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When I established my Texel flock in 1978 as a consequence of seeing the results of research work done by ABRO (Animal Breeding Research Organisation) in which Texels were shown to be superior in terms of carcass composition and conformation. This convinced me that the Texel breed had a great future of which I wanted to be a part of. However I never could have envisaged the speed and scale of Texel dominance over the proceeding years.

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Now nearly 35yrs later Texels are established as the number one terminal sire breed in Britain and our market share continues to increase. Maintaining this enviable position is in our own hands by only selling sheep that have the commercial characteristics in terms of growth and conformation that the industry requires. In addition, by only selling the best and culling the rest we will also ensure the market is not over supplied and prices remain high.

The future looks very optimistic; we have had an upsurge of new members, with many of them being young. Performance recording in the breed has also taken off, with many of the top priced rams having the best Estimated Breeding Values. Additionally, export interest to Europe and beyond is on the increase. This situation coupled with the buoyancy of the commercial sheep sector means there has never been a better time to be involved with Texel sheep. We must all hope this situation is not threatened by the emergence of the Schmallenberg disease in the UK.

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The Board, Chief Executive and staff are dedicated to ensure the breed goes from strength to strength. The youth initiative, promotion of performance recording, exploring export opportunities, effective promotion and well run sales are all aimed at ensuring our continued success. I would personally like to thank all these people for the time and commitment they put in on behalf of the Texel Sheep Society. I would like to make particular reference to my predecessor Gordon Gray, for the dedication he showed over his two years as Chairman.

As I write this article at the beginning of my term as Chairman I feel particularly privileged to be at the helm at this exciting time. I look forward to meeting many of you over the next two years, so if we have not already met before introduce yourself!

Nick Tavernor
Society President and Chairman



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Membership, key to our success...

What a great pleasure it is to present the 35th Edition of the ever popular Society annual journal. It is a unique and important production, very much like our very own breed. This edition moves to a new practical format, easy to reference and read. I do hope you enjoy your copy as much as I have enjoyed working with the office team to produce it.

For me personally, it is an absolute privilege to be your Chief Executive. Together, I believe we can prepare for a great future and develop the Texel breed as it continues to meet commercial requirements.

I am very proud of our successes, both as a Society and as a breed, with the many contributions that you make across the UK ensuring we stay focused and resilient. We operate in a truly exciting industry, coming into its own as the government realise the importance that the sheep industry contributes to food production. British Texel is a major player today, with Society Sales gross income alone increasing by 45% from £3.15M in 2008 to £4.57M in 2011,

with many large commercial and private sales, additional to this figure.

Whilst many industries contract, those that remain in our industry seek cost effective tools and realise the influence that the Texel breed offers across a whole host of finishing systems, such as the breed's hardiness, its productivity and its versatility in quality lean meat production. But most importantly, its ability to add value to business margins is now widely understood.

The enthusiasm for Texel always leaves me with that feel-good factor as I travel round the country, meeting members or representing members at a variety of events. Listening to members has helped me to support the board who continue to respond and adapt our organisation to meet your requirements. This remains our number one objective.

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There are good reasons for the current optimism. Sheep prices are good and a confident and consistent outlook remains for the near future. I know that there are always problems to be dealt with, threat of disease such as Schmallenberg virus being the obvious one, or uncertainty in the Eurozone. The Society understands these challenges and will respond to support and protect its services on your behalf.

Of course, with a growing world population – this will mean strong demand for protein, with many sheep industries retracting;

this offers UK producers an opportunity. Although improving quality and reducing waste will be essential, the Texel is key to this, improving profitability without compromise.

I firmly believe that the future of our breed will influence the future success of our industry.

Our breed has developed to meet market requirements, proven in our climate, a breed that continues to evolve, a breed that has a fine balance of commercial traits, a breed that meets the producer's requirements for lean meat yield from grass. We have to produce more – it's what the world requires, and it's what the UK happens to be very good at. Europe is our industry's largest export market. Texel has an incredible influence on that market, a market that demands quality.

And the future largely depends on our young people. No doubt the best way is for the sector to offer them a profitable and viable future. The Society

supports this through reduced joining fees and subscriptions. In addition, many organisations offer scholarships and in 2012 the Texel Society will launch its NEW scholarship programme for the general membership, with a specific scholarship available for 16-18 year olds. New initiatives will follow over the coming years to complement this membership strategy, offering support and opportunities to those members that want to expand their knowledge base.

I believe we all share the same vision for the future of our Society and development of our breed, a breed that continues to improve our industry's production efficiency. I know that many of you have many ideas in this area. The Board and I are determined to work with you to deliver it. I firmly believe that the future of our breed will influence the future success of our industry.

We must work together to make the most of our breed's strengths and identify new opportunities.

It's an exciting future for our breed and we can shape it together.

John Yates
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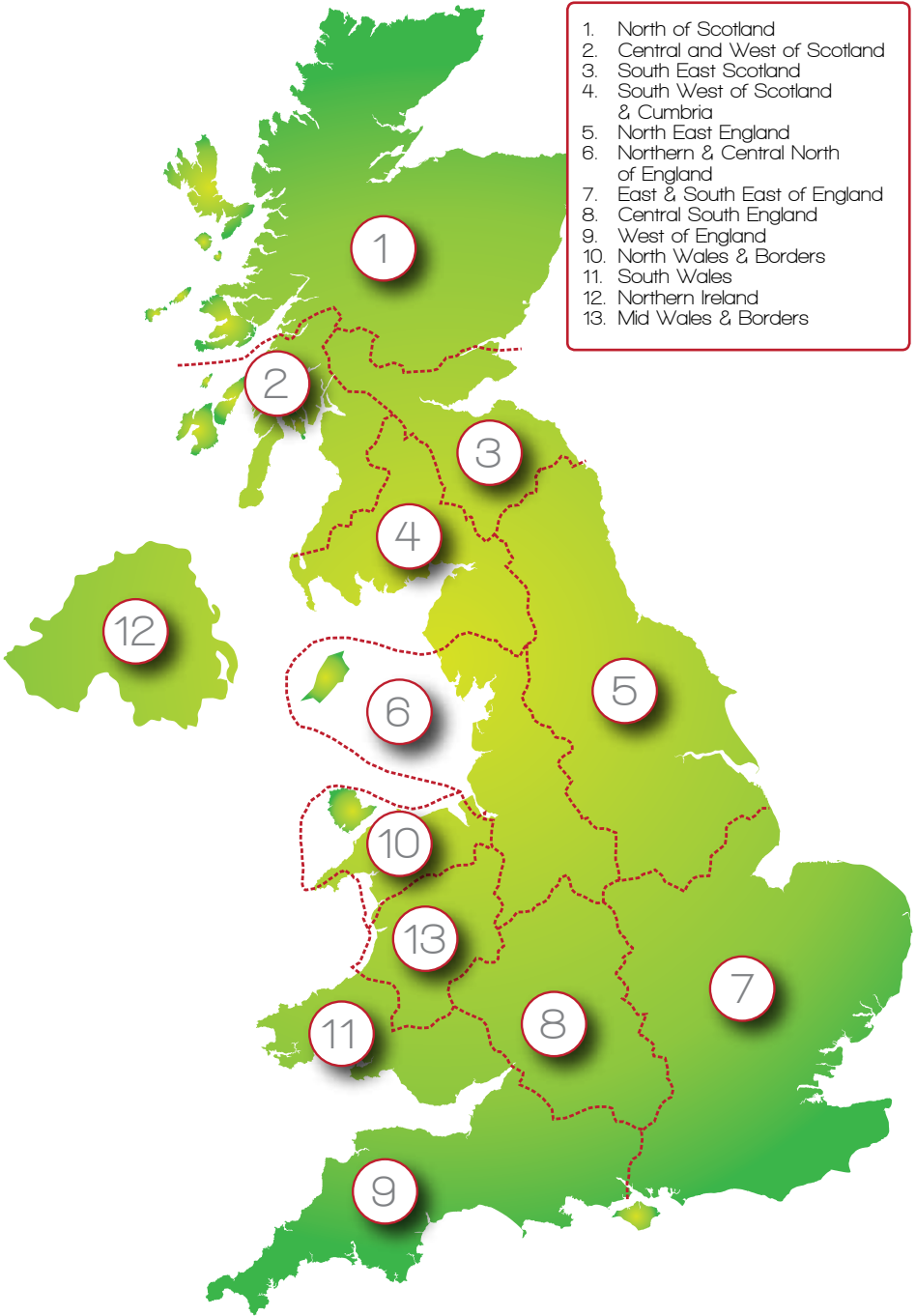
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Society policy in relation to the use of the Wool Test.

To assist in ensuring that wool trimming is discouraged in our breed. The Society Chief Executive and Chairman or Vice Chairman collectively decides if and when the wool test is needed at National sales. As Chairman and or Vice Chairman and the CE are present at the National sales.

In the first instance the members will be given the opportunity to remove the sheep from the sale. If this is refused then the sheep or full pen will be sampled by the local veterinary surgeon using the standard operating procedure already in place.

At sales where the Chief Executive and the Chairman and or the Vice Chairman are not present and a Club inspection team suspects that sheep have been trimmed then it is at the Inspectors discretion to offer the member the opportunity to remove the sheep from their club sale. If the Member refuses to remove the alleged sheep from the sale and proceeds to sell the sheep at the event, then the Club should report the incident to the Chief Executive in writing, stating that a member was given the opportunity to remove a sheep from the sale as it was suspected of being trimmed, and had refused this option.

On receiving the letter from the Club, the Chief Executive will then submit the Club's letter to the Board who will discuss the option of testing a random sample of sheep at any Society sale that the member enters the following year. A letter will be sent to advise the member that the Society intends to randomly test sheep (single or more than one) at any sale, in the following year. If the member refuses to accept the testing of sheep by the Society, the sheep will be ineligible for sale at that event and the case will be referred to the disciplinary committee.

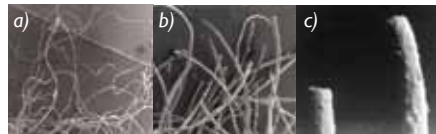
The final decision on where a wool test is used remains with the Society officials as explained above. The decision to test sale entries using the wool test is not at the discretion of the individual clubs inspection teams.

Whilst this may not deal with a specific member immediately it does allow for the test to be used as a deterrent under strict controls. This policy also ensures that any member that enters sheep to a sale run under the society auspices that do not meet with the Inspection teams satisfaction, can be dealt with directly by the Society in an appropriate manner.

All Members are referred to the Society Bye-Law 9.6

Bye-Law 9.6

No dressing, trimming, clipping or excessive use of dips on the fleeces of sheep will be permitted. No artificial whitening of any part of the sheep will be permitted. An inspector may be present at the sale with the authority to disqualify any sheep, which in his opinion, are below a minimum standard with regard to breed type or are found to be contravening the Society Bye-laws, right up to the point of sale. The decision of the inspector shall be final and failure to accept the inspector's decision will result in the entire consignment being rejected.



a) A sample of wool in 'pristine' condition with individual fibres clearly seen twisting within the fleece.

b) A sample of 'trimmed' wool with individual fibres shown clearly cut.

c) An individual 'trimmed' wool fibre at greater magnification

Sire of the Year 2011
Glenside Razzle Dazzle



Texel Sheep Society "Sire of the Year" 2011

Congratulations go to John Forsyth (Glenside), who won the 2011 'Sire of the Year' trophy with the three top sons of Glenside Razzle Dazzle, (FPG1000055).

Razzle Dazzle is jointly owned by four Aberdeenshire flocks, Milnbank, Deveronvale, Insch, and Strathbogie, he made a tremendous impact this year on all four flocks.

The runner up was the Irish born Straidarran Ranger (VXS1000004), whose three top sons included the 46,000gns Foyle View Superstar (SMVI100017) who topped the Lanark National sale.

GLENSIDE RAZZLE DAZZLE FPG1000055

- Bred by John Forsyth (Glenside)
- Purchased at Lanark 2010 for 40,000gns
- Purchased by:-
 - Robbie Wilson - Milnbank
 - Graham Morrison - Deveronvale
 - Ian Farquhar - Insch
 - J Innes & Sons - Strathbogie
- Qualifying winning aggregate 61,000gns
- Three highest priced sons:-
 - Milnbank Special One (25,000gns)
 - Strathbogie Smokey Blue (24,000gns)
 - Milnbank Sound Investment (12,000gns)

The Society's 2012 "Sire of the Year" trophy will be awarded to the breeder of the 2012 season sire of the 4 national sales. The award is calculated on the top 3 aggregate sale price of ram lambs across the 4 nationals from a 1st season sire. Presentation of the award being made at an appropriate time at the discretion of the Society. The qualifying Society sales are held at Ballymena, Lanark, Welshpool and Worcester

The Breed

The Breed is famed for its exceptional carcass qualities, conformation and growth, making it the most popular terminal sire in the UK. In recent years the breed's hardiness and adaptability has been recognised by upland and hill producers, who farm in harsh climates >350m above sea level. Texel rams are much in demand in this environment and they increasingly replace traditional hill breeds to produce a more marketable product, such as store lambs and cross bred females.

The Texel sheep originates from the island of Texel, one of the north-western islands off Holland where the ancient native sheep was known as Pielsteert (Pin-tail, because of its thin short tail).

In an attempt to improve prolificacy, growth rate and size several English breeds such as Lincoln, Leicester and Wensleydale were introduced at the end of the nineteenth century. Rigorous selection resulted in the development of a large, prolific and well muscled sheep. 1909 saw the formation of the first Texel breed society in North Holland which in 1911 issued the first description of type.

About 1933, the Texel was introduced to France and has since become established, particularly in the Northern provinces. In 1970, the first Texels were introduced to the United Kingdom with an importation organised by the Animal Breeding Research



Organisation, who brought in four rams for experimental purposes. Another four followed in 1971 and ABRO initiated extensive trials to compare the Texel with other terminal sires. The verdict was that the Texel excelled in carcass quality and, in particular, in lean meat yield.


In 1973, thirteen Lanarkshire sheep breeders joined forces with ABRO to import twenty-seven Texel females and thirteen rams from France. Further importations were made throughout the 1970s, with the first direct import from Holland at the end of that decade.

The Texels have shown that they are capable of withstanding the rigours of the Scottish winter with little hardship and their progeny have proved to be as adaptable in our climate and altitude as the flocks in Holland and France.

The Breed is well known in Europe, Australasia, Africa and North and South America as a provider of a high quality carcass that has a high killing out percentage. It is also well known in many countries as a breed that transmits its qualities to its progeny when used for crossing purposes.

Texel Sheep Society 37th Annual General Meeting & Social Weekend 2011

This extremely successful event was hosted in conjunction with the Northern Ireland Texel Club on Friday & Saturday October 28th – 29th 2011 at the La Mon Hotel and Country Club, Castlereagh, Belfast.

 In the Friday evening a large attendance of members from the mainland were joined by local breeders with over 100 members dining and setting the weekend's social event going with a quiz hosted by the Young Breeders Club.

The La Mon Hotel proved an extremely relaxing and successful venue so much so many members had decided to make use of the leisure and hospitality whilst a coach of Members headed city bound early on the Saturday morning with an interesting city tour of Belfast. The coach headed to the Balmoral showground where many local NI members met the coach party for an exhibition at the Londonderry Hall, comprising of N.I. Texel Sheep & Young Breeders Club display of sheep followed by lunch at the Kings Head and more refreshments! This was the only opportunity to view the Elite Gimmers that were auctioned later that evening prior to the Dinner Dance.

Following the ever popular Dinner Dance, presentations were made by the Society and NI Club. Society awards included in particular the biannual "Presidents award" presented by the Society President and Chairman Gordon Gray to an individual that in the Boards opinion has dedicated a significant amount of time and support to the benefit of the society and the breed, this was gracefully received by Robbie Mulligan.

Additional awards also included the incoming Chairman and President Nick Tavernor presenting Gordon Gray a Crystal Rose Bowl on behalf of the Society and Membership for Gordon's dedication and commitment over the past two years in carrying out his role. Bruce Mair was also presented with a Crystal Clock to commemorate his retirement following ten years as a valued Director on The Texel Board. The new chairman also announced his very popular proposal of Vice Chairman and President which is local Northern Irish breeder Henry Gamble. Further Club awards with entertainment by an Irish dancing display followed by "The Harmony Dance Band".



The weekend proved extremely enjoyable with many members taking the time to discuss the extremely successful year the breed and the Society has achieved, the annual Autumn social events provided by the Clubs and the Society continue to go from strength to strength.

The Society will be holding its AGM & 2012 Social weekend in conjunction with the Solway & Tyne Texel Breeders Club 30th Anniversary celebration at Slaley Hall Hotel, Slaley, Hexham, Northumberland NE47 0BX.

The AGM will take place at 4.00pm on Saturday 3rd November at Slaley Hall followed by the Dinner Dance at 7.30pm. Presentations after dinner will be followed by dancing and entertainment by the very popular band, CAMUS.



Scholarship



*Increase your knowledge with a **Texel** Scholarship!*



Scholarship

The Texel Sheep Society is a registered charity that is committed to advancing the promotion and improvement of the breeding of Texel sheep through research and assisting with knowledge transfer.

As part of its charitable activities, the Texel Sheep Society has established a scholarship scheme to provide an opportunity for individuals in the UK to pursue a short term project. To broaden their education and experience in areas relating to the improvement of sheep production in the UK.

- One award will be available specifically for 16 to 18 year olds, with two additional awards open to the entire membership.
- Projects may involve travel, work experience, attending seminars or events and are open to individuals over the age of 16, with the condition that you are a member of the Texel Sheep Society at the time of application.
- Scheme launched on May 1st 2012 and applications should be submitted by 30th August 2012.

For more information and an application form please visit our website:
www.texel.co.uk/scholarship



Increase your knowledge with a *Texel Scholarship!*



Scholarship

Particulars of the 2012 award

Texel Sheep Society is a registered charity, with 2,000 members. It has grown into the largest registry of Pedigree Texel sheep anywhere in the world. Today 2,000 Texel breeders birth notify around 60,000 lambs with 23,000 females and 1,550 males going onto full pedigree registration annually.

The Society and its nineteen regional clubs and Performance Recorded Members market some 12,000 breeding rams through 35 sales throughout the UK. Official Society sales held under their Auspices alone grossed £5.6 Million in 2011. A rise of 45% in gross sales revenue since 2005. Confirming the popularity of the breed and the continued success and importance of membership of the Society.

The UK boasts a diverse geography which creates different needs in the promotion and marketing of Texels, which are addressed by the nineteen breeders' clubs. The clubs have an in-depth knowledge of local traditions, market conditions and preferences and this experience means that they can deliver a more targeted service ensuring the Society stays in touch locally.

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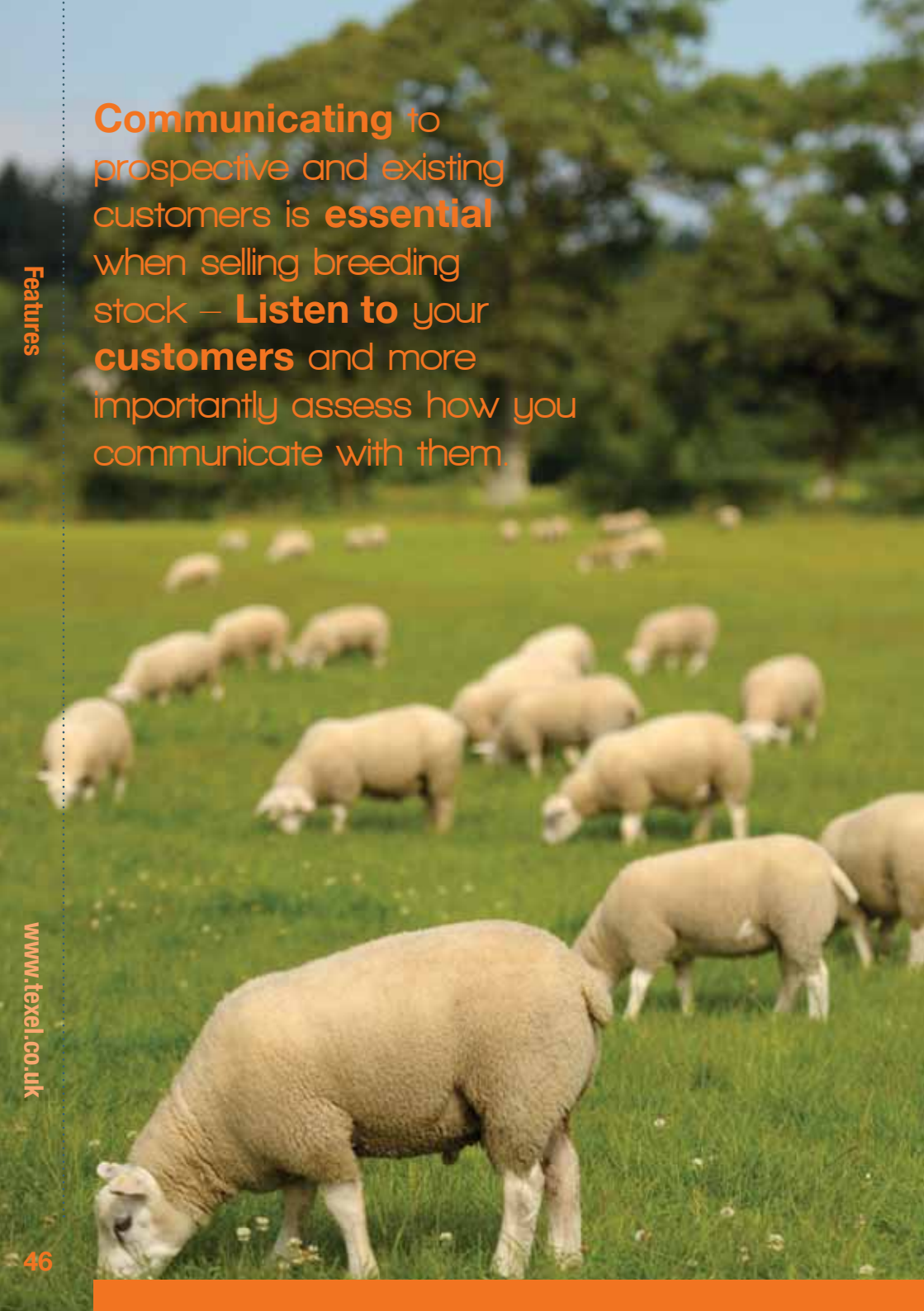
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The 8th annual sale of CTC, the Welsh performance recorded ram group, took place at IBERS, Plas Gogerddan, Aberystwyth on August 8th 2011. In spite of being a couple of weeks earlier than usual, there was keen competition for rams with top figures and looks to match. Nearly 80% of the rams sold had Scan Weight EBVs in the top 5% and nearly 90% in the top 5% for Muscle Depth. Most of the rams went to commercial flocks but several were bought by pedigree buyers. The top priced ram, at 1200gns, was Cwmerfyn Roci, from Maddy Lewis and went to the Madewell flock of Walter Adlington. Roci is an ET son of Tweed Odyssey and his EBVs include a scan wt of 11.51 and a muscle depth of 5.62. A further four rams sold for 1000gns or more. Most of the buyers were from various parts of Wales but a few rams went over the borders, even as far as Scotland.

This sale is targeted at commercial buyers wanting naturally reared, fit stock rams that can be turned in to the ewes to work without losing too much body condition. Many of the buyers have become used to choosing their rams using the performance figures having attended the sale in previous years and making use of the HCC information and training that are available in Wales. A definite trend has developed favouring a combination of good Scan Weight EBVs with high Muscle Depth EBVs and neutral or positive Fat Depth figures.

For 2012, it is intended that the high performance ram sale will return to its usual time and, subject to confirmation, will be held at Plas Gogerddan, Aberystwyth

on Thursday 16th August 2012. All rams entered for the 2012 sale will have both scan and muscle EBVs in the top 10% or better; anyone interested in further information about the sale should visit the Texel Society web site nearer the time.

Breeding Strategies

Over the years, members of our group have tried to evolve our breeding policies to produce rams with the well balanced EBVs that our regular buyers have been looking for. If rams are fast growing then they need to have high muscle to match the growth and enough fat to allow their lambs to be sold with enough finish at the target weights the abattoirs want. Research both in Australia and the UK has suggested that eating quality of lamb is improved by intramuscular fat. Most butchers have been saying this for years but the trick is to breed the rams that will produce the right type and quantity of fat and this should be the next goal. What is known from research in Australia is that the pursuit of rams with very high lean weights has led to lambs with poorer eating quality. At present, the price of lamb is good and we all hope it will continue but it is unlikely to continue to sell at a premium price if it is not a delicious product. We will be interested in the research that is underway and hope we can use the results to improve our breeding strategies further.

Outstanding Contribution to the Welsh Sheep Industry

Many of you will have read that the John Gittins Memorial Award has been presented to one of our members, Alwyn Phillips, for his contribution to the Welsh sheep industry. Our congratulations to him on this well deserved recognition. Thanks to IBERS and HCC for their continued support.

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There have been concerns for many years that breeding rams are being over-fed, which may be limiting their breeding life. This is a response to strong market signals – buyers prefer the biggest rams – but it's important to consider the consequences for the animal.

EBLEX and Signet sent out a survey to English ram breeders in the middle of 2011 supported by the Society, in order to understand the current management of lambs from birth to sale. They received 103 responses, of which 45 were from Texel flocks. The flocks contained 5,470 Texel ewes and were selling 452 ram lambs and 1,068 shearlings per annum.

A focus of the survey was the use of creep feed and concentrates, plus what alternatives breeders are using, for example forage crops, chicory and white clover. It is well known that over-feeding concentrates (more than 40% of dry matter intake being concentrates) can have detrimental effects on the rumen, bone development, kidneys, testicles and sperm production, making it obvious why over-fed rams do not perform. To borrow the words of John Vipond from SAC, breeders should be producing sexual athletes, not couch potatoes.

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Early findings from the survey indicate the wide range of rearing conditions for Texels – reflecting in part at least the different ages at which rams are marketed. Half of the Texel respondents don't feed creep early in life and 41% still aren't feeding lambs at 8 weeks of age. About a quarter of Texel

flocks don't provide supplementary feed between birth and 21 weeks of age. Five breeders who responded to survey did not feed any concentrates to rams from birth to sale.

To reduce the reliance on concentrates,

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both from a health and welfare perspective and for sustainable ram production, we need to look to well managed grass and forage. Of the five breeders who used no concentrates, only one of them was using temporary grass leys, with the remainder being on permanent pasture. So massive investment in re-seeding programmes is not necessary, but good grazing management is. With most of the Texel ewes lambing February into March, spring growth can make up most, if not all, of the ewes' requirements. Remember that well-managed grass can provide 12 MJ of ME and over 20% crude protein.



EBLEX are planning to produce a blueprint for "Breeding Fit for Purpose Rams", with help from Signet, SAC and ADAS. This should be available at the Sheep event, Malvern.

Barrowby Bert Verity

by Mick Verity (KIRKDALE)

My father, Mr H R Verity (Bert) has decided to relinquish his membership of the Society as he has now reached the age of 98. He is in sound health but needs to take it easier these days.

He founded the BARROWBY flock of Texels in 1978, and through the years he has enjoyed many accolades at the sale and, as many of you will know, his devotion to the show rings goes without saying. He has won many Championships through the north.

Father and I are probably better known for our many years exhibiting commercial

beef cattle, when as a teenager I managed to persuade father to buy a cow suckling a fantastic calf, his name was Charlie because we couldn't pronounce 'Charolais' in those days. Charlie was never beaten in the show ring, and he made a bit of history in 1966 when he became the first continental X animal to be exhibited at the Royal Smithfield Show at Earls Court in London, I think I am right in saying a native breed has never won the Supreme Championship since.

With this in mind Father and I became very interested in the Texel breed, due to its carcase quality, again and again the Texel X lambs were unbeatable on conformation and of course commanding premium prices.

Father has spent 33 years pushing and recommending the Texel breed to many non Texel breeders to try them and its thanks to his gentle persistence many more Texel



Malton Show 1992
Supreme champion steer, a very Royal winner!

Bert Verity



tups are seen about and of course they (the new breeders) are reaping the benefits.

Hopefully Father will still be seen at one or two shows, and with a bit of luck at the 'SHOWMANS CLUB' marquee at the Great Yorkshire Show, which he established. I am sure we are all very grateful for it and his hard work.

Raymond Twiddle, President of the Regional Agricultural Society at the Great Yorkshire Show said "Bert Verity is a professional showman, one of the first men to see the impact that the Texel sheep would have on the British sheep industry. A lifelong supporter of the Great Yorkshire Show and exhibitor of sheep and cattle". He added "Bert was never afraid to put his point forward, a truly great ambassador for British livestock wherever he was".

John Forsyth (Glenside Texel flock) commented, "On the occasions that I have showed at the Yorkshire Show I have always enjoyed the company of Bert. He is a great character and he serves up a very hearty breakfast as well as other good meals. I was very interested in his stories about his own

days of showing and he brought out his photo album with all his successes recorded in it. What a great interest he has in the Texels and always wants to know what you are showing and comes to the ringside to support us all. It is great 'old boys' like this that you meet and listen to, that makes the job of showing worthwhile".



Championship Lamb Carcase
- Great Yorkshire Show 1987



The Mellin Family
Duncan, Linda, John & Tim Mellin

Hull House Texels

The Hull House Texel flock of John and Linda Mellin enjoyed its best year ever in 2011 with tremendous success in both the show and sale rings and the couple are optimistic not only for the future of their own business, but the Texel breed and the whole of the sheep industry.

“Producers have had 15 years in the doldrums, but things are changing. Sheep numbers are down across the whole world, but the demand for British lamb is growing. I think the future is bright for both pedigree and commercial breeders and its good news particularly for the younger generation.”

John is the third generation of his family to farm at Hellifield, Skipton, North Yorkshire and has recently been joined in the business by his son, Duncan. His other son, Tim, is studying photography at Leeds University.

The farm is 1,400 acres - 500 acres of grass and 900 acres of hill and moorland which

rises to 1,200 feet above sea level. The main business is the 400 head flock of pedigree Texels, but there are also 800 Hill Cheviot ewes, 400 of which are kept pure and 400 put to the Texel, 150 Dorset ewes whose progeny are mainly used for embryo work, with the males vasectomised and sold or kept as teasers. There is also a small pedigree herd of Longhorn cattle.

