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WR15 8BA**TENBURY SHEEP SALE – Saturday 14th September 2024**

Nick Champion, Auctioneers report a record entry of **4381 store sheep** forward for the second monthly prize store sheep sale sponsored by **Chanelle Pharma** and **Tenbury Farm Supplies** at the sale field Burford on Saturday 14th September 2024. There was a terrific yard of **3399** store lambs forward which met with another flying trade and a total clearance. The **835** yearling and breeding ewes were not quite the quality of the August entry and met an easier trade especially on the lighter and smaller ewes. The **137** cull and grazing ewes were in strong demand as was the select entry of **10** breeding rams.

Yearling Ewes – 741.

Rob Meadmore had a mixed quality entry to offer with several Mule yearlings lacking flesh with best ewes generally £10 to £30 per head less than August with second quality ewes also somewhat easier.

The judge, David James, Tenbury made the following awards:

Suffolk x (Champion pen) – E H Handley & Sons, Sutton - £240.

Texel x – A Rogers & Partners, Sutton - £220.

Mule – R J Rogers, Stanford Bishop - £230 (Coloured Welsh Mule).

Best Suffolk x yearlings sold at £240 from Robert Handley with lighter ewes from £150 to £180. Best Texel x sold from £205 to top at £220 from Arnold Rogers with lighter ewes from £160 to £195. Best North Country Mule yearlings sold from £210 to top at £232 from Oldfields Farm Partnership with lighter sorts from £150 to £175. Best Welsh Mules sold from £220 to £230 from Ray Rogers with lighter ewes from £152 to £175. Two pens of Cheviot Mules sold from £185 to £200 from Adrian Bradley. Two pens of Aberfields sold at £190 from M/s Lewis, Ditton Priors. Kerry/Texel yearlings sold from £155 to £165 from Jo Verth.

The overall yearling average was £179.19 (£166.34 – 2023)

Breeding Ewes – 94

An entry of mainly North Country Mules with two-year-olds selling at £200 from Katy Bradley, three and four year olds topping at £159 from Lionel and Mary Bradley.

Store Lambs – 3399.

A generally good quality yard of proper store condition lambs with not many well fleshed and quite a number of hillbred lambs in the entry. Medium and short keep lambs were again a very strong trade from start to finish despite the easier slaughter trade of late whilst the long term lambs met with plenty of interest especially on the better-bred types. Mixed lambs sold to a top of £135 for Texel x from D & B Amphlett, Angel Bank with 40 lots selling at £120 or more. No heavy tup lambs in the entry which topped at £129.50 from C G Pound & Partners Bannalls Farm. Ewe lambs for retention were in strong demand with Suffolk x North Country Mules selling to £169 from K S Beaumont & Sons, Dean Lodge Farm.



Stronger choice farming mixed lambs generally sold from £122 to £133.50, with medium term lambs from £105 to £120 and long-term small lambs from £80 to £100 with only very plain tailenders and some exotic hill and moorland types from £52 to £78. Better quality tup lambs generally sold from £100 to £126 with poorer and hill types selling from £53 to £93.

The judge, Dick Pepper, Pembrokeshire made the award for the best 25 or more mixed store lambs to K J & J E Davies Weston Court Farm whose pen of 50 Texel x mixed lambs made £127.

The overall average was £110.49 (£93.45 – 2023)

Breed Mixed/Wether	Qty	Max £	Average £	Top price Vendor
Texel x	1474	135.00	111.10	D & B Amphlett, Angel Bank
Charollais x	565	133.50	120.02	C J & S J Rogers, Kimbolton & W Redman Ltd, Stockton
Suffolk x	345	124.50	113.71	W Redman Ltd, Stockton
Beltex x	39	131.00	117.28	Mrs S A Sutton, Cleobury Mortimer
Shropshire	6	111.00	97.67	D J & S J Morris, Neen Sollars
Lleyn x	160	126.00	105.34	Jayne Ree, Longbank
Dutch Spotted x	5	122.00	116.00	D & B Amphlett, Angel Bank
Berrichon	30	113.50	113.50	P T Reynolds, Middleton on the Hill
Ryeland x	4	96.00	93.75	Mrs S Waller, Ombersley
Clun Forest	7	113.00	113.00	Burwarton Farms
Clun Mule Wether	25	110.50	110.50	Burwarton Farms
Welsh Mule Wether	154	110.00	102.17	M W Edwards & Sons, Coreley
Blue Texel x	7	107.00	81.14	John Tovey, Craven Arms
Zwartbles x	7	110.00	110.00	G Wassink, Knowbury
Cheviot/Welsh x	283	109.00	86.38	P Jones, Coreley
Easycare	4	74.00	74.00	Rob Gittins, Oretton
Herdwick x	4	52.00	52.00	M Graham, Oldwood
Tup	114	129.50	92.77	C G Pound & Partners, Stoke Bliss
Ewe (for retention)				
Suffolk x N C Mule	86	169.00	140.28	K S Beaumont & Sons, Nash
Texel	10	140.00	140.00	T G & V A Durston-Smith, Sutton
Texel x Welsh Mule	20	125.00	125.00	H E L & H M Bradley & Son, Knighton on Teme
Welsh Mule	40	134.00	132.00	Burwarton Farms
Cheviot x	10	126.50	126.50	J & C Griffiths, Clunton



Cull & Grazing Ewes – 137

A mainly plainer lightweight entry with not many heavier meaty ewes met a strong trade on all types. Texel x Lleyne ewes topped at £159, Mules to £121, Suffolk x to £145, Kerry x at £118, Beltex to £100. The grazing types generally sold from £60 to £112.

The overall average was £90.44.

Breeding Rams – 10

Plenty of buyers looking for strong well shaped Texel shearlings which topped at £735 for one from T G & V A Durston-Smith with their others selling to £504 and not so much interest in the smaller crossbred types on offer, however still a total clearance.

Next sale: Saturday 19th October – Final special sale of Yearling & Breeding Ewes, also Store & Ewe Lambs, Cull & Grazing Ewes, Breeding Rams. Entries now being taken.