



# 10,775 STORE SHEEP

754 BREEDING EWES

6233 STORE LAMBS

3648 SPECIAL EWE LAMBS

140 BREEDING RAMS

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## **THIRD SPECIAL EWE LAMBS - 3648**

**Auctioneers -Matthew Nicholls/Rory Matthews**

A fantastic entry of ewe lambs for the third special sale with trade boisterous from start to finish. As was to be expected, bulk of the entry made up of vendor's latter draws with the best quality harder to come by and sold earlier in the autumn.

Virtually no tuppung lambs on offer, however, that being said some excellent pens of running types forward seeing a top of £152 for a smart pen of Whitefaced Mules from A Jones, Middle Farm. Suffolk cross Speckle lambs soaring to £151 from TEP Jones & Son, Old House. Coloured Mules to £145 from JE & SJL James and several pens of Suffolk cross Mules trading £140 to £144. Texel cross Mules to £135 twice with no end of business done throughout the £130's for the stronger and sharper lambs regardless of breed. The strongest and smartest sorts continued to trade £120 to £135, for both Texel x Mules and Suffolk x Mules with the Suffolks easier sold slightly over the Texels.

Several smaller running Mule lambs, these continued the same pattern as the Society sales with plenty trading £115 to £125 for both Whitefaced and Coloured lambs.

Vast majority of the smaller lambs trading in the £100 to £115 bracket and perhaps looking the best sold! A lovely run of Cheviot's consigned by TB Phillips & Co, Twyn-Neuadd really caught the eye seeing the three pens sold at £122, £118 and £108. Providing the ewe lambs were sharp headed, these were sold to breeding customers. More ordinarily bred lambs meeting less customers from the yearling ewe job, and swept up by weekly store lamb purchasers.

No more special sales left this year, however, ewe lambs can be sold to an advantage in our store sales every Tuesday. Please contact one of the auctioneers to discuss trade and marketing.



Overall average £118.62



**A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET ~ GREEN MARKET STATUS**

## **FORTHCOMING SALES**

### **TUESDAY 7th NOVEMBER**

**8,000 SHEEP**

**500 BREEDING EWES**

**7000 STORE LAMBS**

**150 BREEDING RAMS**

*Ram entries by Thursday 2nd November*

**REARING/WEANED CALVES**

*Store sheep/calf entries by Friday 3rd November*

### **WEDNESDAY 8th NOVEMBER**

**2000 PRIME LAMBS - 10.00am**

**2000 CULL EWES - 12 noon**

*All sheep penned on arrival*

### **TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER**

**SECOND SPECIAL SALE OF**

**300 SUCKLED CALVES**

*Entries to the office by 12 noon, Monday 6th November*

### **THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER**

**AT 10.30am**

**700 STORE CATTLE**

**FEEDING BULLS**

**COWS & CALVES**

**BARREN COWS**

*Entries to the office by Wednesday 8th November at 12 noon*

## **STORE LAMBS - 6233**

**Auctioneer - Greg Christopher**

A large show of stores was met by another large ringside of customers with plenty of travelling customers, trade started slightly easier however went dearer throughout with only the stronger farming lambs £2-£3 less on the week due to a slip in finished trade and some smaller, plainer lambs a little easier otherwise all other classes of lambs remained very similar to the previous weeks' animated trade.

Slightly disappointing that some vendors not showing lambs, although an exceptionally busy sale day we had finished selling before 5.00pm and to a large ringside of customers right to the death. Strength topped at £135.50, £133, £128, £121.50 and £120 for the real strong sorts. Smart Texels remaining very easy to cash with the best £100-£117. Several bunches from £105-£110, with small smart Texels and Beltex trading from £86-£96. The strongest farming lambs trading from £95-£103 with fewer lambs trading over £100. The well bred farming lambs continue to be very easy to sell and from £92-£98. Plenty of lambs trading £95-£98.

The medium keep lambs seeing the well bred types with condition from £85-£90, to include some smart Cheviot wethers from £82-£90. More of these could have been sold to advantage. Plainer, medium keep lambs £80-£86 depending on breed with recent weather just showing in some lambs.

