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FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2020

THE 40TH ANNUAL SALE OF
10,132
WELSH MULES
2858 YEARLING EWES
7274 EWE LAMBS

Under the auspices of the Welsh Mule Sheep Breeders' Society

Official Auctioneers - Builth Market Auctioneers Ltd

Auctioneers:
Matthew Nicholls
Greg Christopher
Chris Davies

Builth Market Auctioneers were delighted to be instructed with the 40th Mule Sale, in a year of very extreme circumstances, however we would like to acknowledge and appreciate the efforts of all vendors and purchasers in adhering to the rules throughout and offer our huge thanks for your support this year. We look forward to a long association with the Welsh Mule Sheep Breeders' Society. We would also like to thank Agri Lloyd for sponsorship of this year's sale.

YEARLING EWES - 2858

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

An excellent entry of yearlings met an exceptional trade that strengthened throughout the sale. Customers for 4000 ewes with farmers present from throughout the Midlands, South and West Wales and Scotland all of whom were very impressed with the quality of the ewes forward.

The yearlings have averaged £173.23 - an increase of over £23/head on 2019, topping at £245 for 30 tremendous coloured Mules from noted consignors M/s H & E Powell, Llwyngwilym. This exceptional run of yearlings with 75% of them reared lambs sold from £190 to £245 and averaged just short of £220 for 390 ewes. White faced yearlings from the same home to £230. A super pen of white faced Mules from M/s J A & B A Batt to £205, £200 for a pen of whites from Mr A T Bennett. Several pens of both white faced and coloured Mules trading £180 to £195 for the top pens in many runs, plenty of business being done from £170 to £180 with both the White Faced and Coloured sorts seeing excellent commercial demand. The smaller yearlings maybe the dearest sold on the day with these trading £145 to £160 throughout the sale with plenty of both local and fresh faces looking for Mules this autumn and certainly helping to lift the averages on the day. Welsh Mules certainly ringing the bell in the new sale centre and I think all vendors going away extremely satisfied with their business.

**We are operating a drop and go system for vendors
All purchasers must register with the office prior to the sale**

SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER

At 11.00am

Society Sale of MV Accredited

388 PEDIGREE TEXEL & 173 CHAROLLAIS RAMS

Section for

NON-MV ACCREDITED COMMERCIAL BREEDING RAMS

Catalogues available

TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER

5000 SHEEP

1500 BREEDING EWES

Yearlings to full mouth

3000 STORE LAMBS

REARING/WEANED CALVES

Please check website for entries

250 BREEDING RAMS

Including section for

SUFFOLK YEARLING RAMS

Ram entries close Thursday 17th September at 5.00pm

Ewe/lamb entries close Friday 18th September at 10.00am

WEDNESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

SHEEP

DROP AND GO SERVICE

PRIME LAMBS - 10.00am

CULL EWES - 11.00am

All sheep penned on arrival

THURSDAY 1st OCTOBER

At 11.00am catalogued sale of

800 STORE CATTLE

Section for continental cross cattle

FEEDING BULLS

BARREN COWS

Entries for catalogue to the office by Wednesday 23rd September at 12 noon

THURSDAY 8th OCTOBER

At 11.00am catalogued sale of

100 COWS & CALVES

BREEDING HEIFERS

STOCK BULLS

Entries to the office by Wednesday 30th September at 12 noon

EWE LAMBS - 7274

**Auctioneers - Matthew Nicholls,
Greg Christopher, Chris Davies**

The ewe lambs followed the yearlings and met a terrific trade which lasted throughout the sale. All vendors must be congratulated with one of the best shows of ewe lambs seen in the market. Trade topped at £192 for a super pen of coloured Mules from Mr Wyn Jones, Maesyderi, purchased by Mr H Powell. Mr Jones also sold other pens to £168 twice. Another super pen of coloured Mules to £185 from M/s R G & B M Jones, Tymawr, others from the same farm to £165. Top price whites from M/s A & M Jones, Rhysgog at £172, with Whites to £162 from M/s T V Hughes & Co.

Several pens of strong white faced ewe lambs from £150 to £160 and would generally be dearer than the coloured types. The stronger coloured lambs trading from £130 to £150 with this trade maintained throughout the sale. Smart headed stronger running lambs £115 to £125 for the coloured Mules and £120 to £130 for the white faced. The smaller running lambs nearly all £95 to £110, with only one pen at under £90 and only 25 lambs remaining unsold. Purchasers in general wanting the stronger bodied ewe lambs with the yearling trade reflecting the demand for good bodied ewes, with demand for producing finished lambs or the excellent Suffolk or Texel cross Mule ewe lamb.

A large crowd all social distanced around the sale ring with plenty of returning purchasers plus some additional men new to this sale.

Purchasers for all types and several failing to buy the numbers they were wanting due in main to price.

Averages

YEARLING EWES

TYPE	TOP PRICE
COLOURED MULE	£245
WHITE FACED MULE	£230

OVERALL AVERAGE - £173.23

EWE LAMBS

TYPE	TOP PRICE
COLOURED MULE	£192
WHITE FACED MULE	£172

OVERALL AVERAGE - £115.71

TOP PRICE EWES



£245

H & E Powell, Llwyngwillim

TOP PRICE EWE LAMBS



£192

Wyn Jones, Maesyderi

GALLERY

