from a thriving well run region.

Chairmans Report

ARWYN THOMAS



The sale highlight annually is the Worcester Premier and this year did not disappoint with Knockin Shockin eclipsing the breed record in selling for 25,000 gns. Equally pleasing was the overall 90% clearance rate that shows a strong demand for the quality sires on offer throughout the sale. The celebration female sale on the Friday evening was also a great success with the top price of 3,000 gns rewarding the long journey from N Ireland for the Ringclare flock.

Going forward Council recognise the need to regenerate the Society ram sales with improved promotion. Surveys have shown that buyers recognise the strength of our breed with easy lambing, tremendous vigour at birth and fantastic growth rates but equally show that we have not been successful in communicating to the commercial buyer that the breed has developed far greater hardiness over the last few years.

This has not happened by accident but has been addressed by breeders over the last 10 years targeting harder characteristics in breeding stock to overcome this perceived disadvantage against competitors.

Pedigree Sales have gone really well last year particularly with strong prices at the end of season female sales but the target going forward is to reward all breeders for their efforts

by improving our commercial ram sales.

To enforce this message and eventually expand our market share of ram sales we have recently appointed Emma Mellen as a Breed Development and Promotion Officer. I am excited by her appointment and I am positive it is a step in the right direction.

Breed promotion is vital and I thank all the showmen at our Major Royal /County shows for presenting outstanding quality in this free shop window. Winning is nice but it is the free promotion for all that is important. To this end I would also thank all those new members who start out at the local village shows as these venues are again great shop windows in enticing new buyers to our breed.

At the time of this article it is great to see Charollais topping cull ewe prices nationally and with new season Charollais lambs fetching premium prices I am optimistic for the coming year but let us not be complacent but strive collectively as members to take the breed forward.

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CEO Report JONATHAN BARBER



There are some great examples of how well Charollais are doing in this 2018 Charollais Year Book. Thank you to all the contributors and to Carroll for writing many of the articles. Also thank you to our advertising supporters both Charollais breeders and commercial companies.

2018 was a great year celebrating 40 years of the breed in the UK, from 5 ewes in 1976 to 100s of thousands of lambs born in the interim period. There is no reason why the celebrating should not continue throughout this year. Our new National Chairman has made a great contribution during his first year and our thanks go to him. Our thanks go out to all those members who work hard to produce top quality breeding stock, commercial rams that in the end improve the quality of lamb meat that is either consumed here or abroad. There is no doubt that Charollais do improve the lamb meat eating experience. We continue to help and advise our breeders on how to achieve and then maintain high health status in their flocks. In this Year Book we highlight the importance of testing to produce

genetically Scrapie non-susceptible flocks and the importance of testing for freedom from Maedi Visna.

It has been important for Charollais to take part in the Ram Compare national progeny test and to demonstrate our superior carcass traits and we will continue with this project.

Congratulations to Abbie Moseley for producing Knockin Shockin, turning him out for the Premier Sale, winning the overall championship and then selling to Robert Gregory for a record 25,000 gns.

A couple of years ago the council of the Society decided that breeders who wished to promote and export their sheep or genetics around the world should finance the enterprise themselves. Those breeders who are keen to be involved in this business, with all the challenges and extra work and frequent disappointment it brings, are finding that their efforts are being rewarded.

There is demand for Charollais around the world, with live animals moving around Europe and semen and embryos travelling further afield. All new buyers of the breed are welcome. Someone who has had success with exports is Tom Mawer, whom we welcome as the new Eastern Region Chairman.

My thanks go to the Charollais office; Carroll, Elaine, Liz and Wendy, who between them successfully manage the breed's business of pedigree recording, linking with Signet and performance recording, promoting, marketing, sales, contact with show societies and much more. I know from conversations with new breeders, often the paperwork, blood testing and various hoops that we all are required to jump through, can seem rather hard, complicated or expensive. Keep working at it and in the end with a bit of luck and hard work you will be rewarded. The office is here for you to call if you need help.

We have now been joined by Emma, who is already making an impact in gathering information and communicating through social media channels to breeders and commercial farmers about the remarkable benefits of using Charollais rams in their lamb production systems.

As I write, prices in the markets for lambs both hogget's and new season along with cull ewes have been at record levels, long may better prices continue for our industry. Good luck for the remainder of the year.

Jonathan Barber

Sant Andras Flock - WJG *Champion Welsh Flock 2017*



(Above)

Sant Andras Sergeant Major
sold for 9,000gns.

(Below) – **Sant Andras Sancho Panza** Reserve Champion at Builth II.



2018 Sires
Glyncoch Sex Bomb (top right)
– Reserve Welsh Junior Stock
Ram.
Rhaeadr Prince – Sire of
Sancho Panza and Sergeant
Major. *Semen available*
(bottom right)



Sheldon Pistol Pete (Above)–
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Pedigree Charollais Vital to Prime Lamb Business

Although John Parry's land rises to 457 metres (1,500 feet), he has opted to use Charollais rams on his Welsh Mules since the 1990s.

Having recently changed his sheep strategy and switching to only producing finished lambs rather than lambs and replacement ewes, the Charollais breed is set to play an increasing role on-farm.

In the process of selling his 400

head Welsh hill flock previously used for the production of Welsh Mules, Mr Parry now hopes to run solely Mules, which he says will simplify the system and means he no longer needs to manage different groups of sheep.

With additional ground rented a few miles from the family home of Goitre Farm, Kerry, Montgomeryshire, Mr Parry is aiming to produce more kilos of lamb per hectare, rather than

carrying additional breeding stock. Considering the rent, labour and additional costs required in producing ewes, Mr Parry is now set to buy his Mules, which he believes will be more fruitful.

He says "I want my land to work for me and I think producing more lambs is the answer".

Owning 134ha (330 acres) and renting 61ha (150 acres), all Mules are bought as yearlings from Society sales and put to Charollais rams. He favours the white-faced Mule as he says they are hardier and keep their condition better.

HUNGRY

Preferring them 'clean faced' he opts for the 'second sized' ewes in sales, saying the bigger ones are 'too hungry' for him.

Believing an extra year of production can be had from white-faced Welsh Mules, he says they are not quite so milky and less susceptible to mastitis as a result.

Mr Parry's time with the Charollais breed started with Texel cross Charollais rams in

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the early 1990s as he switched to finishing lambs earlier. The breed was said to finish lambs sooner than the Suffolk and Texel rams they were using at the time.

He says “I buy tups from the National Sheep Association sale at Builth and I tend to think if they start with a good shoulder, everything else will follow”.

“In my experience, Charollais tups are also good on their feet. The breed has changed over the years and the rams have got hardier. Longevity has always been a problem for commercial farmers as it is not often the breeders’ priority when it comes to pedigree stock, and Charollais were no different.”

Although these rams are being used for finished lambs, Mr Parry is keen to stick to pedigree on the paternal side, saying he wants to use rams which are true to type.

Lambing starts in the last week of February with a batch of 450 lambed inside. Teaser rams are used so 90 per cent of lambs are born within 10 days, while the second batch of ewes start in mid-March.

Mr Parry says “The Charollais



John Parry from Goitre Farm, Kerry.

gives strong lambs at birth which are quick to be up and sucking. The Welsh Mule is a cracking mother and a good versatile ewe.”

Once lambed, everything goes into individual pens for the first six to 12 hours of life and then to a communal pen for 24 hours before being turned out.

VERSATILE

During lambing time Mr Parry’s wife Kate, who is also a small animal vet at Hafren Veterinary Group, Newtown, does the early morning lambing. They have help

for six to eight weeks in lambing season and new workman Trevor Coach will also be on hand to help this year.

Mr Parry says “We might use rain jackets for the lambs but not as much as they once did due to the improvement of the breed. But the fragility of lambs can be due to the quality of milk received as much as the breeding. Charollais rams are hardier and pass this trait on to their lambs.”

Ewes are taken inside pre-lambing and Mr Parry says he is not afraid to do so up to 10



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weeks before lambing is set to start. A 12 metre (40ft) wide grass silage pit is used in a self-feeding system, which Mr Parry says is a low-labour method, and a high protein blend is fed in the last three weeks pre-lambing.

He says “Everything has to come home to lamb, so at that point we are running 900 ewes on 67ha. Sheep do not go away for winter keep so they need to spend that period housed.

“We scan at more than 200 per cent with a barren rate of less than 2 per cent and a twin rate of 60 per cent. I would not want to scan at any less than 195 per cent as numbers sold are just not high enough.”

Early lambs are fed concentrate and sold off their mothers, taken to a deadweight of 20kg. Those off later lambing ewes are weaned and finished on grass for a 21kg carcass. Tup lambs are left entire.

Generally, 99 per cent of lambs have left the farm by the beginning of November and they go through 2 Sisters at Merthyr Tydfil, with Mr Parry favouring selling deadweight as he



Charollais cross Welsh Mule lambs

appreciates the feedback he receives on his carcasses.

A 2 Sisters collection centre has also been staged at Goitre Farm for the past 10 years.

Mr Parry says “Every farm needs an alternative source of income. It is no longer just the small farms.”

This article appeared in Farmers Guardian January 2018, written by Laura Bowyer.

FARM FACTS

- 134 hectares (330 acres) owned, plus another 61ha (150 acres) rented
- 6ha (15 acres) grass reseeded each year
- 6ha (15 acres) winter wheat
- 6ha (15 acres) maize
- 900 Welsh Mules
- 60 suckler cows.

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Hundalee Flock



Sires Used:

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Orkney may suffer from its geographical location, with some of the harshest weather and long winters, but there is one thing for certain, some of the country's best stockmen and livestock can be found on the island.

One of Scotland's finest Charollais sheep flocks is found on the island, run by Sheena Coghill together with her husband Terry and son Lee on 400 acres between their two units, Muce and Newbigging with an additional 150 acres of rented ground.

The family run a spring-calving 135 suckler cow herd, made up of predominantly Limousin cross cows which have most recently been bulled to the Charollais and the Salers to produce good, hardy and milky replacements and progeny which are either sold as stores or finished.

On the pedigree side the Coghills run a few Limousin and Charollais



Charollais Thrive

Sheena Coghill's Hekra Flock thrives on the Isle of Orkney

females alongside the main suckler herd to produce breeding bulls which are sold direct to farmers on the island. Notably, some of these Coghill-bred bulls have gone on to produce some of the best Genomic Estimate Breeding Values for customers which have finished calves.

HEKRA AT KELSO RAM SALES

As well as maintaining a profitable cattle enterprise Sheena's well-known Hekra Charollais sheep flock is proving to be just as successful, producing quality commercial shearlings each year for the Kelso Ram Sales, where they have been in the top five for averages in the last few years and have reached a healthy £1,200. The

flock attracts repeat business each year, with some tups travelling as far as Suffolk for one large commercial flock.

These shearlings certainly pay their way as Sheena has never used hopper feeders and they're on grass right up until sale time. They do, however, receive a little feeding before being transported as Sheena finds the long trip down to Kelso takes a toll on them.

"The Charollais is an easy lambing and low maintenance breed which can survive some of the roughest days here in Orkney," said Sheena, who founded her flock in 1994 with an importation from France and other females from Auchenlay, Breck and Cairnhill flocks.

"When we previously ran a commercial flock, the Charollais always outweighed everything else and the Charollais cross lambs were always the heaviest.



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TOP GROWTH RATES

Charollais tups do well crossed with any breed of ewe as in the past I've tupped them to Suffolk ewes and that cross worked well, producing good, growth lambs," said Sheena, who added that the bottom end of Charollais females are tupped to a Texel to produce cross shearlings for Kelso.

With lambing commencing indoors at the end of January, an 18% protein nut is normally introduced just two weeks before lambs are due and hay is only added if there has been snow.

For ease of management and considering the island's unpredictable climate the last two years' weaning process has taken place in May before the ewes and lambs head outside. In contrast, ewe lambs are either kept on as replacements or sold privately, while cross ewe lambs are sold privately off the island.



Logie Durno Outlander winning Interbreed Champion title at Dounby Show 2017.

TOP SIRES IN THE FLOCK

Sheena and Terry are regular visitors to the breed Premier Sale at Worcester to pick out new stock rams for their flock. They are not scared to bid for the sheep they feel will bring the right genetic traits to the flock. Last year they paid 1,100 gns for Logie Durno Sargent and 1,000 gns for Loanhead Single Malt both from the Ingram family in Aberdeenshire.

Single Malt looked good value as he was sired by top performance sire, Wedderburn Peleus and his dam was a daughter of multi-winning show ewe, Logie Durno Kate. "He is leaving lambs with a bit of size and style," reports Sheena. "We sold all the gimmers in lamb to Sargent, so will have to wait to see what his progeny are going to be like."

"I did fancy some other ram lambs and a shearling but the wealthy Irishmen outbid me. I remember this happening to me years ago when I tried to buy Foulrice Danny Boy in Lanark!"

One of the most influential sires of the past few years has been Logie Durno Outlander a son of Riverdale Nobel out of a Crogham Hannibal II ewe. L D Outlander was purchased at Worcester as a shearling in 2016 for 800 gns.

Other tups that have done well in the flock were a Cannahars tup, also a son of Cairnhill Cavalier from the Southam flock and Parkgate Grandmaster from Herbie Kennedy. "We purchased Carthorpe Gaberdeen privately from Ralph Alderson's flock in Yorkshire and he did well for me leaving some nice females and a very good homebred tup Hekra Kingpin."

SHOW SUCCESS

There's been plenty of show success for Sheena, too, as last year at Dounby show Logie Durno Outlander was champion in the Charollais classes and went on to win the Interbreed Title. Also

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reserves interbreed was a ewe sired by Logie Durno Majestic King.

At the County Show it was a ewe that took the Charollais championship; she was double homebred being out of Hekra Kingpin and a home-bred ewe. Reserve to her was a ewe lamb out of Outlander and a ewe by Highway Leigh Halfpenny.

“It is my two daughters who help most with the sheep. Leona the youngest takes a very active roll in helping with dressing etc and takes a big interest in breeding. She enjoyed her trip to Worcester with us in 2016 and to meet more of the Charollais Breeders and was interested in picking out a new stock ram.”

FLOCK COMPETITIONS

The Hekra flock has been hugely succesful in the Flock competition for the North of Scotland, winning the overall title no fewer than 6 times and being runner-up twice. In the first National Flock Competition ran in 2003 the flock was overall runner-up.

EXPORT

Certainly the most northerly Charollais flock in the UK attracted interest from overseas as Sheena sold two tup lambs and a shearling to a breeder in Germany in 2017. “This year we will have a number of Charollais gimmers for sale again as they seem to be dominating the sexes in the flock over the past few years.”

Needless to say, there’s never a dull moment for this farming family, but with superior stockmanship and a constant eye on what is an ever-changing market and climate you can rest assured the Coghills always aim to achieve the best results for their business.



Ewes in the award winning Hekra Flock on the



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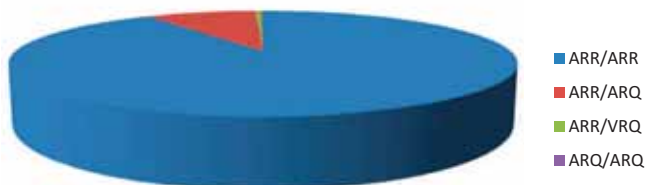
SCRAPIE

UK Charollais breeders have for decades been selecting stock on their ability to be resistant to scrapie. This procedure has been possible by the analysis of DNA from our sheep.