The farm had always run Mules, Dalesbred and Swaledale ewes, but after a visit to the Royal Highland Show in 1979 where John saw Texels, which were being shown in the UK for the first time, he went to the Lanark sale and bought a gimmer lamb.

“I would have liked to have bought more, but they were too expensive, but we then bought a few Dutch imports from Peter Dixon-Smith and stock from the Boghouse and Annan flocks.” Since then the focus has been on improving the flock year on year and new genetics are frequently introduced with this aim. The majority of breeding stock is sold at the national and club sales and the remainder to commercial breeders,

off farm and at local auctions. About 50-60 ram lambs are sold each year, with the remaining males sold as shearlings, as well as ewe lambs and shearing ewes, both in-lamb and empty.

“We are aiming to breed big strong sheep, which grow on without needing to be overfed. We place great emphasis on carcass and skin, but we also want a short, sparky head with plenty of colour. Even though we sell to both pedigree and commercial producers, the flock is run as one, as really both should require the same type of sheep,” says John, “I think the Texel breed did lose its way a little a few years ago, with some breeders focusing too much on purely pedigree traits, such as heads, and losing sight of the original attributes of the breed which made it popular, such as power, size and a good backend. I think the increasing popularity of the Beltex has been a wake up call and made Texel breeders realise if they want to keep their customers they have to keep true to breed type. This is happening and I think the breed is back to where it needs to be and although there are a lot of Texels about, I think there is still the demand for more good rams. We are still attracting new breeders and the great thing about the breed is that whoever you are, if you breed a good sheep you will get a good price for it.”

The flock usually runs about six stock rams and AI is increasingly being used. John says: “We have only been using a significant amount of AI for the last four years, but it

has made a big difference to management, particularly in terms of tightening up lambing, which means not only do we get a break between lambing the Texels and the Cheviots, but it is enabling us to produce much more even pens of lambs to sell as they are all of a similar age.

“It is enabling us to use one ram on a lot more ewes, up to 150 in the case of one ram, although we never put a ram to a big number of ewes until he is well proven. By using frozen semen we are able to use old genetics from some of the big, powerful rams of the past which are now dead. “When we buy in rams we are looking for new bloodlines, but also need to know the family is breeding well. But it’s not just about buying the best ram or the most expensive, it’s about picking a ram which will suit your ewes and that is what we have tried to do.”

The flock is also performance recording, but has been doing so only for the last two years as John explains: “We did record years ago, but found it wasn’t producing the kind of sheep we wanted, but things have moved on since then and I think the market is demanding it. Sheep with figures are starting to sell better than those without. Also we are now able to use it as a management tool. The introduction of scanning for muscle depth and back fat has made a big difference and we are now able to measure a lot more traits.



“We can now produce sheep which look good and have good figures, but when buying tups I still pick the ones I like by eye, and then look at the figures.”

In 1984 John and Linda ventured into the show ring for the first time with offspring of their stock ram, Annan Masterpiece. Gimmer lambs won at the Royal Show and the Great Yorkshire Show, where Masterpiece himself took the breed championship. More success followed at major shows over the next few years, until they took a break from showing in 1990. However, in 2004 showing recommenced, but only to the Great Yorkshire and Royal Welsh as John explains: “It’s a time thing really. As well as the Texels we have the Cheviots to lamb, other farm work to do and all the sale preparation and showing can be very time consuming.”

At the 2011 Great Yorkshire Show Hull House progeny were very successful. Sam Whiskey, by Hull House Rothchild I, won the ram lamb class and later in the year he sold for 8,000gns at Carlisle. Hull House Tallulah, by Springhill Norris, won the shearling ewe class and was reserve female champion and Purdy, again by Rothchild I, won the ewe lamb class.

At the Royal Welsh Space Cowboy, by Castlecairn Red Arrow, won the ram lamb class and was reserve male champion. He then went on to make the highest

price ever for Hull House when selling for 32,000gns at Lanark to John Forsyth of the Glenside flock.

At last year’s sales the five ram lambs sold at Lanark averaged £9,135. The first 13 sons of Castlecairn Red Arrow, bought at Carlisle in 2010, sold to average £4,310 and five sons of Rothchild I, including Special Brew, who sold for £9,000 to the Douganhill, Durisdeer and Loosebeare flocks, averaged £3,520.

At the end of the year the Hull House pen of in-lamb gimmers averaged £1,438 at the Twilight sale and the following week at the Christmas Cracker sale the Glenside gimmer which sold for 32,000gns, breaking the breed’s all time record for a female, was in-lamb to Space Cowboy.

In the past John and Linda have exported sheep to Holland, Germany and Ireland. This year they have sold three ewe lambs and three ram lambs to Switzerland. John says: “I think the UK is now recognised as having the best Texels in the world and there is a huge amount of interest from abroad, which is growing all the time. Our website is now getting hits from all over the world, not just mainland Europe, but Eastern Europe and as far away as Russia. I think there is huge potential for export, which combined with a growing domestic market has to be good news for breeders.”



Joe McCarragher NI Focus Farmer



Texel is the firm favourite for Focus farmer Joe McCarragher, Armagh

Joe McCarragher runs a suckler, beef and sheep enterprise on the outskirts of Armagh extending to approximately 200 acres including conacre. He is the main workforce on the farm so each system has to be run efficiently and effectively all year round.

The sheep flock sits around 200 breeding ewes, mostly made up of mule type females which perform well on this lowland grazing farm. These are tupped with Texel rams in two batches which allows production of a number of lambs for the early markets.

There is a real emphasis on good grass production on this farm which is divided between Navan Fort and Killyleagh. This has been recognised in the past with Joe winning a number of awards for silage quality including 1st in County Armagh and 3rd Overall in the UFU silage making contest in 2010.

“We feel that the concentration of a good grass sward pays dividends in terms of grazing livestock and feeding them during

the wintertime.” Joe goes on to say “Our ewes are grass fed only which cuts down on any expenditure on expensive concentrates. We do feed a certain amount of meal to our early lambs, but the later lambs are finished off purely grass.”

“Texel rams were introduced to the farm a number of years ago, and have now got their feet under the table so to speak! Their lambs are easily lambed and quick to get to their feet and suckle. That is a real plus when you are lambing day and night on your own.” explains Joe.

Within a day the ewes and newborn lambs are put out to grass. The Texel lamb is robust and makes efficient use of their diet of milk and grass.

A number of the ewe lambs are retained each year and enter the flock as ideal replacements. The remainder of the lambs are sold through the live ring. This is a change in farming policy for the McCarraghers, but it fits in well with their day to day tasks.

“Selling through the live ring has meant that there is less handling of the lambs required before selling, which saves precious time. I can also sell bigger batches at a time, and with many of the sales being held at night it fits in well in my daily routine. In terms of cash return we have actually found that we are better off selling this way as ewe lambs often make a higher price as farmers source replacements - so it's a win win situation.” states Joe.

Rams are purchased at the NI Texel Premier Sale when required as Joe feels that this offers an unrivalled selection. Emphasis is placed on body, feet and legs when choosing a new ram, but this must also come hand in hand with good performance recording information.



Steve with daughter Anna

Penparc - Texels still key to diverse farm business

TEXEL sheep remain at the very heart of Steve, Helen and Anna Smith's business, even though from very small beginnings it now encompasses a wide range of other enterprises including a large commercial flock, pedigree and commercial cattle, horse breeding, holiday accommodation and a bird of prey centre.

When they lost their Penparc flock as part of a contiguous cull in the 2001 foot and mouth outbreak there was absolutely no doubt that they would start up again. To do so they did what Steve had done when he started the flock in 1981, imported stock from Holland. This time it was 30 ewes and a ram and they were the first sheep to be imported into the UK after the foot and mouth outbreak. These combined with

the 80 ewe lambs from the original flock, which had survived the cull due to being grazed away from home, form the basis of the current flock. "We were very lucky that we didn't lose everything," says Steve, "so we did manage to keep some of our original bloodlines and I never considered not starting over again."

The pedigree flock now comprises of 120 ewes, which includes 20 Dutch Texels. These run alongside a 1200 head commercial flock comprising of Welsh Mules, Texel and Suffolk crosses, Welsh Mountains bred to the North Country Cheviot. Mainly Texel rams are used on the other breeds and the lambs are all sold through the nearby Welshpool, Oswestry and Shrewsbury livestock auctions, often topping the market.

The farm is now over 600 acres comprising of Penybryn, the 380 acre original holding on the Powys Estate, at Castle Caereinion, near Welshpool, which Steve took on in 1990, plus the adjacent farm and other land nearby, which has been added since then. Steve grew up in Leicester with no farming connections, but always knew it was the career he wanted to follow. After working on a farm from the age of 14 he went to Brooksby Agricultural College for four years, during which time he saw his first Texels on a farm visit and decided they were the breed for him.

On moving to Wales in 1981 to work as a stockman and shepherd he started to rent small pieces of land and bought the first stock of his own. Determined to aim for the top of the breed, even at that stage, he imported three ewe lambs from Holland, with the help of Peter Dixon-Smith and bought an Annan bred ram for 500gns. At the same time Steve was also starting to train sheepdogs, even selling his car to buy a dog for £500 – a lot of money when you are only earning £70 a week.

In 1985 Steve took on a 60 acre county council farm near Newtown, but kept his shepherding job whilst at the same time building up his own stock numbers. By the time Penybryn became available in 1990 he had 30 cows and cross bred ewes, as well as Texels on the holding. After interviews and tenders Steve beat off 30 other applicants for the farm, despite not putting in the highest bid.

Since then the business has gone from strength to strength, but Texels have always remained a key part of it. Stock is sold at all the national as well as club sales and the family are heavily involved with the Shropshire and Borders Texel Club. Showing is also an important part of the business and although the family don't attend a huge number of shows they have achieved success at the highest level, including first prize ram lamb, ewe lamb and shearing ram twice culminating with the male championship at the Royal Welsh with Penparc Kingpin, by Alwent Juniper. They also enjoy showing commercial lambs and in 2010 took the prime lamb championship at the Royal Welsh Winter Fair with a pair of Texel lambs.





Glenside Seabiscuit – FPG 1100318

The majority of Texel males are sold as lambs with very few kept over to sell as shearlings, although the Dutch Texels are not usually sold as lambs. Steve says: “They need that bit more time to get some size, so we tend to keep them that bit longer, but with the Texels I don’t think its cost effective to keep them to shearlings.”

In 2011 50 ram lambs were sold to average £830, with the top price through the sale ring being 3,000gns, with others selling privately from the Royal Welsh show for £5,000 to Mr Powell Jones and family’s Llanthomas flock and £4,500 to Nick Layton’s Lyonshall Flock.

Normally few females are sold, but for the last few years a consignment has been taken to the Twilight Sale at Carlisle. Steve says: “We were invited a few years ago and have done very well there. It’s a good centre and attracts plenty of buyers.”

Stock rams are bought in from other leading flocks to introduce new blood. One of these Clougher Irishman, bought for 8,000gns at Lanark, in partnership with Jim Blakemoor, was responsible for the Smith’s best ever price, 10,000gns for Penparc Lexus at Lanark in 2005.

Another, Jonsland Hallmark, (sired by Penparc Giros) a gift after losing the flock to foot and mouth disease from friend John Jones in 2001, was the sire of Penparc Invest-In-Me, first prize ram lamb at the Royal Welsh in 2002.

The one that got away the first time was Tamnamoney Ned, as Steve explains: “I had wanted to buy him after seeing him with his mother as a lamb when visiting Northern Ireland earlier in the year, but didn’t manage it. However, I was able to buy him privately in 2010, when he was a three shear. Immediately afterwards, one of his lambs, Forkins Rock Solid, made the top price of 65,000gns at Lanark and we have also sold lambs by him very well since we have had him.”

Several Glenside rams have been bought over the years and one of these, Go-Getter, was the sire of Penparc Jemidar, who sold for 4,200gns to judge, Steve Richardson of the Stonebridge flock, at the National Sale at Worcester in 2003. In 2011 they bought another Glenside ram, Sea Biscuit, by Strathbogie Python, at Lanark. “Glenside sheep have done well for us in the past. We are really impressed with him so far. I have never had a ram lamb which has grown on

as well once we got him home and we are really looking forward to lambs by him.”

Both natural service and AI is used, including frozen semen and for the last few years a number of ewes have been flushed for embryo transfer. “Using frozen semen means we can use rams from the past and access some of the good old bloodlines,” says Steve.

The flock is now performance recording at the moment as Steve explains: “We did record a long time ago, but found it to be expensive to do and we didn’t gain anything from it, so we stopped. But we have now started again because the technology has improved and the market is starting to demand sheep with figures so hopefully there will be financial benefits.”

Steve is very clear about the type of sheep they are trying to breed. “I want medium sized sheep, but they have got to have body and a good carcass and a tight skin. They need to have a good head with a broad foraging nose, but they must have character and style. I like my males to look masculine and females to look feminine.

“It’s important that a ram puts a Texel head on his offspring because even in the commercial sale ring it lets buyers know what they are buying.

“They have got to have good legs and be active. Anyone buying our sheep can rest assured that they come from a proper sheep farm. They are used to being worked with dogs and to living on the hills and are very mobile and ready to do their job.”



Tapanui



Breeding pedigree Texels was only ever meant to be a hobby for Kerr Jarvie, but when the opportunity to buy an established flock of quality females arose, he jumped at the chance and has never looked back.

In fact, this year he takes on the lease of a further 220 acres, in addition to the 110 acres he already rents – a far cry from his original plan of keeping ‘a handful’ of pedigree females as a sideline to working for the family’s contracting business. “I’ve always been keen on sheep and fancied keeping a few pedigree ones, and I had worked at a few farms that had Texels and got to really like them,” said Kerr, who is based at Muthill, Crieff, in Perthshire.

After finishing his course at Edinburgh SAC, Kerr founded his Duncryne flock (named after a family farm on his Mum’s side), with the purchase of six females from the Muiresk, Craighead, Garnsour and Watchknowe flocks. “At that time, I didn’t know much about pedigree breeding, so I selected the females on commercial traits – good skins and shapes. As it’s turned out, the two Muiresk ewes, which I bought for £280 and £320, were the mothers of my two dearest lambs to-date, at 4800gns and 6500gns.”

Before long, Kerr had caught the pedigree bug and as he thought about increasing his flock numbers, the MacGillivrays’ nearby Tapanui flock came for sale. “It was a great chance to buy a really good, sound flock,

and I was confident at that point that this was the direction I wanted to go, so Mum and Dad loaned me the money to buy the flock. “The females had a certain type running through them and there were a couple of really good old breeding ewes, which I flushed to Baltier King. That mix produced some good females, which was a really good start,” explained Kerr.

One of those daughters was later flushed to Hull House Nijinsky, producing females which Kerr says are now his best breeding line. “I’ve learned a lot about pedigree breeding over the past few years and that there’s certain bloodlines that will breed better than others. When I’m buying an animal now, I now take in to account both breeding and looks. It also has to have plenty of character, as well as commercial attributes – good legs, tops and skin.”

Another notable addition to the flock was a Craighead gimmer at 5000gns, bought at the Select Seven sale in 2008, with neighbouring Texel breeder Robert Cockburn, with whom Kerr has also shared several tup purchases. “I started off using semen but didn’t have a great deal of success with it, so in 2007, I bought Hull House Nijinsky, along with Robert, for 5000gns. His daughters have done really well and the shearlings off him have been good,” said Kerr, who also used a home-bred son of Nijinsky that bred well too.

In 2009, Garnsour Onyx was bought at Kelso £2300 – he has also proved a strong shearling breeder, while Kerr sold a gimmer by him for 2100gns at Carlisle.

More recently, Kerr spotted a young lamb at a Carlisle sale that he thought had potential, Cowal Pride and Joy, which he bought for 300gns. He was the sire of the flock’s top price lamb yet, the 6500gns Duncryne Ringmaster, which stood first in the novice class at Lanark in 2010.

In addition to that sale, Kerr has topped the second Lanark sale two years in a row, with lambs at 4800gns and 2100gns. He sells around 15 lambs a year, between Lanark, Stirling and Worcester, and 25 shearlings (20 through the ring at Stirling and five privately). Any lambs which don't meet the grade are sold fat, but last year no ewe lambs were killed – instead, they went to the Euro sale at Carlisle and averaged £190 a head. "I sell around 20 gimmers a year too, at Carlisle, Stirling and Dingwall, but I'd like to get into a consortium breeders' sale at some point."

Kerr says he's continuously aiming to improve his flock, and it looks like he's on the right track. The average price for his gimmers sold almost doubled year on year, between 2010 and 2011, with the 20 sold in 2011 levelling out at £750. He's also cut back his female numbers, from 50 to 30 in a bid to up the quality. "I've become a lot more selective in which females I keep. I hope to increase the numbers back up again and have a flock of 50 really good ewes. "It's the same for the stock that I sell – the goal is to produce a consistent pen of level sheep that will all sell," he added.

Showing always helps boost the profile of pedigree animals, and Kerr has been fairly active at that over the past few years. Last year, however, he cut back to just five shows, due to a lack of time, with the best result being a champion ticket at Perth, for the 5000gns Craighead ewe. His workload was also restricted for a few months following a knee operation in November, but at the time this feature was written, Kerr hoped to be up and about in time for the Texel lambing, in mid-February. "I've never been as pleased with the tups that I've used, as I am this year. All the ewes went to the two new stock tups, Milnbank Sound Investment and Ettrick Strongbow, and I'm really looking forward to seeing the results," said Kerr.



Normally, the lambing is completed before the busy contracting season, but that will all change if Kerr's plans to expand come to fruition. He started a Bluefaced Leicester flock last year, and with the extra ground he's taking on (in partnership with his Dad), he plans to buy Blackface ewes to put to the BFLs. The Mules will then be put back to the Texel, with some being kept as recipient ewes. "With no subsidies to help me out, I really need a system that will give me the best possible returns – and hopefully this one will. "If the plan works out, I'll be lambing right through to May! I really enjoy working with sheep though; I was never cut out for sitting in a tractor all day. I enjoy the challenge of pedigree breeding; you get plenty of disasters to cope with, but it's worth it in the long-term and it's a great thrill if you do well.

"I've never doubted my choice to go for the Texel breed – commercially, they're at the top of their game and they are constantly in demand. I'm not sure if I'd like to be starting out now though, it would cost a lot more to get into. But, it's good for the breed, as it proves it's in big demand," he added.

Better Breeding QMS

As a breed, the Texel has always been classified as a terminal sire and for many years the majority of the cross bred progeny have been targeted at the prime market. With increasing awareness of bio security issues, more and more people are looking to retain Texel cross ewe lambs as their ewe of choice. It is therefore beneficial, for commercial producers to be armed with information about using Texel rams to sire productive, profitable ewes as well as siring prime lambs. The Scottish Sheep Strategy has now completed phase one of a series of trials looking at the financial benefits to the industry of using rams with known genetic potential. These trials involved comparing the financial returns from High Index Rams, Low Index Rams and Rams which were chosen by the farmer using traditional methods and will refer to these as Farm Choice Rams.

In the first two years of the trial, we looked at all the rams as sires of prime lambs, but in the third and fourth years, we concentrated on the potential of the daughters of the original rams.

Two of our six farms used Texel tups on different types of cross ewes and this article will concentrate on the maternal benefits of High Index Texels on the farm which ran the maternal part of the trial for two years. Unfortunately, one of the farms using Texel rams withdrew from the trial after year three, so the figures reflect the performance of the daughters as gimmers, not as two crop ewes. The figures are very positive.

On Dalmeny Estate at South Queensferry, the trial proved that daughters of High Index Rams were more efficient as commercial ewes, as they were more

prolific than the daughters of the Farm Choice or the Low Index Rams. The ewes reared 189%, compared to the daughters of the Farm Choice Rams, which achieved 175% and the daughters of the Low Index Tups, which produced 177%. A similar pattern emerged from the gimmers, with High Index Daughters producing a rearing percentage of 178%, Farm Choice Daughters rearing 163%, and the Low Index Daughters rearing 173%. The lambs also grew faster to nine weeks of age and slaughter results indicated the progeny of the high index daughters were slightly heavier at slaughter, in spite of the fact that more of them were multiple-born and reared.

The net result at Dalmeny, was that the two crop ewes, which were sired by High Index Sires, outperformed the flock mates sired by the Farm Choice tups by £5.53 per sheep, and the gimmers outperformed their flock mates by £15.85.

This information is extremely useful for buyers when selecting their stock tups and breeders are encouraged to make use of the information and pass it on to their prospective customers.

For full results of the Better Breeding Project visit www.ScottishSheepStrategy.org.uk or contact Rod McKenzie on 01463 811804, mob 07889 9639078 or e-mail rod.mckenzie@sheepstrategy.org.uk



Twelve Oaks



David & Jo Chambers with daughter Storm

When David and Jo Chambers set up their farming business with the Twelve Oaks flock on a greenfield site just five years ago they were very clear about which breed of sheep they were going to keep.

Jo explains: "There was never any doubt that it was going to be Texels. We knew it had to be a pedigree breed and both David and I had experience of lots of other breeds in our respective families farming enterprises and we were in agreement that the Texel would fit with what we wanted to do and be easy to manage."

Both from farming families, David and Jo had been focusing on other interests prior to 2006, but always knew they would return to farming. They had looked at a number of properties, all of which seemed to need a lot of work doing to them, so when land at Newton Bromswold, Northamptonshire, became available the logical step to take seemed to be to start from scratch – not a problem as David's business was in the building trade. They then had the added advantage of being able to design and build exactly what they wanted.

Although still very much 'work in progress' Twelve Oaks now boasts a family home and sufficient buildings to house the expanding flock of pedigree Texels and herd of

Longhorn cattle. The land extends to 180 acres, some of which is still arable, but is gradually being put down to grass as stock numbers expand. Cattle not retained for breeding are all finished, slaughtered locally and sold through a box scheme, along with surplus lambs. Jo and David say they are struggling to keep up with demand for the meat and the plan is to eventually have a farm shop on site, so the retail side of the business can expand.

In the short time since it was established the flock has made rapid progress and the Chambers were delighted, if a little surprised when the home-bred ewe, by Claybury Nimrod, sold for the top price of 8,800gns at the National Sale at Worcester in 2010 and they have also enjoyed tremendous success in the show ring.

The start of the flock were five in-lamb Texel ewes bought in 2007 from Robin Kellet's Park Hill flock at Castle Ashby. These were soon followed by another 16, plus some ewes from other local breeders. The following year David and Jo purchased the ram lamb, Hexel Overnight Celebrity at Lanark, who proved to be a great success. The flock soon grew to 90 ewes, but David and Jo realised the rapid expansion may have been at the expense of quality and decided to cull hard, to ensure the flock continued to improve in the way they wanted, so ewe numbers have now been cut back to about 50.





David says: "We realised we need to be more selective to succeed at the top end of the pedigree market, so we have had a bit of a reassessment in the last couple of years and feel the flock is now back on track and we hope to gradually grow ewe numbers again."

Jo and David have also been keen to introduce new blood to the flock making a number of purchases. "If we see something and like it we will buy, but we don't spend a fortune. The flock is expected to make a profit, it is not a hobby, so we have to be sensible. The most we have paid for a ram is £4,500 and £2,000 for a ewe."

In 2011 they bought the female champion at the Welsh National sale, a shearing ewe from Tommy MacTaggart's Rascarrel flock and a shearing ewe at the Chelford Elite sale from David Houghton's Tophill flock. Several Stainton ewes were also bought privately from Peter Woof, which he kept and served with his new purchase, Carran Sutherland's Star.

Stock is sold at all the national sales, some local sales and privately. In 2011 ram lambs averaged £685 selling to a top of £1350 at Worcester. Ram lambs were also placed in the show at Lanark and David says his

ambition is to win there with a home-bred lamb – without spending a fortune on having produced it.

From the very beginning showing has played an important part in the business and in the first year of showing, 2007, David and Jo won with a ram lamb at Rutland County Show and at the East of England with a ewe.

In 2011 they took the supreme championship at Suffolk County with a home-bred shearing ewe. At the East of England their two Glenside shearing rams, Royal Scot, who was bought at Carlisle for 4,200gns and Red Ribbon, who was bought at Lanark for 2,500gns, both as lambs the previous year, were first and second in their class with Royal Scot taking the breed championship. The other, Red Ribbon, was sold at the show and a half share in Royal Scot has since been sold.

David says: "We enjoy showing, but it also promotes our stock and helps sales. As we have done this year, we aim to sell stock rams while they are still young when we have had a crop or two of lambs. This helps to recoup some of the purchase price and we will then buy in new rams to introduce new blood."

David and Jo are chairman and secretary of the Midlands Texel Club, something which they put a lot of time and effort into. Jo explains: "When we joined club membership was in decline, but we have worked very hard to reverse the trend and the club is now thriving again".

"As well as contacting old members and asking them to get involved again we have also made a point of trying to involve new breeders. I remember what it was like when we started. Some people were very helpful, particularly Robin Kellest and James Draper of the Claybury flock, but not everyone was. We feel it's important to help and support new members."

The club's annual show has been rejuvenated and is now held at Twelve Oaks. Jo explains: "We have worked hard to get the show up and running again. We get a good pedigree judge from out of the area and we are getting more entries year on year. But we also aim to make it a good social occasion and put on food and entertainment for the children."

Although keen to expand the flock David and Jo are clear it will not be at the expense

of quality and cull hard. David says: "We aim to sell all rams as lambs, but are very selective as to those we sell for breeding. I think there are getting too many rams about, which affects trade. Anything which we think is not absolutely correct we will kill".

"I want to breed sheep with good bone, length, a good skin and carcase and I'm looking for a good head as well. We do record, because I think the market is starting to demand it, but I think it is important that we don't lose sight of type as a result."

While numbers are on the increase David admits it can be a dilemma whether to sell or keep the best stock. "Obviously, we want to improve what we have, but we also need to get ourselves known in the sale ring and generate money from sales. "So out of the best stock we select ram lambs to sell at each of the national sales. It's important to me to only sell good stock and I want to be able to stand behind everything we sell. I'm looking to build a business for the long term and want customers who will keep coming back for our stock."



Handling the influences of feeding

Separating the influences of breeding and feeding in the National Texel Breeding Evaluation for those breeders interested in improving the growth rate and carcass quality of their lambs it is always tempting to buy the biggest, best shaped ram at the sale. This might secure the ram with the best genetics for these important traits, but more often than not it simply identifies one of the oldest, single born lambs from a flock feeding lots of concentrates. He might look wonderful, but unless he has good genes his progeny won't inherit these attributes and perform to the same standard.

Performance recording enables a rams breeding potential to be evaluated separately from the influences of the environment (including feeding regime). This ensures Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs) are an independent assessment of an animal's breeding potential. Breeders sometimes mistakenly think they will have low EBVs if they feed their lambs less or rear them on grass compared to those breeders feeding high levels of concentrates. This is not the case; the evaluation uses knowledge of the genetic linkage between flocks to take into account differences in management and enables true genetic differences to be identified.

A simple example is shown below. Frankton Fred has heavier progeny than Warwick Willie, but because both flocks have used Stoneleigh Bob, it is clear that Flock B is feeding less and that in relative terms Warwick Willie is the better ram.

Flock A	Average Progeny Weight (kg)
Stoneleigh Bob	70kg
Frankton Fred	65kg

Flock B	Average Progeny Weight (kg)
Stoneleigh Bob	50kg
Warwick Willie	52kg

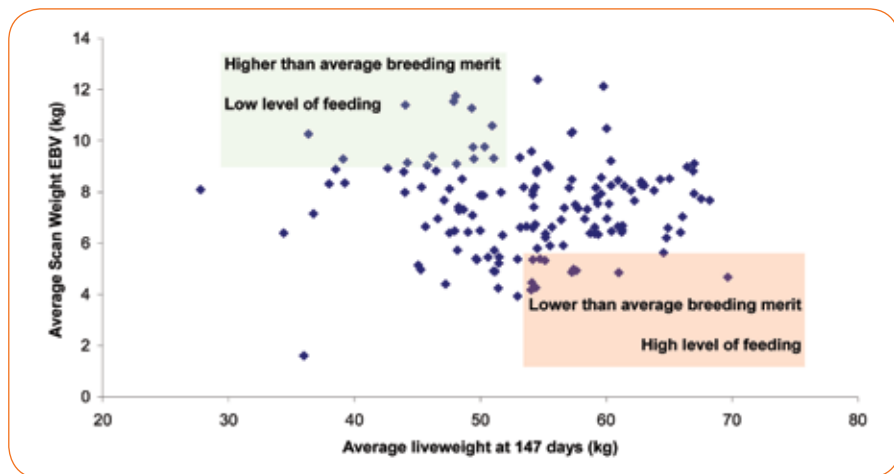
Difference relative to Stoneleigh Bob

Warwick Willie + 2kg
 Stoneleigh Bob = 0 kg
 Frankton Fred - 5kg



The relationship between raw data measurements and EBVs is shown in the chart below. Each point represents a different Signet recorded Texel flock. The graph shows the average breeding potential of the 2011 lamb crop for live weight at 21 weeks of age plotted against the average breeding potential of the lambs.

If feeding lambs more lead to higher EBVs being produced there would be a clear relationship between the two attributes. In this chart there is no such relationship. It shows lambs under a range of different feeding systems are obtaining high EBVs.



It should be remembered that muscle and fat depth measurements are influenced by environmental factors in exactly the same way as weight data. A ram lamb with a 38mm muscle depth might have good genes for muscling across the loin, but this measure may also have arisen because it was scanned late in life and fed heavily.

In calculating the Muscle Depth EBV these environmental considerations have been taken into account and the resulting EBV will clearly show whether or not the ram has superior genetics for muscling across the loin. Once again the Muscle Depth EBV is a much more reliable guide for identifying superior breeding potential than the muscle depth measurement alone.

The messages from this work are clear:

- EBVs provide a better guide to assess breeding potential than raw data alone
- The Texel breeding evaluation can distinguish between the influences of feeding and breeding – particularly where good genetic linkage exists between flocks. Look for the accuracy figure to gain more assurance a ram will perform.

Strong demand for recorded Texel rams

Last season saw a major increase in the number of Texel flocks involved in performance recording. Signet recorded rams with high indexes (and hence high EBVs) dominated many of the pre-sale classes.

