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SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2021

'WIGTON WHITES'

A sensational entry of sheep for our annual sale met with a strong shed full of buyers from across the UK keen to source quality continental breeding sheep. 47 pens selling in excess of £300 and the £400 barrier breached on 8 occasions. From the outset to a top of £500 for I & H Hornsby, The Stackyard with Texel X a super entry of older sheep finding ready enquiry to a top of £290 for Beltex x Texel from GEH & SJ Stoddart, Hillside. The shearling show, competing for the D A Harrison Trophy, kindly sponsored by NWF Agriculture & Jim Peet Feeds was very ably judged by Mr C Buckley who after long deliberation placed a pen of 5 Beltex X from Mr R Aconley, East Cawthorne Farm as Champions. Mr Buckley backed his judgement and secured these outstanding sheep at £440.

The quality throughout the mart pens was commented upon by buyers throughout the day and our vendors should be congratulated for producing an unparalleled sale of stock that would be the envy of every sale throughout the UK. Shearlings averaged £226 up for 741 more sold producing sale results significantly in front of other continental sales.

<u>Ewes</u>

Texel £290 £240 Hillside (Stoddart) £245 £210 £190 x 2 £172 x 3 £170 Wellington Farm (Harrington) £240 £210 x 2 £190 £165 £160 New Hall Farm (Skelton) £178 £168 Raise Lodge (Scrimgeour) £170 Fir Trees Farm (Phillips)

Beltex £210 £205 £190 £175 £170 x 2 £165 x 2 Fir Trees Farm (Phillips) £170 £165 £160 x 2 Kerfield Farm (Aitken) £160 Prospect Farm (Hornsby)

Suffolk £230 £175 New Hall Farm (Skelton) £195 Cunningarth (Watson) £188 Wellington Farm (Harrington)



Champion 5 Shearlings – L W Aconley & Son, East Cawthorne Farm

Shearlings

Beltex £500 The Stackyard (Hornsby) £440 £350 £275 (2) £265 £250 East Cawthorne Farm £400 New Hall Farm (Skelton) £400 £380 £355 Hillside (Stoddart) £330 £265 Bankdale Farm (Wilson) £330 £320 (2) £270 £250 Wood Farm (Wilson) £310 £300 £280 £270 £265 Pasture





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House (Lawson) £310 £290 £255 Fir Trees Farm (Phillips) £270 Woodhouse Farm (Horsley) £270 Clea Hall (Bland) £250 (2) £245 Somerfield House (Wharton)

Suffolk £410 £380 £245 Hillside (Stoddart) £260 (4) £255 (2) New Hall Farm (Skelton)£220 Pasture House (Lawson)

Texel £390 £340 £295 Summer Hill (Ashburner) £370 Woodhouse Farm (Horsley) £360 £290 £265 £260 (2) Pasture House (Lawson) £330 £300 (2) £290 £280 £270 £265 £260 £255 (3) £250 (4) Hillside (Stoddart) £310 £255 £250 Derwentdale Farm (Barker) £310 £250 Heys Farm (Ireland) £300 Weary Hall Style £290 (4) £270 (2) £260 £255 (2) £250 New Hall Farm (Skelton) £250 The Stackyard (Hornsby)

Dutch Texel £335 £300 £280 Hillside (Stoddart)

Charollais £200 Woodhouse Farm (Horsley)

Mule £170 Wellington Farm (Harrington) £160 Hillside (Stoddart) £160 (2) £150 Newtown Farm (Thompson) £150 Fir Tree (Phillips)

Gimmer Lambs – 1240 (+277 head on the year)

An outstanding show of top quality ewe lambs sold away very well to full ringside of buyers averaging a remarkable £132.50/hd well in ahead of other recent breeding sales in the area for this season with 277 more sold on the year. Stronger lambs with tupping potential sold exceptionally well cashing regularly at over £150 per head with running lambs also well bid for regularly selling in around £110 to £140. The sale topped at £360 for a smart and shapely Beltex x Texel from R.E Miller, West Farm, Aspatria.

Many pens of 5 were presented for the show giving our Judge Mr James Musgrave, Cardew Hall the difficult task of placing his 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes. A wonderful selection of show lambs, turned out to perfection which were a true credit to our vendors highlighting the quality that the auction had on offer.

After much deliberation the judge expertly selected his champions an outstanding pen of 5 Beltex crosses from J Dixon & Sons, Lesson Hall which went on to make £330 per head selling to the judge himself.

Reserve Champion pen was awarded to Adam & Amy Bell, Thethwaite with a wonderful pen of 5 Beltex Lambs selling for £220 per head to M J Lawson, Pasture House.

Third Prize pen of lambs was awarded to smart and powerful pen of 5 Texel crosses from W. Murray & Sons, Prior House selling to £215 per head to G.E.H & S.J Stoddart, Hillside.





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Andrew Kirkbride kindly donated a Dutch Spotted Gimmer Lamb to the Great North Air Ambulance which sold for £600 purchased by Young Farmer Harley Harrison, Cobble Hall.

Top Averages:

Messrs J Dixon & Sons, Lesson Hall – 78 Ave £187.59 R E Miller, West Farm – 18 Ave £172.78 Adam & Amy Bell, Thethwaite – 96 Ave 160.31 W Murray & Sons, Prior House – 28 Ave 157.50

Beltex £360 £180 £150 West Farm (Miller) £330 £320 £280 £270 £260 £250 £230 £180 £170 £165 £150 Lesson Hall (Dixon) £320 £240 £155 Lane End (Jackson) £300 Beech House (Peile) £280 £250 (2) £220 £195 £185 £170 (2) £155 (2) £154 £152 (2) £150 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £260 Holly Barn (Peile) £215 Cobble Hall (Harrison) £215 £165 £160 £155 Prior House (Murray) £170 Lairdlaugh (Fisher) £158 £150 Nutta Farm (Townley)

Dutch Spotted £300 Flimby Hall (Kirkbride)

Texel £270 West Farm (Miller) £165 £162 £130 (2) £126 Prospect House (Hodgson) £162 £160 Raggetsyke (Crozier) £160 £142 £136 (2) Walton Wood Head (Oliver) £152 £126 Yew Tree (Peile) £150 £142 Halls Oven (Davidson) £150 £140 High House (Watson) £148 £130 Buckabank Farm (Brough) £148 £130 Town Head (Hird) £142 £138 £133 £127 Greystoke Castle Farm (Peile) £122 Wellington Farm (Harrington)

Bleu Du Maine £155 £148 £125 £124 Barkbeth (Ewart)

Dutch Texel £130 £120 £115 Barkbeth (Ewart)

Champion Pen 5 Gimmer Lambs – Messrs J Dixon, Lesson Hall with the Judge Mr James Musgrave