Figures from our data base show that 91% of Charollais are now ARR/ARR genotype. Add to that figure the 8.4% that are ARR/ARQ and it means that our whole breed can be guaranteed not to suffer from this disease. 96% of registered stock rams are ARR/ARR. Very soon we will be moving to 100% resistant animals in our flock book; a claim which no other breed can match.

So what benefits does this give the Charollais breed? Well apart from the obvious disease eradication there are other advantages of having this enhanced profile over other terminal sire breeds.

Number of Registered Animals with each genotype



Charollais Scrapie Genotype Results

*Healthy Breed Fit
for Purpose*

Charollais Rams have a high health status and are structually suitable for a long and productive life.

UK Charollais genetics have been exported around the globe and this market will continue as emerging markets seek out better quality meat products. A requirement on all export certificates is a level of resistance to scrapie.

In terms of the export of lamb meat from the UK, as we seek out new markets post Brexit some of these ie China will demand a higher level of health checks and scrapie will very much be a part of

this. TSE rules still stop us accessing the US market. It may well come that carcasses will have to be sired by scrapie resistant rams and the Charollais breed can offer commercial lamb producers the widest selection of tups with this added guarantee.

MAEDI VISNA

Speak to any vet practice up and down the country and they will tell you of the increasing incidence of clinical cases of Maedi Visna (MV) in commercial ewe flocks.

MV is a chronic disease of sheep caused by a retrovirus. The main clinical signs are of pneumonia and wasting. The condition is highly contagious, difficult to diagnose and is fatal.

It has a considerable economic impact on flocks due to :

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Charollais Rams have longevity and soundness

active movement. To this end we inspect our sheep rigorously at sales for correctness, explain to our judges how to select for these traits and encourage our breeders to cull out anything that is substandard.

ACTIVE WORKERS

We are confident that when you purchase Charollais rams they will be active workers and last for many years. Therefore they are a sound economic investment, cutting back the cost of the ram for each lamb born.

A recent survey amongst commercial ram users found that they expected their rams to last 4+ years. The most common causes of loss recorded in the survey (which was not breed specific) were respiratory diseases and lameness. Both these problems can be caused by a genetic weakness,

prevalent in some other terminal sire breeds.

HEALTH TREATMENT RECORDS

Good husbandry in terms of vaccination programmes is also essential for ram longevity and we encourage our breeders to follow such programmes and also to pass onto buyers a clear record of treatments.

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The view at Greenwood Farm.

grazing with sheep helps maintain this habitat.

The sheep flock numbers 2,500 breeding ewes which comprise of 350 purebred Welsh ewes, 650 home bred Welsh half-bred ewes, 650 Lleyen x ewes and surprisingly for what appeared in the last week of March to be a cold farm 1,000 home bred Charollais x ewes!

The farm employs one full time shepherd and uses contractors for shearing and dipping with two veterinary students to assist during lambing.

The aim is to operate as a closed flock with only pure Welsh ewes privately purchased from farms in North Wales. "As this is a unique setting the ewes need to navigate themselves to the best grazing and safety for themselves and their lambs on the Marsh, bought in ewes take some time to do this" states Alex. "Sheep can cause you enough problems but its one less if you don't buy in disease and other peoples issues"

The perception of Charollais X ewe is that they might not

Alex Crossley finds Charollais fit his system as a terminal and maternal sire.

To quote Brutus from Shakespeare's play Julius Caesar, "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which taken at the flood, leads on to fortune" and Alex Crossley of Greenwood Farm, Burton, on the Wirral peninsula certainly has to rely on the tide and performance recorded Charollais sheep for the profitability of his sheep enterprise.

With a wry smile when asked how many acres he farms he retorts "it depends whether the tide is in or out" The farm comprises of 340 acres of permanent

grassland, 60 acres of arable land used for growing spring Barley and stubble Turnips and 2,600 acres of saltmarsh on the eastern side of the Dee Estuary. This family farm is part owned and part tenanted with three different landlords, the Ministry of Defence, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and Tata. The vegetation on the salt marshes comprises of fescues and salt tolerant plants such as Samphire, sea purslane and Sparta grasses.

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be robust as other terminal sire females and need special attention is dispelled by Alex, “they are very tight skinned and have good mothering ability and milk. With our easy-care system, they are not seen daily when on the Marsh, so we need a ewe who doesn’t get rigged on her back, is not susceptible to mastitis but most of all she needs to have the mobility to cover the ground throughout the summer, it takes two days to gather the Marsh and we can walk 26 miles to do it.”

The ewe flock lamb indoors in batches of 600 from January to April and turned out depending on the weather. “The Charollais cross lambs sometimes don’t look the prettiest but they are easy lambled and quickly up and sucking” they are grazed on the permanent pasture surrounding the farmstead and fed homegrown barley and fodder beet before being turned out onto the Marsh after the last high



spring tide. “My dairy farming colleagues use plate meters but the tide table is my most important grazing tool” Alex quips.

When the tenancy was taken over from the previous retiring tenant in 2007 there were a few Charollais rams that came with the ewe flock but it was a chance meeting with Jan Walton from the Rainbow flock whilst they were both acting as farmer examiners for the University of Liverpool Vet school, that led to Alex, a former pedigree Suffolk breeder, sourcing high muscle EBV rams from the Rainbow Flock.

Initially he sought good value in high health status stock tups that were surplus to requirements at Church Farm with rams such as Gawsorth Just Right, Eyelid Jackpot and Rainbow Kasabian, Rainbow Linkin Park making the twelve mile journey to Neston. Now Alex has a standing order for 8 rams every 2 years from the Rainbow flock which must be in the top 10% for muscle and in the top 5% for gigot muscularity.

“As the female line was important to me I have worked with Andrew and Jan over the last 10 years to



Alex Crossley
Greenwood Farm.

keep my bloodlines diverse so we can maximise the potential on our low-cost system but with improved carcase quality, we want tups that are fit for purpose and whilst we were expanding the female lines, Andrew has sourced some rams from the Lowrye flock which performed well also.”

Selling lambs throughout the year to maintain cashflow and with a keen eye on costs and workload, everything has to have a purpose within the business and a plan to achieve it.



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Main Sire used in 2017

***Rainbow Road to Utopia* - Index 484.**
Highest Index Ram in breed in 2017. Sire of
Sherman and Sire of top index ram lamb 2017.
Semen for Sale

Brettles Sherman sold for
7,000gns at Premier Sale 2017 to
Wernfawr, Glyn Coch and Arbryn
flocks. Breed Index 432

<u>Also used in 2017</u>	<u>Index</u>		<u>Index</u>
Wernfawr Shogun	270	Dalby Rumpole	333
Brettles Patriot	355	Inverawe Oisian	364

“We sell the majority of our lambs live-weight through Ruthin Auction Mart, we aim to sell at between 40-44Kg live weight – we are competing with Texels and Beltex cross lambs there and whilst the Charollais cross lambs do not make the top prices, (but I don’t pay big luck money!) they certainly make very good prices which brings a good return on our investment”.

As well as selling live weight, in August 2016 Alex took advantage of Waitrose becoming the first major supermarket to sell Salt Marsh Lamb where they marketed it as a seasonal delicacy from August to December and was procured from lambs that graze on salt marsh pasture near coastal grassland. This is where the high muscle EBV have really helped with 85% of the Charollais x lambs achieving premiums for hitting the target specification of 18-21Kg carcass weight, with a conformation of Us and Rs but with a very tight specification of fat 2 -3L.

“The Welsh Half-bred ewes lack conformation so I like to choose Charollais rams who are in the top 10% for muscle depth, I am not overly worried about growth



***Charollais cross ewe with
Charollais sired lambs***

rate as we don’t gather the Marsh every week and our $\frac{3}{4}$ bred Charollais lambs fit this specification easily. The Texel would also hit the specification but with so few performance recorded Texels within the area I may only be getting an over fed ram that comes with other issues that make it unsuitable for our system. The Lleyn x onto the $\frac{3}{4}$ Charollais ewes makes best use of the Charollais conformation from the dam size also. Our killing out % last year was between 48% and 49%.

As Charollais rams with high muscle depth and gigot muscularity are having a positive impact on your system, how do you see the future for the breed as a whole?

“I see no reason that performance recorded Charollais won’t maintain its standing in a post Brexit sheep world wherever that leads us, it maybe more challenging than we think currently to make a profit. Look to New Zealand and their farmer groups that have big numbers in their performance recording and breed improvement programmes and encourage that so you can gain genetic progress quicker.

Don’t grow wool or rely on feed to tell you what the best animals are. Sell EBVs harder and have confidence that what you produce is what works for the commercial man”

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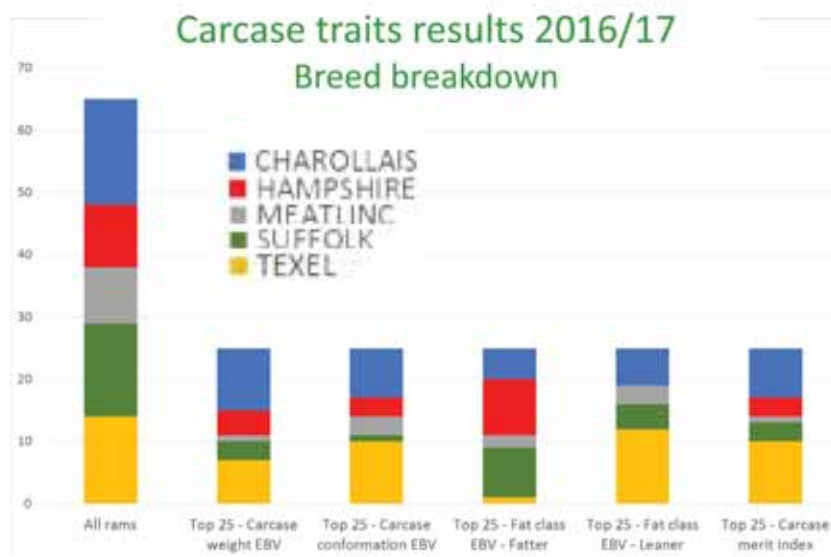
Charollais show superiority in carcase traits

RamCompare is the national progeny test for terminal sires. Over two years, 70 rams have produced nearly 8,000 lambs across six commercial farms. Data from these lambs has been analysed to assess the genetic merit of these rams for traits of economic importance. So how has Charollais fared?

It is important to note that the Charollais rams used in the project were not the highest performance ranked within our population. But even though that was the case, the breed has come out extremely well.

The graphs below show the proportion of each breed in the top 25 of all the rams. Charollais are marked in blue. For the two growth traits; 8 Week Weight and Scan weight Charollais had a good number of rams in that top band. Not as fast for growth as the Suffolk (who had very high index rams on trial) but better than Texel for Scan Weight.

For muscle depth EBV we did not feature so well, but when we move onto carcase traits Charollais leap forward with a high number of rams in that top slot. For carcase weight we had the most rams indicating a very good killing out percentage and little wastage. For carcase conformation we also scored highly. It is interesting to note that although the Suffolk sired lambs may have grown



Lowerye Charollais ZVY

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12 of the top 25 ranked lambs in 2017 were bred at Lowerye



Foulrice Salvatore



Lowerye Powerpack



Wedderburn Peleus



Lowerye Rioja

STOCK RAMS USED :

Lowerye Powerpack - 15ZVY01671. An incredible carcase ram by L.Lord out of a Brettles Jet Set daughter. He has tremendous growth rate and hindquarter muscling and was the top gigot score ram at CT in 2015. He is MyoMAX Gold and has a gigot muscularity ebv of +8.73) which is he is passing on to his progeny well. BI:408.

Wedderburn Peleus - 15WNY02086. Jointly purchased at the 2015 Premier Sale, Peleus was an outcross to anything in our flock. He has massive growth figures combined with good muscle and a positive fat ebv. Now exported to Germany, he was the highest ranked Charollais in the RamCompare project. BI:413.

Foulrice Salvatore – 17DG07394. Purchased at the 2017 Premier Sale, he is another outcross to anything in our flock and oozes style. He was the top index lamb at Foulrice last year with great loin muscling. BI:420.

Lowerye Ronnie – 16ZVY02674. A son of Powerhouse and the highest gigot muscularity stock sire in the breed. One of his March born ET sons has raised the bar on gigot muscularity again, with an ebv of +10.25 after CT scanning. MyoMAX Gold and BI:462. Two ET sons of Ronnie have been used in the March lambing flock, and one has had semen used in the RamCompare project.

Lowerye Rioja – 16ZVY02621. Son of Peleus out of a proven Brettles Jet Set daughter. Reared as a twin at grass, he was the heaviest lamb at 8 wks in our March flock in 2016. A good bodied ram with great growth and a white head. BI:398.

We concentrate on high muscle depths and gigot muscularity, and providing high index forage fed shearling rams that will cover more ewes without melting. As with our commercial flock, rams are outwintered on roots and receive no concentrates at all. Management is strictly commercial, with routine foot trimming stopped well over a decade ago. Rams are predominantly sold on farm, in their working clothes.

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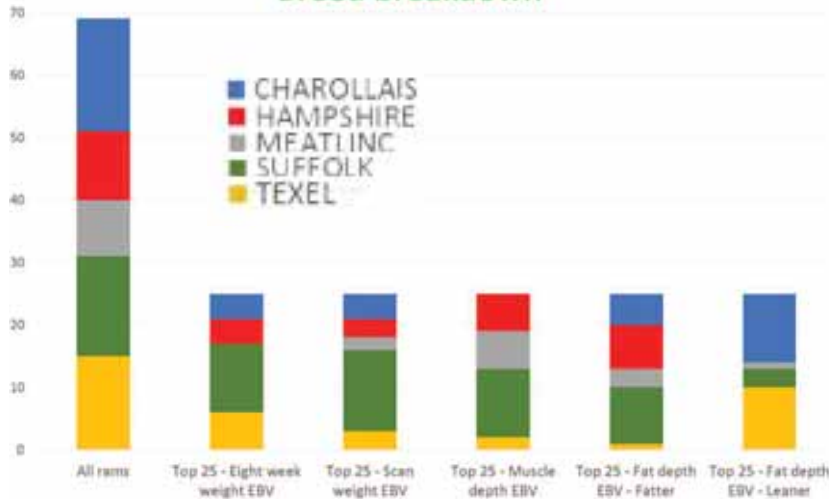
Interestingly we have rams that produce leaner carcasses and also those that tend to be fatter. At this point the Suffolk and Hampshire Down rams are consistently fatter and the Texel more on the lean side.

The project has then combined all the significant traits into a Carcase Merit Index and you will see that Charollais have the 2nd most rams in this listing just behind the Texel breed, but way ahead of Suffolk, Hampshire Down and Meatlinc.

The highest ranked Charollais ram within the project was Wedderburn Peleus, who was used on 2 farms through AI. He was 4th highest ranked ram overall.

In the top 11 there were 4 Charollais; Peleus followed by Foulrice On RamCompare, Dalby Malachite and Cannarhars Panache.

Combined breed analysis results 2016/17
Breed breakdown



These are interim results and an update will be published in May. Also work is being undertaken on days to slaughter, which should be of interest to Charollais.

The trial will now be proceeding to Stage 2 with two additional new farms and further rams.

Charollais have nominated a new team of rams, which should continue to prove our superior traits for prime lamb producers.