It was interesting to observe that several flocks that were recording for the first time had a number of lambs whose overall genetic merit placed them comfortably in the Top 10% of the breed. These lambs featured heavily within the top draw of lambs taken to National Sales.

An analysis of sale prices across three of the major pedigree sales indicates some important trends:

- A high proportion of the recorded lambs entered had indexes in the Top 10% of the breed
- High index lambs achieved a premium over those with lower indexes
- A higher proportion of the high index lambs catalogued were sold
- The high clearance rate for high index lambs indicates a commercial, as well as a pedigree demand. Commercial producers were more willing to invest in animals with an independent assessment of their genetic merit at the point of sale.

These trends closely mirror sale trends observed at major bull sales over the last decade – where a demand for figures from the commercial producer has influenced pedigree purchasing decisions and increased the number of bulls sold with performance records. Many of the best high index rams were purchased as stock rams to go into flocks that are already performance recording – this bodes extremely well for the future of the breed.

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English National Texel Sale 2011 – Sales data for recorded ram lambs

Index	Catalogued	Sold	Proportion sold vs. number entered	Average price
Top 1%	14	14	100.0%	£1,451
Top 5%	31	26	83.9%	£1,011
Top 10%	23	20	87.0%	£934
Top 25%	20	14	70.0%	£601
Above average	8	7	87.5%	£420
Below average	13	4	30.8%	£612

Scottish National Texel Sale 2011 – Sales data for recorded ram lambs

Index	Catalogued	Sold	Proportion sold vs. number entered	Average price
Top 1%	30	22	73.3%	£3,817
Top 5%	67	51	76.1%	£2,341
Top 10%	35	18	51.4%	£2,378
Top 25%	35	18	51.4%	£1,368
Above average	15	7	46.7%	£600
Below average	9	1	11.1%	£315

Welsh National Texel Sale 2011 – Sales data for recorded ram lambs

Index	Catalogued	Sold	Proportion sold vs. number entered	Average price
Top 1%	3	1	33.3%	£1,365
Top 5%	19	17	89.5%	£850
Top 10%	22	19	86.4%	£745
Top 25%	24	16	66.7%	£674
Above average	10	6	60.0%	£583
Below average	12	4	33.3%	£402

The analysis of sale prices doesn't take into account prices obtained for substitute lambs



Tyrella based farmer James Carson has seen firsthand the merits of using a Texel ram within his sheep enterprise. He regularly selects new stock rams from the Texel Society Premier Sale.

Texel Boosts Bottom Line on Tyrella Farm

Tyrella based father and son team Edward and James Carson are delighted with the positive impact that Texel has had in their sheep enterprise.

The duo run a mixed farm comprising of sheep, suckler cows, pigs and cereals encompassing around 800 acres including conacre taken.

Their attention to detail over the years has resulted in them picking up a number of prizes including the Silver Lapwing Award in addition to a number of top placings for cereal crops.

The sheep flock has been increased in size this year and now stands at around 380 breeding ewes. In addition to this there are 120 ewe lambs retained for breeding. Many of the females are Texel bred and excel as mothers within the flock. The 2011 lambing season saw the ewe lambs lambd problem free outside which greatly reduced overheads and disease build up.

“Texel rams are used predominately across the flock as a terminal sire, but their ability to produce a superior breeding female is a real bonus” explains James Carson. “We usually select our tups at the Texel Premier Sale where we can be guaranteed of the largest selection of rams available all on one day. We are guided by our eye but also take figures and health status into consideration when making our final selection. The more data that is recorded



Texel lambs are finished off grass without concentrate on the Carson family farm at Tyrella. They consistently achieve good weights and superior grading results.

the better in our book as it is all useful for recording performance records within the commercial flock”.

On a busy farm like this, one of the key elements for success is consistency, and the Carsons feel that Texel can offer this in abundance.

“We have developed a low input - high output system which operates well for us. The only ration fed is to ewes for a couple of weeks prior to lambing which we feel sets them up for lambing and ensures they have adequate milk. Our lambing percentages are good right across the board.”

Lambs are grass fed until selected for slaughter at weights of approximately 45 kilos. Top grading results are readily achieved for the Texel cross lambs, and selected ewe lambs are retained for essential flock replacements.

The Carsons run 380 ewes as part of their mixed farming enterprise. These include a large proportion of Texel bred ewes which will be tupped to the Texel ram.



Texels drive towards optimising fat levels, reducing waste and improving meat quality.

Reduction of waste in the form of excess carcass fat should be an important aspect of sheep breeding programmes; however, it is also necessary to place an emphasis on improvement of meat quality. A reduction in carcass fatness may lead to a correlated reduction in intra-muscular fat (IMF) content, this IMF contributes to lamb meat quality, including tenderness, juiciness and flavour.

In pigs, for example, efforts have recently been made to increase IMF level because

there is concern that pork from modern very lean lines of pigs may have poorer eating quality than that from fatter genotypes, and that this could result in reduced consumer satisfaction.

Since IMF and carcass fat are genetically correlated, intense selection for increased lean growth and reduced fatness can compromise meat eating quality. However, there is evidence that selection against carcass fat whilst maintaining IMF is possible, as both sub cutaneous fat and Intra muscular fat are partially under independent genetic control.

The sheep industry has made substantial progress in reducing carcass fat relative to carcass weight and lean meat yield in terminal sire breeds and the Texel has been extremely influential with improving the Industries production efficiencies. However,

Texel has been influential with improving the industries production efficiency



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it must be ensured that carcass and meat composition is not changed by selection in a way that is detrimental to eating quality, which would reduce customer satisfaction.

Therefore, measurement of both fat depots in the breeding animal, and the use of this information in a selection index, is necessary to manage such traits in a breeding programme. Selective breeding to increase IMF in sheep that are already superior in terms of growth and carcass composition allows efficient production of lamb meat that will continue to meet consumer acceptability, whilst (i) using the minimum number of animals, so reducing emissions and energy requirements; (ii) reducing the production of unnecessary waste in terms of fat trim and inedible carcass portions.

The Texel Society is instrumental in developing & supporting research projects

The Texel Society has been extremely supportive of the development and use of X-ray computed tomography (CT) and its ability to accurately measure whole carcass fat levels, muscle and bone in the carcass of live animals, allowing for superior sires to be identified. CT predictions of carcass composition have been used in commercial UK sheep breeding programmes over the last decade. Strong negative genetic and phenotypic correlations have been found between IMF and average muscle density in cross-sectional CT scans. Since fat has a lower density than muscle, a higher concentration of IMF will reduce lean tissue density and CT muscle density has been shown to have strong negative correlations with taste panel scores for lamb flavour, juiciness and overall palatability. CT provides the means to quantify both IMF (and potentially other Meat Quality traits) and carcass fat in vivo at the same time, which will be exploited in selection programmes.



To maintain and even increase market share it is crucial for breeders to produce rams that leave lambs with favourable growth and carcass characteristics, but that also are of high eating quality. Although the Texel is already a highly developed breed, it has the potential for further, rapid improvement by embracing new technological advances, such as those offered by CT scanning to improve a whole host of traits that include meat quality.

The Texel Society is instrumental in developing and supporting research projects on carcass and meat eating quality over the past 10 years. This has been studied in detail

in two previous projects at SAC involving Texel sheep (Defra / SEERAD funded: Meat quality - carcass shape and eating quality in sheep, 2002-2006; BBSRC-LINK funded: The effect of TM-QTL and other QTLs on lean meat yield and meat quality in sheep and its evaluation using VIA, 2006-2011). The Texel sheep society have been partners in these projects, contributing to their design and execution, and are keen to ensure that the investments already made are applied to the industry through the Society breeding programmes.

The Texel breed has the largest amount of CT scanning data previously collected and the Society is currently considering further enhancements to its breed improvement plan as well as new research applications in this area to further support the Industry with increased production efficiencies, whilst monitoring and managing meat quality.

With the expanding recorded breeding group, the largest amongst UK terminal sires, collecting broad amount of performance data. With an expanding use of CT scanning; use of whole breed genetic evaluations; co-ownership of the BASCO database and promotional tools, ensures the Texel membership are well equipped to embrace the use of new technologies to ensure meat quality is monitored to protect and benefit the industry in the long term.

Terminal sires that provide increased levels of quality lean meat carcass yield will continue to be demanded. Lamb is a high value product and as such meat quality must be monitored and improved whilst managing appropriate levels of subcutaneous fat that is acceptable to producers in the finishing system as well as to the satisfaction of processers and consumers alike.

Whilst it is important to fine tune whole breed plans to ensure the breed continues

to be as fit for purpose in the future as it is now. The Society ensures it adjusts and refines its breeding strategy using its Breed Development and Performance Recording Committees, however some very important facts remain today,

- The UK sheep production is still generally too fatty for consumers' preferences.
- As pure breeds some terminal sire lines have the potential to offer rams that are very lean.
- Modern breeds such as the Texel that have a large and reliable population of recorded stock are already monitoring levels of fat and making any appropriate timely adjustments as well as presenting EBVs on its entire flock book.
- Through the use of EBVs breeders can identify sires that can offer lean and less lean genetics for their own needs, so specific sires can be identified for use in a range of forage based finishing systems.
- Rapid finishing systems that take lambs to heavier carcass weights can increase fat content of carcasses whilst maintaining acceptable levels of subcutaneous fat.

Texel have an expanding recorded breeding group, the largest amongst UK terminal sires

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New study will assess incidence of MV in commercial flocks

A new study has been launched which will assess the levels of Maedi Visna present in flocks in the UK to help direct future policy on the disease.

The research, which will assess about 20,000 blood samples, that are already collected and available is being undertaken by SAC and AHVLA, with the support of EBLEX, QMS and HCC, and hopes to provide a more accurate picture of MV incidence in UK commercial flocks. The report is due to be completed by summer 2012.

The initiative driven by the Sheep & Goat health Schemes Advisory board will offer further insight on the level of threat the disease poses to the industry.

A vast amount of the Schemes membership is made up of Texel flocks. There is an accurate idea of the breakdowns across all breeds within the scheme. However, the irony is that the majority of the pedigree flocks in the scheme already maintain excellent bio security to protect against a whole host of diseases. The industry on the other hand has very little idea of the amount of MV virus circulating outside the scheme and within the commercial sector. This initiative will provide a better understanding and the Society welcomes the support from the Levy bodies.

Improving sheep productivity through the control of this disease will aid in the efficient production of lamb meat. It also offers a direct benefit by assisting the industry with climate change targets, by removing issues related to poor flock productivity, this disease can easily creep up on flocks due to its subclinical nature, vastly depleting a flocks productivity. It is in

the interests of everyone in the UK sheep industry to have a firm indication of the level of MV infection present in flocks.

The last study of this type in 2002 found a 3.3% incidence (one in every 30 flocks), but in the intervening time the number of MV breakdowns in flocks which are members of the SAC Premium Sheep and Goat Health Scheme (PSGHS) has risen and it is believed this may be linked to an increase in the disease in commercial flocks.

MV has a long incubation period and presents mainly as weight loss, but can also cause pneumonia, mastitis, paralysis and occasionally arthritis. All of these have a significant impact on flock productivity and can add heavily to production costs. Unfortunately, disease is often not seen in a flock until the level of infection reaches 50% by which time the only viable option is to cull the whole flock and restock."



By having a better understanding of MV incidence in UK flocks it is hoped to increase awareness of the disease among commercial flockmasters and help them reduce the chances of their flocks becoming infected. This will help them maximise productivity and thus profitability and reduce the risk to pedigree flocks that remain within the scheme.

Without any vaccine or antibiotic capable of tackling MV, prevention through careful buying of replacements is the only option farmers have to prevent the disease infecting their flock. By increasing the understanding of the risks associated with MV it is also hoped to help farmers lessen the risk to their flocks and importantly to their profits.

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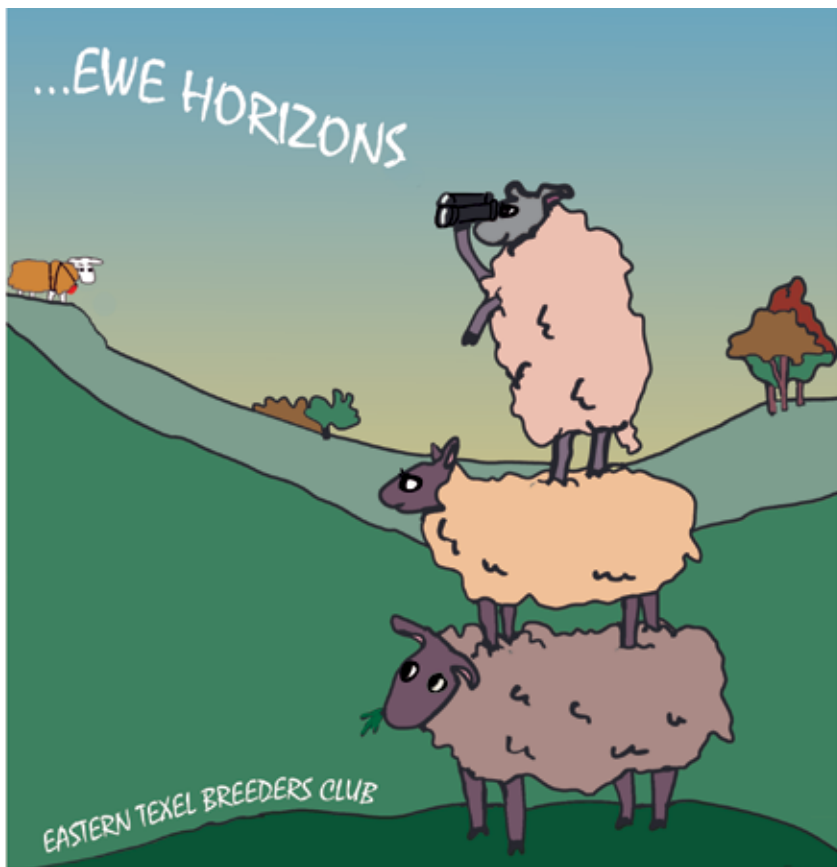
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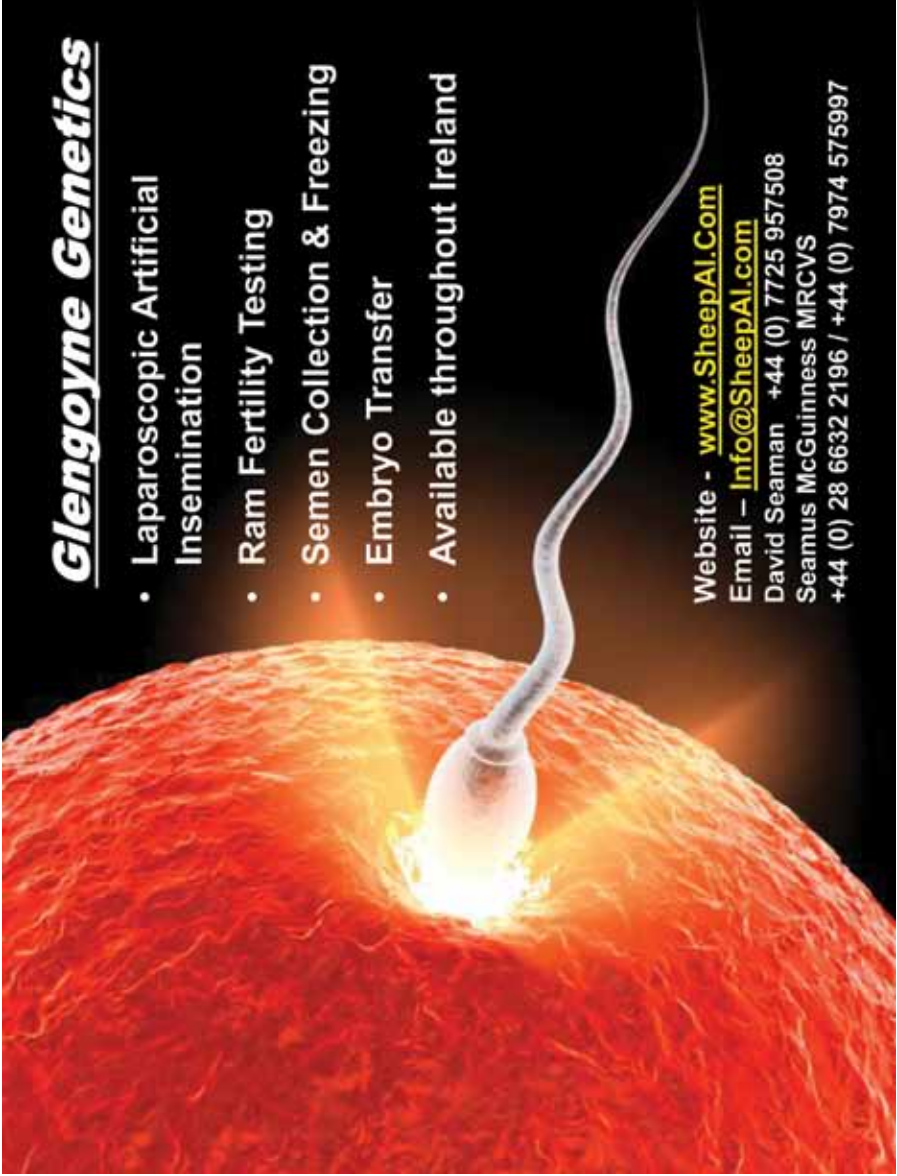
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2011 Royal Ulster Show

Judge: Mr John Forsyth – Glenside Flock

Class Results

Aged Ram	
1st	D & N Hamill - Ballynadrenta - HNB Cherryvale Popeye - GCN09103
2nd	S & J Kerr - Fairyglen - KSF - Fairyglen Prancer - KSF09033
3rd	KA & LA Beacom - Castleknowe - BKL Ballyhivestock Pop Star - SCY09114



Shearling Ram	
1st	James Cleland - Rose Hall - CJZ - Rose Hall Rolls Royce - CJZ1000004
2nd	Victor Chesnutt - Clougher - CVC Stainton Real McCoy - WPS1000031
3rd	Messrs Martin & Cyril Millar - Millar's VMG - Glenside Royal Sovereign FPG1000028



EWE, two-shear and upwards, rearing or having reared a lamb in 2011.	
1st	Alastair Gault - Forkins - GAF GAF080035
2nd	Sarah Riley - Tullyhubbert - RTX RTX09133
3rd	James Cleland - Rose Hall - CJZ CJZ06030



Shearling Ewe	
1st	Richard Henderson - Ballynahone - HBR - HBR1000022
2nd	Alastair Gault - Forkins - GAF GAF1000030
3rd	Alastair Gault - Forkins - GAF GAF1000026



Ram Lamb	
1st	Messrs Millar and McComb - Millcomb VMM - Millcomb Starbuck - VMMI 100020
2nd	Seamus McGuinness - Glengoyne - MUE Glengoyne Shergar - MUEI 100002
3rd	Alastair Gault, Forkins - GAF - Forkins Simply the Best - GAFI 100330



Ewe Lamb	
1st	Thomas Carson, Downkillybegs - CTD CTDI 100396
2nd	Messrs Martin & Cyril Millar, Millar's VMG - VMGI 100437
3rd	Messrs Martin & Cyril Millar, Millar's VMG - VMGI 100404



Championship Results

Supreme Champion - Richard Henderson - Ballynahone – HBR - HBR1000022
Reserve Champion - Thomas Carson, Downkillybegs – CTD – CTDI 100396
Male Champion - D & N Hamill - Ballynadrenta - HNB - Cherryvale Popeye - GCN09103
Reserve Male Champion - S & J Kerr - Fairyglen - KSF - Fairyglen Prancer - KSF09033
Female Champion - Richard Henderson - Ballynahone - HBR - HBR1000022
Reserve Female Champion - Thomas Carson, Downkillybegs – CTD – CTDI 100396

Supreme Champion Pedigree

BALLYNAHONE HBR1000022	S: MULLAN PLAYBOY HBN09052	GS: CURLEY O'KELLY TYC08044
		GD: MULLAN HBN07005
	D: BALLYNAHONE HBR07050	GS: CASTLECAIRN KENNEDY RNA04308
		GD: BALLYNAHONE HBR04007





2011 Royal Highland Show

Judge: Steve Smith – Penparc Flock

Class Results

Aged Ram

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | Gordon Gray - Ettrick - GGH
Mitchellhill Paparazzi - KJM09015 |
| 2nd | Alasdair Beaton - Wester Crosshill
BWG - Wester Crosshill Premier
BWG09662 |
| 3rd | Alasdair Beaton - Wester Crosshill
BWG - Wester Crosshill Novo
BWG07280 |

First prize aged ram



Shearling Ram

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | S Renwick - Craig Douglas - XSR
A J Kennedy - Mitchellhill - KJR
R T Wood - Kingledores - WRK
Hartside Farms - Hartside - CSI
Glenside Ring a Ding - FPG1000054
KJR - R T Wood
Kingledores |
| 2nd | T A and R Laird - Cambwell - LTC
Allanfauld Rockafella - XMM1000014 |
| 3rd | Clark Farms - Teiglum - Teiglum
Rembrandt - CFT1000185 |

First prize shearling ram



Aged Ewe

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | T MacTaggart - Rascarrel - MTR
MTR091851 |
| 2nd | K A and R Campbell - Cowal - CKC
CKC08612 |
| 3rd | Alasdair Beaton - Wester Crosshill
BWG - CMC07504 |

First prize aged ewe, female champion
& supreme champion



Shearling Ewe

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | Gordon Gray - Ettrick - GGH
GGH1000163 |
| 2nd | Clark Farms - Garngour - CFT
CFT1000143 |
| 3rd | Robert Wilson - Milnbank - LYM
LYM1000018 |

First prize shearling ewe



Ram Lamb	
1st	T A & R Laird, Cambwell - LTC Cambwell Socrates - LTCI 100512
2nd	Robert Wilson - Milnbank - LYM Milnbank Snoopy Dog - LYMI 100430
3rd	W J Knox - Haddo - KWJ - Haddo Sensation - KWJI 100253



First prize ram lamb, male champion & reserve champion

Ewe Lamb	
1st	Gordon Gray - Ettrick - GGH GGHI 101166
2nd	James Innes - Strathbogie - IJS IJSI 100035
3rd	David McKerrow - Nochnary - DMN DMNI 100225



First prize ewe lamb and reserve female champion

Performance Recorded Ram Lamb	
1st	T A and R Laird - Cambwell - Cambwell Sherriff 2nd - LTCI 100513
2nd	Gordon Gray, Ettrick - GGH - Ettrick Smirnoff - GGHI 101159
3rd	Gordon Gray - Ettrick - GGH - Ettrick Springbok - GGHI 101156



First prize Performance Recorded ram lamb



Championship Results

Supreme Champion - T MacTaggart - Rascarrel – MTR - MTR091851

Reserve Champion - TA & R Laird, Cambwell - LTC - Cambwell Socrates - LTCI100512

Male Champion - TA & R Laird, Cambwell - LTC - Cambwell Socrates - LTCI100512

Reserve Male Champion - Robert Wilson - Milnbank - LYM - Milnbank Snoopy Dog - LYMI100430

Female Champion T MacTaggart - Rascarrel - MTR - MTR091851

Reserve Female Champion - G Gray - Ettrick - GGH - GGH1101166

Supreme Champion Pedigree

RASCARREL MTR091851	S: RASCARREL OCH AYE MTR08456	GS: GLENSIDE KING II FPG04308
	D: RASCARREL MTR07001279	GD: RASCARREL MTR03540
		GS: TEMPLAND MEGANE GKT06505
		GD: RASCARREL MTR04758





2011 Great Yorkshire Show

Judge: Gerwaint Jones - ERW Flock

Class Results

Aged Ram

- | | |
|-----|---|
| 1st | G Gray - Ettrick - GGH - Mitchellhill
Paparazzi - KJM09015 |
| 2nd | J McKerrow - Grougfoot - MDG
Straidarran Obama - WXS08011 |
| 3rd | FA Nairey - Meinspride - LNM
Meinspride Oasis - LNM08061 |

First prize aged ram



Shearling Ram (Exhibitor Bred)

- | | |
|-----|---|
| 1st | J & H Clark - Teiglum - CFT - Teiglum
Rembrandt - CFT1000185 |
| 2nd | P Woof - Stainton - WPS - Stainton
Ricochet - WPS1000030 |
| 3rd | S & S Richardson - Stonebridge - RSS
Stonebridge Richie - RSS1000080 |

First prize shearling ram
(open to all Exhibitors)



Shearling Ram (Open to all Exhibitors)

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | M R Ireland - Heys - IMH - Strathbogie
Rancher - IJS1000017 |
| 2nd | T Nesbitt & Son - Alwent - NTA
J Lodge - Heyworth Lodge - LSH
S & S Richardson - Stonebridge - RSS
T A Laird - Cambwell - LTC
Allanfauld Rockafella - XMM1000014 |
| 3rd | A & G Brown - Brookhill - BGB
Fachell Runner - MIF1000164 |

First prize shearling ram (exhibitor bred),



Male Champion &
Reserve Champion overall

Shearling Ewe

- | | |
|-----|--|
| 1st | JW Mellin - Hull House - MJH
MJH1000230 |
| 2nd | J & H Clark - Garngour - CFT
CFT1000143 |
| 3rd | G Gray - Ettrick - GGH - GGH1000163 |

First prize shearling ewe
Female Champion



Ram Lamb

1st	JW Mellin - Hull House - MJH - Hull House Sam Whiskey - MJH1101196
2nd	Procters Farm Ltd - Procters - PFD Procters Sovereign - PFD1101007
3rd	P K Woof - Stainton - WPS - Stainton Scorpion II - WPS1100218

First prize ram lamb



Ewe (having reared a lamb during 2011)

1st	T & F MacTaggart - Rascarrel - MTR MTR091851
2nd	Procters Farm Ltd - Procters - PFD GAF080053
3rd	D A Nesbitt - Deneside - XDN XDN07391

First prize ewe (having reared a lamb in 2011), Female Champion & Supreme Champion



Ewe Lamb

1st	JW Mellin - Hull House - MJH MJH1100087
2nd	P K Woof - Stainton - WPS WPS1100228
3rd	S & S Richardson - Stonebridge - RSS RSS1100093

First prize ewe lamb



Performance Recorded Texel

1st	K, A & R Campbell - Cowal - CKC Cowal Saltire - CKC1100271
2nd	T Nesbitt & Son - Deneside - XDN Deneside - XDNI100201
3rd	JW Mellin - Hull House Space Cowboy MJH1101543

First prize Performance Recorded ram lamb



Group of Three

1st	G Gray - Ettrick - GGH
2nd	T Nesbitt & Son - Deneside - XDN
3rd	Procters Farm Ltd - Procters - PFD

First prize group of three



Championship Results

Supreme Champion - T & F MacTaggart - Rascarrel - MTR - MTR091851

Reserve Champion - J & H Clark - Teiglum - Teiglum Rembrandt - CFT - CFT1000185

Male Champion - J & H Clark - Teiglum - Teiglum Rembrandt - CFT - CFT1000185

Reserve Male Champion - G Gray - Ettrick - Mitchellhill Paparazzi - KJM09015

Female Champion - T & F MacTaggart- Rascarrel - MTR091851

Reserve Female Champion - JW Mellin - Hull House - MJH1000230

Supreme Champion Pedigree

RASCARREL MTR091851	S: RASCARREL OCH AYE MTR08456	GS: GLENSIDE KING II FPG04308
	D: RASCARREL MTR07001279	GD: RASCARREL MTR03540
		GS:TEMPLAND MEGANE GKT06505
		GD: RASCARREL MTR04758





2011 Royal Welsh Show

Judge: Roger Strawbridge – Tamnamoney Flock

Class Results

Aged Ram

1st	Colin Ponting - Penstones - PCP - Millend Piece of Gold - WCM090706
2nd	T G Williams - Caron - WLT - Haymount Prime Star - AWJ09566
3rd	G P & M Jones - Llanthomas - JML Penparc President - SJP 09 00004

1st prize Aged Ram
& Male Champion



Shearling Ram

1st	William McCaffrey - Scholars- YWM Baltier Reward - FEB1000049
2nd	G J & J E Williams - Padest - WGP Carran Raising Star - SCK1000029
3rd	J & H Thomas - Bryn Garth - THB - Bryn Garth Robin - THB1000138

1st prize Shearling Ram



Aged Ewe

1st	Procters Farms Ltd - Procters - PFD GAF0800053
2nd	Procters Farms Ltd - Procters - PFD JKA0800043
3rd	S I Lewis - Einon - LSI - HPH0801013

1st Prize Aged Ewe & Reserve Champion



Shearling Ewe

1st	William McCaffrey - Scholars - YWM JOK100049
2nd	Procters Farms Ltd - Procters - PFD PFD1000247
3rd	Robert Bennett - Plasucha - BFE BFE1000030

1st Prize Shearling Ewe



Ram Lamb

- | | |
|-----|---|
| 1st | John Mellin - Hull House - MJH - Hull House Space Cowboy - MJH1101543 |
| 2nd | Procters Farms Ltd - Procters - PFD Procters Sovereign - PFD1101007 |
| 3rd | Robin Clwyd Ellis - Eglur - ECE - Eglur So Solid - ECE1100208 |

1st prize Ram Lamb and Reserve Male Champion



Ewe Lamb

- | | |
|-----|---|
| 1st | J and H Thomas - Bryn Garth - THB THB1100419 |
| 2nd | John Mellin - Hull House - MJH MJH1100087 |
| 3rd | Procters Farm Ltd - Procters - PFD PFD1101033 |

1st Prize Ewe Lamb, Female Champion & Supreme Champion



Group of Three

- | | |
|-----|---|
| 1st | J & H Thomas - Bryn Garth - THB |
| 2nd | Procters Farms Ltd, Jeff Aiken - Procters PFD |
| 3rd | William McCaffrey - Scholars - YWM |

First prize Group of Three



Championship Results

Supreme Champion - J and H Thomas - Bryn Garth - THB - THBI 100419

Reserve Champion - Procters Farms Ltd, Jeff Aiken - Procters - PFD - GAF0800053

Male Champion - Colin Ponting - Penstones - PCP - Millend Piece of Gold - WCM090706

Reserve Male Champion - John Mellin - Hull House - MJH - MJHI 100087

Female Champion - J and H Thomas - Bryn Garth - THB - THBI 100419

Reserve Female Champion - Procters Farms Ltd, Jeff Aiken - Procters - PFD - GAF0800053

Supreme Champion Pedigree

BRYN GARTH THBI 100419	S: MILLAR'S OUTSTANDING VMG08528	GS: MELLOR VALE MASTERPIECE BCM06007
		GD: MILLAR'S VMG06149
	D: BRYN GARTH THB06509	GS: CRAIGHEAD HERCULES CMC01036
		GD: BRYN GARTH THB04257







ROYAL SHOWS 2012

Royal Ulster Show

16th—18th May
Balmoral Showground, Belfast

Royal Highland Show

21st—24th June
The Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston

Great Yorkshire Show

10th—12th July
Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate

Royal Welsh Show

23rd—26th July
Royal Welsh Showground, Builth Wells

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The Texel Sheep Society through its sponsorship programme has encouraged participation at a range of Primestock shows with Texels leading the way in a number of championships, both for live lambs and carcasses across the UK.

