



## NICK CHAMPION - TENBURY SHEEP SALE – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Nick Champion, auctioneer reports an entry of **2,722 store sheep** at the Sale Field, Burford, Tenbury Wells on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020**. An excellent turnout of buyers for all sections with several new faces resulted in a tremendous trade throughout and a total clearance.

### 2,412 Store and Ewe Lambs

Despite another step down in strength from the September sale, trade was no less fierce with only 40 lambs in total selling under £60. All meatier and stronger lambs sold in excess of £85 to a top of £96.50 for Texel x wethers from Mrs A Champion, Rochford, closely followed at £96 for a Suffolk x wether from Miss A Jones, Haytons Bent and £94 for the first prize pen of Texel x mixed from R T Albert & Son, Kyre.

Medium keep lambs were generally £75 to £85 and small and plain long keep lambs from £63 to £75 and only the very smallest tailenders and wrecks from £18 to £58.

Tup lambs were again well sought after selling from £50 to a top of £85 for Suffolk x from S V Morris, Clun and for Coloured Ryelands from Miss A Jones, Haytons Bent.

The ewe lambs suitable for breeding were also in great demand with strong tupping lambs to include the first prize pen from K S Beaumont & Sons, Nash selling to a top of £134 for Suffolk x and with two other pens selling at £130 and £128. Lleyn ewe lambs sold at £100 from Mrs S E Peters. Crossbank, Continental X sold to £99 for Beltex x from Miss C. Clark, Stoke St Milborough and to £97 from J R Brick & Son, Richards Castle. Suffolk x running lambs sold to £93 from T G Bunting, Kimbolton.

**The overall average for store lambs was £78.04 (2019 - £59.83).**

### General prices for mixed/wether lambs:-

Texel x -	£56 to £96.50 – Mrs. A Champion, Rochford
Charollais x -	£63 to £86.50 – A Layton, Vowchurch
Beltex x -	£70 to £90 – J R Brick & Son, Richards Castle
Suffolk x -	£63.50 to £96 – Miss A Jones, Haytons Bent
Lleyn x -	£43 to £82 – L K & J L Gittins, Tenbury Wells
Mule -	£69.50 to £84 – S J Edwards, Ludlow
Zwartbles x -	£85.50 – Miss L Morgan, Hatfield
Shropshire x -	£64.50 to £85 – A E Field & Son, Sutton
Cheviot x -	£76.50 – W & C Amphlett, Bitterley

### Tup lambs

Texel x -	£50 to £82 – M R Pullen, Norton
Charollais x -	£50 to £76 – A C Jeffries, Martley
Beltex x -	£78 – S J Moseley, Eastham
Suffolk x -	£71 to £85 – S V Morris, Clun
Coloured Ryeland -	£85 – Miss A Jones, Haytons Bent
Clun Forest -	£76.50 – A J Froggatt & Son, Boraston

### **Ewe Lambs**

Suffolk x NC Mule -	£93 to £130 – K S Beaumont & Sons, Nash
Suffolk x -	£81.50 to £134 – K S Beaumont & Sons, Nash
Lleyn -	£100 – Mrs S E Peters, Crossbank
Beltex x -	£84 to £99 – Miss C Clark, Stoke St Milborough
Texel x -	£80 to £84 – Cleeton Farming Co, Mamble

### **88 Breeding Ewes**

An end of season entry met with another crackingly good trade on the yearling ewes.

Whitefaced Welsh Mule yearlings sold from £142 to a top of £154

Suffolk x yearlings sold from £98 to a top of £150

Texel x Lleyn yearlings sold at £150

Beltex x yearlings sold from £131 to £145

**The overall average for yearling ewes was £141.27.**

Older ewes met good interest with Lleyn 3/4 years old at £94 and Texel x 3 years old selling from £86 to £97.

### **216 Cull and Grazing Ewes and Wethers**

An increased entry met with a ringside full of buyers including grazing men. Once again, the entry lacked strong meaty ewes with the majority being plain and very lean types. Trade was extremely fast throughout and above local reports.

Ewes sold to a top of £92.50 (twice) for Texel x with wethers selling a top of £100 for Texel x.

Meatier types generally from £75 to £100, leaner/grazing ewes from £50 to £70 and very plain scarecrows and lightweights from £27.50 to £38.

**The overall average was £63.48.**

### **Breed prices:-**

Texel x to £100, Suffolk x to £91, Lleyn to £81, Welsh Mule to £80, North Country Mule to £83, Romney to £63.50, Clun x to £71, Zwartbles to £84, Welsh wethers at £60, Badger Face at £38.

### **6 Breeding Rams**

An end of season entry with no quality shearlings on offer. Top price was £315 for a Texel 3 years old from A & M Westwood, Halesowen. Beltex shearling sold at £210, Blue Texel shearling £183.75, Suffolk x 3 years old £126, Charollais 5 years old £178.50, Texel shearling £120.

**NEXT SALE SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER – Entries please by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November.**

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