To view the full report go to www.ramcompare.com



Flockbook Number	Name	AI/NS	Progeny Farms	Carcass records so far	Eight Week Weight EBV	Scan Weight EBV	Muscle Depth EBV	Fat Depth EBV	Carcass Weight EBV	Carcass Conformation EBV	Carcass Fat Class EBV	Carcass Merit Index
15WNY02086	WEDDERBURN PELEUS	AI	72 / 2	44	128	126	111	128	131	113	99	130
14DG04690	FOULRICE ON RAMCOMPARE	NS	217 / 1	163	97	108	107	103	117	127	99	123
12PE01501	DALBY MALACHITE	AI	144 / 3	100	110	111	119	98	119	112	103	119
15KF00715	CANNAHARS	NS	60 / 1	48	106	112	102	120	119	106	112	116
14ZWA03355	MICKLEHILLS	NS	254 / 1	32	110	112	118	108	117	98	108	112
12XCA00275	GLYNCOCH MONSTER MUNCH	NS	70 / 1	62	105	104	98	100	111	102	98	110
14PE03089	DALBY	NS	214 / 1	35	119	114	120	100	112	98	95	110
15WNY02192	WEDDERBURN	NS	84 / 1	56	123	118	116	85	104	102	83	106
15YPP01267	TILTON	NS	85 / 1	51	129	125	83	103	110	91	106	104
15ZNN12375	LOGIEDURNO	NS	99 / 1	48	110	102	108	93	103	89	89	100

Charollais Rams ranking by Carcase Merit Index.

Higher values for fat traits mean fatter genetics, lower values mean leaner genetics.

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Wernfawr Flock

SIRES USED IN 2017

Wernfawr Nijinsky – 13XEV00525

At last year's Premier Sale, Nijinsky sired the Reserve Ram Lamb Champion Wernfawr Spartacus who sold for 7,000gns to Bronwydd and Castellau Flocks. At Worcester Premier Sale 2016, Nijinsky sired the Reserve Champion Wernfawr Redbull selling for 7,000gns to the Logie Durno Flock and Wernfawr Rex who sold to the Rockvilla Flock for 3,700gns and others for 2800gns and 1900 gns. Nijinsky has also sired females which have sold up to 1550gns.

SEMEN FOR SALE – we are selling a limited amount of Nijinsky semen at £50/dose on a first come first served basis.

Brettles Sherman – 17WF02245

Jointly purchased for 7,000gns with Arbryn and Glyncoch flocks at the Premier Sale in 2017. He is a high index son of Rainbow Road to Utopia with an impressive growth EBV of 16.67. He has a good gigot and muscle EBV's too.

Wernfawr Stormer – 17XEV01199

A very exciting prospect and one of our best sons of Wernfawr Nijinsky. Stormer's dam has a massive gigot and tight skin and she was purchased at the Aberkinsey dispersal for 1,350gns. Her dam was sold on the same day for 3,700gns.

Arbryn Samjay – 17WRF00479

Purchased for 2,600gns with the Glyncoch Flock. A full brother to 'Arbryn One and Only', the champion at the Royal Welsh 2016. We are very pleased with the quality of his lambs on the ground.

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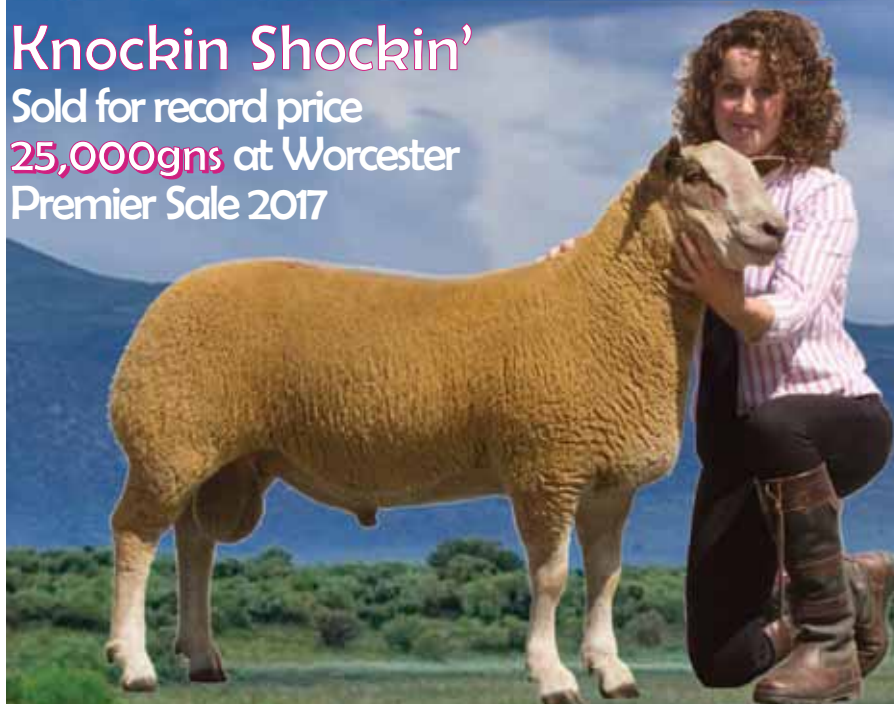
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Worcester Premier Sale Leading Prices

TOP PRICE AND RECORD BREAKER AT 25,000 GNS KNOCKIN SHOCKIN 17XXJ00376 (OPPOSITE)

Sold to Robert Gregory, Edstaston Flock.

SANT ANDRAS SERGEANT MAJOR 17WJG00393 (TOP)

Sold for 9,000 gns to Micheal Power, Ballyhibben Flock.



BRETTLES SHERMAN 17WF02245 (MIDDLE)

Sold for 7,000 gns to David Curran, Wernfawr Flock and Adrian Davies, Glyn Coch Flock.

WERNFAWR SPARTACUS 17XEV01125 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 7,000 gns to Tim Prichard, Castellau Flock and Emyr Hughes, Bronwydd Flock.

KNOCKIN SHOP 17XXJ00377 (BOTTOM RIGHT)

Sold for 6,000 gns to William McAllister, Artnagullion Flock and Craig Bros, Ballynoe House Flock.



Worcester Premier Sale 2017

Knockin Shockin breaks all records at 25,000 gns

A huge buzz of excitement ran through the entire Charollais Sale held at Worcester Market and was topped when the show champion, Abbie Moseley's ram lamb Knockin Shockin smashed the breed record when it sold for 25,000 gns. Putting in the final bid, on his own was Shropshire breeder, Robert Gregory.

"I have followed the progress of this lamb for a long time and always felt he was something really special. He has outstanding Charollais qualities of length, width and a serious backend and to boot is in the top 5% of the breed on performance."

Robert was determined to secure this ram for himself and had to beat off bids from all over the UK and Ireland. The sire Oakchurch Ruben was purchased at the 2016 Premier Sale for 3,200 gns and is out of a home-bred yearling ewe at Abbie's farm at Knockin, near Oswestry.

This price broke the previous ram lamb record of 10,500 gns for Banwy Immense set in 2008.

Other ram lambs in the Knockin pen were amongst the high-priced animals; at 6,000 gns was Knockin Shop which sold to two Northern Ireland breeders, William McAllister and Ian Craig. This was another Oakchurch Ruben son out of Dalby Malachite ewe and Arjane Jumanji grand dam. Just below this at 5,800 gns was

Knockin Stud Muffin by Bronwydd Pride of Pembroke, 1st prize winner at the Royal Welsh Show in 2016. His buyers were C D Timm from Yorkshire and Russell Gray from Lanark.

Early in the day Justin Evans from Dinas Powys sold his tup lamb Sant Andras Sergeant Major for 9,000 gns to Michael Power from Southern Ireland. This son of Rhaeadr Prince was out of a Glyn Coch ewe purchased at





Worcester Premier Sale Leading Prices

KNOCKIN STUD MUFFIN 17XXJ00452 (TOP)

Sold for 5,800 gns to C D Timm Wensleydale Flock and Russell Gray, Leelaw Flock.

BOYO SUPER TED 17XHE00286 (MIDDLE)

Sold for 5,500 gns to Ben James, Cinders Flock.



DALBY SHERMAN 17PE05855 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 5,100 gns to Charles Marwood, Foulrice Flock.

EDSTASTON SAN MIGUEL 17TG00632 (BOTTOM RIGHT)

Sold for 4,200 gns to McConnell Bros, Hollylodge Flock.



the Worcester Saucy Sale in 2013.

Long-time supporters of the breed, Mark and Margie Rushbrooke from Bewdley in Worcestershire were delighted when their son of Rainbow Road to Utopia, Brettles Sherman, sold for 7,000 gns to the Wernfawr flock of David Curran and the Glyn Coch flock of Adrian Davies both from Wales. His dam was by Crogham Logic and the tup lamb had outstanding figures for growth and went with his name 'built like a tank'.

The Wernfawr flock were in the money with their lamb Wernfawr Spartacus which sold for 7,000 gns to Tim Prichard, Castellau Flock and Emyr Hughes, Bronwydd flock both from Wales. The tup took the reserve champion ram lamb award in the show classes and was sired by Wernfawr Nijinsky out of a Glantren Legend ewe.

First time vendor, David Roberts from Kenley in Shropshire saw the pick of his pen a correct and shapely lamb knocked down for 5,500 gns to Ben James from

Tenbury Wells, Worcester. The lamb was the product of a purchase from the dispersal sale of the Banwy Flock; sired by Aberkinsey Nitrogen.

The highest performance index lamb on offer came from the Dalby pen of Charles Sercombe, near Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. Another named Sherman, this tup lamb was the 2nd highest indexed lamb in the breed this year and was the pick at 5,100 gns of Charles Marwood for his Foulrice Flock, near York. His sire was Dalby Ranieri out of a Brettles Jetstream ewe.

Recouping some of his outlay on the top-priced lamb was Robert Gregory with a top price in his pen of 4,200 gns for Edstaston San Miguel, by Bronwydd Pride of Pembroke who went over the water to Northern Irish breeders, McConnell Bros for their Hollylodge Flock.

His next best was at 4,000 gns for Edstaston Sotogrande, a Skelton Whin Odyssey son out of a show yearling going back to Edstaston Dubai. Clubbing together to

secure his services were Mr and Mrs Jonathan Corbett from the Wedderburn flock in Gloucestershire and Dewi Evans from Anglesey.

Top prices in the shearling ram section came from the Loanhead pen of rams from Gregor and Bruce Ingram from Aberdeenshire. The Champion shearling ram, Loanhead Ringleader was a Rhaeadr Orlando son; the Royal Highland Male Champion in 2017 and Champion in 2016. Going to 3,400 gns for this very heavily fleshed tup was Glyn Meyrick from the Bould Flock in Oxfordshire. At the same money was Loanhead Renegade by the same sire and he was the pick of T F Duncan from Co Antrim in Northern Ireland.

40th Anniversary Super Stars Sale

To celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the arrival of Charollais sheep in the UK a special sale of 'Super Stars' shearling ewes was held on the Friday evening. A huge crowd gathered at the market with lights and music to accompany the top quality gimmers. Leading



Worcester Premier Sale Leading Prices

EDSTASTON SOTOGRADE 17TG00661

(TOP)

Sold for 4,000 gns to Dewi Evans Ffrwd Flock and JDR & JL Corbett, Wedderburn Flock.



DALBY SUPER TROOPER 17PE 05884 (MIDDLE)

Sold for 3,500 gns to Stuart Dunkley, Hyde Flock.

LOANHEAD RENEGADE 16WNC15410 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 3,400 gns T F Duncan & Co Largyvale Flock.



LOANHEAD SOPRANO 17WNC18344 (BOTTOM RIGHT)

Sold for 3,000gns to Norman McMordie, Riverdale Flock.



the trade was a beautiful ewe, Ringclare Rionach from first time vendors Kenny, Sheila and Geoffrey Malcomson over from Northern Ireland. Their gimmer was an embryo daughter of Ballyhibben Lulu purchased from Michael Power for 4,700 euros. After spirited bidding she was knocked down for 3,000 gns to Andrew and Jan Walton for their Rainbow Flock in Cheshire.

Next best in the female sale were two outstanding gimmers from the Ingram family who both sold for 1,900 gns. The first was Loanhead Rihanna sired by Rhaeadr Orlando and out of a top producing Loanhead Midas Touch ewe. Her buyer was Mrs Sheena Coghill from the Hekra Flock on Orkney.

Next was a massive ewe, also by Rhaeadr Orlando which sold to Dominic Beaumont from Preston in Lancashire.

Average Prices

Average prices were up across all sections and with clearance rates of 88-90% the sale was hailed by all as an overwhelming success.

Chief Executive, Jonathan Barber said "I am not surprised by the uplift in the trade for our breed;

OTHER LEADING PRICES WORCESTER PREMIER SALE 2017

LOT 33 3,400 GNS	LOANHEAD RINGLEADER SOLD TO GLYN MEYRICK, BOULD FLOCK	16WNC15421
LOT 20 2,700 GNS	LOGIE DURNO ROCKAFELLA SOLD TO A J & T SNAITH, BURGH HILL FLOCK	16ZNN15392
LOT 89 2,600 GNS	ARBRYN SAMJAY SOLD TO WERNFAWR & GLYN COCH FLOCKS	17WRF00479
LOT 114 2,500 GNS	OAKCHURCH SUPREME R O WILLIAMS & SON, TRAWSDIR FLOCK	17WKW00331
LOT 115 2,300 GNS	OAKCHURCH SMUGGLER SOLD TO BEN WATTS, WILLOW FLOCK	17WKW00343
LOT 175 2,400 GNS	KNOCKIN SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT SOLD TO RG & R JONES & SONS, ROBLESTON FLOCK	17XXJ00442
LOT 62 2,300 GNS	GLYN COCH SCOOPY DOO SOLD TO H & A KENNEDY, PARKGATE FLOCK	17XCA00986
LOT 128 2,300 GNS	BUCKLAND SCHUMACHER SOLD TO ALBERT FERGUSON, S. IRELAND	17WCF00789
LOT 145 2,200 GNS	ROBLESTON SUPERMAN SOLD TO GRAHAM FOSTER, SPRINGHILL FLOCK	17WGN03209
LOT 36 2,200 GNS	LOANHEAD ROCKY SOLD TO MRS LOUISE LEA, POLBAR FLOCK	17WNC15472
LOT 86 2,000 GNS	ARBRYN SUPREME DEAL SOLD TO A P JAMES, DITTON FLOCK	17WRF00454
LOT 93 2,000 GNS	CASTELLAU SMART ASS SOLD TO MARK WILKIN, WITCHAM FLOCK	17TZ01743



Worcester Premier Sale Leading Prices

WEDDERBURN STAN THE MAN 17WNY02781 (TOP)

Sold for 3,000 gns to R & J Andrew, Maybole Flock.



OAKCHURCH SPARTAN 17WKW00354 (MIDDLE)

Sold for 3,000 gns to Mr G J & Mrs J E Williams, Padest Flock.



OAKCHURCH SAMSON 17WKW00326 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 2,600gns to R J Tindall, Linton Springs Flock.

GLYN COCH SEX BOMB 17XCA01028 (BOTTOM RIGHT)

Sold for 2,500 gns to Justin Evans, Sant Andras Flock.



all around the UK this year I have heard nothing but glowing reports from commercial producers on the ability of Charollais tups to produce fast growing, quality lambs and rams that work and last for their owners.”



TOP OF THE SUPER STARS SALE OF SHEARLING EWES AT 3,000 GNS

Shearling ewe from the Ringclare Flock sold to Andrew Walton, Rainbow Flock.