AGRI-EXPO

A pair of 44.5kg purebred Texels from Andrew Bishop took the reserve overall championship at October's Agri-Expo, Carlisle.

This pair, which won the over 40kg purebred Texel class are by homebred sire Luggsmill Dillon and later in the season won the Texel class at the Royal Highland Winter Fair.

Mr Bishop also won the class for lambs up to 40kg with another pair of Luggsmill Dillan sired lambs. Second place in both Texel classes went to lambs from John and Peter Hall, Inglewood Edge, Carlisle.



BALLYMENA PRIME STOCK WINTER FAIR



Elizabeth McAllister, Kells, lifted the overall championship at Gleno Valley YFC Fatstock show and sale, Ballymena Mart, having already secured the Texel Champion with her pair of Texel cross lambs.

These super pair of lambs were purchased by Nigel Logan, Hillstown Meats, Ahoghill, selling for £280. Elizabeth also took second place in the Texel Class while a pair of lambs bred by John Young, Castledearg, took third place.

Texels and Texel crosses consistently featured at the top of Northern Irish Primestock show and sales in 2011, with these events the showcases for commercial lamb producers. Despite increasing competition from other breeds the Texel have continually proven to be the breed which efficiently produces a high proportion of lean meat, improving margins for all involved.

ENGLISH WINTER FAIR

Texels were once again to the fore at the English Winter Fair, with Steve and Sara Gibbons, Hay-on-Wye, taking the supreme championship with their pair of 51kg Dutch Texel lambs. These homebred lambs had won the Texel class before going on to take the overall championship under judge Martin Brown, Bedale. Mr Brown went on to buy the lambs at £590/apiece (£11.39/kg).

And there was further success for the breed in the butchers' lambs classes at the event too, with Robin Slade (Weekfield) taking first place in four of the six classes with homebred Dutch Texel sired lambs from his 400-ewe flock at Leominster, Herefordshire.

The breed continued the winning ways in the carcass competition too, with Owen and Anne Beresford (Hollyfields), taking both the championship and reserve championship with Dutch Texel sired lambs. Champion was a 24.1kg carcass, while reserve was another heavyweight, a 25.8kg carcass. These sold at £10/kg and £10.30/kg, respectively.

ROYAL WELSH WINTER FAIR

Texel sired lambs took the reserve championship honours in both the single and pairs carcass classes at the Royal Welsh Winter Fair, with Dutch Texel cross lambs collecting the tickets.

In the single lamb classes the reserve championship honours went to Herefordshire-based Robin Slade with his 19.5kg E3L carcass. This one had weighed 35kg live and later sold at £300 (£15.38/kg).

And in the carcass pairs class the reserve champion was a pair of Dutch Texel crosses from IT Davies and Son, Brecon. These both weighed 20.5kg dead, having weighed 37kg apiece live. One of these graded E2, with the other an E3L.

EAST OF ENGLAND SMITHFIELD FESTIVAL - RABI

A pure bred Dutch Texel lamb, bred and exhibited by Robin J Slade, Pembridge, Hereford, won the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI) perpetual trophy at the East of England Smithfield Festival.

The RABI charity sheep class, first introduced at the Royal Smithfield Show in 2004, is an open class for single lambs of any breed or cross, the sale price of which is donated to the farming charity. As a result of the generosity of the eight exhibitors, who donated lambs, and of the auctioneers, Newark Livestock Market, who waived their commission, 100% of the sale price went to RABI, raising over £920. Mr Slade's Texel sold for the top price of £170.

SMITHFIELD FESTIVAL EAST OF ENGLAND

Texel sired entries made their mark at the inaugural East of England Smithfield Festival, Peterborough, with a pair Texel sired lambs weighing 87kg taking the reserve supreme championship for Andrew and Becky Bishop, Gloucestershire.

This duo, which had stood reserve champion Continental sired lambs at the event, are by Luggsmill Dillan and also collected the purebred Continental championship.

And a Dutch Texel sired lamb from Robin Slade, Leominster, took the reserve championship honours in this section too.

This one, which graded E3L later sold for £105 to Wimberley Hall Farm Shop, Spalding.



RABI winner Robin J Slade - East of England Smithfield Festival



Steve & Sara Gibbons 1st prize Texel class and Supreme Champions winners at the English Winter Fair

ROYAL HIGHLAND WINTER FAIR

Winning the Texel championship at the Royal Highland Winter Fair, Edinburgh, were a pair of Luggsmill Dillan sired lambs from Gloucestershire-based Andrew Bishop. This pair won the Francis Brown Perpetual Challenge Trophy on Mr Bishop's first time at the Scottish event.

Reserve champion Texels were an 89kg pair also from Mr Bishop. These, again sired by Luggsmill Dillan and had previously won the lightweight class for Texel sired lambs at the event.



Anne Beresford - Championship & reserve at the English Winter Fair Carcase competition

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As a further commitment to our Membership we will again be offering reimbursement of entry fees to Texel Sheep Society Members in 2012. Members are eligible for reimbursement of their entry fees after attending and promoting the British Texel in the Texel Classes at the following Prime Stock Events. Members will need to write to the Society detailing entries after each eligible event to be considered for the reimbursement. The Society has the final discretion on any reimbursement.



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Royal Show Judges 2012



Royal Highland Show 2012
CHARLIE BODEN - SPORTSMANS/MELLOR VALE

Texels have been an obsession for Charlie since he started the Sportsmans Flock with his Father back in 1974. They had several success on the show circuit winning the Royal show, the Royal Welsh show and the Great Yorkshire show.

One of his best achievements was taking the championship at Lanark in 1991 with Sportsmans Victor which went on to sell for 12,000gns. The following year he won it again with Sportsmans Warlord which sold for 26,000gns.

Charlie established a second flock in 1998, Mellor Vale Texels. The Mellor Vale Flock has had equally as much success on the show circuit and at the sales. The most famous being Mellor Vale Masterpiece and Mellor Vale Officer which have gone on to sire numerous champions and continue to influence the breed today.

In 2011 Sportsmans averaged 6,990gns for a pen of eight rams at Lanark, the top price ram, Sportsmans Supreme, selling for 20,000gns. Sportsmans Scania won reserve Champion at Carlisle sale and went on to sell for 12,000gns.

The Sportsmans and Mellor Vale flocks run alongside the Sportsmans herds of Charolais and Limousin cattle, which have had similar success. Charlie has judged both cattle and sheep throughout the UK.

The Boden family farms on the Cheshire, Derbyshire border at the foot of the Pennines. The farm is predominantly a hill farm, set at 800-1000 ft above sea level. The farming enterprise is mainly sheep and beef.



Royal Welsh Show 2012
DAVID MCKERROW - NOCHNARY

David runs the Nochnary flock on the family farm in Freuchie. He started breeding Texels on his late father's farm at Grougfoot in 1973. David is a founder member and past Chairman of the Scottish Texel Club, he also served on Texel Society Board between 1990 and 2000.

Always keen to promote Texels for their carcase conformation and killing out percentages David was the first person to win Smithfield with Texel sired lambs in 1983. He also had champion lambs at the Scottish Winter Fair in 1984 and 1986.

Judging highlights have included The Royal Show, Royal Ulster and sheep classes at Smithfield.

David, Jean and their three children moved to Nochnary, a 270 acre arable farm in 1994 and started a new Texel flock. The business has expanded over the years and they now rent another 170 acres and contract farm a further 260 acres arable. There is a 60 suckler cow herd and followers.

Sons, David jnr. and James are keen to improve the Texels using AI and ET. They have also established their own herd of British Blues and although pedigree breeding is in their blood, they both work enthusiastically on the arable side of the business.

David has always enjoyed showing stock and has given the boys great encouragement. They spend most of the summer showing at local shows and the Royal Highland. Wife, Jean and daughter Louise also give a helping hand.



Royal Ulster Show 2012
JEFF AIKEN - PROCTERS

Jeff manages the Procters Texel flock which was established in 2003 and is run alongside a pedigree Limousin herd and a 300 commercial ewe flock. Procters Farm Ltd is owned by Tony Moores and is situated just outside Slaidburn, Clitheroe in Lancashire. Jeff grew up on the family farm near Dromore in Northern Ireland and has worked with pedigree sheep all his life.

He started working with the Texel breed in 2000 and from then on he has brought out many championship winners at various shows. Jeff has helped shepherd some top flocks prior to starting at Procters in 2009 and has been building up the flock since then, the highlight of which has been selling Procters Samurai for 16,000gns at Lanark 2011.

His aim is to breed Texel sheep with good legs and feet, conformation and character for both the pedigree and commercial markets. His job is made easier with the continuous support and hard work from his wife Jennifer and two children, Katie (5) and Robbie (3)

Jeff is really looking forward to going back to his homeland to judge the Royal Ulster, a show which he has exhibited at for many years with his parents, Jim and Cynthia and their Border Leicester and Charollais sheep.



Great Yorkshire Show 2012
VICTOR CHESTNUTT - CLOUGHER

Victor Chestnutt has been involved with Texels since the early 80's when the Clougher flock was formed.

Victor farms at home on the family farm run by himself, wife Carol, son David and occasional help from daughter Zara. The farm is a mixed enterprise. Running alongside the Clougher and Bushmills Texel flocks is a flock of Scottish Blackface which are used for cross breeding as well as pedigree beef herds of Charolais, Limousin, Aberdeen Angus and British Blues. The farm has also recently added a dairy herd.

The Texel flock has enjoyed much success down through the years, at sales where it has topped at 18,000gns (Clougher Lincoln - CVC05145) and has been consistently among good prices. The flock has also enjoyed a successful show career and has won the Northern Ireland Flock Competition on numerous occasions culminating by coming third in the Millennium National Flock Competition.

Victor counts it a great honour to be asked to place the sheep at the Yorkshire Show. A show which each time he has visited he has admired both the stockmanship and quality of the stock. He will be looking for sheep that are functional, fit not fat and sheep that display correctness, conformation and character. He looks forward to the opportunity to see you all in July.



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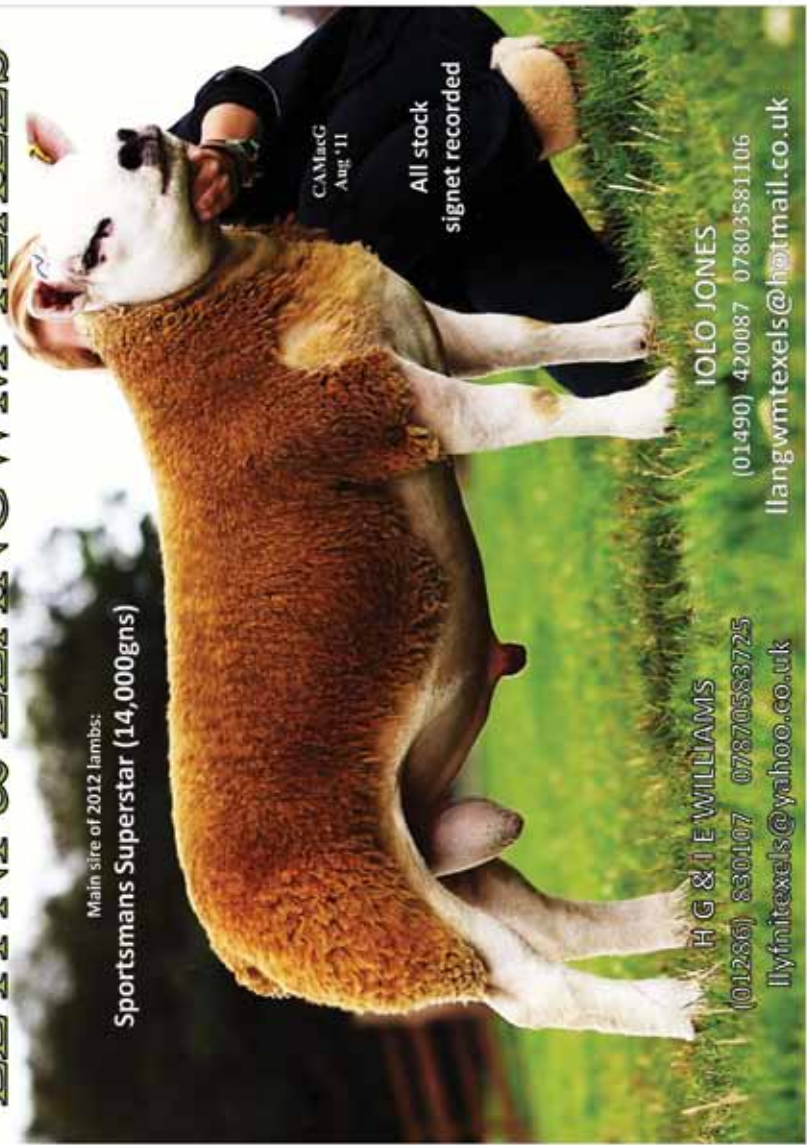
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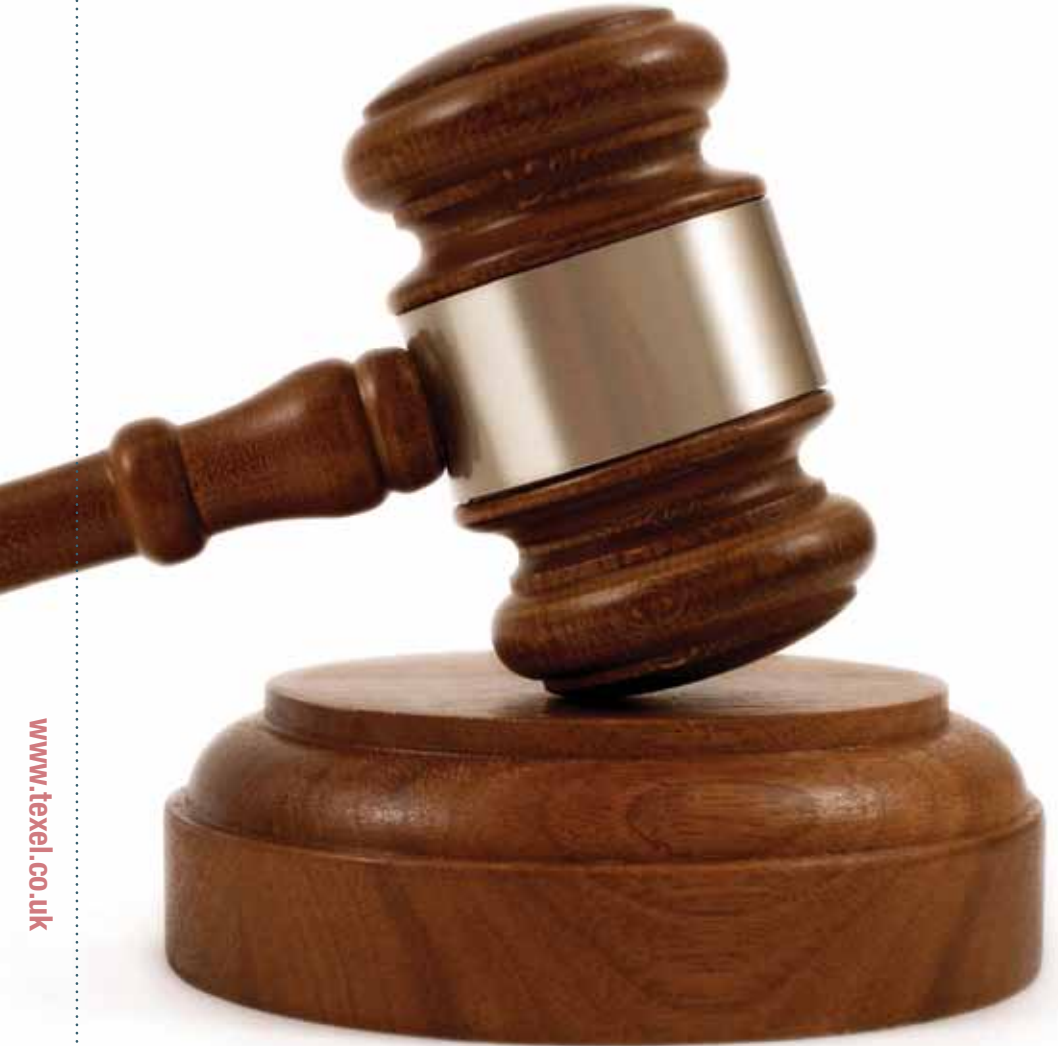
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# 2011 Northern Ireland National Show & Sale Ballymena

## Texel Trade On Fire at Ballymena

**T**he pulling power of Texel made sure every seat in the house was taken at Ballymena Mart last August, with one of the largest crowds ever recorded at the National Show & Sale. Buyers certainly weren't disappointed with the quality of stock forward with a superb entry in all sections being quickly snapped up at strong averages.

## Ram Lambs

Prices were led at 9000 guineas paid to Andrew Fyffe, Omagh for his outstanding ram lamb "Fairywater Superstar", FAO1100161, who is sired by the noted Knock Oregano, HAK08960. There was fierce demand for this February born lamb with the eventual buyers comprising of John & Richard Currie, Barclay Bell, Henry Gamble, Brian Hanthorn and Marshall & Sarah Riley. The Fairywater flock enjoyed mighty returns for their stock with a whopping pen average of £2919 for 5 lambs sold.

Hot on the heels of this at 8800 guineas was John Foster with his Springhill flock which saw him notch up a ram lamb pen average of £2745 for 7. "Springhill Silverstone", FTS1100400, sold to Andrew & Robin Kennedy, Robert Robinson, Cyril & Martin Millar, and Richard Henderson. This embryo lamb is sired by Halley Pathfinder, EDH09007, and is out of a Blackstown Milo dam, VVWB06107.

Next best was Alastair Gault with a Duncryne Ringmaster son, JRV1000001, bred from a Douganhill McFly, GCK06073 daughter. This one travelled to the Isle of

Man following a 5500 guineas bid from the Kermodé family. This lamb was not shown as Alastair was judge for the event.

Robert Mulligan and daughter Kim forked out 5200 guineas to secure a Blackstown tup lamb from Jim Wilson. This one is sired by Springhill Outlook, FTS08088, with Mellorvale Masterpiece, BCM06007 behind the dam.

The Tullagh flock of John & Richard Currie, Ballymena met with brisk bidding for their pen of ram lambs averaging £2297 for 4, and reaching 4500 guineas for Tullagh Squire CJT1100210, a Kelso Picasso son MBZ09040, purchased by the Kermodé family of the Orrisdale flock, Isle of Man.

But it wasn't just the rams that were purchased for pure breeding that made this sale stand out from the crowd; it is the sheer volume of rams purchased by commercial sheep producers. The 2011 sale recorded averages of £861 for 221 ram lambs sold which represents over 50 more sold than the 2010 figure at an increased value. This trend continued right across the board with Shearling rams jumping £142 per head to level at £727, and Shearling ewes averaged £697 which is an increase of £161 per head.

It is these figures that highlight the popularity of Texel in Northern Ireland and further afield. The Northern Bank Supreme Championship was awarded to Barclay Bell and sons Jonathan and Elliott for a ram lamb from their Kiltariff flock. Derryvore Ranger, XOD1000002, sired this February born lamb which sold for 1900 guineas to Mr. Wilkinson, Cumbria.





Highest priced Ram Lamb and sale topper  
FAIRYWATER SUPERSTAR, FAO1100161 - sold for 9000gns



2nd Highest price at sale  
SPRINGHILL SILVERSTONE, FTS1100400 - sold for 8800gns



1st prize Shearling ewe – Tullagh CJTI000048  
sold for 2000 gns



Joint highest priced Shearling Ram  
FORKINS RAMBO, GAF1000059 - sold for 1600gns



Highest priced Gimmer,  
GAF1000017 - sold for 2800gns



KILTARIFF STIG BBK1100262 - 1st Prize ram lamb, Male  
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Reserve Champion - MULLAN SUPREMACY -  
HBN1100274 - sold for 4400gns



Joint highest priced Shearling Ram -  
SPRINGHILL ROCK SOLID, FTS1000019 - sold for 1600gns

Reserve Overall was the winner of the Performance Recorded class from the Hanthorn Family, Armagh. Mullán Supremacy, HBN1100274, a son of Mossknowe Pudsey, FWM09627, sold for 4400 guineas, and helped record a pen average of £1808 for 5. John Henning, Head of Agriculture for Northern Bank, was on hand to distribute awards following the judging. The Northern Bank has a long standing relationship with this event, and the Texel Society is very grateful for their continued support.

## Shearling Rams

In the Shearling ram ring prices were led at 1600 guineas by the Forkins flock of Alastair Gault. This was paid by William & Brian McAllister, Kells, for a triplet son of Teiglum Porn Star, CFT096713, out of a Clynnog Joe Tex, ODC03024, dam. This March born Shearling is a maternal brother to Rock Solid, GAF1000046, which sold for 65,000 guineas in 2010.

It was a run of Shearling rams from John Foster that made the crowd sit up and take notice with a top of 1600 guineas, in addition to a number sold above 1000 guineas resulting in a pen average of £1185 for 8 sold.

## Shearling Ewes

New and established breeders stood side by side in a packed sale ring for the Texel Shearling ewes which saw prices reach heights of 2800 guineas. This was paid out for a super daughter of Tamnamoney Ned, SRY07010, presented by Alastair Gault, Forkins. There was strong interest in this stylish February born gimmer as she is the ET sister to Rocksolid which sold for 65,000 guineas in 2010. She was snapped up by Harper George, Crumlin. Alastair had a strong pen of Shearling ewes which recorded an average of £1071 for 4 sold.

Hot on the heels of this at 2500 guineas was the Reserve Female Champion, FAO1000033, exhibited by Andrew Fyffe, Fairywater. Cornerstone Isaac, SID02004, was behind this well made gimmer, which comes from the best female line in the Fairywater flock. This pen undoubtedly had a great run in the Shearling ewe section notching up the best pen average on the night of £1409 for 6. This also included a full sister to the reserve female champion which sold for 1700 guineas.

Richard Henderson sold to a top of 2400 guineas from his Ballynahone flock. This was paid out by Adrian Liggett for a Mullán Playboy, HBN09052, daughter out of a Douganhill McFly, GCK06073, dam. His pen sold to average £989 for 4.

The Female Champion also caught the eye selling at 2000 guineas to Leslie and Karen Beacom, Ballywalter. Gruig Outlaw, VMA08124, was behind this flashy ewe, which helped see a pen average of £1226 for 4 for the Tullagh flock of John & Richard Currie.

One of the last gimmers in the book changed hands at 1900 guineas for Nigel Ross, Glenross. Placed third in a strong line up earlier in the day, this Forkins O Driscoll, GAF080008, daughter was bought by J Neville.

Just a few lots earlier the Hanthorn Family sold their Knock Powerhouse, HAK090189, daughter for 1800 guineas to Mr Ellis. The maternal sister to this Shearling sold in 2010 for 4600 guineas.

## Sales Statistics

|                | Forward | Sold | Average - £ | Top - Gns |
|----------------|---------|------|-------------|-----------|
| Gimmers        | 93      | 70   | £697        | 2,800     |
| Ram Lambs      | 270     | 221  | £861        | 9,000     |
| Shearling Rams | 98      | 94   | £727        | 1,600     |

## Show Results

Judge: *Alastair Gault - FORKINS*

|                         |                            |                               |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| SUPREME CHAMPION        | Barclay Bell<br>Kiltariff  | BBK1100262 - KILTARIFF STIG   |
| RESERVE CHAMPION        | Brian Hanthorn<br>Mullan   | HBNI100274 - MULLAN SUPREMACY |
| MALE CHAMPION           | Barclay Bell<br>Kiltariff  | BBK1100262 - KILTARIFF STIG   |
| RESERVE MALE CHAMPION   | Brian Hanthorn<br>Mullan   | HBNI100274 - MULLAN SUPREMACY |
| FEMALE CHAMPION         | J & R Currie<br>Tullagh    | CJT1000048 - TULLAGH          |
| RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION | Andrew Fyffe<br>Fairywater | FAO1000033 - FAIRYWATER       |



## Class Results

|                                     |     |                                    |                                       |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Shearling Ewe                       | 1st | J & R Currie<br>Tullagh            | CJT1000048 - TULLAGH                  |
|                                     | 2nd | Andrew Fyffe<br>Fairywater         | FAO1000033 - FAIRYWATER               |
|                                     | 3rd | Nigel Ross<br>Glenross             | RVG1000025 - GLENROSS                 |
| Shearling Ram                       | 1st | A & J Young<br>Kilrail House       | YAK1000088 - KILRAIL HOUSE            |
|                                     | 2nd | Adrian Liggett<br>Corbo            | LIG1000035 - CORBO RASCAL             |
|                                     | 3rd | John Foster<br>Springhill          | FTS1000019 - SPRINGHILL ROCK<br>SOLID |
| Young Breeders                      | 1st | Sarah & Robert Gamble<br>Crowhill  | GOL100622 - CROWHILL SEXTON           |
|                                     | 2nd | Johnny & Elliott Bell<br>Kiltariff | BBK1100251 - KILTARIFF SANTOS         |
|                                     | 3rd | Millar & McComb<br>Millcomb        | VMM1100020 - MILLCOMB<br>STARBUCK     |
| Ram Lamb                            | 1st | Barclay Bell<br>Kiltariff          | BBK1100262 - KILTARIFF STIG           |
|                                     | 2nd | Richard Henderson<br>Ballynahone   | HBRI100299 - BALLYNAHONE<br>SPUNKY    |
|                                     | 3rd | Michael Smyth<br>Foyle View        | SMVI100005 - FOYLEVIEW<br>SCORPIAN    |
| Performance<br>Recorded Ram<br>Lamb | 1st | Brian Hanthorn<br>Mullan           | HBNI100274 - MULLAN SUPREMACY         |
|                                     | 2nd | Stephen & Jean McCollam<br>Carmavy | MSY1100221 - CARMAVY STRIKER          |
|                                     | 3rd | Henry Gamble<br>Springwell         | GRS1100424 - SRPINGWELL SEAN          |

Alastair Gault - Forkins flock - Judging at Ballymena



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**T**exel breeders proved the widespread appeal of the breed at Lanark, with a strong entry of lambs meeting demand from pedigree and commercial flocks the length and breadth of the UK.

It was the sound commercial attributes of the breed, coupled with a high number of high indexed sheep which drew the bids from a capacity ringside.

The crowd was bolstered by an 18 strong delegation of French breeders who were highly impressed with the quality of the sheep on offer. The French breeders were both surprised and delighted with the quality of the tups at the sale. They have gone home eager to purchase UK Texel genetics to put in to their progeny testing programme in France and are likely to buy semen this year and live animals in future years.

Leading the sale was one of the picks of the yard before the sale and a lamb talked up to big money lived up to the pre-sale chat, with Foyle View Superstar SMVI 100017 collecting the day's biggest call at 46,000gns.

Bred by Michael Smyth, he is a son of Straidarran Ranger VXXSI000004 out of a dam by the noted Douganhill McFly GCK06073 and sold to a quartet of Scottish breeders; the Wight family, Midlock, Gordon and David Gray, Ettrick, Richard Wood, Kingleddores, and Peter and Lynn Gray, Scrogtonhead.

A 32,000gns bid came from John Forsyth, Glenside, when he bought the first of the day from John Mellin's Hull House flock. This was Hull House Space Cowboy MJHI 101543, a Castlecairn Red Arrow

RNAI000080 son out of a Castleknowe Matchmaker BKL06075 daughter. He has an index of 233 and was subject to a fierce bidding battle before Mr Forsyth got the winning bid in.

Taking a 28,000gns bid was the best from Robert Laird's Cambwell pen. This was Cambwell Socrates LTCI 100512, the male champion from the Royal Highland. He's a son of Cowal Powerhouse CKC09911 and out of a dam by Cambwell Laird LTC05507. Buying this one was the Campbell family for their Cowal flock.

Robbie Wilson's Milnbank flock took a 25,000gns bid for Milnbank Special One LYMI 100405, a Glenside Razzle Dazzle FPG1000055 son out of a Glenside Lieutenant FPG05077 daughter. He had stood sixth at the Highland and was in the first prize group here. This one was split between Martin and Cyril Millar, Millar's, and Charlie Boden, Sportsmans.

The Innes family then sold at 24,000gns, with this paid for Strathbogie Smokey Blue IJSI 100074, a Glenside Razzle Dazzle FPG1000055 son out of a dam by Hexel Lexus MZH05195 He went in a three way split to Messrs Knox, Haddo, Clark, Garngour and Bagan, Waterlands.

The Sportsmans pen from Charlie Boden enjoyed a strong trade, with his best selling at 20,000gns. This was Sportsmans Supreme BGS1 100303 a Kelso Pavarotti MBZ09002 son out of a dam by Muirensk Northern Dancer MSK07634. This one sold in a three way split to Robert Laird, Cambwell, Albert Howie, Knock, and Kenny Pratt, Hilltop.

Early in the sale the Procters Farm pen got trade going with a bit of fire, selling to a top of 16,000gns for Procters Samurai PFDI 100985 a Haddo Ringleader KWJ1000063 son out of a dam by Castleknowe Matchmaker BKL06075. He went to the Innes family, Strathbogie.



