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The value of British Texel

The British Texel Sheep Society has grown into the largest registry of pedigree Texel sheep anywhere in the world. At an industry level the financial benefits of genetic improvement by using Texel are significant.

Indeed, this is forecast to grow further as a result of an increased market share for the breed (despite total UK sheep numbers falling) and accelerating rates of genetic progress in economically important traits through the use of pedigree performance recorded rams.

At a pedigree level sale averages have consistently risen over the last four years across the country and particularly at major commercial sales such as Kelso and the main NSA sale, Builth Wells. Demand for Texels from commercial farmers continues unabated, due to the breed's versatility and adaptability as both a terminal and maternal breed, helping deliver increased revenues for Texel breeders.

“In any industry there are innovations and developments that irrevocably alter the entire landscape of an industry. The introduction and evolution of the Texel breed is one such development and it has been proven to have transformed standards across the entire sheep meat supply chain, forever.”

“Texel genes are now integrated across many breed lines in the UK. Texel has become more than a game changer; the breed's capabilities to increase carcass yield and quality from diverse production systems is unmatched, improving production consistency and delivering increased values.”

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1974 Society founded

>£3 Million Invested in R&D Breed Development funding between 2017 & 2020

Texels total **40% of sales value** at Kelso

Four National Sales gross **£1,915,901**

55,000 Birth notified in last year

>1.5 Million Pedigrees provided to support genetic evaluations

£23 Million Estimated annual financial benefits to industry 2016-2035

2150 Members of the Society



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Chairman's Foreword

As I sit here on a cold, wet snowy

January evening, having attended the last of the in-lamb sales at Longtown, I find myself reflecting on how I got here.



The journey started in 1991 when I purchased my first Texel females. Little did I know or even dream that 27 years later I would, or even could, be Society chairman! It is a little daunting to look back at the past chairmen, whom I hold in great esteem and to think that I now take up that mantle.

The role of Society chairman has changed significantly over the years, as has our unmatched breed of sheep which has developed to meet different criteria and the demands placed on it by the market place. The Society and us individual breeders, have also learned to adapt with the changes to our environment to keep in time with this ever changing industry.

I am pleased to say that, with the guidance and governance of the present board of directors and particularly our chief executive, John, the Texel breed is keeping up with scientific progress. The R&D projects we are involved in mean we are leading the field in all breeds and the sheep industry as a whole.

Back to the start of this article, I continue to be encouraged by the desire and hunger at sales whether it is 'in-lamb sales' or 'National sales' of ram lambs, shearing rams or club sales. Buyers continue to be prepared to go to ever greater financial lengths to purchase the best genetics available to them.

With this in mind, we must also, as breeders, be prepared to adapt and move with

progressive technologies to continue to meet these needs and focus on the most important commercial and functional traits.

I was very proud to accept the position of Society Chairman at the Society's AGM & Social weekend co-hosted by my own local club, Northern Area Texel Breeders, held at Oulton Hall, Leeds, in November; it was a tremendous weekend and thoroughly enjoyed by all that attended.

My thanks go to our retiring chairman David McKerrow for all the work he has put in over the last two years. I don't think many people know or realise that not only was he chairman of Texels he was also chairman of BASCO, which was not an easy remit.

May I also extend my immense thanks to all the staff at Stoneleigh and welcome on board Ailish and Christine and our new director on the board, Dafydd Jones.

It is the greatest honour for me to be able to represent each and every one of our members as chairman of the Society. I will do my best to fulfil the role to the best of my ability.

Steve Richardson
Chairman

Chief Executive's Foreword

Having spent close to three decades working in our great industry, two of those in agritech roles. It is of no surprise to me that agritech is important.



Transformational change within the agricultural industry is undoubtedly coming and many would argue it is long overdue. We should not underestimate the scale of change required or the part we play in it.

But, as the government set out its Industrial Strategy, are all sectors of our livestock industry ready for the transition expected of them?

In my mind, the most important aspect is people. It is only people that can influence the changes in productivity. As a membership organisation we clearly understand the support we offer to breeders that influence our developing breed.

To maximise the positive effect of change the industry requires improved knowledge exchange channels as many currently fail to deliver other than to those that are already willing to listen. Researchers will be required to focus more on 'application' of scientific knowledge. This is one area where the Society is leading. The Society's investment in largescale collaborative projects designed to ensure significant downstream impacts in the industry.

Some may be right to interpret increasing productivity as producing more, but producing more from less is the requirement and we need to be more effective across the industry and more joined up, if we are to improve efficiency. This focus has helped raise the popularity of the Texel breed and our breeders

adopting new tools, as they become available, further increasing our breed's productivity and usefulness and the benefit it provides.

The simple fact is our sector must focus on making profits and investing them wisely for greater returns, whilst meeting the environmental targets set. No breed helps achieve this better than our own, used widely across the UK, in a variety of production systems.

It is imperative to take the time to understand the needs of commercial producers and the challenges they have. We have a clear, two step vision to meet government strategy.

The first step is about investing and providing a pipeline of R&D and innovation. The Society led research work is driving innovation, with the aim of applying research into practice.

The second step is about knowledge exchange, we know the UK leads in many areas of livestock science, but has struggled with the innovation pipeline. Improved knowledge exchange to farmers is needed in a coherent way. The Society is an excellent platform to assist with this exchange of information, having gained respect as a farmer led organisation.

We know change is inevitable, but ensuring Texel breeders remain competitive, by understanding their customers will be invaluable and developing the breed to meet commercial requirements. As its the transition of our industry over the next decade that offers the greatest challenge!

The Texel breed is one of the most useful solutions available to meet the challenge of increasing productivity and the part people, our members, must play should not be understated, as performance is proven to pay.

John Yates
Chief Executive

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Texel Society takes sole ownership of Basco

BASCO Data Ltd (Basco) has become an Industry success story since being established as a shared database service by three breed societies in 2004. During this time the website, www.basco.org, has developed into the defacto standard for the publication of pedigree and performance recording information for many breeds.

A lot has happened in the 14 years since Basco was launched and recent changes to the Basco ownership structure have seen the business transition to one solely owned by the Texel Sheep Society. This change has occurred because of the growing complexities of database requirements of the original founding societies, explained Texel Sheep Society chairman Steve Richardson.

“Having sole ownership of Basco offers the Texel Sheep Society the opportunity to further develop the platform to better serve the needs of Society members and all those with an interest in the breed and its development,” he added.

Under the Texel Sheep Society’s ownership Basco will continue to offer its existing database service to existing contracted

customers, while also undertaking a number of developments to enhance the on-line services offered to Texel Sheep Society members,

Basco chairman David McKerrow added: “Looking to the future, as genetic improvement and livestock data services move in to the genomic era, having instantly accessible, accurate data will become increasingly important for breeders and their potential customers.”

Taking sole ownership of Basco aligns closely with the Texel Sheep Society’s move towards in-house management of genetic improvement services and will further support the Society’s £3M industry leading research and development program and builds on the current £23M industry impact that Texel delivers, said Mr Richardson.

The next 18 months will see a number of enhancements to the user interface and functionality of the Basco database aimed at linking in with the Society’s progressive provision of genetic improvement services and the evaluations and research and development which underpin these services, explained Mr McKerrow.

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**Steve Richardson, Texel Sheep Society
Chairman**

“The iTExel conference promises to be an informative and insightful day for all who attend. Staying informed and in touch with the dynamics of the market, genetic advances and new opportunities will be key to building sustainable businesses fit for the future”



Conference Program

10:30am Conference starts

Session 1: Identifying future market expectations

Session 2: International experiences to influence change

.....
Lunch
.....

Session 3: Introducing tools to increase genetic gain

3:30pm Conference ends



**Mark Young, Head of Innovation at CIEL,
iTExel Conference Chairman**

“It is paramount that the livestock sector seeks to innovate and engage with technology at every opportunity. The iTExel conference is an excellent opportunity to learn about the latest industry developments”

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BORDERWAY MART, CARLISLE



18th NOVEMBER 2018
10AM – 3:30PM

WORKSHOPS, STOCK
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DATE ON



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TEXEL CONFERENCE, PENRITH, 17.11.2018



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STOCK RAMS



Cornmore Ace ARR/
ARR purchased jointly
for 16,000gns



Midlock Yorkie
purchased jointly for
24,000gns in 2016
first 20 sons averaged
2,300gns



Aldan Adonis
purchased Welsh
National for 3,800gns
sired by Edenvally
Whizz Kid

SOLD 2017



Arkle A One sold
for 4,500gns son of
Midlock Yorkie



Ellenvally Avici sold
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Midlock Yorkie



Arkle Twilight gimmer
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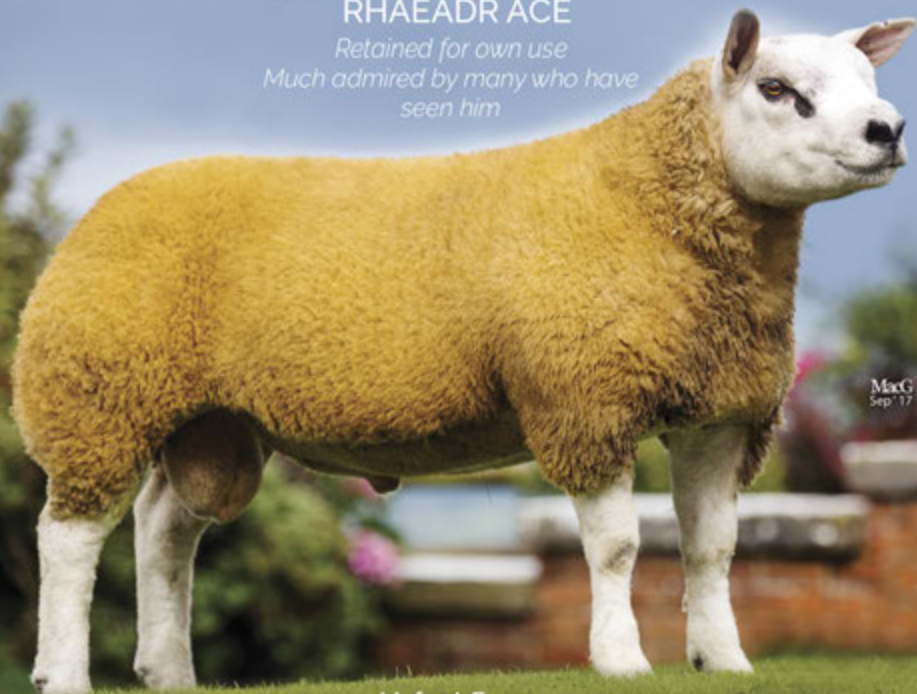
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Performance, pedigree and passion drive Hanthorn family's success

Marrying performance and pedigree is no easy task, but a heavy dose of Texel passion means it is one the Hanthorn family's Mullan flock is taking in its stride as it continues to make a mark in the Texel breed.

