



## NICK CHAMPION - TENBURY SHEEP SALE – 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019

Nick Champion, auctioneer reports an end of season entry of **551 store sheep** at the final seasonal sale held on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December. Those vendors that made the effort to attend despite the atrocious weather were rewarded with a trade that was off the clock with all regular buyers in attendance.

504 store lambs sold to a terrific top price of £99 for a super pen of Texel x tup lambs for T G & V A Durston-Smith, Lower House Farm. Next best was £89.50 for Texel x from H E L & H M Bradley & Son, The Waddings. Despite there not being much meat on offer no fewer than 22 lots made £70 or over which was even more remarkable considering that a lot of the lambs were small tail enders. Choice farming lambs generally sold from £66.50 to £76.50. Small long term and hill lambs sold from £47 to £66 with other very poor sorts from £6 to £40. The overall average was £64.97.

### General breed prices for store lambs as follows:

Texel x sold from £36 to £99 from T G & V A Durston-Smith, Sutton  
Charollais x sold from £64.50 to £82 from Miss C Raybold, Newnham Bridge  
Berrichon sold from £58 to £72 from Woodston Manor Partnership, Lindridge  
Suffolk x sold from £60 to £79.50 from W J Lewis & Son, Berrington  
Mule wethers sold from £57.50 to £65.50 from C Corfield, Nash  
Welsh x sold from £6 to £62 from R Dahn & Son, Stoke St Milborough  
Black Welsh sold at £40 from J Evans, Stoke St Milborough  
Hill Radnor sold at £70 from G Booker, Knowbury  
Specklefaced sold at £47 from Mrs E C A Bayliss, Richards Castle

47 mainly hardy Welsh and lightweight cull ewes and rams were forward selling to a very fast trade with a top price of £88 for a Cotswold ram, Suffolk x ewes sold from £84.50 to £85.50, Texel x ewes sold from £75.50 to £84.50, Welsh Mule ewes sold from £48 to £60, Specklefaced ewes sold at £70, Ryeland x ewes sold at £55, Welsh ewes sold from £21.50 to £54.