Highest priced ram lamb & Sale topper  
FOYLE VIEW SUPERSTAR, SMVI 100017 - sold for 46000gns



2nd highest price - HULL HOUSE SPACE COWBOY,  
MJHI 101543 - sold for 32000gns



3rd highest price - CAMB WELL SOCRATES,  
LTCI 100512 - sold for 28000gns



MILNBANK SPECIAL ONE,  
LYMI 100405 - sold for 25000gns



1st Prize shearling ewe & Female Champion -  
TUSHINGHAM - GARI 000006 - sold for 5500gns



1st Prize Performance Recorded ram lamb,  
Champion Male & Supreme Champion  
COWAL SALTIRE, CKCI 100271 - sold for 14000gns



Highest price Female - ETRICK  
GGH1000187, sold for 5800gns



First prize Group of Three - MILNBANK

A quartet of lambs sold 14,000gns, with the first of these coming from the Currie family who were continuing their strong form from Ballymena. Their best at Lanark was Tullagh Saracen CJT1100211, a Kelso Picasso MBZ09040 son out of Gruig Outlaw.VMA08124 He went to the Dunlop family, Elmscleugh.

At the same money was Sportsmans Superstar BGS1100223 from Charlie Boden. This is a Baltier Panther FEB09977 son out of a dam by Castlecairn Nile God RNA07149. He found a new home in Wales with a consortium led by Iolo Jones, Llangwm.

Taking the third 14,000gns call was Clinterty Samba I BBY1100175 from Brian Buchan. This Clinterty Par One BBY09643 son is out of an Ettrick Mighty Mouse GGH06167 dam and has an index of 302 and sold to Peter Vaughan, Kingsland, Messrs Draper, Claybury, and Stephen Cobbald, Lavenham.

The final lamb to make this money was the champion from the pre-sale show, Cowal Saltire CKC1100271 from the Campbell family. This Knock Reebok HAK1000041 son is out of a dam by Millar's Only One VMG08513 and had the highest index in the catalogue at 428. He had won the recorded class at Great Yorkshire and the same class at Lanark. He went to a Northern Irish consortium including Richard Henderson, Ballynahone, and Alistair Gault, Forkins.

Selling for 12,000gns was Carran Sutherland's Star SCK1100086, from Angus Mackay, Sutherland. This is by Baltier Panther FEB09977 and out of a dam by Crewburn Lorenzo HBC05004 and sold to Peter Woof, Stainton.

Another transaction at this price saw John Forsyth, Glenside; sell his best of the day, Glenside Silver Star FPG1100301. This is a son of 2010 sire of the year Strathbogie Python IJS09289 out of a dam by Claybury

Istabraq DHL02065 which had previously been champion at the Highland and the Royal on two occasions. He was snapped up by Alistair Beaton, Wester Crosshill.

And at 12,000gns again was Milnbank Sound Investment LYM1100375 from Robbie Wilson. This is another by Razzle Dazzle FPG1000055 and out of a Clinterty Las Vegas BBY05061 daughter. He was in the first prize group and was shared by Robert Cockburn, Connachan and Kerr Jarvie, Tapanui.

Following on at 11,000gns was Tophill Spartacus HPH1100197 from David Houghton, an ET son of Tamnamoney Rob Roy SRY1000050 out of a dam by Knock Orion HAK08955 He went to Robert Scott, Drumpark, Graham Morrison, Deveronvale, Messrs D N Campbell, Bardnaclavan and Rodney Blackhall, Sheeoch.

Bruce Goldie's first lamb in the ring, Goldies Supreme GJG1100397 a Livery Predator VTL09922 son with an index of 350 and out of a dam by Straidarran Legacy WXS05019 then sold at 10,000gns to Arnold Park, Drinkstone, T Nesbitt, Alwent, Richard Oates, Lumbylaw and J & S Wilkinson, Langlands.

One of the earliest lots in the sale and one of the most talked about was the winner of the novice class from Richard Wood. This was Kingledores Scaramouche WRK1100057 the first Texel sold from the flock and a Glenside Ring A Ding FPG1000054 son out of a dam by Kiltariff Osprey BBK08071 He went to R Bennett, Meiford, Powys, at 8000gns

Also at this price was Sportsmans Showman BGS1100287 from Charlie Boden. This one is a Cowal Rob Roy II CKC1000214 son out of a dam by Castlecairn Nile God RNA07149; He sold to the Knox family, Haddo.



## Shearling rams

Leading the shearling rams was the first prize winner from the show selling at 2200gns. This was Parkhouse Rooster from A Barr; he's a Deveronvale Oddie son out of a dam by Baltier King. Buying him was Mr Yeo, North Church. At 1800gns was Ettrick Rocket Man from Gordon Gray. This is by Mitchellhill Paparazzi and out of a dam by Hewer Hill Mr Big and went with an index of 206, being bought by Michael Strong, Hewer Hill.

## Shearling ewes sell to 5800gns

A capacity ringside saw shearling ewes sell to a top of 5800gns, with top genetics eagerly sought after. Selling for the evening's best price was a shearling ewe from Gordon Gray's Ettrick flock. This was GGH1000187, an ET bred daughter of Mitchellhill Paparazzi out of a homebred dam by Castlecain Kung Foo Fighter.

With a stack of first class breeding behind her, including an ET sister which was first prize shearling ewe at the 2011 Royal Highland Show, she was keenly bid for. The eventual buyer was R E J Pierce, Chester, for the Oldford flock. She has an index of 266.

Taking the first of two 5500gns calls of the night was the reserve champion from the pre-sale show, a Fachell on Approval daughter from Peter Woof's Stainton flock. Again ET bred, this one, WPS1000028, is out of a dam by Cambwell Mountain and was knocked down to Stephen Cobbald, Suffolk.

The other at this price was the female champion, Frank Griffies shearling ewe by Teiglum Pledge from his Tushingham flock, GAR1000006. This single born ewe is out of a dam by Tushingham Mainstream and had previously been reserve breed champion at

the 2011 Cheshire County Show. She was bought by Mr Warren, York.

Selling at 4200gns was another from Gordon Gray, another by Mitchellhill Paparazzi. This was GGH1000152, a twin born ewe out of a Teiglum Nevada daughter. She sold with an index of 227 to Stephen Cobbald.

A 2000gns sale was the next best price of the evening, with this money paid by Welsh vet Esmor Evans, Mold, for a shearling from Peter Vaughan. This was a Knock Powerpacker daughter, VPK1000038, an embryo bred ewe out of a dam by Muireisk Blondin.

Just before this was the second of the sale from Frank Griffies GAR1000020. Sired by Teiglum Pledge and out of a Baltier King-sired dam she sold to Stuart Barclay at 1700gns.

Making 1500gns was one from John Mellin's Hull House flock. This was MJH1000087, a twin born daughter of Springhill Norris out of a dam by Castleknowe Matchmaker. With an index of 192 she found a new home with Alistair Beaton, Wester Crosshill, Falkirk.

## Sales Statistics

|                | Forward | Sold | Average - £ | Top - Gns |
|----------------|---------|------|-------------|-----------|
| Gimmers        | 73      | 60   | £947        | 5800gns   |
| Ram Lambs      | 496     | 369  | £2,346      | 46000gns  |
| Shearling Rams | 12      | 4    | £1,391      | 2200gns   |

## Show Results

Judge: Steve Richardson – STONEBRIDGE

|                         |                              |                                   |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| SUPREME CHAMPION        | K, A & R Campbell<br>Cowl    | CKCI 100271 - COWAL SALTIRE       |
| RESERVE CHAMPION        | Robbie Wilson<br>Milnbank    | LYMI 100430 - MILNBANK SNOOPY DOG |
| MALE CHAMPION           | K, A & R Campbell<br>Cowl    | CKCI 100271 - COWAL SALTIRE       |
| RESERVE MALE CHAMPION   | Robbie Wilson<br>Milnbank    | LYMI 100430 - MILNBANK SNOOPY DOG |
| FEMALE CHAMPION         | Frank Griffies<br>Tushingham | GARI 000006 - TUSHINGHAM          |
| RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION | Peter Woof<br>Stainton       | WPSI 000028 - STAINTON            |



**Auctioneers:**  
**Lawrie & Symington**  
**Lanark**



Steve Richardson - Stonebridge flock - Judging at Lanark

## Class Results

|                                                          |     |                                 |                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Shearling Ewe                                            | 1st | Frank Griffies<br>Tushingham    | GARI000006-TUSHINGHAM                   |
|                                                          | 2nd | Peter Woof<br>Stainton          | WPSI000028 - STAINTON                   |
|                                                          | 3rd | Gordon Gray<br>Ettrick          | GGHI000187 - ETTRICK                    |
| Shearling Ram                                            | 1st | A Barr<br>Parkhouse             | BAHI000007 - PARKHOUSE<br>ROOSTER       |
|                                                          | 2nd | Gordon Gray<br>Ettrick          | GGHI000188 - ETTRICK ROCKET<br>MAN      |
|                                                          | 3rd | H G and I E Williams<br>Llyfni  | WHA1000035 - LLYFNI RASCAL              |
| Novice Ram<br>Lamb                                       | 1st | Richard Wood<br>Kingleadore     | WRKI000057 - KINGLEDORES<br>SCARAMOUCHE |
|                                                          | 2nd | Sarah Ferguson<br>Sadiebean     | FSEI000091 - SADIEBEAN SPARKY           |
|                                                          | 3rd | Eryl Williams<br>Kempies        | WEOI000579 - KEMPIES SUDOKU             |
| Ram Lamb<br>(open)                                       | 1st | Robbie Wilson<br>Milnbank       | LYMI000384 - MILNBANK STIG              |
|                                                          | 2nd | G H and G G Wilkinson<br>Arkle  | WGAI000660 - ARKLE SOUTH<br>PACIFIC     |
|                                                          | 3rd | J Innes and Sons<br>Strathbogie | IJSI000087 - STRATHBOGIE STUD           |
| Performance<br>Recorded Ram<br>Lamb                      | 1st | K,A and R Campbell<br>Cowal     | CKCI000271 - COWAL SALTIRE              |
|                                                          | 2nd | Procters Farm<br>Procters       | PFDI001007 - PROCTERS<br>SOVEREIGN      |
|                                                          | 3rd | Clark Farms<br>Teiglum          | CFTI000946 - TEIGLUM SPITFIRE           |
| Best Group<br>of Three Ram<br>Lambs Bred By<br>Exhibitor | 1st | Robbie Wilson                   | MILNBANK                                |
|                                                          | 2nd | J Innes and Sons                | STRATHBOGIE                             |
|                                                          | 3rd | Claybury Texels                 | CLAYBURY                                |

## 2011 Welsh National Show & Sale Welshpool

Texel buyers filled the large ring at the WLS auction mart at Welshpool, but had to wait until the second to last consignment went through the ring before witnessing the top two prices received by the Caereinion flock of Mr C E Pryce, no stranger to the shearing ram limelight. He first sold the overall Reserve Champion, sired by Cambwell Laird, LTC05507, for 4200gns, going to Mr Owen, Sandlands, Wales. His Dam was by the noted Summerwood Grand Union, PHS00001. Mr Pryce's only other entry matched this, sired by his own 12,000gns Caereinion Number One, PEC07216, with the dam again by Summerwood Grand Union, PHS00001.

The demand for good strong shearlings being well sought after these were followed by another six, four figure prices. Loosebeare sold a Kelso Oxygen son, MBZ08019, at 1500gns to Mr Lewis Grouddhall. Angela Nairey, Meinspride, had two lots at 1300 and 1200gns, firstly for a Glenside King son, FPG81002, and secondly for one by Glenside Drum Major, FPG97065.

Top shearling producer, Mr David Orrells, Llegodig, topped his strong pen with a son of Meinspride King Kong, LNM04744, which sold for 1120gns. Following on closely and completing the four figure prices were a brace from F H Chave, Peacehay, for sons of Fachell Outlook, MIF08972, and Cennen Magnum, TCA06089, respectively.

The shearing trade completing a good sale prices up by 357gns to 1051gns.

Ram Lambs enjoyed a strong trade with strong pens with character and flesh being much sought after. Topping the section and

following on from a very successful sale at Lanark was the Sportsman's flock, who sold a son of the 11,000gns Baltier Panther, FEB09977, for 2700gns to Mr Evans, Tran y - Baccar. His dams sire was the 28,000gns Castlecairn Nile God, RNA07149, who, like Panther, was a former Great Yorkshire show Champion.

Procters Farm had a very successful sale with a trio of top prices at 2100, 1900 and 1200gns, all sired by the powerful 50,000gns Haddo Ringleader, KWJ1000063, with their dams all having been purchased from Annan, their 2100gn call was also the pre sale champion chosen by Judge David Houghton, Tophill flock, and sold to Mr Davies, Llwyncad.

One of the largest rams seen for some time came next when Phillip Evans, sold Fostyll Star, EPF1100112, at 2400gns to Mr Roy Hughes, Trefonnen, this Mellorvale Reyna son, BCM1000030, out of a dam by Knock Olympus, HAK08900.

Regular consignor and local man Steve Smith, Penparc, had to wait late in the day before selling Penparc Sparky, SJP1101125, a Ned son out of a dam by Annan Jewel, JKA03038, for 1800gns to Mr Robert Conway. Making the journey south worthwhile was a 1500gn sale for Society Chairman, Gordon Gray, Ettrick, this ET brother to the 10,500gn Rainbow Warrior, GGH1000041. This price was matched by Llangwm when they sold a son of the 2010 Ruthin sale champion, Hen Gapel Royal Gold, OJH1000008, out of a dam by Cowal Monarch of the Glen, CKC06213.

Topping a very strong trade for the Mellin family's Hull House flock was Hull House Sgt Pepper, MJH1101508, a 1300gns son of their top stock sire Castlecairn Red Arrow, RNA1000080. Further sons sold at 1150, 1050 and 1000gns.



Joint highest priced shearling ram, sale topper, 1st prize shearling ram, reserve male champion & reserve champion overall - CAERINION RONALDO, PEC1 000033 sold for 4200gns



Joint Highest priced Shearling Ram and sale topper CAERINION ROCKY, PEC1 000003 sold for 4200gns



2nd Highest price at sale - SPORTSMAN'S SPITFIRE, BGS1 100284 sold for 2700gns



3rd Highest price at sale - FFOSTYLL STAR, EPF1 1001 12 sold for 2400gns



1st Prize Performance Recorded ram lamb, male Champion and Supreme Champion overall - PROCTERS SANTANDER, PFD1 101004 - sold for 2100gns



First prize shearling ewe & female champion - RASCARREL, MTR1 000036 - sold for 1800gns



First prize Group of Three - Ettrick



PROCTERS SORCERER PFD1 101010 - sold for 1900gns

Ram Lamb trade exceeded the previous year with prices up 26gns to 667gns with increased clearance 73% for 22 more lambs sold. The female trade was also buoyant with the increased number of vendors at this sale on the whole pleased with trade, for this new venue in its second year. Topping the trade was the MacTaggart family Rascarrel flock with their Female Champion selling to Mr Chambers, Twelve Oaks flock, Northants, for 1800gns. Sired by the home bred Rascarrel Och Aye, MTR08456, out of a dam by Templand Megane, GKT06505. Vaughan farms, Kingsland, Herefordshire sold to 1350 and 1050gns for daughters of Alwent Major Force, NTA06007.

The Reserve Female Champion from Ettrick sold at 1150gns, a Cambwell OBE daughter, LTC083082, out of a Greenmount bred dam. Matching this price was a Fordafourie Power Pack daughter, LAF090332, from Loosebeare.

Female trade ended with averages up 150gns to 568gns showing the popularity, confidence and demand for the Texel, with clearances up 2% to 80% for 5 more sold.



David Houghton - Tophill flock - Judging at Welshpool

## Sale Statistics

|                | Forward | Sold | Average - £ | Top - Gns |
|----------------|---------|------|-------------|-----------|
| Gimmers        | 78      | 62   | £568        | 1800gns   |
| Ram Lambs      | 156     | 115  | £666        | 2700gns   |
| Shearling Rams | 43      | 28   | £1,051      | 4200gns   |

## Show Results

Judge: David Houghton - TOPHILL

|                         |                               |                                 |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| SUPREME CHAMPION        | Procters Farm Ltd<br>Procters | PFD1101004 - PROCTERS SANTANDER |
| RESERVE CHAMPION        | Mr C E Pryce<br>Caereinion    | PEC1000033 - CAEREINION RONALDO |
| MALE CHAMPION           | Procters Farm Ltd<br>Procters | PFD1101004 - PROCTERS SANTANDER |
| RESERVE MALE CHAMPION   | Mr C E Pryce<br>Caereinion    | PEC1000033 - CAEREINION RONALDO |
| FEMALE CHAMPION         | Mr T MacTaggart<br>Rascarrel  | MTR1000036 - RASCARREL          |
| RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION | Gordon Gray<br>Ettrick        | GGH1000113 - ETRICK             |



## Class Results

|                                                          |     |                                     |                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Shearling Ewe                                            | 1st | Mr T MacTaggart<br>Rascarrel        | MTRI000036 - RASCARREL               |
|                                                          | 2nd | Gordon Gray<br>Ettrick              | GGHI000113 - ETTRICK                 |
|                                                          | 3rd | Vaughan Farms Ltd<br>Kingsland      | VPK1000119 - KINGSLAND               |
| Shearling Ram                                            | 1st | Mr C E Pryce<br>Caereinion          | PEC1000033 - CAEREINION<br>RONALDO   |
|                                                          | 2nd | Mr EW Quick<br>Loosebeare           | QEL1000160 - LOOSEBEARE REAL<br>DEAL |
|                                                          | 3rd | F H Chave<br>Peacehay               | CFPI000155 - PEACEHAY<br>REMARKABLE  |
| Novice Ram<br>Lamb                                       | 1st | M & S Jones<br>Racecourse           | JAFI101532 - RACECOURSE<br>SMASHER   |
|                                                          | 2nd | Messrs Boden & Davies<br>Sportsmans | BGSI10236 - SPORTSMANS STORM         |
|                                                          | 3rd | D & J Chambers<br>Twelve Oaks       | CTOI100131 - TWELVE OAKS<br>SARUMAN  |
| Ram Lamb                                                 | 1st | Mr J Mellin<br>Hull HOUSE           | MJHI101598 - HULL HOUSE STIG         |
|                                                          | 2nd | Gordon Gray<br>Ettrick              | GGHI101159 - ETTRICK SMIRNOFF        |
|                                                          | 3rd | S J & H Smith<br>Penparc            | SJPI101125 - PENPARC SPARKY          |
| Performance<br>Recorded Ram<br>Lamb                      | 1st | Procters Farm Ltd<br>Procters       | PFDI101004 - PROCTERS<br>SANTANDER   |
|                                                          | 2nd | J & H Clark<br>Garngour             | CJNI100803 - GARNGOUR SURE<br>THING  |
|                                                          | 3rd | Messrs Claybury Texels<br>Claybury  | DHLI100033 - CLAYBURY SPITFIRE       |
| Best Group<br>Of Three Ram<br>Lambs Bred By<br>Exhibitor | 1st | Gordon Gray                         | ETTRICK                              |
|                                                          | 2nd | Procters Farm Ltd                   | PROCTERS                             |
|                                                          | 3rd | H & J Smith                         | PENPARC                              |



Champion being sold in the ring at Welshpool

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## 2011 English National Show & Sale Worcester

**T**he ram trade at the English National Texel sale, Worcester, was underpinned by a strong local commercial demand, with a number of breeders creaming off the best of the rams for pedigree use.

The English National rounded off a hectic fortnight of national sales in Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England. It is the widespread commercial demand for quality Texel rams which has made for a hugely successful series of sales for the breed. Breeders are to be commended for providing exactly the type of tups demanded by their customers.

Leading the sale at Worcester was a 3500gns bid paid for Milnbank Shoot the Sherriff LYMI 100393 from Robbie Wilson. This is a son of Glenside Razzle Dazzle FPG1000055 out of a dam by Glenside Lieutenant FPG05077 and is an ET brother to Robbie's 25,000gns lamb LYMI 100405 from Lanark the previous week. This one sold to Stephen Cobbald, Suffolk for the Lavenham flock.

Selling at 3400gns was Roxburgh Shot Gun Willie EJRI 101108 from John Elliott. This lamb, the second highest indexed lamb in the country, is by Drinkstone Peacemaker PJP09040 and out of a dam by Lumbylaw Malton ORL06083 and has an index of 445. He went to David Prince, Stonedged.

Another 3400gns call secured the winner of the novice class from the pre-sale show, Strathbogie Stonker IJSI 100018 from James Innes and Son. This is by Mossknowe Pudsey FWM09627 and out of a dam by Annan Limmy JKA05094 sold to the Claybury and Kingsland flocks of Messrs Draper and Vaughan, respectively.

Taking another 3400gns bid was the champion from the pre-sale show, Cambwell Stewart LTCI 100528 from Robert Laird. This is a Cowal Powerhouse CKC09911 son and is full ET brother Cambwell Socrates LTCI 100512 sold for 28,000gns at the Scottish National 2011.

He is out of a dam by Cambwell Laird LTC05507 and has an index of 316. Buying him was the judge Craig Ridley, Haltcliffe, in partnership with Messrs Pyman, Thacka.

The reserve overall champion, shearling ram, Loosebeare Red QE000013 from the Quick family sold at 3200gns. This is by Summerwood Grand Union PHS00001 and out of a dam by Douganhill Ferrari GCK99025 went to S P and C P Williams.

At 3100gns was Glenside Sexpistol FPG100333 from John Forsyth. This is by Strathbogie Python IJS09289 and out of a dam by Castlecairn LA Lover RNA05065 and was bought by M and S Jones, Racecourse.

Making 3000gns was another from John Elliott's pen, Roxburgh Spit Fire EJRI 101073, the highest indexed lamb in the country at 454. He is similarly bred to the 3400gns Roxburgh lamb, being by Peacemaker and out of a Lumbylaw Malton ORL06083 dam. He was knocked down to John Vaughan and P and L Phillips.

At 3000gns was Whitehart Spot on HWNI 100566 from N Hartwright. This is by Humeston River Dance GIH1000033. He is out of a dam by Broomknowes Lion King GWB05110 and was fifth in the novice class. He found a new home with Messrs Quick, Loosebeare.

Selling for 2700gns was Mellor Vale Star BCMI 100083 from Charlie Boden. This is a Cowal Rob Roy CKC87014 son out of a dam by Haddo Knoxie KWJ04424. Buying this one was R G Jones and Sons, Camrose, Haverford west.



Sale topper - MILNBANK SHOOT THE SHERRIFF,  
LYM1100393 - sold for 3500gns



Joint 2nd Highest price - ROXBURGH SHOT GUN WILLIE,  
EJR1101108 - sold for 3400gns



Joint 2nd highest price & 1st prize Novice Ram Lamb class -  
STRATHBOGIE STONKER, IJS1100018 - sold for 3400gns



1st Prize open ram lamb, male champion,  
Supreme Champion and joint 2nd highest price at sale -  
CAMBWELL STEWART, LTC1100528 - sold for 3400gns



Highest priced Shearling Ram and Reserve Champion overall  
LOOSEBEARE RED - QEL1000013 - sold for 3200gns



Highest Priced Female - BEAUTRY  
CUB1000147 - sold for 1500gns



First prize Group of Three - STAINTON



Female Champion First prize Shearling ewe and  
Female Champion - DWR1000014 - SUNDORNE

A 2600gns bid was enough to secure the best of the day from the Draper family's Claybury flock, a Tamnamoney Ned son SRY07010 in the form of Claybury Shakespeare DHL1100069. This is out of a dam by Muireisk Forever MSK99024 and has an index of 255.

Also at 2600gns was the first prize winner from the recorded lamb class, Allanfauld Spartan XMM1101559 from the MacGregor's. This is by 18,000gns sire Allanfauld Rockafella XMM1000014 and out of a dam by Garngour Nobleman CJN07610. He had an index of 357. This one was sold to R C L Watts, Rowden.

At 2500gns was Procters Saracen PFD1100994 from Procters Farm. This is a Haddo Ringleader KWJ1000063 son out of a dam by Ettrick McCoist GGH06073 and has an index of 259. He went home with Hywel Thomas, Cennen.

Second best of the day in the Shearlings was a 2260gns call for Roxburgh Renegade EJR1000139 from John Elliott. This is a Drinkstone Peacemaker PJP09040 daughter out of a dam by Lumbylaw Malton ORL06083 and has an index of 314 which sold to E Williams and Son, Stelfox.

Selling at 2100gns from Gordon Gray was Ettrick Simply Scottish GGH1101033. This is a Knock Papoose HAK091075 son out of a dam by Hewer Hill Mr Big SHM06017 and has an index of 258. Claiming this one was J Chapman, Wicksted.

Texel females sold to a packed ringside at Worcester with breeders keen to secure new lines for their flocks. With an 84% clearance, up by 3% on 2010, and an average of £563 for 71 sold.

The ring was the busiest ever seen at Worcester for a Texel sale and that is without a doubt a mark of the commercial success of the breed.

Top call in the sale was a 1500gns bid for one from Stuart Currie's Beauty flock. This was a Procters Oswald PFD08392 daughter, out of a dam by Culzean Next Best, GIL07012. With an index of 284 she sold to Messrs Boden and Davies for the Sportsmans flock.

Another from the same home and similarly bred, being by Oswald again then sold at 1400gns. This one is out of a Beauty Ludlow CUB05101 daughter and sold with an index of 217 to A J Carter, Dawlish, Devon.

Making 1100gns was the first shearling in the ring from Peter Woof's Stainton flock. She is a Kelso Planet, MBZ0915 daughter out of a dam by Crookholm Moscow Flyer MKC06030 and had stood third in the pre-sale show. Buying this one were D and J Chambers for the Twelve Oaks flock.

Following that at 1000gns was a Hexel Panzer Tank MZH09219 daughter from Robin Kellet. This one from the Parkhill flock is out of a dam by Knock Kingdom HAK04324 and sold to R N I Waters, Clun, Craven Arms.

Following that at 980gns was another from the same home, this time a Knock Panache HAK091099 daughter out of a dam by Alwent Lacoste NTA05079. She was bought by C A Freeman, Rushden.

Another from the same flock then made 900gns when selling to C A Smale, South Molton, Devon. This one was by Kingsland Perfect Storm VPK09019 and had been female champion in the pre-sale show. She is out of a dam by Talcoed Lusty HQT05099.

At 920gns was one from Aubrey and Sue Andrews' Miserden flock, this was a Miserden Nuther Cracker AAS07933 daughter and out a dam by Salocin Nick TNS07076. She sold to Messrs Williams, Efailwen, Carmarthenshire.

## Sale Statistics

|                | Forward | Sold | Average - £ | Top - Gns |
|----------------|---------|------|-------------|-----------|
| Gimmers        | 82      | 72   | £561        | 1500gns   |
| Ram Lambs      | 234     | 190  | £877        | 3500gns   |
| Shearling Rams | 49      | 41   | £855        | 3200gns   |

## Show Results

Judge: Craig Ridley - HALTCLIFFE

|                         |                               |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| SUPREME CHAMPION        | Robert Laird Cambwell         | LTCI100528 - CAMBWELL STEWART |
| RESERVE CHAMPION        | EW Quick Loosebeare           | QELI000013 - LOOSEBEARE RED   |
| MALE CHAMPION           | Robert Laird Cambwell         | LTCI100528 - CAMBWELL STEWART |
| RESERVE MALE CHAMPION   | EW Quick Loosebeare           | QELI000013 - LOOSEBEARE RED   |
| FEMALE CHAMPION         | W R Davies Sundorne           | DWR100014 - SUNDORNE          |
| RESERVE FEMALE CHAMPION | R S & J Bradley & Son Far Hey | BRFI000025 - FAR HEY          |



## Class Results

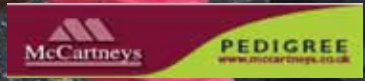
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|---------------------|-----|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Shearling Ewe       | 1st | W R Davies<br>Sundorne           | DWR1000014 - SUNDORNE                       |
|                     | 2nd | R S & J Bradley<br>Far Hey       | BRF1000025 - FAR HEY                        |
|                     | 3rd | Peter Woof<br>Stainton           | WPS1000014 - STAINTON                       |
| Shearling Ram       | 1st | EW Quick & Sons<br>Loosebeare    | QEL1000013 - LOOSEBEARE RED                 |
|                     | 2nd | David Corfield<br>Fordwell       | CJF1000093 - FORDWELL<br>REMBRANDT          |
|                     | 3rd | F H Chave & Son<br>Peacehay      | CFP1000078 - PEACEHAY ROYAL<br>BLUE         |
| Novice Ram<br>Lambs | 1st | James Innes & Son<br>Strathbogie | ISJ1100018 - STRATHBOGIE<br>STONKER         |
|                     | 2nd | C H Bellis<br>Cosyn Texels       | BCY1100075 - COSYN TEXELS<br>SCOPE          |
|                     | 3rd | Robert H Wilson<br>Milnbank      | LYM1100393 - MILNBANK SHOOT<br>THE SHERRIFF |
| Open Ram<br>Lambs   | 1st | T & A Laird<br>Cambwell          | LTC1100528 - CAMBWELL STEWART               |
|                     | 2nd | R Cartledge<br>Plattin           | CPR1100048 - PLATTIN SHERGAR                |
|                     | 3rd | R M & G L Watkins<br>Millend     | WCM1100333 - MILLEND SUPER<br>SON           |
| Group of Three      | 1st | Peter Woof                       | STAINTON                                    |
|                     | 2nd | Gordon Gray                      | ETTRICK                                     |
|                     | 3rd | K,A & R Campbell                 | COWAL                                       |

Judge, Craig Ridley – Haltcliffe,  
Judging at Worcester



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## National Show & Sale Judges 2012



Northern Ireland National Show & Sale 2012  
GERAINT JONES - ERW - JGE

Geraint runs the ERW flock alongside 1000 Welsh and Texel cross ewes and 120 beef cattle at Nant Erw Haidd, an upland farm near Corwen. The ERW Texel flock was established in 1979 with his late wife Linda. Over the years the flock has had considerable show success, at county and local shows and at sales, culminating in female champion and reserve male champion at the Royal Welsh Show and champion carcass at the Royal Welsh Winter Fair. In addition, the ERW flock has been 'Champion Flock of Wales' on five occasions. Geraint is one of the founders and past Chairman of Ruthin Texel Breeders Club, established in 1987. He judged at the Great Yorkshire Show last year, having previously judged at the English National Show & Sale, the NSA sale at Builth, the Scottish Club sale at Lanark, the Northern Ireland Club sale and the Irish Premier show and sale, as well as judging at county and local shows all over England and Wales.



