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TENBURY SHEEP SALE – Saturday 17th August 2024

Nick Champion, Auctioneers report a fabulous entry of **3328 store sheep** forward for the first monthly prize store sheep sale at the sale field Burford on Saturday 17th August 2024. There were a quality show of yearling ewes and store lambs forward with a large number of buyers in attendance ensuring a tremendous trade in all sections from start to finish and a total clearance and I would thank all of our vendors for their support. The cull and grazing ewes lacked any strength but were very well sold as were the few quality shearling rams.

Yearling Ewes – 703.

A good show of yearling ewes met a terrific trade for all types with prices at levels never seen before with guest auctioneer Rob Meadmore thoroughly enjoying his day out.

The judge, Rob Jones of Farlow made the following awards for the best pens of 20 or more:

Suffolk x – E H Handley & Sons, Sutton - £250.

Texel x – C Corfield, Nash - £255.

Mule – S J Yarnold & Sons, Eastham - £258 (Cheviot Mules).

Best Suffolk x yearlings sold from £240 to top at £250 from Robert Handley with lighter ewes from £185 to £195. Best Texel x sold from £235 to top at £255 from Charlie Corfield with lighter ewes from £215 to £230. Best Mule yearlings sold from £248 to top at £260 for two pens of North Country Mules from Les and Tim Yarnold with lighter sorts from £190 to £235. Two pens of Aberfields sold from £210 to £235 from M/s Lewis, Ditton Priors. Charollais x sold from £185 to £205 from Les & Joyce Gittins. A pen of Dutch Spotted x sold at £195 From Mrs Waller, whilst a selection of small hill yearlings sold from £108 to £140 for some Kerry's from David Duggan who also sold pens of small Black Welsh Mountain and Clun's at £135.

The overall yearling average was £230.63 (£173.51 – 2023)

Breeding Ewes – 8

A Herdwick two-year-old with lamb at foot made £170, full mouthed Kerry's at £125 with other traditional hill breeds from £90 to £120.

Store Lambs – 2493.

A very good quality yard of lambs although well fleshed lambs were a little scarce met with a storming trade throughout as buyers are optimistic for the current slaughter trade to continue through the autumn. No less than 57 lots sold at £120 or more to top at £157 for a Texel x tup lamb from C G Pound & Partners, Stoke Bliss. Wether lambs sold to £136.50 for Texel x from N Wildig & Sons, Thornbury and mixed lambs to £136 for Texel x from C G Pound & Partners, Stoke Bliss. A pen of Suffolk x N C Mule ewe lambs for retention sold at £135 from T G Bunting, Kimbolton.



Stronger choice farming mixed lambs generally sold from £125 to £133, with medium term lambs from £115 to £125 and long-term small lambs from £95 to £110. Better quality tup lambs generally sold from £115 to £134 with poorer and some exotic and hill types selling from £64 to £100.

The judge, Dick Pepper, Pembrokeshire made the following awards for the best 25 or more mixed store lambs:

1st – S J Adams & Sons, Rochford - £133.50 – Suffolk x.

2nd – I J Barnett & Son, Titterstone - £128.50 – Texel x.

3rd – G R Preece, Presteigne - £128.00 – Texel x.

The overall average was £119.00 (£95.15 – 2023)

BREED	Mixed Max £	Wether Max £	Tup Max £	Ewe Max £	Top price Vendor
Texel x	136.00	136.50	157.00		C G Pound & Partners, Stoke Bliss
Charollais x	129.50		134.00		J W & D E Carlile, Boraston
Suffolk x	133.50	126.50	120.00	135.00	T G Bunting, Kimbolton
Rouge x	129.00				H E L & H M Bradley & Son, Knighton on Teme
Beltex x	116.00				C L & C S Birks, Nash
Shropshire x	129.00	110.00	120.00		Mrs S Breakwell, Caynham
Meatlinc x	110.00				T Blakemore, Clifton upon Teme
Ryeland			120.00	120.00	S Cole, Cleobury Mortimer & T Wright, Oldwood
Clun x		119.50			Burwarton Farms
Greyface x			126.00		P J Laight, Boraston
Herdwick x	89.00		85.00		P J Laight, Boraston

Cull & Grazing Ewes & Rams – 114

A variable and lightweight entry met a strong trade both for slaughter and grazing ewes. Texel x ewes topped at £150, North Country Mules to £126, Welsh Mules to £130, Welsh to £86, Gritstone to £114, Ryelands at £110, wethers at £103 and Cheviot/Welsh rams at £120. Grazing ewes generally sold from £71 to £96. **The overall average was £92.53.**

Breeding Rams – 10

Several customers looking for rams with a very smart Texel shearling from A M Jones, Harpley topping at £651 and other Texel shearlings from T G & V A Durston-Smith selling to £420 (twice) and Charollais x at £315.

Next sale: Saturday 14th September – Prize sale of Yearling Ewes, also Store & Ewe Lambs, Cull & Grazing Ewes, Breeding Rams. Entries now being taken.



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Our Ref:

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Date:

20th August 2024

Dear Supporter,

Re: Tenbury Sheep Sale – Saturday 17th August.

Well, what a sale last Saturday as you will see from the enclosed report. A massive thank you to all of our vendors and buyers who gave their support on the day, and we welcome those new vendors and buyers to Tenbury.

Re: Next Tenbury Sheep Sale – Saturday 14th September.

I hope that you will be able to support our September sale with an entry which are requested **no later than Thursday 5th September** for advertising, cataloguing and penning purposes.

The sale will include a prize show of yearling ewes kindly sponsored by **Chanelle Pharma and Tenbury Farm Supplies Ltd** with prizes for **20 or more Continental x, Suffolk x & Mule ewes**. Ewe vendors are strongly advised to scab dip and vaccinate their ewes against **Toxoplasma/Enzootic** abortion as many purchasers are looking for dipped and fully vaccinated ewes and are willing to pay a premium.

There will be a prize to the best pen of **25 or more store lambs** and we are looking for a large entry of **store and ewe lambs** as well as **cull and grazing ewes and breeding rams** to meet the demand. All sheep will be sold through the covered ring starting with the breeding ewes at 11.00am. Store lamb buyers will be looking for lambs that are up to date with their **Ovivac/Heptavac** vaccinations as the autumn is traditionally a bad period for Pasteurella/Clostridial diseases to present, so please get your lambs vaccinated up to date.

LAND FOR SALE BY INFORMAL TENDER – Final Reminder

36.489 Acres of prime Grassland in one lot at Field Farm, Field Lane, Little Hereford.

Tenders close 12 Noon Friday 30th August

LAND FOR SALE BY AUCTION – Thursday 12th September – 6.00 pm at Cleobury Golf Club

5.71 acres of gardens and grassland with farm buildings in 2 lots on the edge of Mamble village.

7.359 acres of grassland, remains of a former smallholding & common rights at Silvington Hill.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Champion, FNAEA, FNAVA

Enc: sheep sale report