ALAN THOMAS FROM THE TILTON FLOCK WAS THE PRE-SALE JUDGE

AVERAGES :

25 SHEARLING EWES AVERAGED
£1,104.50

3 SENIOR RAMS AVERAGED
£525.00

30 SHEARLING RAMS AVERAGED
£1,225.70 (+£320)

121 RAM LAMBS AVERAGES
£1,617.00 (+£430)

Auctioneer : Clive Roads,



Book these dates

**Worcester Premier
Sale**

**Ewes
Friday 29th June**

**Rams
Saturday 30th June**

Show Classes Friday

WNY

Wedderburn

WNY

2017 - What a Year

Daughter of 12TG00124



Wedderburn Regal Princess -
16WNY02475 sold to Edstaston
Flock for 3,900gns



12TG00124 - sold to Logie
Durno Flock for 2,200gns

Daughter of 12TG00124



17WNY02795 - sold to Logie
Durno Flock for 2,600gns



Wedderburn Sugar Babe -
17WNY02798 1st prize ewe lamb at the
Royal Three Counties 2017 - sold to
Logie Durno Flock for 2,600gns.

**We will be
selling at
SAUCY SALE
Worcester Livestock
Market**



Wedderburn Savill -
1st prize ram lambs class at The Royal
Three counties 2017 - sold to the Boyo
Flock for 2,300gns

17WNY02781 - sold to Rowanston flock for 3,000gns
17WNY02829 - sold to Bincombe flock for 2,500gns
15ZCA01236 - sold to ElsrIDGE flock for 1,600gns
15ZCA01226 - sold to Ffrwd flock for 1,600gns
17WNY02891 - sold to Boyo flock for 1,550gns
17WNY02887 - sold to Oakhall flock for 1,550gns
17WNY02835 - sold to Crogham flock for 1,500gns
16WNY02465 - sold to Charlford flock for 1,420gns
17WNY02821 - sold to Sauchans flock for 1,400gns
17WNY02783 - sold to Edstaston flock for 1,350gns

15WNY02204 - sold to Wernfawr flock for 1,300gns
17WNY02793 - sold to Knockin flock for 1,250gns
16WCF00701 - sold to Boyo flock for 1,200gns
16WNY02468 - sold to ElsrIDGE flock for 1,180gns
17WNY02814 - sold to Friarstown flock for 1,150gns
17WNY02824 - sold to Millhaven flock for 1,100gns
14WNY01843 - sold to Wernfawr flock for 1,100gns
16WNY02527 - sold to Springhill flock for 1,100gns
16WNY02464 - sold to Honddu flock for 1,000gns
16WNY02529 - sold to Crogham flock for 1,000gns

Central
Region
Champion
flock 2017

Breed
Champion at
Moreton Show
2017

First prize pen
of shearling
rams at Builth
NSA I

Breed Champ.,
Lowland
Champion &
Reserve Int.
Champ. Brecon
Show 2017

First prize pen
of ram lambs
at Builth NSA
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*Semen for sale from the following rams
please contact for prices*

Parkgate Outlaw Index 391- This ram is sadly now dead. We have sold males to 2,000gns and females to 1,900gns. If you would like some semen please get in touch. Semen is UK/EU specification.



Lot 104 - 16WNY02527 - Outlaw daughter - sold for 1,100gns to Springhill flock



Wernfawr Magnum - champion at Worcester 2012 - purchased for 5,200gns. Magnum has certainly stood the test of time with an index of 375 at five years of age and he has bred some lovely sheep with many show winners amongst them. Limited supplies of semen available. (UK specification)

Jonathan & Janet Corbett

*New House Farm, Highleadon, Newent, Gloucestershire, GL18 1HQ
Tel: 01452 790209 mobiles: Janet - 07503 949963 or Jonathan - 07796 972330*

CARDOONAN 16XAC00726 (TOP LEFT)

Sold for 2,400 gns to Eddie O'Sullivan, Co Meath.

SPRINGILL 17WLK03226 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 900 gns to Eugene English, Co Meath.

GREENVALE STAR, 17WJT00244 (TOP RIGHT)

Sold for 2,400 gns to Jonathan Wales,
Thackwood Flock.



*Dungannon Premier Sale
Leading Prices*

CHAMPION AT THE SALE, (OPPOSITE)

ARTNAGULLION 17ZGQ03170

Sold for 1,200 gns to Albert Ferguson, Co Cork.

**SPRINGHILL 17WLK03228 SUPER MODEL
(BOTTOM RIGHT)**

Sold for 1,7000 gns to David Argue, Co Cavan.



Dungannon Premier Sale 2017

Breeders share honours at 2,400 gns

Buyers from South and UK Mainland flocked to Dungannon Market for the Northern Ireland Export Sale of Charollais. Topping the trade were two rams both knocked down for 2,400 gns.

First at this price was the winning shearling ram from the Cardoonan Flock of Ian Goudy. His smart, correct tup was sired by Logie Durno Lightning Strike, a son of multi-winning tup Rockvilla Golden Promise out of a Artnagullion Langshine ewe. The tup went South to Eddie O'Sullivan from Co Meath.

Top price ram lamb was from William Sherrard's Greenvale flock. This very high index performance lamb was fiercely fought after by two mainland flocks and was eventually taken by Jonathan Wales from Cumbria for his Thackwood Flock. The lamb was sired by Artnagullion Puma out of a home-bred ewe by Logie Durno Nobleman.

Ian Craig's good pen of lambs all sired by Springhill O'Driscoll from his Ballynoe House Flock created much interest and his top was 2,300 gns. Paying this price was Gerry Grogan from Co Kildare. His next best was 1,000 gns which was the choice of Michael Miller from Dorset.

The pre-sale show classes were judged by Bruce Ingram from Aberdeenshire and he picked a very well-fleshed lamb from the

Artnagullion Flock of William McAllister as his champion. The lamb went on to sell for 1,200 gns to Albert Ferguson from Co Cork. The dam of this lamb was Interbreed Champion at Balmoral in 2013 and his sire Riverdale Preacher. Another Preacher son from the same pen sold for 1,100 gns to Lorna Stubbs, a new breeder in NI.

Graham Foster's Springhill flock had a good day, taking the



BALLYNOE HOUSE SQUIRE 17YCR00002 (TOP LEFT) Sold for 2,300 gns to Gerry Grogan, Co Kildare.

RIVERDALE SHAMROCK 17ZEG00250 (BOTTOM LEFT) Sold for 900 gns to Cecil Thomas, Wolston Flock.

CARDOONAN 17XAC00836 (TOP RIGHT) Sold for 1,100 gns to Ronnie Scott, Rylands Flock.

*Dungannon Premier Sale
leading Prices*

CARNEW 17ZXJ00803 (BOTTOM RIGHT) Sold for 1,000 gns to Jim Devenney, Co Donegal.



female championship with his ewe lamb and strong trade for his tup lambs. Leading his prices at 1,700 gns was a February born, Ballynoe House Playboy son which sold to David Argue from Co Cavan. His next best was 900 gns for a son of Springhill Royal Commander, Champion Junior Stock Ram N.I. 2016.

Ian Goudy also had a leading price in the tup lambs, 1,100 gns for a Highway Obelisk son which sold to Ronnie Scott, Co Tyrone, Ryelands Flock.

The reserve champion came from the pen of Norman McMordie; going to 900 gns for a Logie Durno Nobleman son, out of a Castellau One in a Million ewe was Cecil Thomas from Coventry for his Wolston Flock. Cecil had visited the farm during the AGM visit to Northern Ireland and had asked Charles Sercombe to bid on the lamb for him. A full brother sold for 850 gns to Robert Cromie, Co Down.

The first prize winner from this year's Balmoral Show from Jonathan Aiken's Carnew flock sold for 1,000 gns to Jim

Devenney, Co Donegal. His sire was Wernfawr Prospect and his dam the female champion from the 2014 Royal Highland Show.

The Hollylodge flock of Messrs McConnell Bros topped their trade at 1,000 gns for a son of Rhaeadr Prospect which goes over the water to Johnathan and David Norman for their Kirkhouse Flock in Cumbria.

Top price female was 750 gns for the 2nd prize ewe lamb from the Springhill Flock a triplet, January born lamb by Springhill O'Driscoll.

TOP & AVERAGE PRICES DUNGANNON

20 SHEARLING RAMS SOLD TO AVERAGE £687.75 TOP 2,400 GNS

62 RAM LAMBS SOLD TO AVERAGE £647.53 TOP 2,400 GNS

WINNING GROUP FROM MCCONNELL BROS, HOLLYLODGE FLOCK WITH THE JUDGE, BRUCE INGRAM.



SPRINGHILL 17WLK03188 (TOP LEFT) Champion Female

SPRINGHILL, 17WLK03210 (TOP RIGHT) Sold for 750 gns to Aidan Loftus, Co Mayo.

BRUCE INGRAM STARTS HIS JUDGING (BOTTOM LEFT)

CHAMPIONSHIP LINE-UP (BOTTOM RIGHT)

*Dungannon Premier Sale
leading Prices*

**THIS YEAR'S SALE
MONDAY 30TH JULY 2018**



Riverdale

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Riverdale Shamrock -

Reserve Champion Dungannon
- sold to C & J Thomas

Castellan One in a Million -

Judged top stock ram in
Northern Ireland Region for the
past 3 years, grand dam Royal
Interbreed Champion - Index
338, plus for weaning, scan
weight, fat and muscle



**Signet
Recorded**



Loanhead Soprano -

Purchased Worcester for
3,000gns shared with M & S
Reilly. Grand dam Royal Welsh
Interbreed Champion. Index
341 plus for weights, muscle
and fat.

Rainbow Soliloquy - a

Peleus son - plus for weights,
fat and muscle. Shared with B
McAfee - index 344

**Scrapie
Monitored**



Shearling Rams and Ram Lambs, for sale by Logie Durno Nobleman (sire of Shamrock), One in a Million and Soprano this year. Late lambs due in April from Soliloquy and Rutland Humdinger.

Semen for sale - from Logie Durno Laird, Nobleman, One in a Million and Soprano (limited quantities). Also a selection of **Shearling ewes for sale** - come early and we will breed them to the ram of your choice.

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Builth Wells Ram Sale 2017 Leading Prices

TOP PRICE, OAKCHURCH 16WKW00251 (PICTURED OPPOSITE PAGE)

Sold for 2,850 gns to Joe Powell, Emrell Flock.

TOP PRICE RAM LAMB, WEDDERBURN SAVILL, 17WNY02878 (TOP)

Sold for 2,300 gns to David Roberts, Boyo Flock.

SHOW CHAMPION, WERNFAWR 17XEVO1186

Sold for 1,300 gns to J & F Jeffery, Co Cork.

RESERVE CHAMPION, SANT ANDRAS SANCHO PANZA 17WJG00420 (BOTTOM LEFT)

Sold for 1,000 gns to Mr & Mrs G Jones, Springfield Flock.

GLYN COCH 17XCA01057 (BOTTOM RIGHT) 1ST PRIZE JANUARY LAMB

Sold for 1,600 gns to Messrs Jenkins, Powys.



Builth Wells Sale 2017

Oakchurch Flock tops sale at 2,850 gns

94% Clearance rate for shearling rams

Commercial trade for well-grown and fleshy Charollais rams, in particular shearlings was buoyant at the Main NSA Builth Wells Ram Sale (25th September 2017).

Average prices for the 196 shearlings sold was up £64 on 2016 to finish on £601 with a 94% clearance rate, also up on 2016.

Topping the prices at 2,850 gns was a shearling ram from the Champion pen of Jeremy Price's Oakchurch Flock. Taking this son of Banwy Oh What A Boy was Joe Powell from Berriew, Welshpool. Joe has recently completed his degree in Rural Enterprise and Land Management and runs a flock of 50 Charollais ewes. He has now joined Norman Lloyd as a trainee auctioneer.

Judging the pen classes were father and son duo, David and Johnathan Norman from Cumbria. They described the

winning pen as 'proper Charollais; long, thick, well-fleshed and with excellent skins.' Second highest price in the Oakchurch pen was another Banwy bred tup, which sold for 1,000 gns to Huw Roberts, Bachymbyd Flock, Ruthin. The pen of 10 averaged £931.35.

In the ram lamb section the first prize pen from Jonathan and Janet Corbett topped the trade at 2,300 gns for Wedderburn Savill. This very smart lamb was

first prize at the Three Counties Show and was purchased by David Roberts from Kenley, Shropshire for his Boyo Flock.

Next best out of the same pen at 1,550 gns was a son of Rhaeadr Popeye which was sold to Noken Farms Ltd, Sinton Green, Worcester.

Adrian Davies from Manordeilo, sold his January born and 1st prize winning lamb for 1,600 gns to





CHAMPION PEN OF RAMS

Jeremy Price, Oakchurch (centre) with the judges, David and Johnathan Norman.

SIGNET RECORDED RAM LAMB CLASS WINNER

Elmwick 17DQ01637 sold for 600 gns to Rhys Dalling, Roft Flock.

PRIZE WINNERS & AVERAGE PRICES BUILTH WELLS 2017

1ST PRIZE WINNERS

RAM LAMBS

CLASS 1 - 1ST-10TH DECEMBER, CHAMPION

D J CURRAN, 17XEVO1186

CLASS 2 - 11TH-31ST DECEMBER, RESERVE CHAMPION

JUSTIN EVANS, 17WJG00420

CLASS 3 - JANUARY BORN

ADRIAN DAVIES, 17XCA01057

CLASS 4 - SIGNET RECORDED

JENNIFER CURTIS, 17DQ01637

CLASS 5 - UNTRIMMED

F H & M KENNEDY, 17ZCA01904

CLASS 6 - SHEARLING RAM

G & B INGRAM, 16WNC15453

CLASS 7 - UNTRIMMED SHEARLING RAM

HUW ROBERTS, 16YMH01472

CLASS 8 - SIGNET RECORDED SHEARLING RAM

JEREMY PRICE, 16WKW00263

Messrs Jenkins, Brecon, Powys. His sire was a home-bred tup Glyn Coch Real Charmer.

The Ingram family from Aberdeenshire had two outstanding pens of shearling rams forward which attracted fierce bidding from commercial farmers. But leading their trade was the 1st prize shearling ram, a great back-ended tup by Rhaeadr Orlando. Going to 1,600 gns for this one was Mr & Mrs Gwyn Jones for their Springfield Flock in Newchurch West. Their second run averaged £808.50 for 21 sold.

Another quality pen of Scottish shearlings came from Russell Gray's Leelaw flock. They took 1st prize for the pen class (5 – 8 rams) and sold to 900 gns and averaged £792.75.

Judging the show classes was Mr Jim Jeffery from Co Cork, Southern Ireland. His show champion was an outstanding ram lamb from David and Paul Curran's Wernfawr flock and he backed his judgement and paid 1,300 gns to take this son of Shamrock Northern Star back to

Ireland. A full brother to this ET born lamb out of Wernfawr Nijinsky's dam sold for 1,700 gns at the Premier Sale.

The reserve champion was from Justin Evans, Glamorgan; Sant Andras Sancho Panza sold for 1,000 gns to the Springfield Flock of Gail and Gwyn Jones. His sire was Rhaeadr Prince out of a Arbryn ewe by Loanhead Liberator.

First time vendors Mr D H and Mrs Mari Williams from Anglesey had great trade with their pen of five lambs which were last to be sold. They topped at 1,300 gns for a son of Mortimer Mark II out of a Ffrwd ewe, which was sold to John R Owen for their Warren Flock also on Anglesey. Taking another from this pen was Charles Sercombe for his Dalby Flock. He paid 750 gns for a son of Wernfawr Red Bull out of a Logie Durno ewe by Logie Durno Officer. They averaged £770.70 for all sold.

Ram lamb trade was a bit slower in parts but finished with a 76.5% clearance and a good average of £459.18.