WELSH NATIONAL SHOW & SALE 2012  
JOHN MCKERROW - GROUGFOOT - MDG

John has been involved with Texels for thirty six years when the Grougfoot flock was established, taking over the flock in 1995. Since then he has had great success in both the show and sale rings. Overall champion at the Royal Highland Show, reserve male and reserve female at the Great Yorkshire Show, Scottish Club flock Competition Champion 1997, 1998, 1999 (only time shown) selling females to 11,000gns MDG03196 and males to 10,000gns Grougfoot High Flyer - MDG01153.

He has been involved in the Scottish Club for many years and is a past Chairman. He has judged at numerous shows and sales throughout Britain and Northern Ireland. The Grougfoot flock is currently running at 80 ewes and followers. He also supplies 5 butchers in central Scotland on a weekly basis with Texel x lambs. John is assisted by his wife, Laurie and his three children Bruce, Kate, and Alistair.





Scottish National Show & Sale 2012  
KEITH CAMPBELL - COWAL - CKC

Keith has been a member of the Society since 1983, since then he has served as Director, Chairman and President of the Society and he is also a past Chairman of the Scottish Club. The Cowal flock, farmed along with his brothers Allan and Roy, is well respected amongst the Sheep Industry. His wife Irene has a Texel background, being from the McKerrow family from Grougfoot, Linlithgow. Keith has judged many prestigious shows around the country, including five Royals - Highland, Welsh, Ulster, Norfolk and Lancashire and even the Centenary Royal Uruguay in South America and is reputed to possess a razor sharp memory. Keith lists amongst their most successful sales to date, Cowal Rob Roy (22,000gns), Cowal Saltire, Lanark Champion 2011 (14,000gns) and Cowal Maverick (14,000gn) and Gimmers sold for 13,000gn (2009 & 2010) and 8,500gns (2007). Outwith the Texel world, the Campbell family's main enterprise is in the tourism industry, where they run 7 holiday parks in picturesque Argyllshire, near Lochgoilhead. The company now known as Cowal Leisure trades as argyllholidays.com. Keith obviously leads a very busy and hectic lifestyle but always takes time to make people welcome to the area and loves showing them around his beautiful part of the country.



English National Show & Sale 2012  
STEVE SMITH - PENPARC - SJP

Steve became a member of the British Texel Sheep Society in 1981. His commitment to the breed's characteristics, conformation, skins and gigots has stood him in good stead throughout his farming career. During this time he has served as Chairman of the Shropshire & Borders Club, is a current member of the Welsh Northern Regional British Wool Board committee and a former winner of Welsh Sheep Farmer of the Year, not bad for an Englishman!

The Penparc prefix has had consistent success at the Royal Welsh show and also secured many County championships, culminating with the Supreme Champion Pairs at the Royal Welsh Winter Fair 2010. In 2011 Penparc were Champion Shropshire & Borders Texel club flock, 2nd in the all Wales and Champion in the Progeny show. Steve is well known in the judging circles and has been invited to judge many of the major shows and sales throughout the UK and Southern Ireland, in 2011 he judged the Texel classes at the Royal Highland Show. His sale successes include Penparc Lexus sold at Lanark (10,000gns) and Penparc Olive sold at Carlisle (4,500gns). Steve farms 1,200 ewes and 100 suckler cows and operates Mid Wales Falconry Centre at Pen-y-Bryn, near Welshpool, none of which would have been achieved without his wife Helen and daughter Anna.



British Texel is a major player today, with Society Sales gross income alone increasing by 45% from €3.15M in 2008 to €4.57M in 2011

## Northern Ireland National

Show & Sale - Ballymena  
Monday/Tuesday 13th & 14th August

## Scottish National

Show & Sale - Lanark  
Wednesday/Thursday 22nd & 23rd August

## Welsh National

Show & Sale - Welshpool  
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## English National

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## TEXEL FEMALE INVITATIONAL SALES – 2011

**W**ith no severe weather interruptions the 7 Invitational Sales featured in this report were all very well attended by large audiences of potential buyers. There was an electric atmosphere at both sales involving the 2 top priced gimmers from Glenside and Ettrick flocks respectively. All 4 mainland sales comfortably attained averages well in excess of £1,000, with very high clearance rates, while in N Ireland it was also described as very satisfactory by some of the leading vendors.

Detailed pedigree analysis of all the top priced gimmers including the new 32,000gn breed record holder from Glenside is available on the Texel Society Sales website and February 2012 bulletin, with their respective buyers. A summary of the 25 gimmers, which broke the 3,000gn barrier is also available at the conclusion of this report.

John Forsyth whose record priced 32,000gn Glenside gimmer was the focal point of the Carlisle Christmas Crackers Sale, acknowledged that while she was possibly the best gimmer of her generation at Glenside in early December, 3 gimmers which he successfully exhibited at Biggar Show were all ahead of her earlier in the Summer. These were paternal sisters by the '2010 sire of the year' Strathbogie Python. John also stated that Python along with Muireisk Blondin and Castlecainn Keltic Star were the 3 most successful sires used in his development of his noted Glenside flock. John was also confident as to his future prospects with his seventy 2011 crop gimmers being again mainly sired by Strathbogie Python and Clinterty Ronaldo, the 11,000gn 2010 Lanark supreme champion.

Former Society chairman, Gordon Gray, whose Ettrick pen at the 'Select Seven'

included 2 full ET sisters by Knock Papoose, selling at 26,000gns and 10,000gns respectively, was also very confident as to future sales prospects. Gordon stated that currently there is a lot of confidence in the UK sheep industry, while the large number of new buyers in evidence at the female sales, bodes well for the future. The Ettrick 2011 crop of gimmers which are currently being out wintered, with no concentrate feed, on high ground near Selkirk are mainly sired by Knock Papoose, Knock Reebock and Ettrick Rainbow Warrior with a high proportion got by ET from the top Ettrick female lines.

Jim Innes, whose Strathbogie gimmers also averaged in excess of £3,000, also relies fairly heavily on ET work. Michael Leggat (Strathbogie shepherd) confirmed that to speed up generation turnover they had successfully flushed their top prize winning "Glenside Razzle Dazzle" ewe hogget this year. The 40,000gn Razzle Dazzle (current sire of the year) along with the noted carcass sire Mossknowe Pudsey, are the major sires of the current crop of 60 Strathbogie gimmers, which are out wintered on high ground near Gartly, Aberdeenshire.

George Howie whose Knock flock topped the 'average league table' in 2010 with sales to 24,000gn, stated that some lucrative 2011 private sales may have had an adverse effect on his average this year, but nevertheless was very well satisfied with his current 4th position. George also paid tribute to his prolific ewe HAK05034 by Anglezark Krug, which is still fit and active at 7 years of age. Apart from being the dam of the 2 top priced Knock gimmers at 5,500 and 4,000 gns respectively, her total progeny sales have now grossed £250,000. Currently six '034' pregnancies by the 20,000 gn Sportsmans Supreme are eagerly

anticipated. In contrast to the other leading flocks the 70 Knock gimmers, sired mainly by the 40,000 gn Cambwell Rob Roy, were bare clipped in early Winter and housed indoors, thus avoiding the worst vagaries of a typical N East Winter, while also assisting their growth rate.

Robert Laird whose good quality pen of gimmers sold to a top of 9,000 gns at the Lanark 'Select Seven' sale, commented that in contrast to his rivals, no ET gimmers were forward in his pen while his weight recorded gimmers also "widened buyer scope", quoting an individual with an index of 327 which fetched 2,000 gns. Robert who now uses ET to a limited extent to maximise his best female bloodlines, feels that on the negative side, it is definitely narrowing bloodlines within the Texel breed. The fifty 2011 Cambwell gimmers who are out wintered on the high ground

at Cambwell are mainly sired by Cowal Powerhouse (8,000 gns) and Allanfauld Rockafella (18,000 gns).

In N Ireland Roger Strawbridge's Tamnamoney flock was well ahead of his rivals this year with the 5,200 gn Mullan Playboy being the main sire of his top quality pen of 15 gimmers. These included the 3rd top priced gimmer at this year's sales. Roger described the 11,000 gn gimmer as a "very flashy correct individual", whose full sister owned by Richard Henderson, was supreme champion at the 2011 Royal Belfast Show. Roger still has a full sister and her jointly owned dam for future flock development. A positive feature of the Irish sales was the fact that ewe lambs on offer fetched a very good trade, selling to a top of 4,200 gns for a Springhill lamb with the buyers being Messrs Beacom (Castleknowe flock).



FPG10000158 – Glenside  
J Forsyth – sold for 32,000gns



GGH1000008 – Ettrick  
G. Gray – sold for 26,000gns

Further consigners who certainly merit a positive mention include the relatively young breeder Robert Cockburn of Blackface fame, whose Connachan gimmers sold to a top of 5,000 gns at the Christmas Stars sale, enabling him to achieve 6th place amongst the top averages.

Messrs Quick whose Devon based Loosebeare flock travel the long distance to Carlisle annually, always consign one of their top individuals. This year their 6,000 gn gimmer by Summerwood Grand Union topped the Twilight sale. Paul Quick confirmed that the Loosebeare flock is currently overwintering 200 Texel ewe hogs, having the advantage of fairly lush Devon Winter pasture. A strict culling policy is always adhered to at Loosebeare, with the bottom 30% having already been sold as prime lambs. His top 2012 gimmers will include daughters of the noted proven sires, Cennum Magnum and Douganhill Jeronimo.

Brian Ross, auctioneer for Lawrie & Symington indicated that he will be conducting a new invitational gimmer sale this year in November at Shrewsbury on behalf of the well known Loosebeare, Procters, Claybury and Trinidad flocks, all of whom have invested heavily in the breed in recent years. This sale will obviously reduce the travelling time for Welsh and South Western buyers on the lookout for top quality female stock.

Congratulations to all 57 flocks, who must have put in an immense amount of effort in presenting their respective consignments at this year's sales, to achieve such an incredible combined average well in excess of £1,000.



SRY1000054 – Tamnamoney  
R Strawbridge – sold for 11,000gns



GGH1000007 – Ettrick  
G Gray – sold for 10,000gns

## Texel Female Invitational Sales Overall Results Summary 2011

| Sale                    | Venue     | Flocks | Top Price Gns | Sale Average £ |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| Twilight                | Carlisle  | 13     | 6,000         | £1,025 (88)    |
| Christmas Stars         | Carlisle  | 10     | 8,000         | £1,334 (92)    |
| Christmas Crackers      | Carlisle  | 7      | 32,000        | £1,877 (72)    |
| Select Seven            | Lanark    | 10     | 26,000        | £1,440 (112)   |
| Springhill Invitational | Omagh     | 4      | 2,000         | £531 (81)      |
| Northern Stars          | Ballymena | 6      | 11,000        | £923 (78)      |
| Northern Lights         | Hilltown  | 7      | 2,400         | £614 (68)      |

### Overall:

- 7 Invitational Sales involving 57 flocks achieved overall average of £1,127 for 591 females sold.
- This represents a 13.5% increase on average in comparison to the 2010 sales with 38 more females being sold.

## Top 25 Flock Averages at Texel Female Invitational Sales 2011

|     | <b>Flock</b>   | <b>Venue</b> | <b>Sale</b>        | <b>Top Price Gns</b> | <b>Flock Average £</b> |
|-----|----------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1   | Glenside       | Carlisle     | Christmas Crackers | 32,000               | £4,748 (14)            |
| 2   | Ettrick        | Lanark       | Select Seven       | 26,000               | £3,431 (19)            |
| 3   | Strathbogie    | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 8,000                | £3,112 (11)            |
| 4   | Knock          | Carlisle     | Christmas Crackers | 5,500                | £2,214 (12)            |
| 5   | Cambwell       | Lanark       | Select Seven       | 9,000                | £1,838 (17)            |
| 6   | Connachan      | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 5,000                | £1,824 (8)             |
| 7   | Tamnamoney     | Ballymena    | Northern Stars     | 11,000               | £1,755 (17)            |
| 8   | Loosebeare     | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 6,000                | £1,726 (8)             |
| 9   | Crailloch      | Lanark       | Select Seven       | 4,800                | £1,638 (5)             |
| 10  | Baltier/Kirrin | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 3,500                | £1,608 (8)             |
| 11  | Procter's      | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 3,000                | £1,512 (5)             |
| 12= | Sportsmans     | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 2,800                | £1,470 (12)            |
| 12= | Beauty         | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 3,200                | £1,470 (4)             |
| 14  | Milnbank       | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 2,800                | £1,423 (10)            |
| 15  | Tophill        | Carlisle     | Christmas Crackers | 2,500 (2)            | £1,339 (6)             |
| 16  | Deveronvale    | Carlisle     | Christmas Crackers | 2,800                | £1,227 (11)            |
| 17  | Cairness       | Carlisle     | Christmas Crackers | 2,000                | £1,223 (10)            |
| 18  | Cowal          | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 4,000                | £1,172 (8)             |
| 19  | Millar's       | Lanark       | Select Seven       | 3,600                | £1,164 (12)            |
| 20  | Tullagh        | Hilltown     | Northern Lights    | 2,600                | £1,104 (8)             |
| 21  | Clinterty      | Carlisle     | Christmas Stars    | 4,500                | £1,076 (10)            |
| 22  | Braehead       | Ballymena    | Northern Stars     | 2,600                | £1,044 (9)             |
| 23  | Alwent         | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 1,900                | £986 (9)               |
| 24  | Haltcliffe     | Carlisle     | Twilight           | 1,500                | £898 (9)               |
| 25  | Garngour       | Carlisle     | Select Seven       | 2,200                | £883 (15)              |



## Top 25 Individual Gimmers at Invitational Sales 2011

|     | Consignor Flock   | Gimmer Sire            | Price (Gns) | Purchaser                     |
|-----|-------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1   | Glenside (FPG)    | Strathbogie Python     | 32,000      | Alasdair Beaton               |
| 2   | Ettrick (GGH)     | Knock Papoose          | 26,000      | Proctors Farms                |
| 3   | Tamnamoney (SRY)  | Mullan Playboy         | 11,000      | A Liggett & B Williamson      |
| 4   | Ettrick (GGH)     | Knock Papoose          | 10,000      | James Logan                   |
| 5   | Cambwell (LTC)    | Cowal Powerhouse       | 9,000       | Alasdair Beaton               |
| 6   | Strathbogie (IJS) | Mossknowe Pudsey       | 8,000       | Gordon Taylor                 |
| 7=  | Strathbogie (IJS) | Bradleys Pure Gold     | 6,500       | A & G Howie                   |
| 7=  | Glenside (FPG)    | Strathbogie Python     | 6,500       | Edward Pugh                   |
| 9=  | Glenside (FPG)    | Strathbogie Python     | 6,000       | John Mellin                   |
| 9=  | Loosebeare (QEL)  | Summerwood Grand Union | 6,000       | I M Jaebin                    |
| 9=  | Ettrick (GGH)     | Knock Papoose          | 6,000       | Stephen Cobbald               |
| 12= | Knock (HAK)       | Garngour Playboy       | 5,500       | Brian Buchan                  |
| 12= | Glenside (FPG)    | Strathbogie Python     | 5,500       | Edward Pugh                   |
| 14  | Connachan (YSM)   | Connachan O2           | 5,000       | J N Ellis                     |
| 15= | Crailloch (MAE)   | Annan Okey Dockey      | 4,800       | Messrs Sutherland             |
| 15= | Knock (HAK)       | Garngour Playboy       | 4,800       | Malcolm Couborough            |
| 17= | Strathbogie (IJS) | Millar's Outstanding   | 4,500       | Graham Morrison               |
| 17= | Clinterty (BBY)   | Kelso Oxygen           | 4,500       | CT Ruggeri & Messrs McCaffrey |
| 19= | Knock (HAK)       | Garngour Playboy       | 4,000       | Not disclosed                 |
| 19= | Cowal (CKC)       | Kelso Pavarotti        | 4,000       | David McKerrow                |
| 19= | Tamnamoney (SRY)  | Mullan Playboy         | 4,000       | Michael Smyth                 |
| 22  | Millar's (VMG)    | Sandelford Premier     | 3,600       | James Innes                   |
| 23  | Baltier (FEB)     | Kelso Ozone            | 3,500       | Charles Boden                 |
| 24  | Beauty (CUB)      | Sportsmans Pasternak   | 3,200       | J Innes & G Morrison          |
| 25  | Strathbogie (IJS) | Knock Party Time       | 3,100       | Sam McCollam                  |

## Texel Regional Club & Collective Sales Summary

Once again the autumn and winter saw a strong turn out from breeders at the collective and club in-lamb female sales across the country.

Leading the way among the Club sales was the Scottish Club Sale at Lanark in early January which saw a top price of 4000gns paid. This was the pre-sale show champion, a shearling from Angus Kennedy's Mitchellhill flock, Broughton, Biggar. By Scrotonhead Oor Willie, she sold in-lamb to Mitchellhill Sonic, to Graham Morrison, Cornhill, Banff, for his Deveronvale flock.

Next best for this sale at 2200gns was one from the dispersal of the Cauldcoats flock of the late David Arkley, Edinburgh. This shearling by Baltier Lightning sold in-lamb to Carlinside Stormer to Stewart Barclay, Banchory.

At the North West Texel Breeders Club sale at Chelford it was a shearling ewe in lamb to one of last year's dearest tups that caught the ringside's attention and took the top bid of the sale at 2500gns.

This was a twin-born daughter of Clougher President, BGS1000079, out of a dam by Mellor Vale Krugerand, from Charlie Boden's Sportsman's flock, Cheshire. She sold carrying twins to 25,000gns sire Milnbank Special One, a tup bought by Mr Boden in partnership with Martin and Cyril Millar at Lanark in September.

Second top call of the day was a 2000gns for the best from Peter Woof's Stainton flock. This was an ET bred Fachell On Approval daughter, WPS1000064. She is out of a dam by Cambwell Mountain and sold in-lamb to Carran Southern Star. She went to an undisclosed North Yorkshire buyer. And at the Shropshire and Borders Texel

### Selection of Regional Club in-lamb sales

| Venue                                        | Auction Company           | Top Price Gns | Average to Nearest £ |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Lanark (Scottish Club Sale)                  | Lawrie & Symington Ltd    | 4,000         | £728 (42)            |
| Thainstone - (NE Scotland Club Sale)         | Aberdeen & Northern Marts | 1,900         | £479 (53)            |
| Stirling (Collective Sale)                   | United Auctions           | 3,000         | £580 (59)            |
| Dingwall (Collective Sale)                   | Dingwall & Highland Marts | 1,000 (3)     | £365 (47)            |
| Chelford (NW Club Sale)                      | Frank Marshall            | 2,500         | £514 (106)           |
| Carlisle - (Solway & Tyne Club Sale)         | Harrison & Hetherington   | 2,100         | £470 (89)            |
| Welshpool (Shropshire & Borders Club Sale)   | Welshpool Livestock Sales | 2,000         | £334 (118)           |
| Worcester - (Gloucester & Borders Club Sale) | McCartneys                | 900           | £349 (50)            |
| Hilltown (Northern Ireland Club Sale)        | Hilltown Mart             | 700           | £331 (44)            |

Overall, 608 gimmers at the 9 sales featured, grossed £275,070 to average £452

Club's in-lamb sale at Welshpool it was the turn of Robert Bennett to lead the way, heading the sale at 2000gns.

The Plasucha flock's topper was a shearling Penparc Nobleman and out of a ewe by Claybury Iain. She sold in-lamb to the Glenside Ring a Ding son Kingledores Scaramouche and went to her sire's breeder Steven Smith and family, Penybryn, Welshpool, for the PenParc flock.

The Solway and Tyne Club's sale at Carlisle was topped at 2100gns by a gimmer from Kerr Jarvie's Tapanui flock.

This was MBX1000088, a Garngour Onyx daughter of a dam by Hull House Nijinsky. Sold in lamb to MilnBank Sound Investment she went to James Robinson, Carnforth, for the Kaker Mill flock.

Then at the Christmas Present sale of Texel females on behalf of the Gloucester and

Border Counties Texel Club trade peaked at 900gns for a shearling ewe from the Peacehay flock of Messrs Chave, Somerset.

This one, CFP1000129, a Fachell Outlook daughter out of a dam by Lyonshall King of Clubs, was carrying twins to Castlecairn Phoenix and was knocked down to C R Amphlett, Craven Arms.

At the Stirling collective sale hosted by United Auctions the top call was a gimmer from Jimmy Douglas, Cairness, which sold at 3000gns to John Sinnett's, Stockton flock, Worcestershire. This gimmer is a daughter of Deveronvale Perfection and sold in-lamb to Kelso Samson.

Second best priced gimmer was a Mossknowe Pudsey daughter from Jim Innes' Strathbogie flock which sold to Graham Morrison at 1600gns. She was in lamb to Glenside Razzle Dazzle.

## Top 10 Individual Gimmers – Club/Collective Sales

|    | Price Gns | Vendor Flock | Sire                             | Purchaser                           |
|----|-----------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1  | 4,000     | Mitchellhill | Scroptonhead Oor Wullie GLH08047 | Graham Morrison                     |
| 2  | 3,000     | Cairness     | Deveronvale Perfection MGV09436  | John Sinnett                        |
| 3  | 2,500     | Sportsmans   | Clougher President CVC09028      | Undisclosed                         |
| 4  | 2,200     | Cauldcoats   | Baltier Lightning FEB05023       | Stewart Barclay                     |
| 5  | 2,100     | Tapanui      | Garngour Onyx CJN085579          | James Robinson                      |
| 6= | 2,000     | Plasucha     | Penparc Nobleman SJP07056        | Steven Smith                        |
| 6= | 2,000     | Stainton     | Fachell On Approval MIF08827     | North Yorkshire Buyer (Undisclosed) |
| 8  | 1,900     | Strathbogie  | Knock Predator - TBC             | Gordon Taylor                       |
| 9  | 1,600     | Strathbogie  | Mossknowe Pudsey FWM09627        | Graham Morrison                     |
| 10 | 1,550     | Tima         | Springwell Kermit GRS04058       | Steve Richardson                    |

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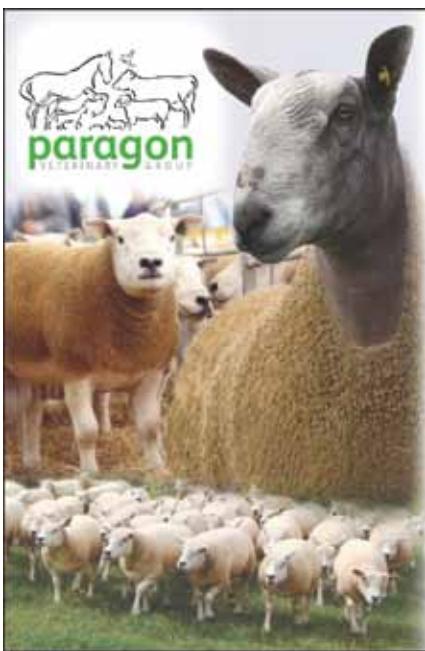
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## Derbyshire Club

November 9th 2011 saw the start of our new club year, with Anne Beresford beginning her second year as Chairperson.

**D**espite the severe weather our New Year party took place at the Bluebell, Tissington, with a slight decline in numbers. After this, lambing took over until a kind invitation from Katie Martin (LLAMEDOS), one of our youngest members, offered to host our annual open day in June. This proved to be a very successful day with a good show of sheep, shown by our up and coming team of youngsters, although they failed to push hard enough and let Charlie from Stockport (MELLOR VALE) take the Championship. The Judge was Ryan Bradley (BRADLEYS). At the end of the serious business about ten children had great fun on toy tractors etc, racing about the building before we all settled down to refreshments.

Talking about racing about, this brings us to the Flock Competition in August when twelve flocks were judged by Alex Brown (STONEFIELDSHILL), stewarding on day one by Mike & Janet Young (RADTREE) and on day two by Margaret and Sarah Ritter (PENNINE). Over three hundred miles were covered, and no, it wasn't Mike & Janet that got lost! But Mike has decided he has got too old to tear about the countryside. One of the pleasing things of the summer has been some of our new younger members turning out at the shows, which looks good for the future.

The Show & Sale arrived in September, judged by Peter Longdin (TICKHILL). A good entry of quality sheep which resulted in improved prices and the Championship going to Haydn Fletcher (DAMDALE) with a Ram Lamb for the second year in succession. Paul Kirkham (WATER'S EDGE), from Hognaston took Reserve, also with a Ram Lamb. Frank Rushton

(FRESHFIELDS) again won the points shield. Last but by no means least, we wish our treasurer, Owen Beresford, all the best in his recovery from a very serious illness over the year, and must congratulate both Anne and Owen (HOLLYFIELDS) on winning Champion and Reserve Carcase at the English Winter Fair. Hopefully Owen will soon be back to keep the club's expenditure in check.

I would like to thank all our members for their support over the year and wish you all the best for 2012

**Janet M Young**  
Secretary



1st prize "Novice" lamb and Reserve Champion from Waters Edge with Amy Brunt

## Dutch Group

Our year started with showing classes at Caerwys Show in June. The quality stock forward was confidently judged by Mr Gary Cundall, (Ravensmoor), Cheshire.

**A**fter some great classes the Show Champion was awarded to a fantastic ram lamb from Mr Carl Bellis (Cosyn) who went on to stand as Reserve Champion in the interbreed line up.

Many onlookers commented on the Dutch Texels, agreeing that it was good to see them shown in their own classes

A further triumph on the day was when a super pair of dutchies were awarded the Champion Butchers Lambs.

Before we knew it, sale time was here again. Our 14th Annual sale at Ruthin saw a good entry with some quality animals forward. The pre-sale show was ably judged by Miss J Hall, Cumbria.

Once again, as in all previous years, the sale achieved a super clearance of stock, with sheep travelling all over the U.K.

Winter Fairs and Christmas Fatstock Shows just as in previous years saw Dutch Texels taking many of the top honours in the live showing and carcase competitions.

There are far too many winners to mention personally, so congratulations to you all and a big thank you for flying our flag.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who supports the Dutch Group, with special thanks to our Chairman Mr Gerwyn Davies and to all of the committee members whose efforts and time ensure a great future for the Dutch Texel.

**Paula Barlow**  
Secretary

### Class Winners

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Show Champion - S & D Davies

## Eastern Club

**D**uring 2011 the Eastern club's life has been busy and active. After some disappointing years Texel classes at county shows are seeing good attendances again and breeders from across the region seem happy to travel to exhibit their sheep. Tina Ashley, always a consistent exhibitor, won the club's trophy for most points gained at regional shows. In July the Prentices hosted an entertaining Club Day and organised several testing challenges and competitions. Well-known local breeder Jim Creswell acted as Master judge for a show and placing a pen of ewe lambs in order of preference. Dorothy Blakemore won this popular competition.



*Jim Creswell judging the Club Day's shearing ewe class.*



*Bruce Lockhart receives 1st prize on behalf of his sons Tom, Joe and Alex, who recently joined the ETBC.*

Peter and Dawn Sutton judged our autumn flock competition and viewed nine flocks over two sunny days. The winners were announced at our AGM in November. It was particularly pleasing to see a new flock, owned by three youngsters, lift the 1st prize in the small flock category. (See full results later in this journal). The East of England Smithfield Festival saw the final gathering of ETBC and Midland club members of the year. A big thank you to all who gave their time in manning the Society's stand and looked after visitors. Let's hope that the Smithfield event has found its permanent home in Peterborough.

Following the AGM our Chairman Stephen Cobbald and his new committee made plans for activities in 2012. As far as the shows are concerned we look forward to presenting our sheep to a couple of highly respected judges and hope the standard of our Texels meet their expectations.

Finally, my term as "Hon Sec" of the ETBC has come to an end - again. I bowed out twice before, only to return when nobody else could be found. As all club secretaries know it can be a rewarding job.

I wish my successor Simon Rogers an enjoyable time looking after a small and happy club.

**Sylvia Rawlings**  
Secretary

## Gloucester & Border Counties Club

**2** 011 has proved to be a good year for the Club, with many members flying the flag at shows throughout the country, exhibiting, judging and socialising.

The year started in January with our annual lunch and awards presentation at The Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, which was well supported and enjoyed by all.

After the rigours of snow, ice and the lambing sheds, members started to emerge for the start of the show season. Congratulations here must go to Colin and Kate Ponting, who swept all before them with their senior ram. The club's local show is the Three Counties, which this year saw improved entries and was judged by Nigel Gibbs, Bettonfield. The usual drinks reception was held and much enjoyed by all our guests.

### Summer

The summer started with our flock competition, this year judged by Graham Hill, Rolle. Members spent a very interesting afternoon when John, Christine and Peter Mitchell (Avon Vale) hosted an enjoyable flock visit in July when good sheep and hospitality awaited them. The chairman's lunch this year was hosted by Roger and Christine Gilbert (Aelmund), again members were treated to good hospitality and sheep. Thanks to both families for their efforts, good times were had by all who attended.

### Sales

The club show and sale at Ross in September was varied. The championship went to Barnage, with a shearling ram that went on to make 600gns. There seemed to be less rams forward, as many members had sold at home, but even so the trade was not as buoyant as members would have hoped. Perhaps next year?

The annual carcase competition held in November was again well supported, with the championship going to Phil Houldey and Matt Hobbs winning the members class. Trade was brisk with many local buyers prepared to pay well, a good run of over 50 carcasses sold to an average of well over £100. This competition goes from strength to strength, and thanks must go to our sponsors, JG Animal Health, Countrywide and Eblex for their continued support, and to P. J. King and Son, Voyce Pullin and Nigel Durnford for their involvement. The "Christmas Present" in-lamb sale was held at Worcs in December, judged by Mrs Liz Gutteridge. The champion was a Peacehay gimmer selling to 900 gns, reserve Loosebeare at 500 gns and the members class was won by Colin Ponting (Penstones). Don't forget to put us on your Christmas list next year, come early to shop for Christmas!!



*Club Members & the 'Angels' at the Christmas social evening*

The club started the year by eating and drinking, and ended it the same way at our Christmas social evening at The Highwayman, when we got together to enjoy good company. A good time was had by all as you can see from the photo – did you know that we have angels in our club?

Finally many thanks to all who have helped and supported the club over the past year, and we look forward to seeing everyone again during 2012.