The family, Brian and daughters Lauren and Aimee, 14 and nine respectively, and son George, 12, have enjoyed much sale success in recent years, notably in selling a number of five figure ram lambs at sales at Lanark and Carlisle.

Topping the family's roll call of high sellers in Mullan Vivaldi, sold for 52,000gns in 2014, with Mullan Armani behind at 42,000gns in 2017.

Arguably 2017 was the flock's best year to date, with Mullan Amigo adding to the year's success at 32,000gns and Mullan Awesome and Mullan Almighty both selling at 7000gns in the same year.

Notably, the 42,000gns Armani and both Awesome and Almighty are embryo transfer bred full brothers out of a ewe which Lauren persuaded her father to buy in 2013 as a ewe lamb.

This ewe, HKPI 300425, is a Haddo Ringleader daughter that was bred in the Herdman family's Templepark flock and bought at the Northern Irish Premier Sale having been a regular winner as a lamb at a number of summer shows.

The mother of this ewe was purchased by James Herdman from Tullagh texels as an in-lamb gimmer at the Northern Lights Sale 2012.

"She was a lamb I'd seen at a few shows and liked a lot, but it was Lauren who persuaded me to purchase her and it is an investment which has more than paid off. Her fourth son in 2017, Mullan Above And Beyond has been retained for our own use," adds Brian.



Mullan flock ewes

Rolling back the years Brian says the flock was founded on three ewes bought with guidance from Robbie Mulligan's of the Brague flock with the intention of producing good quality rams for local commercial flocks. Robbie was then kind enough to let him use his stock rams to serve these ewes with.

"My father had bought me a few Ile de France ewes when I was 12 and I had plenty of success with them, but in the early 1990s I realised that no matter how good a sheep we had, most commercial farmers weren't overly interested in them.

"I saw the Texels as a way of breeding a sheep we would get a good demand for and it has been proved right. I was hugely attracted by the breed's ability to stamp their commercial progeny.

"We didn't spend a huge amount of money when we started, then in 2000 we sold the Ile de France and decided to really concentrate on the Texels," he explains.

"In those early days we used AI as a way of accessing good rams we wouldn't have been able to afford and it worked well. In 2002 we got sold our first animal at four figures, when Mullan Icon sold for 1200gns.

His dam was a Ballydonaghy Flashy Boy daughter, with this being the first ram we spent a significant amount of money on. He

was a full brother to Ballydonaghy Eider, a ram Robbie Mulligan had bought the year before."

Brian says selling Icon was the spur which led him to start embryo transfer work in the flock, with the confidence in his dam. And so it proved, with the same ewe then breeding Mullan Money Spinner and Mullan Magnificent which sold for 6000gns and 7500gns, respectively, at the Northern Irish Premier Sale in 2006.

Continued flushing then saw Mullan Playboy sell for 5200gns in 2009, with this Castlecairn Keltic Star son's full ET brother Mullan Profiteer making 3500gns in the same year.

"The same year we sold Mullan Paymaster at 3000gns, with this one being bred from a Tophill Joe daughter we bought from Evan





Allen in 2007. This ewe is also the great grand-dam of 32,000gns Mullan Amigo.”

Another noted ram from the flock is Mullan Supremacy, the reserve champion at Ballymena in 2011. “He sold for 4400gns and has produced many high priced sons, including the £40,000 Scholars Twenty Twelve.

“Supremacy daughters have also bred well for us, including being the grand dam of 32,000gns Mullan Amigo. Robert Pierce’s Oldford flock has also enjoyed success with Supremacy progeny, with his daughters being behind a number of high priced females sold from that flock in recent years.”

The Mullan flock has also enjoyed successful female sales, with gimmers selling well across the years, including a 4600gns sale of HBN09006 in 2010 to the Reid family’s Kelso and Meadowvale flocks. Embryos were kept from this gimmer which is a full sister to Mullan Paymaster, with one of these, HBNI 100316, a Douganhill McFly daughter being the dam of the 52,000gns Vivaldi.

Currently the family sell up to 15 gimmers a year the Northern Lights Sale, Hilltown, each December.

And while not initially convinced of the merits of performance recording Brian says recent years have seen it play an important part in the flock’s management and success. “In the early days of breeding Texels the recording aspect wasn’t something we focussed on, but in recent years it has become more important, particularly at sales on the mainland.

“The Templepark ewe has helped us enormously on this front and certainly put an increased emphasis on this part of our breeding decisions. She herself has an index of 409.”

He believes the last 10 years have seen recording start to make sense a lot more, with high figured sheep also having the type, correctness and conformation required by both pedigree and commercial customers alike.

“There was a time when high figured sheep simply didn’t have the type and structure preferred by our commercial customers.





That has changed a lot over the years and I think it's a reflection of the effort and vision of breeders over the last 10 years to provide commercial customers with recorded sheep with carcass and correctness."

While some may dismiss recording Brian says he believes good stockmen can make the best use of it to the advantage of the breed and their flocks. "It is important to be careful when using EBVs as part of the selection criteria and I firmly believe we need to avoid breeding for extreme leanness and that means selecting for positive fat EBVs," he explains.

Looking to the future the family hope to continue enjoying the success they have in recent years and Brian says he is now 'reasonable happy' with the flock as it stands. "I guess I've never been satisfied with the quality of the flock and in many ways that's a good thing as you have to be a bit greedy to strive to improve.

"We've always looked to use rams aimed at improving the flock and complementing the ewes we have. Flashy Boy set a stamp in the flock early on and we've always sought to

use rams with character and style which can leave females to improve the flock."

With Brian working full time he says flock management is kept as simple as possible, with the flock run across 60 acres at home and run at grass for as much of the year as possible.

"Ewes lamb in two batches in mid-February and mid-March and I like to get them out to grass as soon after as possible, ideally by a week old. Lambs thrive better outside and we aim to get fertiliser spread in early March to encourage some early grass.

"Creep feed is then introduced at about six weeks old, with lambs staying out in the run up to sales. The Texel breed thrives at grass and I don't believe in housing sheep unnecessarily."

To this end Brian aims to reseed part of the farm every year with high clover contents in new swards and slurry from local cattle units used to boost grass growth.

"Nitrate restrictions here mean many cattle farmers need extra grass to spread slurry on, so spreading some on our ground works well for both parties," he adds.

Robin, Nancy and Caroline Orr - Halbeath

Robin, Nancy, Caroline and Millie



The Halbeath flock started out as a hobby for Robin and Nancy Orr back in the early 1990s and was built up to be one of the largest flocks of its time, before being virtually dispersed in 2006. However, the past five years have seen its rejuvenation, buoyed by the enthusiasm of the couple's daughter Caroline.

Robin explains: "At the time that we started in Texels, we had a dairy and a lot of fellow dairy farmers also had Texels, so we thought we'd give them a try. We saw them as an up and coming breed and that proved true."

The family sold the dairy cattle in 1999, to allow them to buy the farm from the Coal Board – by which time, the Texel ewe numbers had reached 200 and the Orrs were selling 40-50 shearlings a year, mainly at Perth Market. They had also enjoyed a fair bit of success in the show ring, primarily winning the breed championship at the

Great Yorkshire in 1997 with a home-bred gimmer, and reserve with a home-bred shearling.

"Right from the start, our aim was always to breed sheep that would go on and do well without having been pushed. That's why we focused on producing shearlings – I didn't like the idea of having to feed them as lambs, I don't think that does them any good in the long-term. We are lucky, however, that we have good ground here in Fife," says Robin.

The livestock system at Halbeath, Dunfermline, has undergone some dramatic changes in recent years. In 2006, the family took the chance to sell most of their female sheep to the Wilkinsons at Arkle, and then a few years later, the farm steading was sold for development, which resulted in most of the Angus herd being sold in 2013.

Now, 250 acres of the land at Halbeath is contract farmed, with the Orrs using 70 acres themselves. They still run seven Angus females, and have 60 Texel ewes and gimmers lambing this year, plus 20 recipients. They are lambed in a polytunnel, with Caroline taking time off from her job with the Scottish Government's Rural Payments and Inspections Division, to help out.

"We kept 12 ewe lambs from our original families and that's where we started from when we began building the numbers up again. Caroline is really interested in the Texels, so we've been carefully selecting a few females to buy from various flocks over the last five years," explains Robin.

Those purchases include a daughter of Hullhouse Special Brew, from Loosebeare, which the Orrs liked for her power and size. She has proved an asset to the flock and has been flushed alongside some of her daughters, while one of her sons, Halbeath VIP, has bred tups up to 20,000gms and produced semen sales in excess of £20,000 for the Orrs.

Other females have been bought from Knap, Garngour and Knock flocks, with Robin sticking to his preference of big, good-bodied sheep, but now also influenced by Caroline, who likes them with plenty of character too.

She says: "We've always concentrated on bodies in the flock and we'll continue to do that, but they definitely need character to catch the buyer's eye and get them into the pen in the first place. It's about trying to find a balance between the two."

When it comes to buying the stock tups they want, the Orrs are willing to be patient, if they can't get their pick first time around, as Robin explains: "If our favourite tup goes beyond our budget, then we'll often wait and buy a son the following year – as long as we like it too. It was on this basis that we bought Teiglum Topper, Hartside Volt, Midlock Yorkie and Peacehay Ya Belter."