**RESERVE CHAMPION PEN
HUW ROBERTS, BACHYMBYD
SHEARLINGS**

Averages

SHEARLING RAMS

AVERAGE	£601.07
TOP PRICE	2,850 GNS
SOLD 196	(94%)

RAM LAMBS

AVERAGE	£459.18
TOP PRICE	2,300GNS
SOLD 153	(76.5%)

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Ardcath Sullivan

Champion Ram at the Irish Premier Sale in Tullow. So pleased I bought this ram. I purchased Sullivan for his style and presence coupled with his tremendous gigots, already his progeny are proving very exciting.

Kilmacshane Skyfall

Top price ram at Tullow purchased for his great conformation and tremendous skin.
He is producing very solid, quick growing lambs. (See picture below right)



*Champion Charollais.
Lurgan Show 2017*



*Tullyear Topgun. Mid January born ram lamb.
Sired by Sullivan*



*2nd Junior Ram Lamb.
N.I Flock Competition 2017*



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The sheep industry in Northern Ireland is made up of a high percentage of part time farmers, these farmers play a crucial role in the infrastructure of our industry.

David Cromie is one such farmer, a guy with many talents, one wonders how he gets everything fitted in, a keen footballer David plays for his local club and is well known for his speed and skill on the pitch. A joiner by trade David is kept busy with his day job, there is also big demand for his custom made sheep feeders which are very popular. Not content to rest on his laurels David keeps 140 Suffolk Cheviot ewes and 27 pure bred Charollais ewes.

David farms, along with his father Alan, on their family farm at Millhaven, Rathfriland, County Down. The farm was originally a Flax Mill generating work for many people in the area, today David and his dad who both have full time jobs run around 140 Suffolk Cheviot ewes and 90 beef heifers which they buy in to finish.

Sheep have always featured on the farm with David's



Grandfather Willie a keen shepherd and willing to try new ideas purchasing a Charollais ram way back in the early days. Shortly after a few pure bred Charollais ewes were bought and the XEF prefix was formed. Only a child at this stage David has always had a keen interest in the sheep and as he grew up and took on more work on the farm he built up the sheep numbers with Charollais always a firm favourite.

Sheep are lambed in February and housed two weeks before lambing. Ewes and lambs usually turned out within 2 -3 days of lambing, even this year with the wet weather he was able to get them out. He is lucky that his ground is dry and with plenty of shelter. Lambs are mainly grass fed with some creep introduced

Suffolk Cheviot Ewes with Charollais cross lambs

at around six weeks. He starts weighing them from 11/12 weeks and most are ready around this time unless they have had a set back. Lambs are sold direct to ABP where they killout Es and Us so he gets a bonus.

Four years ago David decided to purchase a few Charollais Pure bred ewes re-establishing their Charollais Flock. In 2017 he ventured across to Worcester Premier to purchase a Charollais Ram.

Involved with the Daera Sheep Business Group David is keen to improve his Flock and get the best returns. Benchmarking within the group gives an indicator of how you are performing



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Signet Recorded - focusing on growth & muscle/fat depth

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**Top Price Ram
Lamb at
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sold for 2,400gns
from the
Greenvale flock
to the
Thackwood flock**

DUNGANNON PREMIER EXPORT SALE

Monday 30th July - Sale 1.00pm

DUNGANNON SALE (Rams only - non export)

Thursday 13th September - Sale 1.00pm

BALLYMENA SALE

Monday 17th September (Evening Sale)

DUNGANNON FEMALE EXPORT SALE

Monday 29th October - Sale 1.00pm

compared to others and also gives you ideas on how you can improve. "Improving is all down to paying attention to the finer details maximising the performance of your ewe."

"Pre tupping and pre lambing ewes are dosed. A mineral lick is available to ensure they are getting any mineral supplements if required. The healthier your ewe is the less likelihood of lambing difficulties and increases the ability to produce more milk. The more milk a ewe produces the better your lambs will do."

QUALITY RAMS

"Never buy inferior rams, they should always be of the highest standard - using a lesser ram may result in slow growing lambs with poor conformation."

GRASSLAND MANAGEMENT

If you want to finish lambs off grass in as short a time as possible then the grass needs to be premium. Good grass management is as essential pre tupping as it is after lambing

Some people have this romantic idea that sheep look after themselves that you just need to check them over the hedge to



Charollais cross lambs

make sure they are all there. Those of us who work with sheep know that this is far from true, Sheep need to be constantly checked so that any problems can be picked up right away."

So for David how does Charollais fit into all this?

David feels that using a Charollais Ram ticks all the right boxes," The Charollais breed have a lot to offer the Sheep Industry. He is very pleased with his Charollais X lambs. One of their biggest plusses for him is their live weight gain. HIS CHAROLLAIS LAMBS ARE ALWAYS AWAY FIRST. The other lambs could be standing head



David Cromie

and shoulders above the Charollais but the Charollais will weigh the heaviest. The easy lambing ability of the Charollais resulting in less stress for the ewe ensures that both ewe and lambs keep going forward."

THE WAY FORWARD

"The breed needs to continue to focus on the standard within the Breed. It's important that the breed keeps their standards high and maintain the muscle and conformation of the Charollais along with the length of loin which is so important to the value of the Charollais lamb and why they are much sought after by the butcher."

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To those of you participating in competitions during the summer, I wish you the best of luck and look forward to a successful show season.

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Quality Breeding puts Arbryn Flock in the Top League

Arwyn and Jane Thomas originally started breeding Charollais in 1990, at their farm near Whitland, Carmarthenshire, with foundation ewes bought in from Cecil Thomas, Wolston Flock and Emrys Bowen, of the Cennen flock. Whilst Arwyn worked away from home frequently, he was attracted to the breed primarily due to the easy lambing.

"I received great advice and inspiration from two people in the breed when we started off; Professor David Morris of the Penywern flock and Dilwyn Davies of the Highway flock. They both guided me in

the right direction."

When asked if he had a favourite, or most iconic sheep from his flock, he explained he found it hard to identify just one. It's clear Arwyn has revered many of his sheep over the years; but one ewe in the Arjane flock was a firm favourite, ZNP 2004, bought from David Morris.

At the dispersal sale of the original Arjane Flock in 2010, she was lot 1, selling as a 9 year old for 3,200gns. At the same sale two of her ewe lambs sold for 6,000gns and 5,500gns. Her progeny lives on in flocks around the country; her bloodline can be found in her grandson, Sant Andras Sergeant Major, who sold for 9,000gns at Worcester Premier sale 2017. "It is so pleasing to see these good genetics come through for a variety of flocks."

On the ram side certainly two of the most influential sires within the flock were Galtres Dominator and Penrhos Ibanez and on the selling side Arwyn thought Arjane Klansman was one of his best.

Change of Direction

When reaching his fiftieth birthday, Arwyn took a break from breeding, with the intention of travelling to New Zealand and planned to return to the breed in 2012. The Arbryn flock was created, forming a new flock based on flock genetics from the Arjane families, utilising frozen embryos and four selected ewes, including Elmwick KitKat, one of Arwyn's favourite ewes.

"The main struggle when starting with the new flock was to find the right ram. I knew what I wanted but finding it was not so easy." In the end his new



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stock tup turned up in an unexpected place. Arwyn was judging the Charollais classes at the Great Yorkshire Show in 2013, when a ram lamb entered the ring that caught his attention immediately: Shamrock Northern Star bred by Cyril Dougherty in Yorkshire.

While negotiations of a sale took a while, the sale was agreed two days prior to AI commencing for Arwyn back in Wales. Interestingly the tup's sire was Crogham Java , whose dam went back to a Penywern bred ewe.

Shamrock Northern Star became an invaluable asset to the Arbryn flock for the next four years, producing incredibly successful progeny. Sadly, he passed away in 2017, with Arwyn describing him as the “biggest bit of luck I’ve ever bought”.

AI & Embryo Transfer

Arwyn highly recommends implementing AI within pedigree breeding. “I have used AI since forming the Arjane flock. One great advantage is the concise lambing period, so I can arrange time off from my full-time job to dedicate my attention to lambing duties.”

His advice to anyone considering AI for the first time would be to speak to an established breeder who has been using it for a while and attend an AI day, as it requires a lot of attention to detail, deadlines and dates are important, as they impact the quality and response you get.

Showing

With a background in showing dairy cattle, Arwyn has always enjoyed showing; he plans to compete



Arwyn Thomas, owner of the Arbryn Flock.



Shamrock Northern Star influential stock sire for the Arbryn Flock.



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at his local county show Pembrokeshire, RWAS and the breed sales in 2018.

“I believe it is an excellent way to market a flock and increase publicity for the breed, but at the same time my focus is to continue to breed sheep that the commercial man wants.”

Show Highlights

This policy has however led to many successes in the showing, with highlights including twice champion at Worcester Premier sale and six times champion at the Builth sale.

While he has bred a Royal Welsh champion, owned by Adrian Davies, Arwyn has not yet won the championship at the Royal Welsh Show; this is his remaining show objective.

There is only one year that Arwyn has not competed at the Royal Welsh show since he was 15 years old and that was in 2011 when he had the honour to judge the Charollais classes.

Quality Always Sells

With Brexit impending, Arwyn emphasises that top quality product will always sell, therefore the focus should be on quality breeding and conformation.

“I feel that a good eye combined with both performance recording and particularly CT scanning help identify those animals which are superior in fleshing and conformation, which are traits essential for the breed’s progress. My aim with the Arbryn Flock is to remain with the same number of breeding ewes and retain quality, which hopefully will appeal to my customers.”



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Hasley Cross Farm chooses Charollais tups



A family farm in Somerset is adamant that Charollais tups are the best solution as a terminal sire for their commercial flock.

Keith Barrow together with his wife Jackie and their two sons, James and George farm at Halsey Cross Farm (trading as R & F Barrow & Son) 230 metres above sea level in the village of

Over Stowey on the edge of the Quantock Hills. “We are the third generation of our family to farm here and have certainly seen some changes over that time.”

The farm is now a mixed unit with calves bought and reared to finish beef together with a suckler herd.

“When my eldest son came back to the farm when finishing school

we took the decision to go back into a commercial ewe flock.” The farm used to run Suffolk and Scotch Half-breds which were tupped with a Suffolk ram, but since getting back into breeding sheep in 2011 they opted for Suffolk x Mule ewes all tupped with Charollais rams.

The farm tupped 530 ewes this year and generally runs around 500 – 600. “We buy our ewes from Sedgemoor market in July as yearlings. We don’t go for the top drawer animals as we have plenty of good grazing, which ensures the ewes go on and improve once they get to us.”

The farm works closely with a neighbouring unit which runs a digester unit. Linking up with them has given them access to additional land for a period prior to it being sown for crops for the digester. They also carry out all the contract work on the unit, spreading the cost of larger scale equipment over a greater acreage.

The ewes are run on a high level of management and as soon as they arrive are vaccinated against toxoplasmosis and enzootic abortion and then



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put onto the Heptavac P system. A similar level of attention to detail is given to the selection of the Charollais tups.

BUYING RAMS

All the rams are purchased from another neighbour, Patrick Tully of the Bincombe Flock. “We like to see how our rams have been reared and you can’t get any better than keeping an eye on them over the hedge during the winter.” Patrick rears his tups on roots right the way through the autumn and winter without the necessity to feed any additional concentrate. In July the family go through the tups and cull out anything that is getting a bit old. “It is better to get a good price for a decent cull than run them on too long, suffer reduced service power and then up with a disposal bill!” They then visit the Bincombe Flock to pick out their new rams.

RAM INSPECTION

To make sure that the rams are working to capacity they bring along two veterinary surgeons to the farm who measure testicle circumference and sample semen from our rams. “This way we know from the information and advice from the vets which rams are



Suffolk Cross Mule ewes with Charollais sired lambs on the edge of the Quantock Hills in Somerset

100% fertile on that day and who should perform best at tupping time.”

The vendor, Patrick is quite happy with this procedure “it makes for an interesting time; very few rams over the years ‘fail’ their test and I know what leaves the farm is functioning and there can be no come back.”

Keith is full of praise for the tups they purchase “the Charollais breed has length, good tight skins and they are fit for the job. You could say that a bit more wool cover might help but I would not use a crossbred ram to compensate for this. Anything

with a heavy shoulder will give me lambing problems and I know that an easy birth is critical to lamb survival and rearing rates.”

Teaser rams are introduced (they use Scotch Black faced rams) prior to the rams going in with groups of about 90 ewes, 2 rams in each group. Both rams are moved to another group every 19 days.

“We find the Charollais are very keen to work; I like to see a ram run up the hill serve a ewe and then look for another one and not lie down! Ewes are run on the best grass either our own or rented in land at tupping time.”



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Wedderburn Stamitos - 17WNY02835 - EBV 471
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Visitors Welcome



Dalby Super Trooper 17PE05884 - EBV 434
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The flock is scanned in mid November and any empty ewes are culled at that point. This is usually around 7% to 8%. Dependant on the weather ewes are housed 2 – 3 weeks prior to lambing which starts on the 14th January. This year we put up a new shed which is big enough for all the sheep and lambing pens under one roof, which has been a great benefit. Ewes are fed a T.M.R mix utilising cereals grown on the farm.

At lambing time it is all hands on deck with all the family on duty including Keith's father Ray. This ensures that there is someone in the shed 24/7 to minimise losses. Every ewe is penned up for 24 hours and then housed loose for a further 2 days before being turned out.

“We will put a mac on all lambs, which I think is just for peace of mind. The weather can, as we know from this year turn very quickly and why take a risk for the small cost and effort of using this extra protection. We cannot praise enough, the vigour and lambing ease we get with the Charollais cross lambs. This saves time and effort at lambing time and means we end up with a good % of lambs reared.” At



***Suffolk Cross Mule ewes with Charollais sired lambs
at Hasley Cross Farm, Somerset.***

lambing time any ewe that has problems or is not feeding her lambs well enough gets a big red spray on the head and will be culled after her lambs have gone, this is about 8% giving a total cull of the flock year for the year of 15%.

After being at grass with access to creep feed from about 2 weeks of age, the Charollais cross lambs are ready to go from 10 weeks of age. “There would be some up to weight earlier than this but we like to make up a lorry load to take to ABP Yetminster. We pick lambs at 39 kgs and above; the Charollais are very flexible, they can be killed at a wide weight range without

running to fat.” Data back from the kill sheets proves the Charollais worth with constant U and E grades and the majority being U3L.

So what for the future at Halsey Cross?

“I see our ewe numbers increasing and we will certainly keep using good Charollais tups; they have worked well for us on our system for the past 7 years and I see nothing than can better what they achieve for the flock in terms of performance, quality and profitability.”

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Champion (Ewe Lamb) and Reserve Champion (Shearerling Ewe) - Skipton Female Sale 2017.

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NEW FOR 2017

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Record Flock

Foulrice flock wins “Decade of Progress Award” for the Charollais sheep breed

The Foulrice flock, owned by C W Marwood & Son from Whenby, North Yorkshire, has been recognised by AHDB Beef & Lamb as the most progressive flock of Charollais sheep based on the flock’s genetic merit & improvement over the past 10 years.

500 Pedigree Ewes

The Foulrice flock, set up in 1982, now has some 500 pedigree ewes and shearlings. Charles says: “We chose the Charollais breed because we wanted something suitable for both the early and later lamb market with fast growth and a quality carcass. We started the flock with two shearling ewes, three ewe lambs and a ram from John Barber of Wymondham, Norfolk.

In 1986 we visited France, purchasing a dozen ewe lambs and we also added a small number of females from flock dispersals. Since this time we have maintained a closed flock, only buying in some of our stock rams.”