**Carol Houldey**  
Secretary

## Highland Club

**W**e started the year with our Annual General Meeting held in January, 2011 which had to be postponed from December, 2010 due to adverse weather conditions.

On 3rd to 6th June we had our Flock Visit to Southern Ireland where 32 members visited the flocks of Michael McHugh (Greenhill Flock) and Ann Murphy (Foundary Flock). We also visited The National Stud on Saturday and the All Ireland Sheep Show on the Sunday. We then had a very early start on Monday morning to travel to Belfast for our flight home. This was a very successful weekend and enjoyed by all who attended.

On 2nd July our Stock judging Competitions were held at Wester Raddery, Fortrose (by kind permission of Mr Philip Gill). The competitions were in the afternoon and we had as our Master Judge, Mr John MacKenzie, Wester Craiglands, Fortrose. We were treated to an excellent barbecue and refreshments which lasted till late in the evening.

The Annual Flock Competition was held on Friday, 28th and Saturday, 29th October with Mr. Scott Milton, Tullochallum Farm, Keith, acting as judge. The competition

took place over two days with Mr. Milton accompanied by the Chairman, Mr. David Coli and Vice Chairman Mr. Steven Sutherland travelling around 350 miles to complete the judging of fifteen flocks. They once again had a Carcase Competition which was held at Dunbia, Elgin, Morayshire and judged by Mr Raymond White. The awards for both competitions were presented at a Dinner held in The Pentland Hotel, Thurso on the Saturday evening.

The Best Overall Flock and the Runachloie Trophy was won by Charles and Isobel Angus, Oldfield Farm, Thurso. The Reserve Overall Flock was won by Johnnie Campbell, Bardnaclavan Farm, Thurso. The Hillside Trophy for the Overall pen of Ewe Lambs was won by Mr Douglas Webster, Lower Reiss Farm, Wick, Caithness. Further details of the Winners of the Flock Competition can be found on page 214.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Club, which runs several events throughout the year should get in contact with either the Chairman Charles Angus on 01847 894809 or the Secretary, Winnie MacDonald on 01463 870508.

**Mrs. Winnie MacDonald**  
Secretary



Prize winners at the club dinner held at the Pentland Hotel



## Midland Club

**2** 011 has seen the Midland Club thriving with more and more active members taking part and contributing to its success.

### Social Evenings

It was a welcome change for many members to get out for a pre-lambing gathering in January at the Fox & Hounds pub in Riseley for the delicious speciality steaks and good company.

Post lambing in May and another get-together in Oakham. Thanks to Will and Sharon Bothwell (GLENLEARY) for sourcing a decent pub where there was plenty of raucous, friendly banter and rivalry for the looming show season.

Thank you to Barbara Smith for hosting her much enjoyed skittles & supper evening. Unfortunately this year Midland members lost to the Northants Stockman's Club!

### Flock Walk

A fantastic sunny day in July saw members trekking up to Procters Farm. Our sincere thanks our hosts, Jeff and Jennifer Aiken who made us feel very welcome and took a day out of their busy schedule to show us round their impressive establishment.



*Flock Walk at Procters farm*

### Show Season

Midland members have had a very successful 2011 with Henry and Tina Ashley taking Championships at Newark & Notts with a Shearling ram and the Royal Norfolk with a Shearling ewe. David and Jo Chambers took the Championships at the East of England with a Shearling ram,

the Suffolk with a Shearling ewe and the Midland Club show with a ewe lamb. Robin and Mandy Kellet took the Championship at Derby with a Shearling ewe and went on to win the Interbreed Champion at Ashby de la Zouch Show.

### Summer Show

The annual show in July was a huge success at Twelve Oaks. After a morning of torrential rain and members taking shelter in the marquee, the skies cleared for the afternoon show, a succulent hog roast and bouncy castle for the kids. Our sincere thanks to Peter and Rose Woof for judging and spending the evening socialising with us. Peter awarded the Championship to David and Jo Chambers with their ewe lamb and the reserve Champion to Robin and Mandy Kellet with their Shearling ram.



*Peter Woof judging at summer show*

### Flock Competition

Many thanks to Steve and Bec McLean for judging over a busy August weekend and attending the evening meal to give the results (which can be seen on page 209) The Midland Champion was the Blackbird flock, so congratulations to John & Barbara Leadbeater.

### AGM & Christmas Meal

The Christmas meal was held following the AGM at the Bridge Hotel in Thrapston. The evening was well attended and very pleasant with all members agreeing that 2011 had been an extremely good year for the club with all looking forward to an even better 2012

**Jo Chambers**  
Secretary

## North Scotland Club

Our club year commenced with the annual AGM, held in January in the Kintore Arms, Inverurie. The speakers were Peter Kenyon and Mr Willie Thomson, who both provided insights into their careers and interests and it was a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Those members who made it through the snow also enjoyed a welcome helping of Haggis, Neeps & Tatties.

On the 3rd July we visited the Hilltop flock of Kenny Pratt at Peterculter, where Kenny and his family provided a great show of sheep and exceptional hospitality. Four classes of stock were presented for stock judging, and on behalf of the club, we wish to extend our sincere gratitude to the Pratt family for ensuring the visit was a success and well enjoyed by all those attending.

Summer 2011 saw the launch of the North East Show Competition. This is a points based competition, with points awarded for 1st to 4th place at six shows in the North East – Echt, New Deer, Banchory, Turriff, Keith & Tarland. Champion show flock was awarded to the Sheeoch flock (Rodney W Blackhall) with Reserve Champion show flock being awarded to the Clinterty flock (Mr Brian Buchan).

On the 6th & 7th August the club embarked on our inaugural Ram Safari visiting the Haddo, Milnbank, Strathbogie, Deveronvale, Clinterty, Fordafourie & Knock pens of rams destined for the sale rings. Each flock visited provided us with warm hospitality and a great show of stock. We extend our sincere thanks for all the work in preparing the rams and hospitality.

The annual ram sale held on the 20th September at ANM, Thainstone saw the previous mart record price beaten twice, firstly when Melvin & George Stuart's Birness flock received 1,100gns for the

Champion Birness Scottie, followed by a Glenside Razzle Dazzle ram lamb from Ian Farquhar's Inch flock reaching the same price. Four rams released 1,000gns, two from the Birness flock, one from Inch and a final ram lamb from the Breddie's flock. Reserve Champion was awarded to a shearling ram, Sheeoch Rock Solid, by Knock Prefix from the Sheeoch flock which released 950gns, and the top flock average was from the Knock flock at £663.60 for ten sold.



Flock competition prize giving

Our annual flock competition was judged by Mr Charlie Angus who visited flocks across the North East on the 9th & 10th November. We thank Charlie and Isobel for taking time to visit the flocks and to our sponsors for their continued support of the club. On the evening of the 10th the club held its fifth annual meal at Buckleys in Turriff. The AGM was moved to the same evening as the club meal and saw a range of members and their families.

Our sincere thanks are extended to all club and committee members for their continued support and hard work throughout the year, and we wish all members every success for the coming year.

**Olivia Donald**  
Secretary

## North Wales Club

### Club Membership

**W**e have had four new members this year and the club membership now stands at 57.

### Club Sale at Gaerwen on 20th August 2011

The number of entries was down slightly this year but the quality of the stock that was forward ensured high prices and the overall income was virtually the same as the 2010 Sale. The shearling rams saw the best trade but the other classes also sold well. There was a near total clearance.

Martin Jones from Lower Forest Farm, Racecourse, Oswestry, kindly judged the sheep. Show Champion & Reserve Champion were awarded to J & H Thomas, Bryn Garth for their Shearling Ram and Ewe Lamb respectively. Full results are available to read on the Texel website.

### Flock Competition

I spent a very enjoyable day with Will McCaffery and his wife travelling around Gwynedd and Anglesey looking at six flocks in total. Will was the judge for this year's flock competition and was very impressed with what he saw. We introduced new classes for a pen of ram lambs and a pen of ewe lambs which added a bit of variety and created some more prizes. After careful deliberation he awarded the first prize flock to J. & H Thomas (Bryn Garth). The full results are on page 211.

### Flock Visit

We didn't have a flock visit as such this year. However, the North West Club came to visit Wyn Morris's Fachell flock and John and Heulwen Thomas's Bryn Garth Flock. There was strong contingent from our club who joined in for the day.

Everyone who attended was treated to an excellent display of sheep and were well fed and watered.

### Glyn Pierce

We were all devastated in May to hear of the death of Glyn Pierce who had been such a keen supporter of the club over the years. He was a good friend to all of us and will be greatly missed. To help us remember Glyn the club has bought a new cup for the male champion at the Gaerwen Club Sale.



*Pictured is Guto Thomas, son of John and Heulwen being presented with the Glyn Pierce Perpetual cup at this year's AGM*

### Shows

Congratulations to all club members who took part and won in Local and National shows. Heulwen Thomas again did especially well, winning Champion at the Royal Welsh and the Anglesey show with her stunning ewe lamb.

**John S. Raffle**  
Chairman

## Northern Area Club

**A**t The Great Yorkshire Show in July, Northern Area members achieved remarkable results, many in the rosettes and winning five of the classes. Congratulations to T & F MacTaggart, Rascarrel Flock, winning Supreme Champion. Following the showing on the Tuesday evening, Northern Area hosted a barbeque. This was very well supported by Texel breeders from all areas.

In August, John Howard kindly presented us his "Quercus" Texels, for our club flock visit. Our members toured around his new farm at Battersby, Great Hayton and then enjoyed a barbeque and social.

Northern Areas 30th Anniversary Club Sale was held at CCM Auctions Skipton, in September. Frank Rushton, Fresh Fields Texels, from Matlock, Derbyshire judged the show. Overall Champion went to a new member, Mr Philip Makin of Chop Gate, with his Shearling Ram "William Beck Royal Flush", a "Llangwym Noddy" son. Lifting the leading price tag for the sale was Stuart Currie's Beauty Flock with his shearling ewe at £4,100 gns.

Overall Champion – Phillip Makin with "William Beck Royal Flush",

30th Anniversary Class Winners – Judge Frank Rushton

Our second ram sale in September held at Leyburn Auction Mart was sponsored by Agri Lloyd and judged by Eric Blacklock, Catterick Garrison. Graham Taylor with his Shearling ram took first place in his class and Champion.

Our Annual dinner was held again at Anchor Inn, Whixley, in November. The evening was very well supported. Results and presentations were made to our Flock Competition winners, Yorkshire Show

highest placed members and the winner of the Show Point Trophy. This year's winner of the "Show Points Trophy" was R Newby, from Walshford Bridge, Wetherby. Mr Newby had attended nearly half of our qualifying shows through out the showing season. His top class ewe took numerous breed championships.

The flock competition was judged by Peter Longdin (Wellingley Flock). Thank you to Peter who gave up his time to travel to our area to visit members.

Mrs Jennifer Aiken, Coniston Flock took Overall Champion and was presented with the Kistthorn Trophy. For full results see page 212.

Chief Executive John Yates was invited by the club to give a talk. This focused on how to market and promote the Texel breed and the benefits of recording. It was followed by supper and some lively discussions and again well attended.

Our winter sale of females was held at CCM Auctions, Skipton. Mr David Burkill, Beechtree Flock, judged the classes. Mr Burkill presented Female Champion to Mr Stuart Currie, Beauty Flock and reserve to Mrs A Nairy, Meinspride Flock. A solid sale, with an average selling price for shearling ewes of £485

Champion – Mr S Currie

Reserve Champion - Mrs A Nairey

Finally, we wish you all a very successful 2012

**Sarah Beachell**  
Secretary

Overall Champion  
Phillip Makin with  
"William Beck Royal Flush"



## North West Club

**2** 011 was another tremendously successful year for the North West Texel Breeders Club.

Our year began with the now well established “In- Lamb” sale held at Chelford. With a good quality of sheep put forward, trade was buoyant with the top price of 2000gns going to Charlie Boden’s Sportsman’s flock. Our thanks go to Alec Steff for judging.



*Hull House Lambs North West Club*

Our “Flock Visit,” was again held in May and our destination was North Wales and Anglesey. We eventually got to Llangwm Texels two hours late due to our transport breaking down. At Llangwm, we saw a strong flock of beautifully presented sheep which gave us the best possible start to the weekend. Our special thanks go to Iolo Jones and his family for their hospitality. The following day, we visited Idris Morris of the Fachell Flock and John and Heulwen Thomas’ Bryngarth Texels. At both venues, sheep were of a high standard. During their observations, many of the visiting North West breeders picked out Mrs Thomas’s ewe lamb to win the Royal Welsh Show, which it duly did. Once again hospitality was second to none and our thanks go to out both families for all their hard work and kindness.

The journey home the next day travelled via Penparc Texel’s home of Steve and Helen Smith. Our final stop again presented us

many quality sheep. Steve was also kind enough to spend time showing us his many birds of prey at his falconry centre and flying some of the birds for us to watch. Our thanks go to Steve and his family for providing such a special end to our trip.

Chelford hosted the now established “Elite” sale in August. This year’s show was judged by Jeff Aiken. It was the first year we had held a show at the venue rather than just a sale and it proved a great success. We are grateful to Jeff for accepting our invitation. The overall champion was a gimmer from Tophill flock, selling for 4100gns

Clitheroe Auction Mart hosted our September sale in conjunction with Lawrie and Symington. The judge John Mellin placed Procters Farms’ Shearling Ram as Champion. This went on to take the top price of 1300gns. Once again thanks to John for judging the sale.

Our flock competition was judged by Club Vice Chairman, Peter Woof. Awards for the various classes were presented at our Winter Social Evening at Farington Lodge, Leyland in November. The evening ended with a charity auction, which, with much vigour from the auctioneer – Alec Steff, raised in excess of £2600 for the North West Air Ambulance.

I hope the members of the club have enjoyed the year, and I would like to wish Peter Woof every success as our new chairman.

**David Houghton**

*Chairman*

## Northern Ireland Club

**A**t the AGM we welcomed Victor Chestnutt as Chairman, and Geoffrey Fleck as Vice Chairman. We also welcomed Robbie Mulligan as our second Honorary President, and presented a cheque to Cystic Fibrosis NI for £2,850 raised through charity auctions in 2010.

Texels dominated the sheep fold at the Royal Ulster Show with the Champion coming from Richard Henderson's Ballynahone flock with an outstanding gimmer while the Reserve Championship was awarded to TJ Carson & Sons, Downkillybegs Flock with a ewe lamb. In July the Society & Club attended Sheep NI. This was a very busy day with lots of interest in the sheep exhibited and the breed in general. Our thanks to the Society for providing such an excellent stand.

During the summer members welcomed three groups of fellow breeders from the South and the Mainland, while in July a group of members travelled to Inverness for a 4 day tour of the Orkney Islands and North of Scotland, visiting Caithness show, ten pedigree flocks and a guided tour of three Orkney Islands.

The Bell family, Kiltariff, hosted the Open night in August. The numerous competitions, exhibits and excellent display of sheep, drew a fantastic crowd. The YTB provided a splendid BBQ and members were very generous with their support of the charity auction in aid of Leukaemia Research.

Sale Season 2011 brought with it a few changes – with two sales having a change of venue while the Club added a new sale in Clogher. At the Premier sale the Kiltariff Flock won the Overall Championship while John and Richard Currie took the female Champion and Robert Gamble took the honours in the Young Breeders Class. Fairywater Superstar bred by Andrew Fyffe achieved highest price of the day at



Texel members on Tour

9,000gns. However, at the Scottish National Sale Northern Irish Texel breeding shone once again when Foyleview Superstar topped the sale at 46,000gns – the highest priced ram lamb of the season was bred by young Michael Smyth, Limavady. The further 10 Club sales continued to flourish in 2011. The year also saw record breaking prices for females with an in-lamb gimmer from the Tamnamoney flock of Roger Strawbridge realising 11,000gns at the Northern Stars sale in December.

The Club was delighted to host the Social Weekend and AGM, when Henry Gamble, Groomsport, NI Regional Representative, was announced Vice- Chairman. The Annual Photographic Competition attracted a lot of attention, with the overall winning entry coming from pedigree breeder Sarah Riley, Moneyreagh.

In November Pip and Carol Kermode joined us to judge the flock competition. The Springhill flock was awarded "Elanco Texel Flock of the Year", with Jim Wilson's Blackstown flock reserve place.

The Fatstock sales ended an extremely busy year, with a pair of Texel cross lambs bred by Elizabeth McAllister, Kells took the overall Championship at Ballymena Mart, yet again proving the Texel is the number one terminal sire.

**Karen Beacom**  
Secretary

## Ruthin Club

**O**ur annual flock competition was well supported with some quality sheep on show. I would like to thank everybody who supported it and gave us a good welcome and their time. Unfortunately, there was a last minute change of judge due to unforeseen circumstances.

All of the winners thought that the replacement judge was excellent!! Many thanks to Mr Brian Joseph who also stepped in last minute to judge the 'all Wales' flock competition. Results can be found on page 216.

Many congratulations to everyone who took part in the many shows throughout the year promoting the qualities of the Texel, both live and on the hook. Our annual sale at Ruthin in September saw an excellent show of both rams and ewes resulting in an excellent clearance of stock to the pedigree and commercial market.

The pre-sale show was confidently judged by Mr Charlie Boden who awarded the Champion to Mr A Wynne Davies, 'Bronallt' flock, Morfa Nefyn which went on to sell for £1,995 to S E Williams, Hendre Fawr,

Gwytherin. A full report of pre sale show results and prices can be found on the Ruthin Club page at the Texel website.

The now annual ten-pin bowling competition against Shrewsbury Club was again fiercely contested with Ruthin the eventual winners, thanks to the younger members who took part.

It was later suggested that next year maybe we should try crown green bowls to give us oldies a chance.

The AGM held in Plas Maenan in December was well attended, we enjoyed an excellent buffet and a good night was had by all. The club was sorry to hear about the sudden passing of Mr Gary Cundall, a past Chairman and committee member of the Ruthin Club. He will be sadly missed by the club and Texel Breeders. Our thoughts are with his wife Christine and his two sons.

I would like to thank all of the committee members who work hard to promote our club, the auctioneers and everybody else who supports us.

**Joe Barlow**  
*Chairman*



## Scottish Club

**T**he club's in lamb show and sale was held at Lanark in January where a good trade prevailed throughout. The Championship was won by Ronnie Darling, Birkwood, which was later sold for 1000gns.

The Pedigree Visit took the club to the Shrewsbury area where 15 members and friends viewed several flocks in the area and enjoyed excellent hospitality and viewed many outstanding sheep.

The club's summer open day took them to Humeston by kind permission of Ian and John Gilmour. A large crowd of over 120 viewed an outstanding show of Texel Sheep on a very wet and miserable day and were privileged to see their outstanding flock. Thanks go to the Gilmour Family for all their hard work in organising this event and providing excellent hospitality.

The club continues to promote the breed by sponsoring live Texel Lamb events throughout the area. The club still feels that this is an outstanding method of demonstrating the extra value attained for Texel quality lambs. The events were held at St Boswells, Lanark, Ayr and both Stirling Markets. All markets reported a first class show of lambs with premiums being paid by all buyers.

The Show and Sale at Lanark in September was again successful with the championship being awarded to a Ram Lamb from Richard Wood, Kingledores which was later sold for 1400gns. Top price was 4,000gns for a ram lamb from Callum and Tom Wights Culterallers flock. 15 Shearlings average £422.80, 231 Ram Lambs average £462.95 and 19 Gimmers average £374.68

Once again the club decided to hold an Exhibitor of the Year award taking in 7 local shows, namely Lesmahagow, Newmilns

Kelso, Biggar, Perth, Stirling and Dalkeith. Lawrie & Symington kindly sponsored this event which was a huge success. The overall winner of the competition was Gordon Gray's Ettrick Flock with Alisdair Beaton's Wester Crosshill flock taking the reserve.

This year's flock competition attracted an entry of 22 flocks and resulted in a marathon three days for this year's judge Gordon Gray, Ettrick. Results can be found on page 215.

Some 72 members and friends attended our annual dinner; an excellent evening was enjoyed by all who were entertained by Jim Warnock who gave an enjoyable after dinner speech.

The Club's Carcase Competition was once again held at Wishaw abattoir in conjunction with the Macduff Beef Event. Some 42 lambs were entered for the competition with Tom Frame, High Dyke, Strathaven, taking both the Champion and Reserve awards. The lambs were later sold for £160 and £130

This rounded off a very busy year for the club and we all look forward to 2011 with optimism.

**Brian Ross**  
Secretary





## Shropshire & Borders Club

**T**he club year began with the in-lamb sale at Welshpool Market. The show was kindly judged by Mr Jeff Plant. He awarded the championship to the Claybury flock, which then went on to be sold for 1,000 gns. Following this we had our annual Christmas dinner at the Wingfield Arms which was attended by over 70 members and friends. The evening was rounded off with a very hard fought quiz, with the presidents table winning by just one point.

The New Year started with a pre-lambing ten-pin bowling evening. This year's winners were Martin Jones and Jackie Forrester, the junior section was won by Carole Forrester. In May the club attended the Welsh Sheep 2011 event. Mr David Orrells supplied four quality shearling rams to exhibit on the stand and with over 6,000 visitors to the event it proved to be a very worthwhile exercise to promote the club and the Texel breed. Many thanks go to Mr David Orrells and Mrs Helen Smith for their help on the day.

The Progeny event was held at the beginning of June by kind permission of Shrewsbury Livestock Auctions. The classes were judged by Mr James Ruggeri, who awarded the championship to Steve, Helen and Anna Smith, with their ram lamb sired by Tamnamoney Ned. There was a great turnout in the young handlers competition, which was kindly judged by Mrs Liz Gutteridge. The junior section being won by Rees Evans and the senior section by Katie Higgins.

During June/July the club held two prime lamb competitions for Texel sired lambs. This was well supported with over 200 lambs entered at each event. For the first time this year there were classes for young farmers, at which there were over twenty

pairs of lambs entered. Many thanks to Alan Potter of Shrewsbury and David Edwards of Welshpool for their help at these events. The annual three day trip headed to the southwest area, where we visited Salocin, Sidbournough, Loosebeare and Peacehay flocks. Many thanks go to all our hosts for an excellent weekend of quality sheep and great hospitality.

The flock competition was held at the end of June where there was an entry of sixteen flocks spanning six different counties; this was kindly judged by Mr Peter Lewis. Congratulations to the Penparc flock for winning the championship and then becoming runners up in the all Wales flock competition.

The club held its first sale of the season at Shrewsbury and was judged by Geraint Jones, Erw. The champion was a shearling ram bred by Martin & Shirley Jones, Racecourse. Shearling rams achieved a clearance of 92% at an average of £606. The top price of the day was 1,400 gns for a shearling from Hardwick flock. Females saw a 100% clearance with the top price achieved for a gimmer from the Sundorne flock at 880 gns.

The ram sale at Welshpool was judged by William Williams, Garth Llywd. He awarded the championship to a shearling ram bred by Martin & Shirley Jones, Racecourse, which sold for 1,200 gns. Shearling rams achieved a 90% clearance with the top price of the day for a shearling from the Clun flock selling for 1,300 gns.

**Martin Pritchard**  
*Chairman*



## Solway & Tyne Club

### Trip to Ireland

**T**he club's first event of the year was our annual trip, which this year took us over the water to Ireland. After an early start on Thursday we caught the ferry and visited some flocks in Northern Ireland. Friday morning we had a leisurely morning round Donegal, before our visit in the afternoon to the Donegal Texel breeders show. This was a great idea by the Donegal club, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Saturday we visited flocks in Northern Ireland, before being joined by some of our fellow breeders for a meal and good old catch up. Sunday came round fast and after stopping off to visit a flock we headed home.

### Flock visit to 'Haltcliffe'

The end of July we had a visit to the 'Haltcliffe' flock which was in conjunction with the Limousin Society's 40th anniversary, which ended with a sale of Haltcliffe Limousins.

### Flock visits to 'Auries' and 'Craillloch'

August saw us hold two visits in South West Scotland, starting off at John Douglas 'Auries' flock which also gave us chance to see his herd of Hereford cattle before heading to Angus and Helen McColm's 'Craillloch' flock. Our thanks to all flock visits for their hospitality in 2011

### Social Evening

Our speaker for the evening was David Thomlinson, Harrison and Hetherington auctioneer who gave us an interesting talk of being an auctioneer. Our thanks go to Angela Nairey for judging the flock competition and our congratulations to the Graham family 'Hallrigg' flock on winning the Tinwald Points trophy.

### Agri Expo 2011

This again proved to be a fantastic day, with thousands attending the event and the Texel stand as busy as ever with old and new members attending

### Sales

The first sale saw the championship go to a shearling gimmer from David Houghton, 'Tophill' flock.

Top price was 38,000gns from Bruce Renwick, for a ram lamb 'Castlecairn SAS Commander'.

Averages – 206 shearling rams £895, 272 ram lambs £955, 121 shearling gimmers £600.

Our second sale saw the championship go to a shearling ram from Brian MacTaggart, 'Dougahill' flock.

Averages – shearling rams £563, ram lambs £340, shearling gimmers £485.

The in-lamb sale in December saw the Championship going to a shearling gimmer from Kerr Jarvie 'Tapanui' flock. Averages – Shearling gimmers £507, Ewe lambs £319.

Thank you to all members who have helped out over the last year and supported the club's events. We look forward to seeing many of you at Slaley Hall in November.

### Emma Pigg

*Club secretary*

To see the full report please visit [www.texel.co.uk](http://www.texel.co.uk)



## South Eastern Club

**W**hen admitting you come from the south you often get the reaction “you’re alright, land of gold down there”, as though the proximity to London, the country’s financial and political centre, has some affect on farming conditions.

In many ways the opposite is true with heavy soils and an erratic climate, farming conditions are often challenging. In fact, I often wonder if many of the farms in the south east were in other areas of the country they would carry LFA status. Certainly those of us engaged in livestock farming swing from feast or famine as far as grass growth, which can make producing pedigree stock for certain markets difficult, although it is worth pointing out that alot of the stock that comes out of the south east tends to do very well away from home; animals growing on and thriving with certainly little complaints of stock “melting” with the change of conditions.

The start of 2011 is a good example of this with a cold winter and then very dry conditions all through the spring, lambs met little grass growth until well into May, our colleagues in East Anglia have not really seen significant rain all year.

This did not deter the members of the South Eastern club putting on some good shows of stock in the region’s summer shows, the most notable being at the Kent show where the Texel won all the major titles including; Interbreed champion, Interbreed pairs, group of three and group of four. Something that no other breed has achieved before, including a cross section of breeders from the area, so an example of the consistency produced.

The club also held a flock competition kindly judged by Syd and Mary Chaplin. Congratulations go to Jim Horn whose flock came out on top.

2011 saw the club resurrect the club sale now to be held at Ashford. This was well attended by breeders and buyers with the champion ram from the flock of Mr & Mrs PK Anthony, certainly something to build on for 2012.

The ram trading season has been a challenging one with a general lack of buyers and a lack of willingness to spend more than a set budget, possible the continued high cost of females soaking up budgets, although it seems strange that people will pay well over £100 for a cross bred gimmer but scream blue murder when asked to pay more than £500 for a ram to put on those ewes to produce a lamb that could easily be worth more than £100. We can only hope for better growing and ram marketing conditions in 2012.

### **Peter Sutton**

*Chairman*



## South Wales Club

**T**he Progeny show champions, 2 gimmers from DJJ Watkins & Co (Cwmcerrig) were the focal point of the club stand at the Welsh Sheep Event in Machynlleth in May, together with 4 Scolton shearlings and 2 Texel x Mule gimmers from Aman.

The AGM hosted by Jim and Trudy Davies (Trujim) in May was followed by the club trip to the Isle of Man in June. We saw the famous Ballaglonney flock and bought half the Orrisdale flock!

The Royal Welsh saw 2nd prize rosettes for Caron and Padest flocks with tups and a 3rd prize for Einon with a ewe, the flock competition results were announced and we ran a competition on the stand with crossbred sheep from Adrian Windsor (Fern).

The Early NSA was judged by Trudy Davies. Her champion was Fordwell Rockstar. Russell Watkins, Millend, had the second top price with a shearling at 1250gns and Trudy herself sold Courthill Premier II for 1,000gns.

Later in August club members tramped from Llangors to Llwyndafydd on the ram safari seeing lambs later sold for four figures at Einon and Aman.

At the main club sale at Llandovery, Hywel Thomas (Cennen) sold Wydden Rambo for 1,000gns. He was reserve to John Hardwick's champion, Croesffordd Proud as Punch, brought out by Carwyn Lewis (Hathren)

At the main NSA sale at BUILT the Davies' (Teilo) followed up their 5,000gns sale at Lanark with 1st prizes with their ram and ewe lambs. They topped the ram lambs at 2,000gns. In the shearling section, the Reed's (Scolton) sold to 3,100gns and Deri Morgan (Tynwydd) sold to 3,000gns. They averaged over 1,000gns for 20 and 24 respectively.

Fuller details are available on the club's page of the Society website.

Dyminiadau gorau o Dde Cymru

**Hywel Davies**  
*Chairman*



## South West Club

**O**n behalf of the Southwest Club and members I would like to congratulate Nick Tavernor on his new appointment as Chairman of the Society.

### Shows & Sales

I am pleased to report all our one day shows were well supported with good Texels. Also excellent entries at Devon County Show and the Royal Cornwall Show. This did not deter the Quick family with their Loosebeare flock taking interbreed champion with a superb shearling ewe at Devon County Show and then repeating this at the Royal Cornwall Show, also taking interbreed champion pairs. To top this off they also won interbreed at the Mid Devon Show which was the icing on the cake. I must add thanks to all our club members who helped provide refreshments after the showing at Devon County Show. I know Robert Cartledge, our Judge, and Gordon Gray (previous Chairman) appreciated this along with all of us who attended thank you! Our own show and sale at NSA Exeter was well supported, and judged by Nick Cooke who very kindly stood in at the last minute. Alan Draper (Hollyford Flock) took top spot but not quite topping the sale, this was shared between the Chave family's Peacehay flocks aged Ram and Michael Lear's Sidborough flocks Shearling ram, both making 920gns. Overall entries were slightly up and our average price close to 2010. At Sedgemoor sale however there was less demand for Rams and trade was back on the previous year. The Challonsleigh flock continued to rein supreme in the carcass competition winning the Carcass cup once again. At the Carlisle sale the Chave family had an excellent day with Peacehay Razzle Dazzle topping the shearling sale to make 11500gns.

