

LANCASTER AUCTION MART SALE REPORT WEDNESDAY 25th AUGUST 2010

North West Auctions Lancaster Auction Mart held their Annual Prize show & Sale of Breeding Ewes, Gimmer Shearlings & Rams last Wednesday. As expected all breeding sheep were considerably dearer on the year. Mule gimmer shearlings were in much demand to average £130.50 a rise of £28.50 on the year.

The Special prize show was kindly sponsored by Allflex Livestock Identification. First prize honours were given to Messrs JK & BE Townley, Mearbeck Farm whose shearlings went on to make £165 per head. However, the top price of the day was given to Messrs P & M Crackles, Mill Farm who sold an excellent run of sheep to a top price of £185 per head.

Breeding ewes were an excellent trade throughout averaging £101 for all breeds and ages a rise of almost £26 on the year.

Top price of the day went to Jack Wilson, Cooper House with Mule ewes to £130 per head.

A reduced entry of breeding rams as always found best quality sorts in much demand. The special prize show of Suffolk Rams saw championship honours go to Mr T Birkett, Hall Croft whose Suffolk Shearling made £620. Reserve Champion honours went to Mr G I Richmond, Oakfield Farm with a Suffolk Lamb which made an excellent price of £480. The top price tup of the day went to Messrs JT & J Kelsall, Summerlands with a Texel x Shearling at £880.



Champion Mule Shearlings from Joe Townley (centre) with Jane Chapman (right) from Allflex Livestock Identification (sponsor)



Champion Suffolk Ram presented by Mr ST Birkett (right) with Judge Andrew Allen (left) & Jane Chapman of Allflex (sponsor)



Reserve Champion Suffolk Ram Lamb presented by Mr GI Richmond (right) with Judge Andrew Allen (left) & Jane Chapman of Allflex (sponsor).

SHEARLINGS

MULE: £185 & £170 & £150 Mill Farm. £165 Mearsbeck. £160 & £155 Springcote, £152 Lund Farm, £150 Marsh House.

TEXEL: £160 £135. Capel Church Farm, £150 Cooper House. CHEVIOT: £135 High House.

EWES

TEXEL: £130 & £125 Cooper House. SUFFOLK: £100 Cooper House.

MULE: £120, £105 & £95 Parks Farm Barn, £105 & £100 Spital Farm. £95 Old Hall.

RAMS

SUFFOLK: £620 Hall Croft Barn. £480 Tunstall Hall, Oakfield Farm, Hall Croft Barn, Bousfield. £440 Tunstall Hall, Oakfield Farm. £420 Hall Croft Barn. £400 Mearsbeck & Oakfield Farm, Hall Croft Barn & Hill Top. CHAROLLAIS: £380, £360 & £340 Cinder Hill Farm.

TEXEL: £880, £550, £520, £500 £480 Summerlands. £420 & £350 Capel House Farm. £340 Parks Farm Barn. BELTEX: £260 Hall Croft Barn.

AWARDS

Suffolk Rams

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| 1st | ST Birkett, Carnforth | £620 |
| 2nd | ST Birkett, Carnforth | £480 |
| 3rd | MW Hornby, Stank | £480 |

Suffolk Ram Lambs

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| 1st | G I Richmond, Garstang | £480 |
| 2nd | W Eccles, Alston | £320 |
| 3rd | G I Richmond, Garstang | £300 |

Champion ST Birkett
Reserve G I Richmond

Mule Shearlings

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| 1st | JK & BE Townley, Caton | £165 |
| 2nd | JS & KM Wilson, Helsington | £145 |
| 3rd | S Bargh, Chapel-le-Dale | £160 |