A few more longer term lambs this wee, the well bred types £65-£75 for anything Texel, continental or Suffolk x. Harder bred and hill cross lambs from £55-£65, with some very small hill types £40-£54. Very few under £40. Just under 1200 ram lambs, these would be a little dearer, strength £95-£105, with very strong sorts £110 plus. Again plenty of Mule ram lambs, strongest £90-£96 with a large bunch of Cheviot ram lambs just over £90, smaller farming sorts from £85-£92, with the plainer ram lambs from £76-£83. Fewer hill ram lambs this week although the best hill types £70-£85, only some very small Welsh ram lambs £45-£60.

***Overall Average - £89.27/head***

	MIXED LAMBS (£)	RAM LAMBS (£)	EWE LAMBS (£)
TEXEL	135.50	133.00	-
CHAROLLAIS	110.50	121.50	-
SUFFOLK	101.50	116.00	-
WELSH MULE	94.00	95.50	152.00
WELSH/CHEVIOT	90.50	91.50	-

## **BREEDING EWES - 754**

*Auctioneer - Rory Matthews*

Still First in-lambers of the season with plenty of interest despite the very small entry. Charollais yearlings and aged Suffolks, scanning well and due early January, both dispatched at £280 from P Hope, Tan House. Several customers starting to enquire about early lambers, please contact Rory or Rob if you intend on selling or buying in-lamb ewes in the near future.

A Welsh dominated entry of breeders with trade again very pleasing despite time running away from us! Seemingly all breeds represented and in demand as long as fit and ready for tugging!

Aged Texel ewes to £185 from AD & KJ Williams, Lower Blaencurdy and homebred Texel cross yearlings to £162 and £158 from the Cook Farm Partnership. Well-bred aged Suffolk cross ewes to £155 from SDR & LJ Price with several pens of mixed bred yearlings sold in the £140's. Three year old north Country Mules to £142 from Nigel Pritchard, Hyatt who also saw threes and fours to £138, strong full mouthed White Faced Mules to £130 from the same stable.

Several small hill bred yearling ewes forward this week with these easy to sell as long as backed and healthy. Hardy Speckles to £115, Nelson Welsh to £110 and Cheviot types to £110. Improved Welsh twos, threes and fours to £106 from Nigel Pritchard again with a large run of flock aged Welsh from Messrs Goodwin, Abergwesyn trading £70 to £90 for sweet but small types. Trade on the older types heavily dependent on teeth this week, ewes with plenty of life ahead of them easily cashed at good money, with second year brokers hovering above their killing value.

## **BREEDING RAMS - 140**

*Auctioneer - Rob Meadmore*

Still plenty of life in the breeding ram ring, with an excellent clearance effected. Plenty of better Texels between 500Gns and 600Gns, with a lot of business done from 350Gns to 450Gns.

<b>BREED</b>	<b>LAMBS</b>	<b>YRLNGS</b>	<b>2 YRS</b>	<b>3 YRS</b>	<b>4 YRS</b>
SUFFOLK	-	<b>630</b>	-	-	-
TEXEL	<b>441</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>525</b>	-	-
CHAROLLAIS	-	<b>695</b>	-	-	-
BFL	-	<b>630</b>	-	-	-

# **AUTUMN SALES - 2023**

<u>SALE DATE</u>	<u>SALE</u>	<u>CATALOGUE CLOSING DATE</u>
<b>TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>MULTI-BREED RAMS</b>	<b>THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER</b>
<b>TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>MULTI-BREED RAMS</b>	<b>THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER</b>
<b>TUESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER</b>	<b>MULTI-BREED RAMS</b>	<b>THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER</b>

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<b>THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER</b>	<b>STORE CATTLE</b>	<b>Catalogue available</b>
<b>THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>STORE CATTLE</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER - 12 NOON</b>
<b>THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>STORE CATTLE</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER - 12 NOON</b>
<b>THURSDAY 21ST DECEMBER</b>	<b>STORE CATTLE</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER - 12 NOON</b>
<b>TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>THIRD SUCKLED CALVES</b>	<b>MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER</b>

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