NSA Southwest Sheep Event  
Thanks to the support from John Yates, the

office team and many of our Southwest members (especially John and Sue Robinson). The club had an excellent stand with a stream of interest throughout the day.

### AGM 2011

After being fortunate enough to win last year's flock competition we hosted this year's AGM at Clinton Devon Estates. We had a great turn out with 50 plus members, the sun shone which always helps and not only did we view the Texels but also the commercial ewes and calf and heifer rearing. I thoroughly enjoyed the day and I hope it also gave a small insight into Clinton Devon Estates. With persuasion all present elected officers agreed to continue for another year. Thanks to all for your continued hard work and commitment to the Southwest club.

### Flock Competition

Steve Richardson kindly judged for us, we had a good number of entries and our youngest member Matt Baker, Venton Flock, won the small flock. Robert Watts, Rowden flock, won the large flock and the overall champion. Robert, I am sure will have enjoyed winning this again. Steve Richardson left Devon bemused by the change in climate from one part of our region to another.

Full results can be found on page 211.

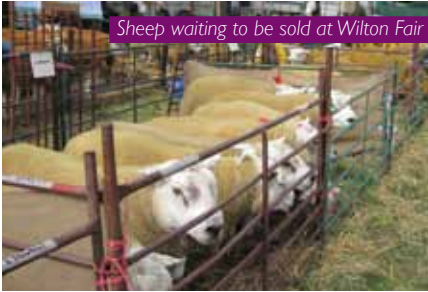
### Christmas Dinner

The new venue may have helped to an even better turnout, thank you to those of you who travelled a long way. Also thanks to John and Sue for the quiz which bemused and baffled some. Beth Brightwell from Brightwells Fencing Dorset, very kindly donated a lovely cup to be awarded this year to Mat for his achievements and enthusiasm for the Texel breed. Thank you very much to the Bright family. Welcome to all new members to the Southwest club and I wish everyone a successful 2012.

**Graham Hill**  
Chairman

## Southern Central Club

**O**ur Sale at The Wilton Great Fair was again the highlight of our year. This is now a well established Texel sale within the Great Fair, and well supported by regular vendors and purchasers alike. Some, I think, came especially to sample the food organised by the Durnford family! Wilton Great Fair is one of the oldest sheep fairs in the country, probably dating from Anglo Saxon Times. Many of the sheep droves around Wilton were used for farmers and shepherds to walk their sheep to the fairs from several miles away. My mother told us of how her father and brothers walked their sheep along the droves to Wilton Fair (about 6 miles) at the beginning of the last



Sheep waiting to be sold at Wilton Fair

century, and the year that the 1st World War broke out they all had to be walked home again as there was no money and no grass.

Phil Holdey kindly came to judge the sheep and had a very difficult job with so many good sheep to choose from. He finally made Trinidad Investments shearling ram his champion which was later sold for 540 gns. Mark Blakeney was 1st and 2nd in the ram lamb class with both of them selling for 350 gns. Top price of the day went to Waid and Georgie Helyer's shearling ram at 615 gns. With Adrian Duffossee's ram making 600 gns. Shearling ewes had a steady trade at 300 gns. With RJ Kimber's ewe winning the class.

On the day there were more rams than needed and although some sold well many failed to find a home.

We shall be at Sheep South this year and our Central Southern Texel Breeders sale is at the Wilton Great Fair on Thursday 13th September – details from Michael Vesey, Southern Counties Auctioneers 01722 321215

**Georgie Helyer**  
*Langford Texels*



Georgie Helyers Granddaughter Sophie with Rascal Bowden (Sportsmans Rascal) having a rest at New Forest Show



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## DERBYSHIRE

Judge: Alex Brown - STONEFIELDHILL

| BEST LARGE FLOCK                                               | BEST SMALL FLOCK                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE                                   | 1st F Rushton - FRESH FIELDS                                         |
| 2nd M Furness - WESTGATE                                       | 2nd R Cartledge - PLATTIN                                            |
| 3rd T Stone - EMLOU                                            | 3rd C Mallaber - GROVEWOOD                                           |
| BEST STOCK RAM                                                 | BEST HOMEBRED RAM                                                    |
| 1st P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE<br>CONNACHAN ROOSTER - YSM1000025 | 1st P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE<br>CORRIECRAVIE RINGO KID<br>JTC1000002 |
| 2nd R Cartledge - PLATTIN<br>BEIDKIEN ROLEX - YJE1000076       | 2nd M Furness - WESTGATE<br>WESTGATE STONKER - VFMI100077            |
| 3rd F Rushton - FRESH FIELDS<br>TULLAGH REAL DEAL - JCT1000044 | 3rd R Cartledge - PLATTIN<br>PLATTIN SUMO - CPR1100052               |
| BEST THREE SHEARLING EWES                                      | BEST THREE EWE LAMBS                                                 |
| 1st M Furness - WESTGATE                                       | 1st F Rushton - FRESH FIELDS                                         |
| 2nd P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE                                   | 2nd R Cartledge - PLATTIN                                            |
| 3rd F Rushton - FRESH FIELDS                                   | 3rd P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE                                         |
| OVERALL CHAMPION                                               | RESERVE CHAMPION                                                     |
| P Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE                                       | F Rushton - FRESH FIELDS                                             |

## DERBYSHIRE CLUB NEWCOMERS

| STOCK RAM                                                             | HOMEBRED RAM                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st J Spillane - BARMS<br>CALLERTON PORTER II - SRC09976              | 1st J Spillane - BARMS<br>BARMS ROCKY - SSF1000077               |
| 2nd D Clamp - BROADFIELDS<br>FRESH FIELDS POLE POSITION<br>RFF0900170 | 2nd M Turner - OKEHALL<br>OKEHALL RINGLEADER - TMO1000007        |
| 3rd R Payne - HANDBANK<br>HANDBANK PRINCE CHARMING<br>PRH09813        | 3rd K Martin - LLAMEDOS<br>LLAMEDOS SUNSET WARRIOR<br>SKR1100038 |
| SHEARLING EWES                                                        | EWE LAMBS                                                        |
| 1st D Clamp - BROADFIELDS                                             | 1st B Vernon - CHARBEN                                           |
| 2nd B Vernon - CHARBEN                                                | 2nd J Spillane - BARMS                                           |
| 3rd J Spillane - BARMS                                                | 3rd R Payne - HANDBANK                                           |
| BEST FLOCK                                                            |                                                                  |

John Spillane - BARMS



## GLOUCESTER & BORDER COUNTIES

Judge : Graham Hill - ROLLE

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

1st J Kimber - DRUM

2nd Martyn & Son - BARNAGE

3rd A & S Andrews - MISERDEN

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

1st C & K Ponting - PENSTONES

2nd R Gilbert - AELMUND

3rd N & V Durnford - VASHTIE

### BEST GIMMERS

Joint winners - Martyn & Son - BARNAGE

C & K Ponting - PENSTONES

### BEST RAM LAMBS

A & S Andrews - MISERDEN

### BEST EWE LAMBS

A & S Andrews - MISERDEN

### OVERALL CHAMPION

C & K Ponting - PENSTONES

## MIDLANDS

Judge: Steve and Bec McLean

### SHEARLING RAMS - LARGE FLOCK

M & R Lawrence - COTON

### STOCK RAMS - LARGE FLOCK

C A Freeman - FERNAVE

### STOCK RAMS - SMALL FLOCK

M & R Lawrence - COTON

### STOCK EWES - LARGE FLOCK

Melanie Kellet - BOOLEY

### STOCK EWES - SMALL FLOCK

Sharon & Will Bothwell - GLENLEARY

### JUNIOR STOCK RAM - LARGE FLOCK

Sharon & Will Bothwell - GLENLEARY  
SAMSON

### JUNIOR STOCK RAM - SMALL FLOCK

D & J Chambers - TWELVE OAKS  
SAMURAI

### EWE LAMBS - LARGE FLOCK

Sharon & Will Bothwell - GLENLEARY

### EWE LAMBS - SMALL FLOCK

John & Barbara Leadbetter - BLACKBIRD

### CHAMPION FLOCK

John & Barbara Leadbetter - BLACKBIRD

### RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK

Sharon & Will Bothwell - GLENLEARY

## EASTERN

Judge: Peter Sutton - COLWOOD

| BEST LARGE FLOCK | BEST SMALL FLOCK |
|------------------|------------------|
|------------------|------------------|

|                                       |                                             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1st D J & B J Leadbetter - BLACKBIRD  | 1st T, J & A Lockhart - MELTON<br>CONSTABLE |
| 2nd S H C & J B Rawlings - WISTON     | 2nd T J & J H Prentice - WOOLNEY            |
| 3rd John & Sarah Williams - HONEYHILL | 3rd Stephen Cobbald - LAVENHAM              |

### EWE LAMBS

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| 1st D J & B J Leadbeater - BLACKBIRD |
| 2nd S H C & J B Rawlings - WISTON    |
| 3rd T J & J H Prentice - WOOLNEY     |

| JUNIOR STOCK RAM / RAM LAMB | SENIOR STOCK RAM |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
|-----------------------------|------------------|

|                                                   |                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st T, J & A Lockhart - KNOCK<br>SUNDANCE         | 1st S H C & J B Rawlings - 03938-74751<br>ROUNDHOUSE |
| 2nd John & Sarah Williams - LOOSEBEARE<br>STRIKER | 2nd John & Sarah Williams - KELSO PRIZE<br>PACKAGE   |
| 3rd T J & J H Prentice - SPORTSMAN'S<br>SIREN     | 3rd T, J & A Lockhart - HONEYHILL<br>PRANK           |

### OVERALL CHAMPION FLOCK

D J & B J Leadbeater - BLACKBIRD

### OVERALL RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK

S H C & J B Rawlings - WISTON



## NORTH WALES

Judge: Will McCaffrey - SCHOLARS

### BEST FLOCK

1st J & H Thomas - BRYN GARTH  
2nd H & M Evans - FFRAW  
3rd Osian Rhys - SEIONT

### PEN OF RAM LAMBS

1st J & H Thomas - BRYN GARTH  
2nd H & M Evans - FFRAW  
3rd J S Raffle - PENPADRIG

### PEN OF EWE LAMBS

1st J & H Thomas - BRYN GARTH  
2nd H & M Evans - FFRAW  
3rd Osian Rhys - SEIONT

## SOUTH WEST

Judge: Steve Richardson - STONEBRIDGE

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

1st Robert Watts - ROWDEN  
2nd Richard Burroughs - GODWORTHY  
3rd Allan Bennett - PEMBERLAN

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

1st Matt Baker - VENTON  
2nd Graham Hill - ROLLE  
3rd Chris Ruby - HOME FARM

### BEST GROUP OF RAM LAMBS LARGE FLOCK

1st Robert Watts - ROWDEN  
2nd Richard Burroughs - GODWORTHY  
3rd Michael Lear - SIDBOROUGH

### BEST GROUP OF RAM LAMBS SMALL FLOCK

1st Alan Draper - HOLLYFORD  
2nd Robert & Rebecca Jordan  
MOORTOWN  
3rd Chris Ruby - HOME FARM

### BEST GROUP OF EWE LAMBS LARGE FLOCK

1st Richard Burroughs - GODWORTHY  
2nd Robert Watts - ROWDEN  
3rd Michael Lear - SIDBOROUGH

### BEST GROUP OF EWE LAMBS SMALL FLOCK

1st Alan Draper - HOLLYFORD  
2nd Robert & Rebecca Jordan  
MOORTOWN  
3rd Graham Hill - ROLLE

### OVERALL CHAMPION

Robert Watts - ROWDEN

## NORTHERN AREA

Judge: Peter Longdin - WELLINGLEY

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

1st J & L Mellin - HULL HOUSE

2nd D Burkill - BEECHTREE

3rd J Howard - QUERCUS

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

1st Mrs J Aiken - CONISTON

2nd Mrs P Arrand - STONECLIFFE

3rd J Lucas - FIMBER

### BEST STOCK RAM LAMB

1st J & L Mellin - BUSHMILLS SAMSON

2nd D. Burkill - BEECHTREE 112

3rd J. Barton - CRAIGHEAD STALWART

### BEST SENIOR STOCK RAM

1st J. Howard - KNOCK ORION

2nd J & L Mellin - CASTLECAIRN RED  
ARROW

3rd J. Lucas - PEACEHAY PORSCHE

### OVERALL CHAMPION

Mrs J Aiken - CONISTON

### OVERALL RESERVE CHAMPION

J & L Mellin - HULL HOUSE



## NORTH WEST

Judge: Peter Woof - STAINTON

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

- 1st J & L Mellin - HULL HOUSE
- 2nd Procters Farm - PROCTERS
- 3rd M. Ireland - HEYS

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

- 1st F. Rushton - FRESH FIELDS
- 2nd A & G Brown - BROOKHILL & D. Pickervance - BRINDLE
- 3rd R. Pierce - OLDFORD

### PEN OF TEN GIMMERS - LARGE FLOCK

- 1st J & L Mellin - HULL HOUSE
- 2nd Procters Farm - PROCTERS
- 3rd P & A Johnson - CORRIECRAVIE

### PEN OF FIVE GIMMERS - SMALL FLOCK

- 1st F. Rushton - FRESH FIELDS
- 2nd A & G Brown - BROOKHILL
- 3rd D. Pickervance - BRINDLE

### CHAMPION PEN OF GIMMER LAMBS

Procters Farm - PROCTERS

### PEN OF FIVE GIMMERS – NOVICE CLASS

- 1st B. Veron - CHARBEN
- 2nd A. Alderson - PASTURE HOUSE

### BEST STOCK RAM

1st A & G Brown - FACHELL RUNNER - MIF100164

### NOVICE CLASS

- 1st B. Vernon - CHARBEN
- 2nd A. Alderson - PASTURE HOUSE

### OVERALL CHAMPION

J & L Mellin - HULL HOUSE

### RESERVE CHAMPION

Procters Farm - PROCTERS



## HIGHLAND

Judge: Scott Milton - TULLOCHALLUM

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

- 1st Charles & Isobel Angus - OLDFIELD
- 2nd Phillip Gill - TEMPLAND
- 3rd Ian Campbell - TODHOLES

### EWES LAMBS - LARGE FLOCK

- 1st Phillip Gill - TEMPLAND
- 2nd Charles & Isobel Angus - OLDFIELD
- 3rd Charles Ryrie - KIRK

### BEST MEDIUM FLOCK

- 1st Johnnie Campbell - BARDNACLAVAN
- 2nd Alan Chisholm - WESTER MOY
- 3rd Douglas Webster - LOWER REISS

### EWES LAMBS - MEDIUM FLOCK

- 1st Douglas Webster - LOWER REISS
- 2nd William Waters - TRI-DUEG
- 3rd Johnnie Campbell - BARDNACLAVAN

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

- 1st John Forbes - BOULTACH
- 2nd Ken Beaton - TEANLUICK
- 3rd Catherine Murray - GILLIESTON

### EWES LAMBS - SMALL FLOCK

- 1st John Forbes - BOULTACH
- 2nd Colin MacKay - MURKLE
- 3rd Sally Crowe - LINGLASS

### BEST STUD RAM

- 1st Catherine Murray - GILLIESTON - WGA1000113
- 2nd Charles Ryrie - KIRK - RKC09001655
- 3rd Douglas Webster - LOWER REISS - WBU1100279

### BEST OVERALL FLOCK

Charles & Isobel Angus - OLDFIELD

### RESERVE OVERALL FLOCK

Johnnie Campbell - BARDNACLAVAN

### OVERALL PEN OF EWES LAMBS

Douglas Webster - LOWER REISS



SCOTTISH CLUB

Judge: Gordon Gray - ETTRICK

**LARGE FLOCK** **MEDIUM FLOCK**

- |                              |                                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1st J & H Clark - GARNGOUR   | 1st A Beaton - WESTER CROSSHILL |
| 2nd T & R Laird - CAMBWELL   | 2nd Clark Farms - TEIGLUM       |
| 3rd Mrs L Gray - COWGROVE    | 3rd K A & R Campbell - COWAL    |
| 4th A Gray & Sons - LANGSIDE | 4th R & M Struthers - COLLIELAW |

**SMALL FLOCK** **PEN OF EWE LAMBS LARGE FLOCK**

- |                            |                                    |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1st I Struthers - CRAIGEND | 1st J & H Clark - GARNGOUR         |
| 2nd R Howieson - CROFT     | 2nd T & R Laird - CAMBWELL         |
| 3rd A Johnstone - BOGEND   | 3rd J Currie & Sons - CARLINSIDE   |
| 4th J Dunlop - EASTFIELD   | 4th McCosh Brothers - CULTERALLERS |

**PEN OF EWE LAMBS MEDIUM FLOCK** **PEN OF EWE LAMBS SMALL FLOCK**

- |                                 |                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st Clark Farms - TEIGLUM       | 1st A Johnstone - BOGEND    |
| 2nd A Beaton - WESTER CROSSHILL | 2nd A Frame - NORTH QUARTER |
| 3rd A Jamieson - CARLEITH       | 3rd A Campbell - STRAWFRANK |
| 4th R & M Struthers - COLLIELAW | 4th R Howieson - CROFT      |

**BEST STOCK TUP**

A Beaton - WESTER CROSSHILL - WESTER CROSSHILL NOVO - BWG07280

**CHAMPION PEN OF EWE LAMBS**

J & H Clark - GARNGOUR

**RESERVE CHAMPION PEN OF EWE LAMBS**

Clark Farms - TEIGLUM

**CHAMPION FLOCK**

J & H Clark - GARNGOUR

**RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK**

A Beaton - WESTER CROSSHILL



## SOUTH WALES

Judge: G Wilkinson - ARKLE & ELLEN VALLEY

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

- 1st Jim & Trudy Davies - TRUJIM
- 2nd Deri Morgan - TYNEWYDD
- 3rd D J J Watkins & Co - CWMCERRIG

### BEST MEDIUM FLOCK

- 1st Dianne Evans - WHITLAND
- 2nd Powell & Marion Jones  
LLANTHOMAS
- 3rd Derek Jewell - DWYNANT

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

- 1st Irena Lewis - EINON
- 2nd DA & C Davies - IFAN DDU
- 3rd A & O Hughes - VALE

### BEST STOCK RAM

- 1st Irena Lewis - EINON - GLENSIDE  
ROYAL WELSH - FPG1000045
- 2nd E Evans & Son - SCURLAGE CASTLE  
HALTCLIFFE PHOENIX - RHT092044
- 3rd G P & M Jones - LLANTHOMAS  
PENPARC PRESIDENT - SJP09004

### BEST GIMMERS

- 1st Deri Morgan - TYNEWYDD
- 2nd Jim & Trudy Davies - TRUJIM
- 3rd D J J Watkins & Co - CWMCERRIG

### CHAMPION FLOCK

Jim & Trudy Davies - TRUJIM

## RUTHIN

Judge: Joe Barlow - MOSSGIEL

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

- 1st C Davies - EGRYN
- 2nd I P Jones - LLANGWM
- 3rd R E J Pierce - OLDFORD

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

- 1st F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM
- 2nd G Cundall - RAVENSMOOR

### BEST SHEARLING EWES - LARGE FLOCK

R E J Pierce - OLDFORD

### BEST SHEARLING EWES - SMALL FLOCK

F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM

### BEST STOCK RAM

F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM MAINSTREAM - GAR06002

### OVERALL CHAMPION FLOCK

C Davies - EGRYN



## NORTHERN IRELAND

Judge: P Kermodé - ORRISDALE

### LARGE FLOCK (10 LAMBS) MEDIUM FLOCK (6 LAMBS)

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1st J Foster - SPRINGHILL     | 1st A Gault - FORKINS          |
| 2nd R Henderson - BALLYNAHONE | 2nd J Wilson - BLACKSTOWN      |
| 3rd M & C Millar - MILLAR'S   | 3rd R Strawbridge - TAMNAMONEY |

### SMALL FLOCK (4 LAMBS) BEST STOCK RAM

|                                 |                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st S & M Warnock - STRAIDARREN | 1st A Gault, R Henderson, R Strawbridge,<br>M Warnock - DUNCRYNE RINGMASTER<br>JRV1000001 |
| 2nd J Adams - KERRYHILL         | 2nd P O'Connor - CAIRNESS<br>SPORTSMAN - DJVI100869                                       |
| 3rd K & L Beacom - CASTLEKNOWE  | 3rd A McCartney - GRUIG ROMEO<br>VMA1000097                                               |

### LARGE FLOCK MEDIUM FLOCK

|                               |                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1st J Foster - SPRINGHILL     | 1st J Wilson - BLACKSTOWN        |
| 2nd V Chestnutt - CLOUGHER    | 2nd L Young - REDFORD            |
| 3rd R Henderson - BALLYNAHONE | 3rd N & D Hamill - BALLYNADRENTA |

### SMALL FLOCK

|                         |
|-------------------------|
| 1st A Liggett - CORBO   |
| 2nd M Smyth - FOYLEVIEW |
| 3rd S Ferris - LEAPOGES |

### OVERALL CHAMPION

J Foster - SPRINGHILL

### RESERVE OVERALL CHAMPION

J Wilson - BLACKSTOWN



## NORTH OF SCOTLAND

Judge: C Angus - OLDFIELD

### LARGE FLOCK

- 1st S & R Milton - TULLOCHALLUM
- 2nd Oldtown Farm Limited - HILLTOP
- 3rd R Blackhall - SHEEOCH

### MEDIUM FLOCK

- 1st Graham Morrison - DEVERONVALE
- 2nd Brian Buchan - CLINTERTY
- 3rd JT Mackie - MILTON OF NOTH

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

- 1st Mrs E Alexander - BREDDIE'S
- 2nd M Leggat - MAKA
- 3rd Mrs Olivia Donald - ORAI

### EWES LAMBS LARGE FLOCK

- 1st Oldtown Farm Limited - HILLTOP
- 2nd Wendy Willox - STRATHINVER
- 3rd S & R Milton - TULLOCHALLUM

### EWES LAMBS MEDIUM FLOCK

- 1st Brian Buchan - CLINTERTY
- 2nd Graham Morrison - DEVERONVALE
- 3rd JT Mackie - MILTON OF NOTH

### EWES LAMBS SMALL FLOCK

- 1st M Leggat - MAKA
- 2nd Mrs E Alexander - BREDDIE'S
- 3rd Mrs J Gunn - NEWMILL

### CHAMPION STOCK RAM

Graham Morrison - DEVERONVALE-  
GLENSIDE RAZZLE DAZZLE – FPG1000055 Jointly owned by  
DEVERONVALE, MILNBANK, INSCH & STRATHBOGIE

### RESERVE CHAMPION STOCK RAM

Brian Buchan – CLINTERTY - CLINTERTY PAR ONE – BBY09643

### CHAMPION PEN OF EWES LAMBS

Brian Buchan - CLINTERTY

### CHAMPION FLOCK

Graham Morrison - DEVERONVALE



## SHROPSHIRE & BORDER COUNTIES

Judge: Peter Lewis - CAMELOT

|                                     |                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>BEST LARGE FLOCK</b>             | <b>BEST MEDIUM FLOCK</b>              |
| 1st S J & H Smith - PENPARC         | 1st R Bennett - PLASUCHA              |
| 2nd W L & J A Forrester - DOONGUILE | 2nd R & J Plant - BROMLEY             |
| 3rd J B Joseph - WAEN               | 3rd S & J Phillips - PHENJAI          |
| <b>BEST SMALL FLOCK</b>             | <b>BEST GIMMERS</b>                   |
| 1st F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM         | Small Flock - F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM |
| 2nd W McCaffrey - SCHOLARS          | Medium - R Bennett - PLASUCHA         |
| 3rd A & M A Bruce - MONARCH         | Large - S J & H Smith - PENPARC       |
| <b>OVERALL BEST GIMMERS</b>         |                                       |
| S J & H Smith - PENPARC             |                                       |
| <b>CHAMPION FLOCK</b>               |                                       |
| S J & H Smith - PENPARC             |                                       |
| <b>RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK</b>       |                                       |
| F Griffies - TUSHINGHAM             |                                       |

## SOUTH EASTERN

Judges: Syd & Mary Chaplin - MEON HILL

|                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------|
| <b>BEST LARGE FLOCK</b>                          |
| Trinidad Investments - HIGH WEALD & COLWOOD      |
| <b>BEST SMALL FLOCK</b>                          |
| J Horn - BLACKBOYS                               |
| <b>GROUP OF SHEARLING RAMS</b>                   |
| J Horn - BLACKBOYS                               |
| <b>GROUP OF SHEARLING EWES</b>                   |
| Trinidad Investments - HIGH WEALD & COLWOOD      |
| <b>STOCK RAM</b>                                 |
| C W Baldock - BLACKMORE - COTON NODDY - LRC07490 |
| <b>OVERALL CHAMPION FLOCK</b>                    |
| J Horn - BLACKBOYS                               |

## SOLWAY & TYNE

Judge: Mrs Angela Nairey - MEINSPRIDE

### BEST LARGE FLOCK

1st A McColm - CRAILLOCH  
2nd Messrs Ridley - HALTCLIFFE  
3rd G H & G G Wilkinson - ARKLE

### BEST MEDIUM FLOCK

1st Messrs Graham - HALLRIGG  
2nd R & L Galloway - CLANTIBUIES  
3rd I F Murray - GLENWAY

### BEST SMALL FLOCK

1st Mrs Karen Irving - KINGFISHER  
2nd A Walker - NEWHILL  
3rd W Fleming - MOSSKNOWE

### BEST EWE LAMBS LARGE FLOCK

1st Messrs Ridley - HALTCLIFFE  
2nd J Black - CORRIE  
3rd A Ryder - ANDYS

### BEST EWE LAMBS MEDIUM FLOCK

1st I F Murray - GLENWAY  
2nd R & L Galloway - CLANTIBUIES  
3rd J S Douglas - AIRIES

### BEST EWE LAMBS SMALL FLOCK

1st Mrs Karen Irving - KINGFISHER  
2nd H Currie - BURNHOLM  
3rd J Maxwell - DRUMRAE

### CHAMPION EWE LAMBS

I F Murray - GLENWAY

### RESERVE CHAMPION EWE LAMBS

R & L Galloway - CLANTIBUIES

### BEST STOCK RAM

1st A C Clark - MIDLOCK OMEGA - WKM08020  
2nd Messrs Ridley - LANGSIDE ROLEX - GAL1000114  
3rd J Maxwell - BALTIER PATHFINDER - FEB09969

### OVERALL CHAMPION FLOCK

A McColm - CRAILLOCH

### OVERALL RESERVE CHAMPION FLOCK

Messrs Ridley - HALTCLIFFE



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| 15 August<br>EXETER NSA SOUTH<br>WEST<br>Stags of Tiverton<br>Tel: 01884 255 533                                      | 9 - 10 September<br>RUTHIN<br>Ruthin Farmers Auction<br>Co Ltd<br>Tel: 01824 702 025            | 20 - 21 September<br>SKIPTON<br>Craven Cattle Mart<br>Tel: 01756 792 375                                                | 1 December<br>WORCESTER<br>McCartneys<br>Tel: 01905 769 770                        |
| 18 August<br>GAERWEN<br>Morgan & Evans<br>Tel: 01248 723 303                                                          | 13 September<br>WILTON<br>Southern Counties<br>Tel: 01722 321 215                               | 21 September<br>MELTON MOWBRAY<br>NSA Eastern Mowbray<br>Market<br>Tel: 01664 562971                                    | 3 - 4 December<br>THAINSTONE<br>Aberdeen & Northern<br>Marts<br>Tel: 01467 623 700 |
| 31 Aug - 1 Sept<br>KENDAL<br>Kendall Auction Mart<br>Tel: 01539 720 603<br>& Lawrie & Symington<br>Tel: 01555 662 281 | 14 September<br>RUTHIN<br>DUTCH TEXEL<br>Ruthin Farmers Auction<br>Co Ltd<br>Tel: 01824 702 025 | 23 - 24 September<br>BUILTH WELLS<br>NSA WALES & BORDER<br>Clee, Tompkinson &<br>Francis<br>Tel: 01874 622 488          | 7 December<br>CARLISLE<br>Harrison &<br>Hetherington<br>Tel: 01228 406 230         |
| 6 September<br>SEDGEMOOR<br>Greenslade, Taylor, Hunt<br>Tel: 01278 410250                                             | 14 September<br>ASHFORD<br>Hobbs Parker<br>Tel: 01233 502 222                                   | 27 September<br>CLITHEROE<br>Clitheroe Auction Mart<br>Tel: 01200 423 325<br>& Lawrie & Symington<br>Tel: 01555 662 281 | 15 December<br>SKIPTON<br>Craven Cattle Mart<br>Tel: 01756 792 375                 |
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| 7 September<br>THAME<br>Thame Farmers<br>Auctions Ltd<br>Tel: 01844 217 437                                           | 18 September<br>THAINSTONE<br>Aberdeen & Northern<br>Marts<br>Tel: 01467 623 700                | 28 September<br>LEYBURN<br>Craven Cattle Mart<br>Tel: 01969 926167                                                      | 21 December<br>LLANDOVERY<br>Clee, Tompkinson &<br>Francis<br>Tel: 01874 622 488   |





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| 11 September<br>DUNGANNON<br>NSA PRT<br>Dungannon Farmers<br>Mart<br>Tel: 028 8772 2727 | 17 September<br>HILLTOWN<br>Hilltown Mart<br>Tel: 028 4063 0287                 | 27 September<br>CLOGHER<br>D McAllister<br>Tel: 028 2177 1227                            | Date & Venue to be<br>confirmed<br>IN-LAMB<br>For further details<br>contact the N.I Club<br>Secretary<br>Tel: 07791 6791 12 |



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**Right: 2011 Show Champion**

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Progeny Show at 5 p.m. at Llandovery

**10th May**

A.G.M. at Lluest, Heolddu, Ammanford,  
Carms

**Mid June Flock Competition**

**15th - 17th June**

Flock visit to Flocks in North England  
& Scotland

**12th August**

Annual Ram Safari

**16th November**

Annual Club Dinner

New Members Welcome

## **SALES 2012**

**6th August**

Early NSA Ram Sale at the Royal Welsh  
Showground

**21st August**

15th Annual Production Sale of  
Pedigree Texels

**7th September**

Evening Club Sale at Llandovery

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