Halbeath flock ewes



The Peacehay tup was actually bought at Worcester alongside a Knap gimmer at 4500gns. Robin says he had 'a bit of everything' and he had loved his sire, Scrotionhead U Stoater.

"My father used to say 'if you don't need it but it's there, then buy it', and buying that Peacehay tup is the first time that I've ever actually used that advice! That said, I don't think there has ever been as big a choice of good quality tups as there is now, which can only be a good sign for the breed."

The family have always enjoyed showing their stock and have made a successful comeback to the showing in recent years. The Loosebeare ewe and one of her sons have both won at Fife and West Fife shows and a return to the Great Yorkshire last year proved worthwhile, with Midlock Yorkie winning the open shearling ram class and a Halbeath YMCA, a son of Cambwell Trademark, taking a first in the home-bred shearling class.

"We've always been shearling producers and that's what we'll continue to do. We



Robin and Anne Orr have enjoyed show ring success over the years, including taking champion and reserve at Great Yorkshire Show in 1997

have regular buyers at Carlisle and Stirling who come back to us because they know that our sheep are not over-done and will go on and do well. Traditionally, we start feeding the shearlings after the Great Yorkshire, so from mid-July until sale time.

"I'd say there's definitely two types of Texel now and we would rather concentrate on the commercial attributes – that way there will always be buyers for them and there's more chance of selling all our tups, instead of half of them," says Robin.





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Robin and Nancy Orr - Halbeath

J S & A Howells - TyCam



Gary, Meinir and Daughter Sioned

The family behind one of the oldest Texel flocks in the UK fear for the future of the breed if breeders don't refocus on producing naturally reared rams which can thrive in a commercial system.

The Howells family established the TyCam flock in the 1970s with a Texel ram sourced from the first importation sale in Banbury.

That ram was used to produce prime lambs from their commercial flock of 350 Beulah Speckle Face ewes. "We kept most of the ewe lambs for replacements in the breeding flock, we liked them because they had plenty of milk and excellent confirmation," recalls John Howells, who established the flock with his wife, Ann.

"They were a good cross to have in the flock, we received top prices regularly when we took lambs to the local marts."

Forty years on and their son, Gary, and his wife, Meinir, are responsible for the day to day running of the flock, but the traits which the family valued in a Texel at its foundation are much in evidence in the progeny they breed today.

The emphasis is on breeding rams for their customers' future profits, not simply to win prizes at shows.

"We see a lot of breeders going for rams with big powerful heads with fancy colours, but that's not what the commercial farmer wants," Gary suggests. "A good body with plenty of length and muscle, with a proportional head that's not too powerful, is what most of our customers at the NSA sales are after.

"We mustn't forget that there is only a small market for the show ring ram, 95% of ours are sold to commercial flocks. Those customers don't want a ram that produces

lambs with big heads and there is definitely more talk about outside lambing and easier care type of sheep being sought after at these commercial sales.”

Gary says many ram lambs are pushed too hard with concentrates during their first year which means they don't thrive when managed on a grass system after being sold on as yearlings.

“We don't creep any of our ram lambs during their first year, we like

them to grow naturally, this also helps their rumen to develop and our tups seem to last for many years for our customers. We are lucky to have a lot of repeat customers, and the feedback we get from our customers is that they keep on improving, developing and grow into big sheep.”

TyCam rams must have good confirmation, power, length and width, Gary insists. “We like an animal with a good top and back end, good muscling and plenty of power.

“The rams need to fit into management regimes which don't demand large amounts of supplementary feed.”



The TyCam flock has its origins in Llanwenog, where John and Ann farmed for many years.

A year after they bought their first ram they purchased a breeding Texel ewe known as Queen Bee. "A young lad who worked for us at the time, Dewi Morgan, had bought three Texel ewes at the first Texel sale at Banbury and he sold one of them to us," says John.

"We bought the occasional ewe after that, but we haven't bought any females for 15 years because we have bred our own replacements."

The flock is now based at 400-acre Shadog Farm, near Llandysul, where Gary and Meinir live with their young daughter, Sioned.

Gary joined the business 20 years ago after leaving school and there are now just over 600 ewes which include 300 pedigree Texels, 70 pure Suffolks, 30 Bluefaced Leicesters, 20 Balwens and crossbreds.

The rams are turned in with the ewes at the end of September, to lamb at the beginning of March.

Lambing was moved back 10 days this year to fit in with Gary's scanning commitments. He scans 70,000 ewes a year and, when lambing was earlier, there was often no break between the two. An added advantage of lambing later is that grass is at a more advanced stage of growth.

There is also the workload from 50 suckler cattle, including the pedigree Shadog Limousins, which calve in the spring. Another 25 heifers have been bought this year and will join the herd next year.

About 150 Texel ewe lambs are crossed with Bluefaced Leicester tups, with about 90 of the ram lamb progeny sold as yearlings



off grass from home. "We sell and advertise these through Facebook," says Gary. "It's a fantastic way to sell your produce, we have sold rams as far afield as Orkney and Argyll."

The Suffolk flock was only established last year and the hope is to sell a pen of around 20 yearlings at the 2018 main NSA sale at Builth Wells.

A Beltex ram has also been purchased this year to produce Suffolk x Beltex yearlings for the same event in 2019.

Ewes are housed for three weeks before lambing and most of the ewes have lambed by March 20th and the ewe lambs start at the beginning of April.

Until this year all breeding has been natural. "We try to keep things simple by buying a couple of rams a year to try them out," says Gary. "If one works well in his first year we will then use him to cover 100 ewes or more and a ram lamb up to 50. We swap the rams between groups after four weeks just in case."

But, after investing £5800 in a ram, 'Roxburgh Winston' purchased at Kelso, synchronisation and artificial insemination is being used on 140 ewes this year.

"We wanted to get the full benefit of this ram which has proven himself exceptionally in his first crop of lambs so we have used

him to AI 140 of our best ewes and he has covered another 80 naturally,” Gary explains.

‘Roxburgh Winston’, which ranks in the top 10% of performance recorded rams, has already proven himself in the 2017 offspring of 80 of the TyCam ewes. “The lambs are powerful, long, wide and fast growing,” says Meinir, who is a familiar face to S4C viewers in Wales as she is a presenter on the Welsh language agricultural affairs programme, Ffermio. “We are excited about his offspring.”

All pedigree tups are sold mostly at Texel Society sales at Builth Wells. They topped the market in the first NSA sale at Builth last year with a ram which sold for 1750gns.

“The pen average was £756 for the 15 sold that day, but at the main NSA sale in September they achieved 1900gns with their run of 55 rams again averaging over £700. We are selling a lot of tups so a good average sale price is what we’re after,” says Meinir.

“We do get lots of requests to buy our Texel tups from the farm, but as we have so many repeat customers at Builth Wells we don’t think it’s fair to sell our best from home; people don’t want to choose from your seconds, they want your best.”

Some of their progeny have progressed to achieve notable successes; one of the best performance recorded ram in the country, ‘Avon Vale Real Deal’, is a grandson of HAT03159, a ewe the Howells’s sold a few years ago at Builth Wells.

In January, they exported for the first time - three Texel ram lambs. Their customer, who was based in Estonia, wanted a specific type of ram and theirs met those criteria.

“The customer was very particular on confirmation and they also wanted a good covering of hair on their heads as a protection from flies and midges which is a problem in Estonia,” says Gary.

At 600 ewes, the scale of the flock does not lend itself for pampering of individual sheep. “When you have that many ewes you can’t mollycoddle every one of them, they have got to be workers and able to look after themselves, to survive in pretty harsh conditions. They are all run commercially,” says Meinir.

Lambs are not creep fed and ewes carrying singles get no concentrates pre-lambing and if the weather and grass are favorable, none of the ewes are fed concentrates after lambing. If the ewe can’t rear her lambs off grass, they aren’t here for another lambing.”

Very few of the progeny are sold fat, but those that do are sold through Dunbia or at Welshpool market; the bonus at Welshpool makes it an attractive first choice for Texel lambs and cull ewes.

“After travelling two hours to reach Welshpool we can easily get an extra £15-£20 a head there for a good Continental,” says Gary. “We top Welshpool regularly. Last year we culled 80 ewes and they averaged over £100 each. If we are getting £90 for a fat lamb we might as well keep a young ewe instead.”

The future is looking assured for the TyCam flock with no plans to digress from the current strategy. “We will carry on as we are and hope that more breeders go back to this type of sheep,” says Gary. “There is a danger that if breeders continue down the route of massive heads and big bones as other breeds have, people will use less and less of them and will find alternative breeds to use.”

D J Houghton - Tophill



The pursuit of pedigree perfection is a driving force behind many flocks and is certainly the reason for David Houghton's obsession with the Texel breed.

David, who, with his wife, Jane, runs the Tophill flock alongside a small Limousin herd and a small bespoke horse livery business, says since starting with Texels in 1987 he has been determined to breed the best he possibly could.

"When I started in 1987 I worked away for a couple of years and then decided to buy the best I could afford. That meant buying a gimmer from Annan and two from Hull House at 2000gns, 2000gns and 1700gns,

respectively. I then bought a ram from Craighead for 2300gns and it is fair to say all the local farmers thought I'd gone mad!"

The goal for David after that was to sell a ram for 1000gns, something many new breeders can understand and aspire too. "I was lucky to manage that quite quickly, selling Tophill UK in 1990 for 1600gns. That was when I was well and truly bitten by the Texel bug," he explains.

From then on the aim for the flock was always to breed the best possible and David says that meant investing in sires with the potential to influence the flock in a significant manner as quickly as possible.



“Baltier Aerostar was bought jointly for 4000gns, with his first son, Tophill By Design selling for 9000gns. Then came Tullagh Dazzler at 10,500gns, with his best son being Tophill Emerald at 22,000gns, the top price at Lanark in 1998.

“Perhaps the most notable sire was Knock Impulse, bought for 12,000gns in a two way split with the Anglezarke flock. He was the sire of the 122,000gns Tophill Joe, the then record priced Texel which went on to sire more than £1m in progeny.”