Charles sells pedigree stock both through markets and off farm, regularly taking consignments to the premier sale in Worcester, both NSA sales at Bulth



Wells, Kelso and smaller sales throughout the north of England. “We do have customers who like to see rams in their home environment and so prefer to purchase rams off farm untrimmed,” explains Charles.

Recording Starts

“We started recording in about 1984 as we could see the value in keeping records to help improve performance of the flock. In the early days it was only weight and growth rates that were recorded,” explains Charles.

“We now benefit from the use of ultrasound and computed tomography (CT) scanning which is a good management aid, helping us to produce animals with good figures, which are pleasing to the eye, with all the right physical attributes. The benefits of this are seen at sales where rams with tight skin and good conformation attract the best prices.

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on their purchases with the use of both indexes and estimated breeding values (EBVs) for different traits.”

Having a large flock with a spread of genetics allows Charles and son Stephen to not only use purchased rams, but also to use some of the best homebred rams as well.

“This allows us to maintain the consistency of type within our flock as well as driving our performance forward,” says Charles. “Skeletal correctness coupled with a tight skin and carcass quality is of paramount importance for any commercial farmer selling butchers lambs. Couple this with EBVs which identify fast growth, good muscle and positive fat cover and this will give our customers rams that produce lambs that can grow quickly, finish well off grass, producing carcasses that meet market specification.

Influential Sires

“Six years ago we bought Dalby Mount Aloe for 2,000 gns along with Lowrye Neils Favourite, both have been influential in the flock, producing the type of rams we wanted, particularly Foulrice Osprey giving excellent conformation.

Last year we purchased Dalby Sherman at Worcester who had the physical attributes we desired and was the second-highest rated ram of the year, with an index of 483. Dalby Sherman also has the best muscle EBV for the breed (which was backed up by good muscle depth at ultrasound scanning) and his growth at both eight weeks and scanning was exceptional.”

Charollais Genetic Trends from 2000													
Sirenet Member Number: 12412										Flock Code: DG			
Trading Name: C W Marwood & Son										Flock Name: FOULRICE			
Average Estimated Breeding Value													
Year	No.	8 Week	Maternal	Litter	Maternal	Scan	Muscle	Fat	Lean	Fat	Ggpt	FEC	TERMINAL
	Lambs	Weight	Size	Size	Ability	Weight	Depth	Depth	Weight	Weight	Mass		Index
2000	543	0.77	0.71	0.07	0.20	3.39	1.17	-0.13	0.77	0.29	1.14	0.07	148.82
2001	583	1.13	0.22	-0.03	0.66	3.21	1.69	-0.33	1.21	0.38	1.88	0.11	175.09
2002	612	1.01	-0.34	-0.01	0.74	3.30	1.83	-0.52	1.40	0.36	2.35	0.14	176.03
2003	755	0.97	-0.19	0.00	0.86	3.40	1.82	-0.49	1.40	0.41	2.14	0.12	174.10
2004	848	1.23	-0.14	0.01	0.91	3.77	1.69	-0.37	1.39	0.56	1.90	0.10	180.76
2005	853	1.41	0.15	0.01	1.06	3.36	1.41	-0.26	1.17	0.64	1.23	0.07	170.72
2006	982	1.51	-0.09	0.01	1.34	3.83	1.62	-0.37	1.43	0.83	1.41	0.08	162.68
2007	948	1.77	-0.13	0.03	1.48	4.46	1.89	-0.45	1.70	0.71	1.31	0.09	200.45
2008	930	1.60	-0.13	0.01	1.69	4.58	1.98	-0.38	1.68	0.70	1.53	0.09	206.59
2009	945	1.66	0.12	0.02	1.77	4.66	2.05	-0.35	1.72	0.75	1.73	0.09	208.20
2010	699	1.96	-0.09	0.03	1.86	5.21	2.01	-0.18	1.71	0.97	1.43	0.08	214.22
2011	870	2.28	0.10	0.07	2.15	5.79	2.04	0.03	1.77	1.14	1.52	0.06	226.74
2012	921	2.05	0.06	0.09	2.14	5.57	2.32	-0.20	1.91	1.02	1.65	0.07	230.85
2013	717	2.31	0.28	0.11	2.31	6.16	2.33	-0.13	2.03	1.12	2.01	0.08	243.78
2014	832	2.75	0.16	0.06	2.71	7.16	2.87	-0.11	2.42	1.28	2.36	0.09	273.70
2015	857	3.04	0.32	0.09	3.09	7.77	3.28	-0.19	2.75	1.39	2.86	0.10	294.49
2016	929	3.31	0.07	0.06	3.11	8.22	3.42	-0.02	2.81	1.49	3.11	0.12	304.40
2017	854	3.82	0.19	0.05	3.08	9.08	3.55	0.14	2.94	1.62	2.98	0.11	321.00
2018	913	3.69	0.28	0.04	2.75	9.13	4.07	-0.01	3.24	1.61	3.72	0.14	341.34

Genetic Trends for the Foulrice Flock from 2000 – 2018
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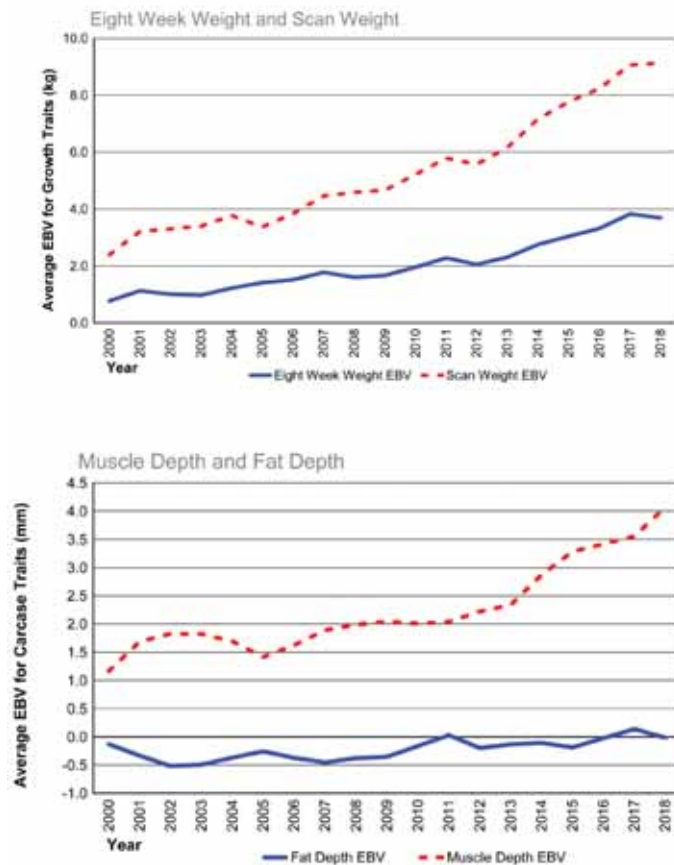
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Show Reports **2017**

Royal Welsh 2017

PRIZE WINNERS 2017

BREED CHAMPION & MALE CHAMPION (PICTURED RIGHT)

Sheldon Pistol Pete (15XNR00525) from the Sant Andras flock

RESERVE BREED CHAMPION & FEMALE CHAMPION (TOP LEFT)

Senior ewe (15XCA00701) from the Glyn Coch flock

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION (CENTRE LEFT)

Wernfawr Red Bull (16XEV00947) from the Logie Durno flock

RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION (BOTTOM LEFT)

15DQ01114 from the Elmwick flock

1ST PRIZE EWE LAMB (BOTTOM RIGHT)

17TZ01801 from the Castellau flock





Royal Welsh Show 2017

FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP FOR SANT ANDRAS FLOCK

Father and son, Justin and Tomos Evans from South Glamorgan were absolutely delighted with their first Royal Welsh Show breed championship. They were victorious with their heavily fleshed, stock ram Sheldon Pistol Pete. The 2-shear tup was bred by Gerald Burrough from Honiton in Devon and was purchased by the Sant Andras flock at Builth I. His sire was Sheldon Oak and dam was a Rhaeadr Lord Jim ewe. The judge Mr Brian Davies from

Brecon was full of praise for the conformation and power of the ram.

More accustomed to the top-line up was the breeder of the female and reserve breed champion, Mr Adrian Davies from Carmarthenshire. His 2-shear ewe by Wrenvale Mad 4 Ewe stood top of a very strong class of quality Charollais females.

It was this class that provided the

reserve female winner, the 2nd prize ewe from Mrs Jennifer Curtis's Elmwick flock went through to win this award. A winner earlier in the season, her ewe was sired by Wernfawr Magnum out of a Artnagullion Jose sired ewe.

The reserve male championship ticket went to a Welsh bred shearling ram, owned and exhibited by the Ingram family from Aberdeenshire. Wernfawr Red Bull was purchased at the 2016 Worcester Premier Sale for 7,000 gns from breeder David Curran.

Standing 1st and 2nd in the massive shearling ewe class was the Glyncoch Flock of Adrian Davies with two very different style ewes. His winner was a Wernfawr Powerhouse sired ewe that had been 3rd as a lamb at the 2016 show.

The Sulwood Flock of Geoff and Carol Watson from Northants won the ram lamb class with their son of Sulwood Pharoe.

Last and largest class of the day was the ewe lamb competition won by Tim Prichard's Castellau lamb sired by Castellau Rockafella.



PRIZE WINNERS 2017

1ST PRIZE SHEARLING EWE (*PICTURED TOP LEFT*)

16XCA00835 from the Glyn Coch flock

1ST PRIZE RAM LAMB (*PICTURED MIDDLE LEFT*)

17YST00724 from the Sulwood flock

GROUP OF THREE (*PICTURED BOTTOM LEFT*)

The winning group of three from William and Carol Ingram's Logie Durno Flock.



**AWARDS
ROYAL WELSH
SHOW 2017
JUDGE : MR BRIAN
DAVIES**

SENIOR RAM

- 1st J Evans – Sheldon Pistol Pete – 15XNR00525
- 2nd D & J Lewis – Arbryn Owen – 14WRF00263
- 3rd R Gregory – Bronwydd Pride of Pembroke – 15WAJ00415

SHEARLING RAM

- 1st W & C Ingram – Wernfawr Red Bull – 16XEV00947
- 2nd C Sercombe – Dalby Ranieri – 16PE04907
- 3rd T Prichard – Rhaeadr Rocket – 16XXK01473

RAM LAMB

- 1st G & C Watson – 17YST00724
- 2nd W & C Ingram – 17WNC18340
- 3rd D Curran – 17XEV01199

SENIOR EWE

- 1st A Davies – 15XCA00701
- 2nd J Curtis – 15DQ01114
- 3rd Abbie Mosely – 11XXJ00017

SHEARLING EWE

- 1st A Davies – 16XCA00835
- 2nd A Davies – 16WNY02426
- 3rd C Sercombe – 16PE04888

EWE LAMB

- 1st T Prichard – 17TZ01801
- 2nd T, I & H Davies – 17WWW01081
- 3rd J & J Corbett – 17WNY02798

OVERALL & MALE CHAMPION

J Evans – Sheldon Pistol Pete

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION

W & C Ingram – Wernfawr Red Bull

OVERALL RESERVE & FEMALE CHAMPION

A Davies – 15XCA00701

RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION

J Curtis – 15DQ01114



**JUDGING THE EWE LAMB CHAROLLAIS
CLASS**

Balmoral Show 2017



PRIZE WINNERS 2017

OVERALL & FEMALE CHAMPION

(PICTURED OPPOSITE)

16WNC15409 from the Lornbrook flock

OVERALL RESERVE & MALE CHAMPION

(TOP LEFT)

16XWZ00312 from the Lornbrook flock

RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION *(MIDDLE LEFT)*

16ZGQ02929 from the Artnagullion flock

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION *(BOTTOM LEFT)*

17ZXJ00803 from the Carnew flock

INTERBREED WINNING GROUP OF THREE *(BOTTOM RIGHT)*

Shearlings from the Lornbrook Flock and ewe lamb from the Carnew Flock.





Balmoral Show 2017

TWO INTERBREED TITLES FOR LORNBROOK

The Lornbrook Flock of Mrs Diane Christie continued their domination of the Charollais classes at Balmoral once again this year and achieved two victories in the interbreed classes.

Their breed champion was the shearling ewe, bred by Gregor and Bruce Ingram she was an embryo transfer lamb sired by Royal Highland Show champion 2016, Rhaeadr Orlando out of a Loanhead Midas Touch ewe.

The reserve breed champion was a shearling ram bred by McConnell Bros from Northern Ireland and was also sired by a Rhaeadr tup, this time Prospect out of a home-bred ewe by Banwy Mercedes.

The two shearling animals were paired together for the pairs interbreed competition and triumphed over the large entry of breeds forward.

Taking another red rosette for the Lornbrook Flock in the senior ram

class was Hollylodge Olympic, a 3-shear tup sired by Tullyear Norris out of a ewe by Ballynoe House Felix.

A previous winner at the Balmoral Show was the winner of the senior ewe class for the Lornbrook Flock. This was a 3-shear ewe bred by George Booth, Beechview Flock and was by Tullyear Krackerjack out of a Parkgate Hunter ewe.

The breed judge, Mr Charles Marwood from Whenby, near York awarded the reserve female champion ticket to the 2nd prize shearling ewe from William McAllister's Artnagullion Flock. This mid December born twin was sired by Knockin Paparazzi out of the Kings Land Mr Muscle home-bred ewe.

The Lornbrook domination was broken in the lamb classes which both went to Jonathan Aiken with sheep from his Carnew Flock. The reserve male champion went to his 1st prize ram lamb which was an embryo transfer lamb by Wernfawr Prospect out of the female champion at the Highland Show in 2014, Carnew Nicky. The flock's winning ewe lamb was also by the same sire.

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**AWARDS
BALMORAL
SHOW 2017
JUDGE : MR CHARLES
MARWOOD**

SENIOR RAM

- 1st Mrs D Christie - 14XWZ00223
2nd Mrs D Christie - 15XWZ00281
3rd Mrs D Christie - 15ZHV00952

SHEARLING RAM

- 1st Mrs D Christie - 16XWZ00312
2nd D Fenton - 16WRF00371
3rd D Mawhinney - 16XEV00937

RAM LAMB

- 1st J Aiken - 17ZXJ00803
2nd D Fenton - 17ZLZ00821
3rd D Cowan - 17QY02446

SENIOR EWE

- 1st Mrs D Christie - 14PQ00253
2nd Mrs D Christie - 14YST00415
3rd Mrs D Christie - 13ZLZ00316

SHEARLING EWE

- 1st Mrs D Christie - 16WNC15409
2nd W McAllister - 16ZGQ02929
3rd Mrs D Christie - 16XXK01436

EWE LAMB

- 1st J Aiken - 17ZXJ00801
2nd W McAllister - 17ZGQ03165
3rd J Aiken - 17ZXJ00805

GROUP OF THREE

Lornbrook Flock

MALE & RESERVE BREED

CHAMPION - Mrs D Christie -
16XWZ00312

FEMALE & BREED CHAMPION

Mrs D Christie - 16WNC15409

RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION

W McAllister - 16ZGQ02929

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION

J Aiken - 17ZXJ00803



1ST PRIZE EWE LAMB

17ZXJ00801 from the Carnew flock



INTERBREED WINNING PAIR

from the Lornbrook Flock

Highland Show 2017



PRIZE WINNERS 2017

**OVERALL, FEMALE & INTERBREED CHAMPION
(PICTURED OPPOSITE)**

Senior ewe, 14WNC10065 from Loanhead Flock.