Not that selling Joe was an easy task, with David offered a number of five figure bids on the eve of the sale. “It was a nervous couple of days at Lanark and a sleepless

night that’s for sure. But luckily one or two friends advised me to hold firm and put him through the ring.

“That is the one thing about the Texel breed, you make friends across the country and know that you’re all connected through the pursuit of the same goal. The characters I’ve met over the years and the friends I’ve made have been some of the best people you could hope to know,” he adds.

David says the only regret he has about selling Tophill Joe was that his father, Joe, wasn’t there to see it. “Sadly he died the day before Joe was born. We decided then to name our best tup lamb of the year after my dad and that was Tophill Joe. I think my dad would have been proud of what we achieved that day.

“Joe’s first crop of lambs included sons at 50,000gns, 40,000gns and 35,000gns, with another being the Lanark champion in his first year.”

And while every breeding decision is a gamble David admits to taking a few more than some breeders may be comfortable with. “Perhaps the most notable was Knock Orion. He was bought for £10,000 at three and a half months old when I saw him at home during a Club trip to North East Scotland. It raised a few eyebrows among those on the bus that’s for sure.”

But the gamble paid off with Orion leaving outstanding females and sons selling to 8000gns. “He was out of Knock’s super ewe, but was a first crop son of hers, so she wasn’t known about by then.

“After that I paid £5500 for Knock Trident when I saw him at home in June. He went on to sire Tophill Union Jack, the Lanark champion which sold to Procters Farm for 11,000gns.”

However, he says it isn’t always the dear ones which breed the best and cheaper rams have also left their mark in the flock, including Procters Ventura, a son of Union Jack out of a Cairness ewe which David bought for 4000gns in partnership with the Sportsmans flock.

He in turn sired the 32,000gns Tophill Wall St, the 2016 first season sire of the year. “His sons sold at 60,000gns, 52,000gns, 30,000gns and 15,000gns, with females selling well too.”

Admittedly there are some bad days which go along with the good days, says David.

“These are without doubt character building, but it can’t be good all the time

and the bad days make the good days all the more enjoyable.”

Looking at flock management David says like many breeders he’s gone down the AI and ET route to maximise the best genetics in the flock. “Ultimately, if we hadn’t have gone down the AI route it would have been hard to keep pace with the top end of the breed. The best tups are getting dearer and that has meant buying in consortium with other breeders.

“As a result using AI is the easiest way of sharing tups and ET represents the best way of getting the most out of the best ewes.”

David says while there is much discussion about the use of both AI and ET on the gene pool and the breed as a whole, that overall he believes it has been good for the breed. “If you look at growth rates in lambs there is no doubt the use of AI to allow greater access to the best genetics has pushed growth rates significantly.

“Back when I started there were minimum weights for ram lambs at both the Lanark and Carlisle sales of 50kg and 55kg, respectively and to be honest you were sweating to hope your lambs made the weight. Now it is commonplace for lambs to be more than 80kg at Lanark ,” explains David.

As a result he says the breed has been able to live up to a claim made by Duncan Currie that it would be a ‘white world’. “That was back in the 1980s and Suffolks ruled the sheep industry back then. It was a bold statement to make, but he has been proven right and Texels are at the top of the tree now. Improvements in growth rate and skins have been a big factor in that.”

The knock on effect is the increased size of the breed overall, he adds. “Whether the

breed is now getting to the stage of being big enough is up for debate, but there is no doubt improved growth, coupled with the consistent carcass quality the breed offers have driven its popularity.

“That coupled with its versatility and adaptability as both a terminal and maternal breed have seen a boon time for Texel breeders.

“There are other breeds we need to watch out for and it is important to remember that the ultimate goal is a 42kg prime lamb and we must produce rams capable of delivering these lambs as quickly as possible with the preferred balance of lean meat to fat and bone,” says David.



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May

Progeny Show

June/July

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Early July

Flock Competition - Details from the
Secretary

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SALES 2018

Monday, 6th August

Early NSA Ram Sale at the Royal Welsh
Showground

Sunday, 9th September

Club Sale at Llandoverly

Monday, 17th September

Main NSA Ram Sale at Royal Welsh
Showground

Friday, 21st December

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Royal Ulster Show 2017

Championship Results

Judge: Philip Kermodé - Orrisdale

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Supreme Champion | Jack Gault - Cherryvale - GCN1401259 |
| Reserve Champion | Steven McCollam - Carmavy - MSY1601045 |
| Male Champion | John Foster - Forkins - Bluehill Yogi - CFY1600994 |
| Reserve Male Champion | Messrs Aiken, Corbett and Cromie - Plasucha Yolo - BFE1606037 |
| Female Champion | Jack Gault - Cherryvale - GCN1401259 |
| Reserve Female Champion | Steven McCollam - Carmavy - MSY1601045 |

Supreme Champion Pedigree



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|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Cherryvale - GCN1401259 | S: Duncryne Uber Cool - JRV1300796 | GS: Baltier Thunderbird - FEB1200211 |
| | D: Ettrick - GGH1000044 | GD: Tapanui - MBX1100239 |
| | | GS: Knock Papoose - HAK091075 |
| | | GD: Tima - GCT08019 |



royal ulster show

2017 Royal Ulster Show

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Royal Highland Show 2017

Championship Results

Judge: Iolo P Jones - Llangwm

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Supreme Champion | Robert Wilson - Milnbank - LYM1602144 |
| Reserve Champion | Robert Laird - Cambwell - LTC1402038 |
| Male Champion | James Innes & Sons - Strathbogie Yes Big Boy - IJS1600718 |
| Reserve Male Champion | C & J Nicolson - Knockem Yabba Dabba Doo - NIC178120 |
| Female Champion | Robert Wilson - Milnbank - LYM1602144 |
| Reserve Female Champion | Robert Laird - Cambwell - LTC1402038 |

Supreme Champion Pedigree



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|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Milnbank - LYM1602144 | S: Glenside Willy Nilly - FPG1501083 | GS: Cornmore Velvet - LTE1400381 |
| | | GD: Glenside - FPG1300687 |
| | D: Milnbank - LYM1301132 | GS: Teiglum Tornado - CFT1201701 |
| | | GD: Milnbank - LYM1100443 |



royal highland show

Great Yorkshire Show 2017

Championship Results

Judge: Gordon Gray - Ettrick

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Supreme Champion | David McKerrow - Nochnary Am Yer Man - DMN1701503 |
| Reserve Champion | Charlie Boden - Mellor Vale - BCM1700508 |
| Male Champion | David McKerrow - Nochnary Am Yer Man - DMN1701503 |
| Reserve Male Champion | Peter Woof - Stainton Am the Boss - WPS1701116 |
| Female Champion | Charlie Boden - Mellor Vale - BCM1700508 |
| Reserve Female Champion | Procters Farm Ltd - Procters - PFD1701618 |

Supreme Champion Pedigree



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| Nochnary Am Yer Man - DMN1701503 | S: Knock Yankee - HAK1601045 | GS:Tophill Wallstreet - HPH1500816 |
| | | GD: Cambwell - LTC1301593 |
| | D: Nochnary - DMN1400852 | GS: Ettrick Ura Winner - GGH1303105 |
| | | GD: Nocnary - DMN1100225 |



great yorkshire show

Royal Welsh Show 2017

Championship Results

Judge: Gwilym Williams - Caron

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Supreme Champion | William McCaffrey - Scholars - YWMI600544 |
| Male Champion | Iolo P Jones - Llangwm All Gold - JLII702022 |
| Reserve Male Champion | William McCaffrey - Scholars Action Man - YWMI700693 |
| Female Champion | William McCaffrey - Scholars - YWMI600544 |

The 2017 Royal Welsh Show saw William McCaffrey's shearling ewe awarded the breed championship following the disqualification, by the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society, of an entry which had previously been awarded the championship.

Supreme Champion Pedigree



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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Scholars - YWMI600544 | S: Eden Valley Wiz Kid - WEV1500437 | GS: Sportsmans Tremendous II - BGS1200471 |
| | | GD: Eden Valley - WEV1200121 |
| | D: Stainton - WPS1400629 | GS: Anglezarke Uno - SSQ1300204 |
| | | GD: Stainton - WPS1200361 |



royal welsh show

Royal Bath & West Show 2017

Championship Results

Judge: David Bradley-Farmer - Meon Down

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Supreme Champion | Tippetts & Williams - Wilodge Apollo - TIP1701433 |
| Reserve Champion | Ian Andrews - Cattistock - AIC1700280 |
| Male Champion | Tippetts & Williams - Wilodge Apollo - TIP1701433 |
| Female Champion | Ian Andrews - Cattistock - AIC1700280 |

Supreme Champion Pedigree



Wilodge Apollo -
TIP1701433

S: Eglur Yokon -
ECE1601304

D: Beauty -
CUB1501158

GS: Eden Valley Wiz Kid -
WEV1500437

GD: Eglur - ECE1300065

GS: Loosebeare Voldemort -
QEL1404583

GD: Beauty - CUB1000142



royal bath & west show

Show Judges 2018



Royal Ulster Show
JENNIFER AIKEN - CONISTON

Jennifer has been involved with Texel sheep all her life. She was brought up helping her father with the Douganhill flock and she now works with her husband Jeff and children, Katie & Robbie, to manage the Procters and Tatham Hall Texels.

As part of the Procters team, Jennifer has helped to bring out various show champions with the highlight being winning the interbreed title at the Royal Welsh Show 2015 with Procters Ulrika.

Jennifer has her own Coniston flock of Texels and with these she has won the overall championship at the NATBC sale at Skipton with a shearling ram.

Jennifer has judged various local shows and the young handlers class at the Royal Ulster in 2008. She deems it an honour and privilege to be asked to judge the Texel classes at this year's show and is very much looking forward to it.



Royal Highland Show
STEVE RICHARDSON - STONEBRIDGE

Steve started with Texels in 1991; his aim at that point was to sell a sheep for £1000 and to win the ram lamb class at the Great Yorkshire Show. Move on 27 years and he has won the Supreme Champion and ram lamb classes at the Great Yorkshire Show, as well as having champions at Skipton sales and selling sheep up to 9500gns.