MALE CHAMPION (TOP LEFT)

14XXK01077 Rhaeadr Orlando from the Logie Durno flock.

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION (MIDDLE LEFT)

16XEVO0947 Wernfawr Red Bull from the Logie Durno flock

OVERALL RESERVE & RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION (BOTTOM LEFT)

Shearling ewe, 16WNC15419 from the Loanhead flock

1ST PRIZE RAM LAMB (BOTTOM RIGHT)

17HR01054 from the Rigghead flock





Royal Highland Show 2017

INTERBREED CHAMPION FOR LOANHEAD EWE

A Loanhead two-crop ewe shone for the Ingrams from Pitcaple, Aberdeenshire, landing them the interbreed title after impressing retired Scotch mule breeder and Highland Show stalwart Willie Sanderson, Blackshiels, Midlothian.

Mr Sanderson told the packed ringside he demanded commercial characteristics, which the Champion Charollais provided, along with great length and thickness while being “very

difficult to fault”.

Shown by Bruce Ingram, the home-bred ewe is out of a Southam flock female bought for 1,800gns at the dispersal of Lionel and Jenny Organ, Llandysul, and delighted the Ingrams with her first breed championship earlier in the show after being shown throughout 2016.

The Ingram family nearly completed a clean sweep in the

Charollais classes under the judgement of Northern Ireland breeder, Mr David Mawhinney.

The overall reserve champion was the winner of the shearling ewe class. This very smart yearling was sired by the 2016 RHAS Champion, Rhaeadr Orlando out of a Bawnard Bolt ewe.

The senior stock ram, Orlando had to be content this year with the Male Championship ticket. This tup was purchased at the 2015 Worcester Premier Sale for 5,000 gns.

The reserve male champion was a shearling ram from the Ingrams, Wernfawr Red Bull was purchased by the family for 7,000 gns also at Worcester Premier Sale and was sired by Wernfawr Nijinsky. A ewe lamb by Red Bull stood out in her class for her style and correctness and was shown by William and Carole Ingram’s daughter, Amy.

Breaking the run were David and Helen Sloan with their tup lamb from the Rigghead Flock. His sire was Banwy Pick of the Crop out of a ewe from the Netherkeir Dispersal Sale.

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ROYAL HIGHLAND
SHOW 2017
JUDGE : MR DAVID
MAWHINNEY**

RAM

1st W & C Ingram - 14XXK01077

SHEARLING RAM

1st W & C Ingram - 16XEV00947

2nd B Radley - 16WNC15425

3rd P Tait - 16YSS03047

RAM LAMB

1st H W Sloan - 17HR01054

2nd G & B Ingram - 17WNC18336

3rd R Gray - 17YUX01620

EWE

1st G & B Ingram - 14WNC10065

2nd W & C Ingram - 14ZNN09833

3rd R Gray - 15YUX01201

SHEARLING EWE

1st G & B Ingram - 16WNC15419

2nd G & B Ingram - 16WNC15420

3rd R Gray - 16YUX01400

EWE LAMB

1st W & C Ingram - 17ZNN18435

2nd W & C Ingram - 17ZNN18404

3rd R Gray - 17YUX01612

MALE CHAMPION

W & C Ingram - Rhaeadr Orlando

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION

W & C Ingram - Wernfawr Red Bull

**OVERALL, FEMALE &
INTERBREED CHAMPION**

G & B Ingram - 14WNC10065

**OVERALL RESERVE & RESERVE
FEMALE CHAMPION**

G & B Ingram - 16WNC15419

**1ST PRIZE EWE
LAMB**

17ZNN18435

from the Logie
Durno flock



**DAVID
MAWHINNEY**

Judging in
progress



**CHAMPION
AWARD**

Gregor Ingram
with the
Champion,
Sponsor and
judge David
Mawhinney.





Gt Yorkshire Show

PRIZE WINNERS 2017

OVERALL & FEMALE CHAMPION (PICTURED OPPOSITE)

16YUX01400 from the Leelaw flock

**OVERALL RESERVE & MALE CHAMPION
KIRKHOUSE OPTIMUS (TOP LEFT)**

14XNK01301 from the Kirkhouse flock

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION (CENTRE LEFT)

16YXR01048 from the Knighton flock

1ST PLACED EWE LAMB (BOTTOM LEFT)

17YUX01612 from the Leelaw flock

GROUP OF 3 CHAMPIONS (BOTTOM RIGHT)

From the Sulwood flock





GT Yorkshire Show 2017

FIRST VISIT SUCCESS FOR LEELAW FLOCK

Russell and Margaret Gray made the decision to exhibit for the first time at the Great Yorkshire Show, and what a great day they had. They brought down just 4 animals from their Leelaw Flock in Lanarkshire and achieved 4 red tickets.

Their 1st prize shearling ewe, was tapped out as breed champion by the judge, Mr Herbert Kennedy from Dumfries. The ewe was sired by Oakchurch Ozil a previous

Interbreed Champion at the Royal Highland Show out of a Banwy Moonshine sired ewe.

Ozil was also the sire of the reserve champion female a strong and well-fleshed ewe, who won her class.

Standing reserve champion and male champion was the senior stock ram, Kirkhouse Optimus from David and Johnathan Norman from Cumbria. Optimus was the result of the

purchase of an in-lamb ewe from the Castellau Flock of Tim Prichard and has proved a great success for the Normans having won numerous prizes over the seasons. His sire was Castellau Lord of the Manor, out of a Castellau ewe by Galtres Dominator.

Reserve Male champion came from regular exhibitor Mr Percy Tait from Worcestershire. His home bred shearling ram was shown by Will Price and again was the result of the purchase of an in-lamb ewe, this time from the Logie Durno Flock. His sire was Rhaeadr Orlando, breed champion at the Royal Highland Show 2016 out of a Bawnard Bolt ewe.

The Leelaw flock took both red tickets in the lamb classes with progeny of Oakchurch Ozil.

Despite the pouring rain and very cold conditions throughout all our judging, the ring was full of groups of 3 from exhibitors. Winning this class were Carol and Geoff Watson from Desborough, Northants with animals from their Sulwood Flock.

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GT YORKSHIRE
SHOW 2017
JUDGE : MR HERBERT
KENNEDY**

SENIOR RAM

- 1st D & J Norman - 14XNK01301 - Kirkhouse Optimus
- 2nd C Marwood - 15DG05809 - Foulrice Penrod
- 3rd J Stott

SHEARLING RAM

- 1st PTait - 16YXR01048
- 2nd G & C Watson - 16YST00635
- 3rd S Hunter - 16XHE00179

RAM LAMB

- 1st R Gray - 17YUX01620
- 2nd G & C Watson - 17YST00724
- 3rd C Dougherty - 17XRL00528

SENIOR EWE

- 1st R Gray - 15YUX01201
- 2nd G & C Watson - 15YST00512
- 3rd D & J Norman - 15WNL01553

SHEARLING EWE

- 1st R Gray - 16YUX01400
- 2nd G & C Watson - 16YST00605
- 3rd R Alderson - 16YVY00751

EWE LAMB

- 1st R Gray - 17YUX01612
- 2nd S Hunter - 17NN01353
- 3rd K Foster

GROUP OF 3

- 1st G & C Watson

OVERALL & FEMALE CHAMPION

16YUX01400 from the Leelaw flock

OVERALL RESERVE & MALE CHAMPION

14XNK01301 from the Kirkhouse flock

RESERVE MALE CHAMPION

16YXR01048 from the Knighton flock



1ST PRIZE EWE

15YUX01201 from the Leelaw flock



1ST PRIZE RAM LAMB

17YUX01620 from the Leelaw flock

Three Counties Show



PRIZE WINNERS 2017

BREED CHAMPION (PICTURED OPPOSITE)

16PE04907 Dalby Ranieri from the Dalby flock

RESERVE CHAMPION (TOP LEFT)

16YXR01050 from the Knighton flock

1ST PRIZE RAM (MIDDLE LEFT)

14XXK01061 Rhaeadr Olympic from the Ditton flock

1ST PRIZE RAM LAMB (BOTTOM LEFT)

17WNY02878 from the Wedderburn flock

1ST PRIZE EWE LAMB (BOTTOM RIGHT)

17WNY02798 from the Wedderburn flock





Three Counties Show 2017

DALBY RANIERI WINS TOP AWARD

Robert Gregory from Shropshire was the man in the hot seat at the Three Counties Show and selected the shearling ram, Dalby Ranieri as his champion.

This home-bred ram was from the Dalby Flock of Charles Sercombe, Frisby-on-the-Wreake, near Melton Mowbray. A very, high-index son of Dalby Next GT out of a Allt Jabell ewe, the tup had been retained in the flock as a stock sire.

Taking the reserve ticket was a smart, shearling ewe from the Knighton Flock of Percy Tait, Broughton Hackett, Worcester. This twin born ewe was sired by Buckland Omar out of a Kingsland Louis ewe. The Knighton Flock also stood top of the line with their senior ewe.

The senior ram class was won by Paul and Ollie James from Bridgenorth, Shropshire. Their stock ram, Rhaeadr Olympic by Wernfawr Neo had previously

been male champion at the Royal Welsh Show.

Enjoying success in the lamb classes were Janet and Jonathan Corbett with the last progeny from their Wedderburn Flock in Gloucestershire, prior to the flock dispersal in November 2017.

Wedderburn Savill was the stand-out ram lamb in his class with his growth, shape and style. His sire was Boyo Royal Ascot.

Equally prominent was the Wedderburn ewe lamb, Sugar Babe shown by Kate Gunn. This time her sire was Rhaeadr Popeye and her dam was sired by Wernfawr Magnum.

The progeny group of three lambs winner was Jennifer Curtis from the Elmwick Flock in Wickhamford, Worcestershire with lambs by her new stock ram, Foulrice Raphael. The tup was purchased at the Worcester Premier Sale in 2016.

The Dalby Flock won the class for best pair, with Ranieri exhibited with their 2nd prize shearling ewe.

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**AWARDS
THREE COUNTIES
SHOW 2017
JUDGE : MR ROBERT
GREGORY**

SENIOR RAM

1st A P & O T James - 14XXK01061

SHEARLING RAM

1st C Sercombe - 16PE04907

2nd P Tait - 16YSS03047

3rd J Curtis - 16DQ01356

RAM LAMB

1st J Corbett - 17WNY02878

2nd J Curtis - 17DQ01637

3rd G & C Watson - 17YST00724

SENIOR EWE

1st P Tait - 16YXR00772

2nd J Curtis - 15DQ01114

3rd J & J Corbett - 15ZCA01236

SHEARLING EWE

1st P Tait - 14YXR01050

2nd C Sercombe - 16PE04888

3rd J & J Corbett - 16WNY02464

EWE LAMB

1st J & J Corbett - 17WNY02798

2nd J & J Corbett - 17WNY02793

3rd J Curtis - 17DQ01655

PROGENY GROUP

1st J Curtis with group sired by Foulrice Raphael

2nd B James with group sired by Rhoadr Panther

3rd R & B Kimber with group sired by Aberkinsey
Nitrogen

BEST PAIR

1st C Sercombe

CHAMPION

Dalby Ranieri 16PE04907 from the Dalby flock

RESERVE CHAMPION

16YXR01050 from the Knighton flock



1ST PRIZE PROGENY GROUP

A group sired by Foulrice

Raphael from the Elmwick flock



JUDGE MR ROBERT GREGORY

Devon County Show



PRIZE WINNERS 2017

BREED CHAMPION (PICTURED OPPOSITE)

14XWY00375 - Mr & Mrs Alford from the Foxhill Charollais flock

RESERVE CHAMPION (TOP LEFT)

17XNR00805 - G F Burrough from the Sheldon flock

1ST PRIZE SHEARLING RAM (MIDDLE LEFT)

16XNR00794 - G F Burrough from the Sheldon flock

1ST PRIZE EWE LAMB (BOTTOM LEFT)

17XWY00495 - Mr & Mrs Alford from the Foxhill Charollais flock

1ST PRIZE SHEARLING EWE (BOTTOM RIGHT)

16XWY00468 - Mr & Mr Alford from the Foxhill Charollais flock





Devon County Show 2017

FOXHILL FLOCK TAKES CHAMPIONSHIP AWARD

In the May sunshine Mr Jonathan Wales from Cumbria had the task of judging the Devon County Show. There was fierce competition between breeders from Devon, Somerset and Cornwall.

The Alford family from Cullompton, Devon had an outstanding show, winning all three female classes and going on to take the Championship

prize. Their winner was a 3-shear, home-bred ewe, sired by Crogham Hannibal II.

Top of the line-up in the shearling ewe class was a Foxhill bred ewe, sired by a previous breed champion at Devon, Logio Durno Olympian. Her dam was sired by Carthorpe Grand Duke.

The same breeding was behind the winning ewe lamb, another

Foxhill sheep by Olympian and out of a Grand Duke ewe. Olympian was purchased at the Worcester Premier Sale for 7,000 gns in 2015.

In the male classes it was Gerald Burrough from Honiton in Devon who was leading the way. He won the shearling ram class with Sheldon Rambo, sired by Foulrice Omar out of a Eastbach Laser sired home-bred ewe. Winning the reserve breed championship award was his ram lamb, Sheldon Special this time sired by Foulrice Roderick. This lamb went on to win the reserve interbreed ram lamb award at the show.

A Sheldon bred senior ram was the winner in his class for Tom Nancekivell, Bude, Cornwall. His sire was Sheldon Oak.

On day two of the show, which features a number of interbreed competitions, the Ingst Flock of John Harding was victorious in the Interbreed Group of Three.

Congratulations also to Freddie Barker who was Champion Young Handler at the show, after winning the 11 - 13 year old class.