Currently the Texel Society chairman, he is staggered by the honour of that role and still can't believe he is doing it!

Steve's other enterprises consist of 200 breeding sows and 2000 followers, which are fed on home mill - mixed feed from the 3200 acre arable unit. Pigs are sold direct to retail butchers in the local area and to local wholesalers.

Steve would like to thank his family and loyal staff for their support that allows him to fulfil these roles. He is looking forward to judging the Royal Highland later this year.



Great Yorkshire Show CHARLIE BODEN – SPORTSMAN'S – MELLOR VALE

Texel's have been a big part of Charlie's life since he started the Sportsman's Flock with his father back in 1974. They have had several successes on the show circuit, winning the Royal Show, the Royal Welsh Show and the Great Yorkshire Show.

One of his best achievements has been more recently where he sold Sportsman's A Star at Lanark for 130,000gns which went on to be the lead sale price of 2017 and the third highest price Texel ever sold.

Charlie established a second flock in 1998, Mellor Vale Texels. The Mellor Vale Flock has had equally as much success on the show circuit and at the sales. The most famous being Mellor Vale Masterpiece and Mellor Vale Officer which have gone on to sire numerous champions and continue to influence the breed today.

Charlie has judged at many shows, including the Texel classes at the Royal Highland Show in 2012 and the Royal Three Counties Show in 2013, its inaugural year as a 'Royal Show'.



Royal Welsh Show DAVID CORFIELD

I am privileged to be invited to judge the Texel classes at this year's Royal Welsh Show. It was my grandfather, who farmed at Commins Coch in mid Wales, who first ignited my interest in livestock as a teenager and I am proud to be following in the footsteps of my uncle Gwynne who judged the Welsh Black Cattle classes here a few years ago.

With the introduction of milk quotas in 1984 I decided to introduce another enterprise to the farm, so I bought a Sportsmans gimmer and three Coombe Slade ewe lambs at the 1986 English National Sale and so the Fordwell Flock was founded and my involvement with the Texel Breed began.

The flock was built up to 60 breeding ewes and has been shown at The Royal Welsh Show for the last 25 years as well as the Royal Bath and West, Royal Three Counties and the English Royal Show, winning championships on numerous occasions.

I have judged at numerous local and county shows over the years and I have been determined never to forget that the Texel breed was introduced into the United Kingdom for its carcass quality. I remember my grandfather telling me 60 years ago that a good sheep is the one that you would most like to take home with you. Although I am now retired from farming I still keep an active interest in the Texel breed. I have been a committee member of the Gloucester Texel Club since 1990 and I am the current treasurer, having served two terms as chairman



Royal Bath and West Show JOHN NORTH - LOXLEY

Texels have been a big part of John's life since establishing the Loxley flock in 1990, then successfully selling at Lanark auction two years later. The flock has grown over the years and enjoyed much success in both the show and sales ring as the flock has sought to promote the breed's commercial traits, whilst being based at the family farm in Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

John, his family and Loxley Texel flock moved to Giggleswick, North Yorkshire five years ago. The change in environment from flat land to hills has been a successful change for the flock, who adapted very well to the change in conditions.

John has been fortunate to judge shows and sales all over the country including Northern Ireland and has met so many good people and made many great friends. He is looking forward to this continuing when he travels with his family, wife Alison and children, Isobel aged eight and JP, aged six to the Royal Bath and West show.



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30th May – 2nd June
Bath & West showground – Somerset

Royal Highland Show

21st – 24th June
Royal Highland showground – Ingliston

Great Yorkshire Show

10th – 12th July
Great Yorkshire showground – Harrogate

Royal Welsh Show

23rd – 26th July
Royal Welsh showground – Builth Wells

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Stafford – 18th November

N.I Xmas Fatstock Show & Sale

Ballymena – 7th December

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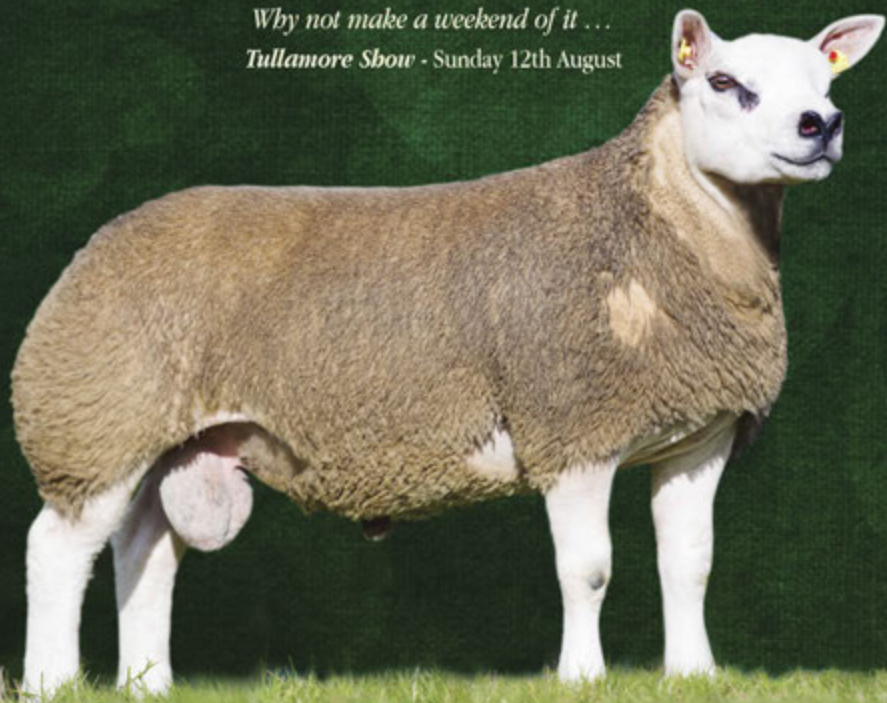
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Northern Irish National Show & Sale 2017

Judge: Nigel Hamill - Ballynadrenta

Supreme Champion
Barclay Bell & Sons
Kiltariff Adriano



PEDIGREE

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| Kiltariff Adriano BBK1700849 | S: Strathbogie Wanted IJS1501383 | GS: Mullan Vivaldi HBNI400934 |
| | D: Kiltariff BBK1500681 | GD: Strathbogie IJS1200137 |
| | | GS: Cowal Viceroy CKCI404664 |
| | | GD: Kiltariff BBK1300524 |

Highest Seller
Naiomi Ardis
Millburn All Star

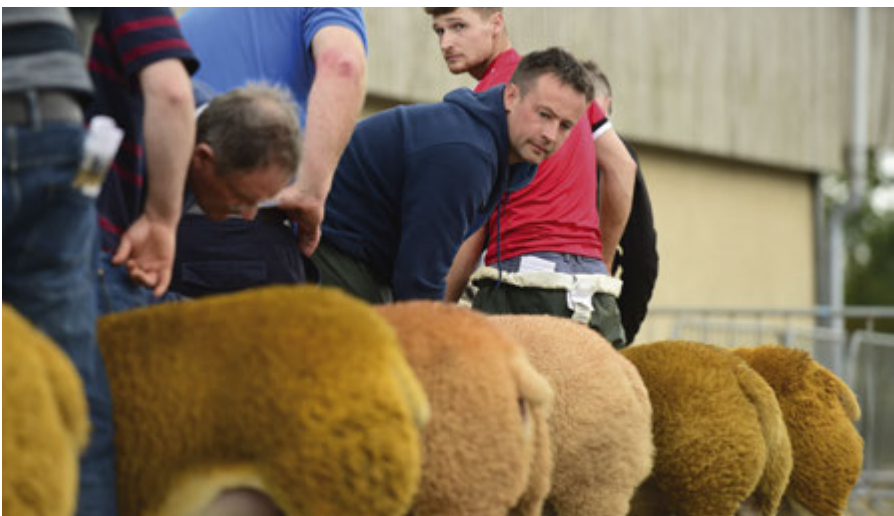
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Calvin - Ballyhivestock

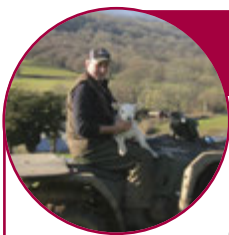


PEDIGREE

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| Millburn All Star ERX17001103 | S: Usk Vale Yankee UVP1602381 | GS: Glenside Valhalla FPG1400768 |
| | D: Millburn ERX1300461 | GD: Cairness DJVI000074 |
| | | GS: Carmavy Striker MSYI100221 |
| | | GD: Millburn ERX07027 |







Northern Irish National Show and Sale 2018 Judge RUSSELL WATKINS - MILLEND

I am honoured to have been asked to judge the 2018 Northern Irish National Sale. Our family has an upland farm located at 1000ft in the heart of the Black Mountains. As well as Texels we sell British Blue and Limousin cross heifers with calves at foot. Since establishing the Millend flock 30 years ago it has grown to 200 ewes. Our breeding focuses on crucial characteristics wanted by the commercial farmer as well as maintaining breed quality. I feel it is this focus that gained the Millend flock, this years champion flock in the South Wales Texel breeders club competition, a Club for which I have previously been chairman. A personal highlight of mine was winning the ram lamb, ewe lamb and group of three classes one year at the Royal Welsh Show. Our main outlet for our tups is the NSA ram sale in Builth where we annually sell over 50 rams. Through judging, visiting flocks and attending sales, my wife Gill and I along with our three daughters, Rebecca, Charlotte and Meg have made lifelong friends within the breed. I am really looking forward to Judging at the sale.



Scottish National Show & Sale 2017

Judge: John E. Davies - Teilo

Supreme Champion
David Preacher
Holylee Acrobat



PEDIGREE

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| Holylee Acrobat PDV170974 | S: Millar's Windbrook VMG150215 | GS: Knap Vital Spark CKP1400079 |
| | D: Meadowvale RMM1100043 | GD: Millar's VMG1200704 |
| | | GS: Llangwm Rock JL1000060 |
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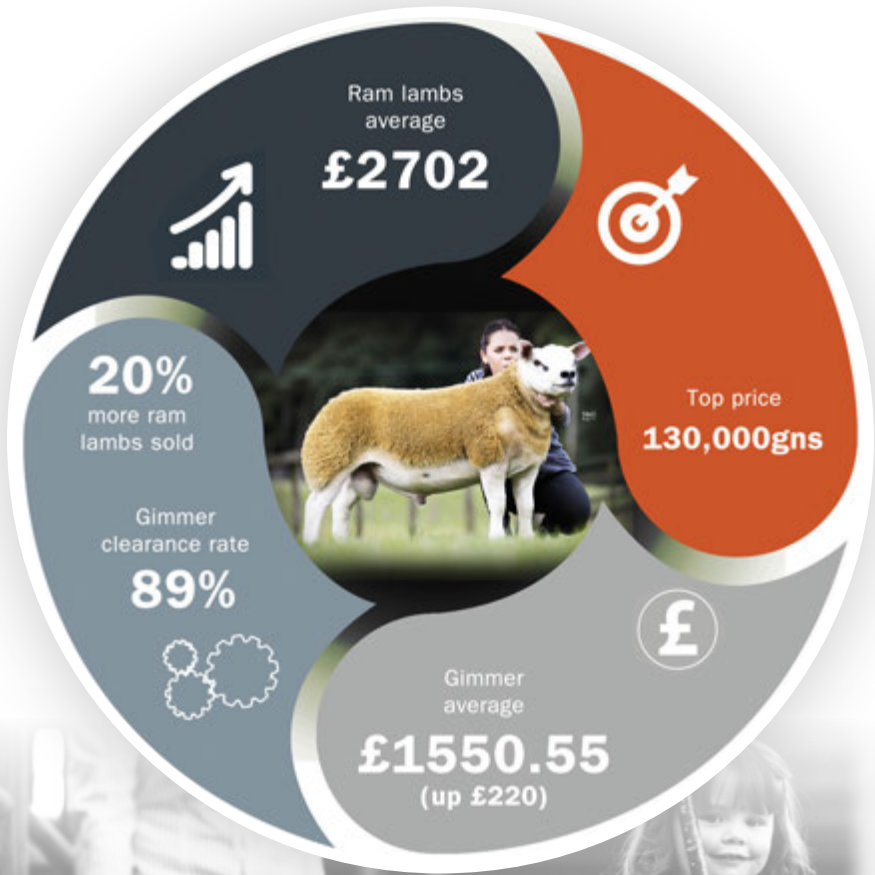
Highest seller
Boden & Davies Ltd
Sportsmans A Star

Sold for 130,000gns to Alan Blackwood,
Auldhouseburn and John Forsyth, Glenside.



PEDIGREE

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| Sportsmans A Star BGS1702642 | S: Teiglum Younggun CFT1604569 | GS: Teiglum Windfall CFT1503945 |
| | D: Cowal CKC1303034 | GD: Teiglum CFT1503905 |
| | | GS: Cairnam Talisman GCF1201109 |
| | | GD: Cowal CKC1100256 |







Scottish National Show & Sale 2018 Judge CYRIL M MILLAR - MILLARS

It is a great honour to be invited to judge at what is well recognised as the premier sale within the British Isles.

I have had the honour of judging the Texel Breed at S.I.A. L in France some years ago, a French experience, but very rewarding.

My judging started way back in the seventies with pigs, Landrace and Large White and subsequently judged all five Royal Shows. Charolais Cattle have also been prominent in my farming career, judging again the five Royal Shows and again in France at Charolle, Never and Vichy as well as in Brazil.

Stock kept at Millar's is always pedigree and in the last decade we started a Holstein Herd of 300 cows. One of our cows was selected last year to compete for the All Britain Second Calved Award. This is very much the doing of our son Martin who really gets that special kick from his Texel sheep, Holstein cows and also the Charolais. Ann and I are very happy the "virus" seems to have spread.

In my early years I worked for both Isaac Andrews & Sons, Belfast and Moy Park Ltd in nutrition and animal health, but as soon as I was financially able my heart was in farming and as our pigs made the money we bought land and today we are farming 700 acres with 400 owned and 300 on rent. We are all stock and grass based on the farm and like to think we are good in grass production.

R.U.A.S has always been a special and important organisation and Show for us and since 1970; we have won the interbreed championships a record number of times with Landrace pigs, Charolais cattle and Texel sheep. I have served for 10 years as Chairman of Finance at R.U.A.S and last year I was elected President, so we hope to see many of you visit us at the first Royal Show of the Year in May.

Some 25 years ago we took one of our employees into a new Artificial Insemination Company for Pigs and that has grown beyond our expectations employing some 30 people and marketing around 10-12 thousand doses a week in R.O.I, N.I, AND G.B. I am blessed with a super wife who has played a major role in our business development and we produced 3 girls and a boy, Martin, hopefully to continue both the hard work and growth of the business.

Thank you all and good luck for the future, our Texel Breed is Golden within the sheep world.



Welsh National Show & Sale 2017

Judge: *Charlie Boden - Sportsmans & Mellor Vale*

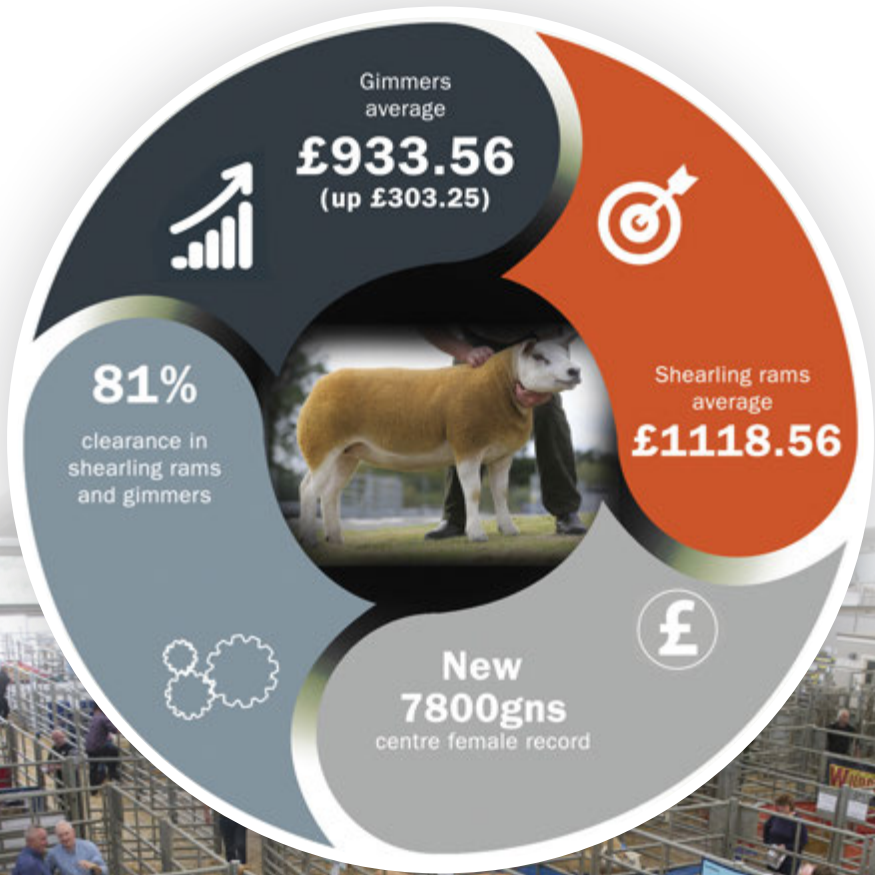


Supreme Champion & Highest Seller
Peter Woof - Stainton

Sold for 7,800gns to Paul Delves, Bridgeview flock, Church Stoke.

PEDIGREE

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| Stainton WPSI600905 | S: Eden Valley Warrior King WEV1500416 | GS: Anglezarke Uno SSQ1300204 |
| | | GD: Eden Valley WEV1300222 |
| | D: Stainton WPSI100180 | GS: Stainton Ricochet WPSI000030 |
| | | GD: Stainton WPS09066 |







Welsh National Show & Sale 2018 Judge JAMES MCKERROW - NOCHNARY

James has been involved with Texels all his life. His father David, started breeding Texels with his uncle John and grandfather at Grougfoot in 1973 and the Nochnary flock was established in 1994 when they moved to Fife when James was just a year old.

At Nochnary James farms along with his father David and brother David where they own 270 acres of predominately arable land and grow a variety of crops including vegetables, wheat and seed barley. They also rent a further 170 acres which is a mixture of arable and grass and contract farm 260 acres which is mostly arable.

It is the livestock side of the business where James' passion lies. They have a herd of 60 suckler cows plus followers and a flock of 40 Texel ewes and 180 commercial ewes.

James and brother David have always been greatly encouraged by their father to show sheep and have done so from a young age at local shows and the Royal Highland Show. Their biggest achievement to date was winning the Great Yorkshire Show in 2017 with tup lamb Nochnary Am Yer Man on only their second year showing there. They went on to win the pairs competition along with the Sportsman's flock's ewe lamb. Am Yer Man was later sold at Lanark for 13,000gns, their highest price to date and his brother Amoruso was sold for 5000gns also at Lanark.

James is also very keen on stock judging. He trains with Clyde and Central Young Farmers in preparation to compete at the Royal Highland Show. In 2017 he was part of the winning team where they won the Glasgow Herald Trophy.

James says he delighted to have been asked to judge the Welsh National sale and is looking forward to the task.