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**AWARDS
DEVON COUNTY 2017
JUDGE : MR
JONATHAN WALES**

SENIOR RAM

1st T Nancekivell - 15XNR00535

SHEARLING RAM

1st G F Burrough - 16XNR00794

2nd G F Burrough - 16XNR00760

3rd R C Hopper - 16NF02874

RAM LAMB

1st G F Burrough - 17XNR00805

2nd G F Burrough - 17XNR00842

3rd J Harding - 17WPS01564

SENIOR EWE

1st Mr & Mrs M Alford - 14XWY00375

2nd J Harding - 15WPS01215

3rd Mrs C Irwin - 15XUA00212

SHEARLING EWE

1st Mr & Mrs M Alford - 16XWY00468

2nd Mr & Mrs D Barker - 16WKR00112

3rd G F Burrough - 16XNR00779

EWE LAMB

1st Mr & Mrs M Alford - 17XWY00495

2nd Mr & Mrs D Barker - 17WKR00156

3rd Mrs C Irwin - 17XUA00263

GROUP OF 3

1st J Harding

BREED CHAMPION

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RESERVE BREED CHAMPION

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CHAMPION PAIRS

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RHAADR PROSPECT

DAM 13XWZ00163

G. SIRE 13XEV00503
WERNFAWR NEO

G. DAM 11XXK00292

G. SIRE 12XXS00236
BANWY MERCEDES

G. DAM 11XWZ00085

SHELDON PISTOL PETE
15XNR00525
ROYAL WELSH CHAMPION

SIRE 14XNR00392
SHELDON OAK

DAM 12XNR00185

G. SIRE 11WEA00445
EASTBACH LASER

G. DAM 0XNR9054

G. SIRE 11XXK00222
RHAADR LORD JIM

G. DAM 0XNR9052

RHAADR ORLANDO
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ROYAL HIGHLAND MALE CHAMPION

SIRE 13XEV00503
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DAM 0XXK9037

G. SIRE 12ZNN04424
LOGIE DURNO MAGNUM

G. DAM 0XEV9070

G. SIRE 0ZCA7047
PARKGATE HURRICANE

G. DAM 0QY5100

KIRKHOUSE OPTIMUS
14XNK01301
GT YORKSHIRE MALE CHAMPION

SIRE 11TZ00252
CASTELLAU LORD OF THE MANOR

DAM 0TZ9022

G. SIRE 12ZNN0051
LOGIE DURNO KNOCK OUT

G. DAM 0TZ2007

G. SIRE 0ZKT3025
GALTRES DOMINATOR

G. DAM 0TZ1030

FEMALE CHAMPIONS 2017

15XCA00701
ROYAL WELSH
FEMALE CHAMPION

SIRE 12XGY00118
WRENVALE MAD 4 EWE

DAM 0XCA9069

G. SIRE 0AB7003
CROGHAM HANNIBAL II

G. DAM 1XGY0009

G. SIRE 0DG4774
FOULRICE EUROSTAR

G.DAM 0XCA6019

16YUX01400
GT YORKSHIRE
CHAMPION

SIRE 14WKW00055
OAKCHURCH OZIL

DAM 14YUX00971

G. SIRE 13XXS00350
BANWY NINJA

G. DAM 1WAA0021

G. SIRE 12XXS00220
BANWY MOONSHINE

G. DAM 11YUX00342

14WNC10065
ROYAL HIGHLAND
CHAMPION

SIRE 13ZEG00127
RIVERDALE NOBLE

DAM ONE8019

G. SIRE 11ZNN02242
LOGIE DURNO LAIRD

G. DAM 11ZEG00055

G. SIRE 0VV6049
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16WNC15409
BALMORAL
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SIRE 14XXK01077
RHAADR ORLANDO

DAM 13WNC07442

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RAM SALES	VENUE	DAY OF WEEK	DATE
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DUNGANNON PREMIER	DUNGANNON FARMERS	MONDAY	30TH JULY
SHREWSBURY	SHREWSBURY MARKET	TUESDAY	31ST JULY
BUILTH WELLS EARLY	WELSH SHOWGROUND	MONDAY	6TH AUGUST
BEESTON CASTLE SALE	BEESTON CASTLE MARKET	THURSDAY	9TH AUGUST
EXETER NSA SALE ** INCLUDES FEMALES	EXETER LIVESTOCK MARKET	WEDNESDAY	15TH AUGUST
CARLISLE ** INCLUDES EMPTY FEMALES	BORDERWAY MART	FRIDAY	31ST AUGUST
DUNGANNON SEPT	DUNGANNON FARMERS MART	THURSDAY	13TH SEPTEMBER
BALLYMENA	BALLYMENA MARKET	MONDAY	17TH SEPTEMBER
BUILTH WELLS MAIN ** INCLUDES FEMALES	WELSH SHOWGROUND	MONDAY	17TH SEPTEMBER
SKIPTON	SKIPTON MARKET	TUESDAY	18TH SEPTEMBER
WELSHPOOL	WELSHPOL LIVESTOCK SALES	THURSDAY	27TH SEPTEMBER

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Calendar of Female Sales 2018

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EXETER SALE	EXETER LIVESTOCK MARKET	FRIDAY	12TH OCTOBER
SKIPTON SALE	SKIPTON MARKET	SATURDAY	13TH OCTOBER
EASTERN REGION FEMALES	MELTON MOWBRAY	SATURDAY	27TH OCTOBER
DUNGANNON EXPORT FEMALE SALE	DUNGANNON FARMERS MART	MONDAY	29TH OCTOBER
WELSHPOOL FEMALE	WELSHPOOL LIVESTOCK SALES	SATURDAY	3RD NOVEMBER

“FEMALES WITH FIGURES” - SATURDAY 23RD JUNE - WORCESTER MARKET

Vendors : Andrew Walton, Mark Rushbrooke

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Vendor : Robert Towers

Auctioneer : Clive Roads

WORCESTER “SAUCY SALE” - SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER - WORCESTER MARKET

Vendors - Robert Gregory, Percy Tait and William Ingram

Guest consignors - D & A Cowan, Adrian Davies, David Mawhinney, Abbie Moseley, Charles Sercombe, Victoria Sercombe, Gregor & Bruce Ingram, Cecil & Janette Thomas, S Dunkley and J & J Corbett Wedderburn final dispersal.

Auctioneers : Clive Roads, McCartneys

21ST ANNIVERSARY SALE

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Vendors - Jennifer Curtis, Tim Prichard, Arwyn Thomas, David & Paul Curran, together with Tony & June Gregory, Justin Evans, Paul Amphlett, Jeremy Price, Emyr Hughes David & Jonathan Norman, Ian Matthews and Colin Bowen.

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Region 2 - South of Scotland - Judge: David Norman

Large Flock - Ewes		Large Flock - Ewe Lambs		Large Flock - Tups	
1st	R Gray	1st	R Gray	1st	R Gray
2nd	Ms H Sloan	2nd	Ms H Sloan	2nd	J Parkhouse
3rd	J Andrew	3rd	J Parkhouse		
Small Flock - Ewes		Small Flock - Ewe Lambs		Small Flock - Tups	
1st	J Clanachan	1st	B Radley	1st	B Radley
2nd	B Radley			2nd	J Clanachan
3rd	Mrs P Ritchie			3rd	Ms J Craig
Junior Stock Tup		Show Points Trophy - Russell Gray Champion Flock - Russell Gray Reserve Champion Flock - Ben Radley			
1st	Ms H Sloan				
2nd	B Radley				
3rd	J Andrew				

Region 3 - North of England - Judge: Harold Keast

Yorkshire - Large Flock Ewes & Stock Rams		Yorkshire - Large Flock Ewe Lambs		Cumbria - Large Champion - <i>J Wales</i> Reserve - <i>J Trafford</i> Cumbria - Medium Champion - <i>D Norman</i> Reserve - <i>Mr & Mrs S Cummings</i> Yorkshire - Large Champion - <i>C Marwood</i> Reserve - <i>C Dougherty</i> Yorkshire - Medium Champion - <i>S & N Hodgson</i> Reserve - <i>K Foster</i>
1st	C Marwood	1st	C Marwood	
2nd	C Dougherty	2nd	N Morgan	
3rd	N Morgan	3rd	C Dougherty	
Yorkshire - Large Flock Homebred Ram Lamb		Yorkshire - Medium Flock Ewes		Yorkshire - Medium Flock Stock Rams Cumbria - Medium Flocks Ewes & Stock Rams Lancashire - Ewes, Ewe Lambs, Stock Rams & Champion
1st	C Dougherty	1st	S & N Hodgson	
2nd	C Marwood	2nd	J Danforth	
3rd	N Morgan	3rd	K Foster	
Yorkshire - Medium Flock Ewes Lambs		Yorkshire - Medium Flock Stock Rams		Overall Champion Flock <i>C Marwood</i>
1st	K Foster	1st	S & N Hodgson	
2nd	J Danforth	2nd	K Foster / D Dennis	
3rd	D Dennis			
Cumbria - Large Flocks Ewes & Ewe Lambs		Cumbria - Large Flocks Stock Ram & Homebred Ram		Overall Reserve Champ. Flock <i>J Wales</i>
1st	J Wales	1st	J Wales	
2nd	J Trafford			
Cumbria - Medium Flocks Homebred Ram Lambs		Cumbria - Medium Flocks Ewe Lambs		
1st	S Pickthall	1st	Mr & Mrs S Cummings	
2nd	Mr & Mrs S Cummings	2nd	D Norman	
		3rd	S Pickthall	

Region 4 - East of England - Judge: Mr David Norman

Large Flock - Ewes, Shearling Ewe & Ewe Lambs		Large Flock - Senior & Junior Rams		Small Flock - Ewes & Shearling Ewes	
1st	R Tyler & J Wild	1st	L & K Tucker	1st	G & C Watson
2nd	L & K Tucker	2nd	R Tyler & J Wild	2nd	T Mawer
				3rd	K Titmus
Small Flock - Ewe Lambs		Small Flock - Senior Rams		Small Flock - Junior Rams	
1st	T Mawer	1st	K Titmus	1st	G & C Watson
2nd	G & C Watson	2nd	G & C Watson	2nd	T Mawer
3rd	K Titmus	3rd	T Mawer	3rd	M Britten & E Barber
Novice Show Points & Any Other Breeds Cup <i>L & K Tucker</i>		Reserve Champion Flock & Champion Ewe Lambs <i>T Mawer, Kelby flock</i>		CHAMPION FLOCK Show Points Cup, Champion Junior Ram, Champion Ewes, Champion Shearling Ewes <i>G & C Watson</i>	

Region 5 - Central Region - Judge: Patrick & Bridget Tully

Small Flock Ewes & Stock Rams		Small Flock Shearling Ewes		Small Flock Ewe Lambs	
1st	P Tait	1st	S & J Talbot	1st	G Pink
2nd	M Johnson	2nd	P Tait	2nd	P Tait
3rd	R S & J Talbot	3rd	Flo Davies	3rd	M Johnson
Small Flock Junior Stock Ram		Large Flock Ewes		Large Flock Shearling Ewes	
1st	G Pink	1st	R & J Gregory	1st	J & J Corbett
2nd	S & J Talbot	2nd	J & J Corbett	2nd	Abbie Moseley
		3rd	Abbie Moseley	3rd	R & J Gregory
Large Flock Ewe Lambs		Large Flock Stock Rams		Large Flock Junior Stock Rams	
1st	Dave Roberts	1st	Dave Roberts	1st	R & J Gregory
2nd	R & J Gregory	2nd	R & J Gregory	2nd	Dave Roberts
3rd	J & J Corbett	3rd	A & J Walton	3rd	J & J Corbett
NOVICE AWARD - <i>Grant Pink</i>		RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK, CHAMPION EWES & CHAMPION JUNIOR RAM <i>R & J Gregory</i>		CHAMPION EWE LAMBS, CHAMPION STOCK RAM <i>Dave Roberts</i>	
OVERALL CHAMPION FLOCK & OVERALL CHAMPION SHEARLINGS - <i>J & J Corbett</i> MALE & FEMALE OF THE YEAR AND SHOW POINTS TROPHY - <i>P Tait</i>					

Region 6 - Wales - Judge: Huw & Bronwyn Evans

Large Flock Ewes, Shearling ewes, ewe lambs, stock rams & ram lambs		Medium Flock Ewes		Medium Flock Shearling Ewes	
1st	C Bowen	1st	E Hughes	1st	J & T Evans
		2nd	J & T Evans	2nd	E Hughes & G Davies
		3rd	N Sheldon		
Medium Flock Ewe lambs		Medium Flock Stock Rams		Medium Flock Ram Lambs	
1st	J & T Evans	1st	J & T Evans	1st	J & T Evans
2nd	E Hughes	2nd	G Davies	2nd	E Hughes
3rd	Gethin Davies	3rd	M Breese		
Small Flock Ewes		Small Flock Shearling Ewes		Small Flock Ewe Lambs	
1st	D & M Williams	1st	D & M Williams	1st	D & M Williams
2nd	S Tucker & K Grove	2nd	M Davies	2nd	S Tucker & K Grove
3rd	M Davies & G Evans	3rd	S Tucker & K Grove	3rd	M Davies
Small Flock Stock Rams		Small Flock Ram Lambs		Reserve Champion Small Flock <i>S Tucker & K Grove</i>	
1st	S Tucker & K Grove	1st	D & M Williams	Reserve Champion Medium Flock <i>E Hughes</i>	
2nd	M Davies	2nd	R Mills		
3rd	R Mills				
Champion Large Flock <i>C Bowen</i>		Champion Medium Flock <i>J & T Evans</i>		Champion Small Flock <i>D & M Williams</i>	
Overall Flock Champion - <i>J & T Evans - Sant Andras</i> Overall Reserve Flock Champion - <i>C Bowen - Gwyndy</i>				Champion Ram - <i>J & T Evans</i> Reserve Champion Ram - <i>C Bowen</i>	

Region 7 - South West Region - Clive Roads

Large Flock Ewes & Ewe Lambs		Large Flock Shearling Ewes		Large Flock Stock Rams	
1st	J Harding	1st	R Berry	1st	R Berry
2nd	R Berry	2nd	J Harding	2nd	R Endicott
3rd	R Endicott	3rd	R Endicott	3rd	J Harding
Large Flock Junior Stock Ram		Medium Flock Ewes & Shearling Ewes		Medium Flock Ewe Lambs	
1st	R Endicott	1st	Mrs L Pollard	1st	B & A Watts
2nd	J Harding	2nd	B & A Watts	2nd	Mrs L Pollard
3rd	R Berry	3rd	R Coad	3rd	R Coad



Supreme Champion 2017 owned by Jim & Fran Jeffery exhibited by David Berry pictured (left)
Reserve Supreme Champion 2017 owned by Eugene O'Sullivan pictured (right).
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Region 7 - South West Region (Contd)

Medium Flock Stock Rams		Medium Flock Junior Stock Ram		Small Flock Ewes & Ewe Lambs	
1st	J Barker	1st	B & A Watts	1st	T Nancekivell
2nd	R Coad	2nd	Mrs L Pollard	2nd	Y Underwood
				3rd	A Ancill
Small Flock Shearling Ewes		Small Flock Stock Ram		Small Flock Junior Stock Ram	
1st	T Nancekivell	1st	T Nancekivell	1st	Y Underwood
2nd	Y Underwood	2nd	A Ancill	2nd	A Ancill
Large Flock Winner <i>J Harding</i>		Medium Flock Winner <i>Mrs L Pollard</i>		Small Flock Winner <i>T Nancekivell</i>	
Large Flock Reserve <i>R Berry</i>		Medium Flock Reserve <i>B & A Watts</i>		Small Flock Reserve <i>Y Underwood</i>	
Champion Flock <i>Mrs L Pollard - Carnevas flock</i>		Reserve Champion Flock <i>B & A Watts - Willow flock</i>		County Show Points Cup <i>G Burrough</i>	
Male Sheep of the Year <i>A & A Pedrick</i>		One day show points Cup <i>T Nancekivell</i>		Female Sheep of the Year <i>J Barker</i>	

Region 8 - Northern Ireland - Judge: Mr Nick Hart

Large Flock		Medium Flock		Small Flock	
1st	Malcomson family	1st	D Fenton	1st	W McAllister
2nd	D & S Cowan	2nd	D Anderson	2nd	G Foster
3rd	I goundy	3rd	H McBratney	3rd	N McMordie
Large Flock Ewe Lambs		Medium Flock Ewe Lambs		Small Flock Ewe Lambs	
1st	D & S Cowan	1st	H McBratney	1st	N McMordie
2nd	I Goudy	2nd	T Fenton	2nd	W McAllister
3rd	Malcomson family	3rd	D Anderson	3rd	G Foster
Stock Ram Class		Junior Ram		Overall Winner of Ewe Lamb Class D & S Cowan	
1st	N McMordie	1st	W McAllister	Champion Flock <i>Malcomson family - Ringclare</i>	
2nd	D Anderson.	2nd	D & S Cowan	Reserve Champion Flock <i>N McMordie - Riverdale</i>	
3rd	T & D Fenton	3rd	N McMordie		
Male of the Year		Female of the Year		Glenbrook Show Team of the Year	
Lornbrook - Hollylodge Phoenix		Lornbrook - Sulwood Over the Stars		Lornbrook	
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N McMordie		R McLarnon		K Malcomson	

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