English National Show & Sale 2017

Judge: David Clark - Garngour, Clarks & Teiglum

Supreme Champion
Boden & Davies Ltd
Sportsmans Alabama



PEDIGREE

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| Sportsmans Alabama BGS1702681 | S: Eden Valley Wild WEV1500443 | GS: Oberstown Usain Bolt E.PF11300026 |
| | | GD: Eden Valley WEV1300237 |
| | D: Sportsmans BGS1300873 | GS: Tullylagan Tonka WEV1300237 |
| | | GD: Knock HAK1100152 |

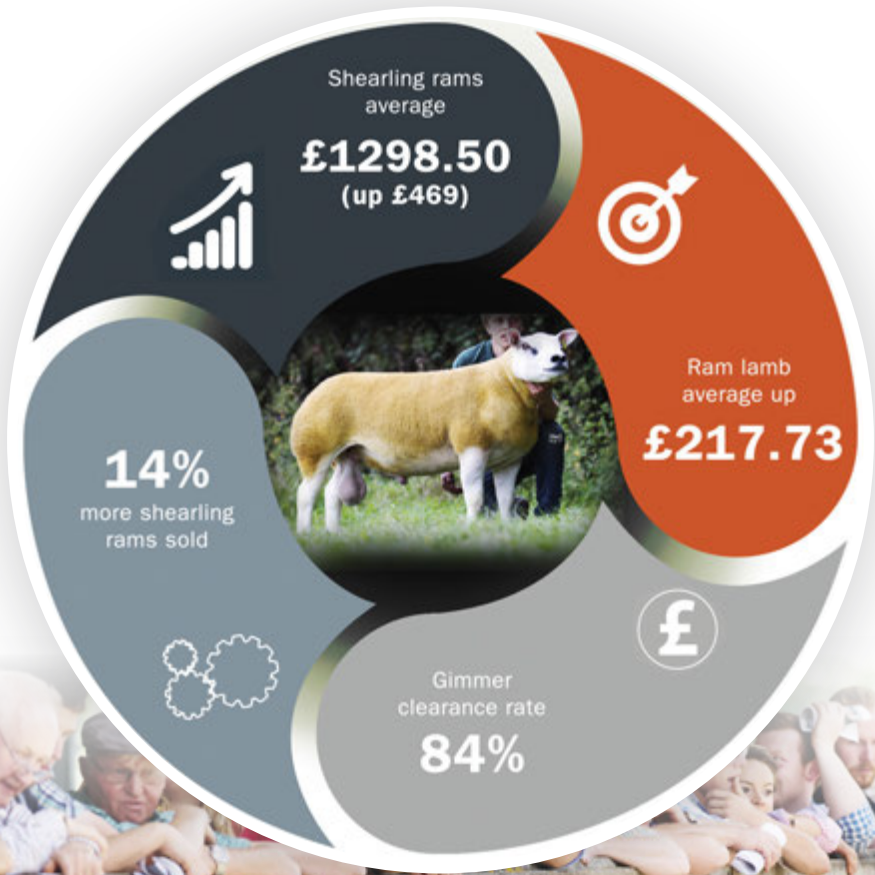
Highest seller
Messrs Frank Henry
Chave & Son
Peacehay Ya Belter

Sold for 23,000gns to Robin and Caroline
Orr - Halbeath, Messrs Gray - Langside and
Drayton Farm Partnership - Meonside.



PEDIGREE

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| Peacehay Ya Belter CFPI601450 | S: Scrogton Head you Stoater GLH1304107 | GS: Foyle View Super Star SMV1100552 |
| | | GD: Scrogton Head GLH1102236 |
| | D: Peacehay CFPI300695 | GS: Sheeoch Tardis BRQ1200178 |
| | | GD: Peacehay CFPI100113 |







English National Show & Sale 2018 Judge TOMOS EVANS - WELSH

Tomos runs the Welsh flock in partnership with his father, Selwyn. Sheep have always been his passion and when he was nine years old he quite independently selected and bought a ewe lamb which then was the catalyst for driving the flock forward.

In 2014 Tomos entered a shearling ewe in the English National Sale. She was female champion and reserve champion and sold for 7000gns, the top price of the sale. Since that day the Welsh flock has continued to combine success in the show ring with success in the sale ring. The flock has continued to sell with great success achieving 2200gns, 2000gns, 1300gns and 1200gns for ewe lambs.

Alongside the Texels, Tomos runs a large commercial enterprise and a pedigree Limousin herd. Tomos also runs an award winning tourism business in partnership with his parents.

Tomos judged the Northern Ireland Show and Sale in 2016 and he feels very privileged to have been invited to judge at the 2018 English National Sale.



2018 National Show & Sale Dates

Scottish National Show & Sale

LANARK
22nd - 23rd August

English National Show & Sale

WORCESTER
27th - 28th August

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for 130,000gns (Top
Price Scottish National,
August 2017)

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00730 -
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Flushing

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Sold to Ettrick

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- Sportsmans Tremendous -
- Deveronvale Warrior -
- Pant Wolf - Carran Upper Class -

- JOK 17 01112 -
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Research & Development

Society Breed Development Strategy

The Texel Sheep Society Breed Development Strategy complements the Society's 'Memorandum of Association'. An evolving document, it lays out the strategic direction for the improvement of the breed over the next decade. In conjunction with this, it also addresses how the Society's services need to develop to support both the breed and members.

The views of relevant stakeholders were incorporated through consultancy activity and survey reports. This is reciprocated by providing stakeholders with information and the ability to make informed decisions in their own flocks to support genetic improvement of the breed and further use of Texel genetics.

The overall strategy aims to deliver benefits to the breed, breeder and industry through:

1. Maintaining and enhancing the breed's:
 - reputation for consistency, quality and financial return
 - market relevance and dominance, by developing commercially relevant traits
2. Maintaining demand for breeders' animals
3. Minimising the risk of substitution for alternative breeds
4. Providing opportunities for industry:
 - to collaborate for mutual benefit
 - to access Texel genotypes and phenotypes for mutual benefit
 - to be associated with industry-leading, innovative genomics projects

These aims are being met, in part, by the Society's involvement in three industry-leading collaborative research projects. Our two InnovateUK-funded projects directly address point four above, as both are run in collaboration with ABP and SRUC.



Solutions for sustainable lamb production and breeding for more taste and less waste to increase food security in the UK and beyond

This project directly addresses point one of our strategy, and indirectly will influence two and three. By identifying animals that produce better quality, desirable, lambs it will improve returns for commercial lamb producers. This will also influence demand for pedigree animals and keep Texels at the forefront of commercial producers' minds.

The overall aim of this project is to identify sheep that lay down less carcass fat while delivering a tastier product. Around 58 % of UK lambs meet the desired market specification, however the use of modern breeding methods and technologies, and accurate information, can improve this. Working with SRUC's computerised tomography (CT) scanner and the traceability system in a major meat processor's abattoir, individual carcass feedback data on thousands of lambs from Scottish Mule ewes mated to pedigree

performance-recorded Texel rams are being collected. There are both financial and environmental benefits: reducing the amount of carcass fat will improve feed conversion efficiency, resulting in more high-quality meat for the plate and less waste in the bin.

From the first year of the project, over 1,000 lambs, by 26 different sires, have been born and finished in commercial conditions. The lambs were processed as standard and have graded extremely well; over 90 % of carcasses were U or R grade, and fat class 2 or 3 (see Table), almost 20 % higher than the equivalent national figure.

This year we aim to produce 1,800 lambs, so have increased ewe numbers. A total of 44 performance-recorded Texel rams were used in the breeding program for this year, and 1,250 Scotch Mule ewes are currently lambing down in four commercial flocks.

Proportions of 1,000+ Texel-cross lamb carcass grades achieved to date

| % | 1 | 2 | 3L | 3H | 4L | 4H | 5 |
|---|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| E | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| U | 0.0 | 1.9 | 14.7 | 5.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| R | 0.5 | 13.4 | 47.1 | 9.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| O | 0.6 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| P | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Carcass trait phenotype feedback for genomic selection in sheep

T This project addresses point one of our strategy by developing commercially relevant traits and identifying the animals and genomics that influence those traits.

Novel phenotypes for carcass merit and animal health are the aims of this project, along with their integration into the Texel breeding programme. Health and performance data from the nucleus of pedigree Texel Phenotype Farms, and thousands of related crossbred animals, sourced from commercial producer flocks, will be combined with new, innovative visual imaging technology and meat hygiene data

at slaughter. Ultimately the project aims to effectively turn the conventional breeding 'pyramid' upside down by using commercial data to influence selection in the pedigree nucleus flocks.

Four commercial Lleyn partner flocks in Perth, Shropshire, Leicestershire and Devon have been recruited for the programme. In total they are providing around 1,200 ewes, ranging from 160 – 400 per flock. These ewes were mated to 41 performance-recorded Texel rams using a mixture of AI and natural service, and we aim to produce around 1,800 slaughter lambs this year.

SMAll RuminanTs breeding for Efficiency and Resilience [SMARTER]

S MARTER is a four-year, pan-European project with 26 partners (including the Texel Society) investigating how to breed livestock with increased efficiency and disease resilience. This directly contributes to point one and four of our strategy by further developing these traits within the Texel breed, and through collaboration with project partners.

The major aims of the project are to develop innovative strategies to improve resilience and efficiency related traits in sheep and goats. It will achieve this by generating and validating novel traits, improving and developing genome-based solutions and tools, and establishing new breeding and selection strategies. Specifically, the Texel Society will be contributing to the determinism of feed efficiency, and health and welfare resilience.

Integration of genetic improvement services

Breeders are benefitting from our focus on the integration and development of performance recording within Society services to drive genetic improvement in the Texel breed. Last year 34,454 ewes produced 63,089 lambs, and over 15,000 of these lambs were recorded in 203 performance recording flocks spread the length and breadth of the UK. The traits recorded included birth and eight-week weights, lambing ease, litter size, maternal ability, mature size, scan weight, muscle and fat depth, CT lean, fat and muscularity, and faecal egg counts (FECs). With the addition of novel CT traits in 2018, for vertebrae number and spine length, intramuscular fat and eye-muscle area further developing the services on offer. All traits are also combined to give a Terminal Index indicating the overall terminal ability of each animal.

Our focus continues in the support of breed development to ensure that Texel remains the first choice for prime lamb producers across the country. To this end the Society has commissioned a major review of Texel genetic improvement

services by the leading New Zealand agribusiness consultancy AbacusBio.

Investment in genomic research over recent years by the Texel Society has targeted a few key health traits with the long-term aim of helping farmers reduce the impact of endemic diseases, such as footrot and mastitis in the sheep sector. Allied with this the Society is also researching the genetics behind improved eating quality and carcass composition in the Texel breed, to help farmers maximise returns from prime lambs in an era without direct support payments.

The recent 'Health and Harmony: the future for food, farming and the environment in a Green Brexit' consultation paper from DEFRA highlights animal health and welfare as key criteria for potential support payments in future.

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Derbyshire

The club welcomed 2017 in with our annual dinner, held at the Bentley Brook Inn, members enjoyed a delicious 3-course meal and live music from a local band. The evening was a great success with more than 90 members and their guests in attendance, this is a firm favourite with members before lambing commences.

This year the Derbyshire bus trip saw us visiting Rob Pierce, Rob Evans, Steve Williams and Will and Liz McCaffery, the hospitality was outstanding and the selection of sheep was superb. On the Sunday, we visited the progeny show at Shrewsbury Market, a brilliant turnout of sheep and a delicious hog roast to finish the weekend. Unfortunately, I was unable to ride aboard the fun bus, new baby and all that, but from what I can gather from members, all had a great time.

Our first event for the year was our Open Day kindly hosted by the Boden Family, which coincided with the 5 Nations weekend, our very own 5 Nations Team was made up of myself, Rebecca Dykes, Andrew Gosling and Chris Maiba we proudly took 1st Place on the Saturday and 4th placed team overall. The Open Day attracted a huge crowd and some superb sheep were put in front of Richard Wilson (Eden Valley) to judge, Ben Vernon taking supreme champion with a shearing ewe.

Sadly, this year we lost our long supporting president Mick Young, in honour of his continued support to the Derbyshire Texel Club the committee decided it was only fitting that we had a shield for the champion Young handler presented in his name. This was kept a secret until the day, when we asked his beloved wife, Janet to present the winner Ashley Rushton with the 'Mick Young Shield'.

As this was our 25th Anniversary, we invited past members to attend the Open Day for

cake and reminiscing. It was lovely to meet some of those original members, Laura Melland kindly put together an archive of photos from past events and it is great to see original members still taking a keen interest in the club.

August saw our flock competition, judged by John Howard. It was a pleasure to present some outstanding flocks to John.

Bakewell was home to our annual Show and Sale, sadly we didn't attract as much trade as liked due to a change in day, however, that didn't stop our champion, a shearling tup Moorgate Yale from the Newton Family, making 720gns. Reserve went to an eye-catching shearling ewe from Rob Cartledge making 1200gns.

Our members see a continued success in the show ring, this year the Club's Points Trophy was presented to the Moorgate Flock, B & J Newton. A huge congratulations to the Newton Family, you have been unstoppable, hope to see you in the ring this summer.

It's been a pleasure to see our small, but mighty club growing year on year! Long may it continue.

Lastly, but by no means least, I'd like to thank the members for their continued support.

Ron Darlington
Chairman

Dutch Texel

Our twentieth annual sale of Dutch Texels at Ruthin once again attracted buyers from across the UK.

Auctioneers Ruthin Farmers reported strong demand for the quality sheep on offer, with increased averages throughout.

The pre-sale show was confidently judged by Clwyd Davies (Egryn Flock), Denbighshire.

His champion on the day was an impressive shearling ewe from the Wiston Flock of S H & J B Rawlings, selling at 1250gns to M Hamblaton, Buxton, Derbyshire.

Sale Leader at 2200gns was the reserve champion, a shearling ram from the Bryn Llewelyn flock of D Hughes, selling to E Vaughan, Abergele.

Leading the line up of ram lambs was HollyFarm Axel from Davies & Wareing, Ormskirk, selling to D L Jones, Lampeter, Ceredigion.

Bidding was brisk throughout resulting in an impressive clearance of stock.

This year's highest pen average for five shearling rams or more, was achieved by D Hughes, Bryn Llewelyn with an amazing average of £958.

As always, congratulations to everyone who have competed promoting Dutch Texels, with

many successes nationwide, at events of the highest level

As always, I would like to say a huge thankyou to our chairman Gerwyn Davies, our committee and our auctioneer, Emyr Lloyd (Ruthin Farmers Auction) and to everybody who supports this sale in Ruthin.

Paula Bartou
Secretary



Dyfed

The club is continuing to grow well with members making a mark at sales across the country.

A busy year started with our Christmas dinner held at the Cottage inn, Llandeilo at the end of January. This gives new and old members a chance to catch up before the busy times of lambing and continues to be well attended.

May saw our progeny show held at Carmarthen market and a fine display of lambs and gimmers put in front of Judge James Ruggieri. Overall champion went to the Cwmcerrig flock of DJJ Watkins with a pair of gimmers which were sired by Glenside Razzle Dazzle, taking the reserve champion ticket made a perfect one-two for the flock with their pair of lambs by Llangwm YMCA. Champion single lamb saw young breeder Dafydd Evans (Bwlchgywynt) take the top prize with a ewe lamb by Glenside willy Winkie.

In June the flock completion was judged by Robert Laird of the Cambwell flock with his champion being the Teilo flock of J E & L Davies who went on to add further merit to Robert's selection when they won the All Wales flock completion. Best stock ram was won by the Stelfox flock with Ballaglonney Will Be Good.

In August club members set out on the annual ram safari to view stock that had been entered to the forthcoming sales, seen on this visit were Willy Davies (Usk Vale), Alfryn "Dads" Davies (Ifan Ddu) and the Teilo flock.

The club were well represented during the busy sales period, The Cwmcerrig flock

built upon their progeny success when they took third prize with their gimmer at the Scottish National sale which then went on to top the females selling for 7500gns. Willy Davies sold Usk Vale Albatross at the English National sale for 17,000gns and at Carlisle the Teilo flock sold their much admired lamb Teilo Amryddawn for 5500gns having stood fourth in the show.

At the club sale in September the Usk Vale flock took the champion ticket with his first prize ram lamb Usk Vale Alonso, but it was another ram lamb of Willy's that took the top call of 900gns with Usk Vale All night long which sold to the day's judge, Euros Jones.

The last day of November saw the ring side packed once again for the famous Dyfed club in-lamb sale, the temperature may have plummeted on the night, but our judge for the evening, Ben Vernon (Charben), was on fire as he sorted through the classes, giving the champion ticket to the Teilo flock's first prize gimmer and reserve to Iolo Jones (Llangwm) with his first prize ewe lamb. Top price suitably went to the champion when she sold for 1300gns to Rhodri Lloyd for his newly established Llangynin flock.

I must extend a huge thankyou to outgoing chairman "Dads" for steering the club so well the last four years and to Brian at the Cottage inn (Llandeilo) for his continued support of the club. Here's wishing you all a prosperous show and sales season.

Owen Williams
Chairman

Gloucester & Border Counties

The club was pleased to welcome a number of new members during the past year with the establishment of several new flocks in the area. It has been good to see new faces amongst the usual crowd at club events, shows and sales.

At the end of lambing, members met up for our annual greyhound racing evening in May, at the Abbey Stadium, Swindon. We enjoyed dinner while trying to pick out the winning dogs.

There was a good Club turnout at the Royal Three Counties Show in June. Gloucester & Border Counties Texel Club once again put together the winning breed club stand and managed to coax Adam Henson into having his photo taken with our Texel 'photo op' prop. Club members and friends enjoyed the opportunity to relax once judging was over with a buffet lunch.

Charlotte and Meg Watkins (Millend) judged our club flock competition during the first weekend of July, clocking up the miles and perhaps a few calories in the process.

For our flock visit we headed to Worcestershire to see Nicola and Jim Hartwright and their impressive Whitehart Flock. We were treated to lunch and a safari style tour to see the Texels. It was inspiring to see the scale, quality and style of Texels in their flock and we congratulate them on their success this year

The Club ram show and sale took place at Worcester Livestock Market in September with good clearance and prices.

The AGM was held in October at the Green Dragon Inn, Cockleford. We discussed the year, elected the committee, had a meal and retired to the bar, somehow missing our planned skittles match.

In December we held our 'Christmas Present' in-lamb show and sale. There was high demand for the quality stock on offer with a gimmer from the Peacehay flock topping the sale at 1420gns.

Later in December there was an excellent turnout for the Christmas Meal at the Green Dragon Inn. Food was excellent and Pat was happy after securing some roast potatoes.

Our last event, pre-lambing, was the January Sunday lunch at the Thames Head Inn, Cirencester. We had a relaxing lunch and Meg and Charlotte Watkins presented the flock competition awards. Next year I promise to not to forget the raffle tickets as using post-it notes was apparently a poor substitution.

Best of luck lambing 2018

Paul King
Secretary

Midland

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017 saw the Midland Texel club go from strength to strength. We have welcomed new members and seen our flock competition expand to a significant event in the members' calendar.

The year also saw the re-launch of the club breeding sale at Newark and record numbers of sheep being shown at our club show at Ashby Show. We are definitely an active club with lots to offer our members new and established, so please feel free to join in.

We started off the social calendar with a bit of 'friendly' competition. A skittles night was well attended by the midland Charollais, Suffolk and Texel club members with the Texels reigning victorious. A great night was had with plenty of beer and laughter to go around.

Ashby Show was well supported with large classes and a high standard on show. The club have a refreshment tent and our own judging ring. It is a great day out for the family and a chance to show off your stock to local customers.

The Club went up North this year for our annual flock visits. This year taking a full weekend to visit both Beauty and Hull House Texel flocks. Our warmest thanks to both families for making us very welcome and showing us a fabulous display of Texel sheep. It was a great opportunity for socialising too with some humorous antics along the way. We look to expand on this theme for 2018 with a flock visit to Honeyhill in August and another social/flock visit weekend a little further afield. Other clubs are welcome to come and join us, please just get in touch.

September saw the re-launch of the club sale at Newark. Expertly organised and promoted by Matt Prince and Tina Ashley. The sale was well attended with 80 head forward. Top prices in both the shearing ram and ewe sales went to the Lockhart family selling to 1000gns. 22 Texel Shearling rams £595.29 av. 20 Shearling ewes' £440.47 av. and eight ram lambs £409.50 av. This sale is ideally located to attract buyers and sellers from across the country. Please support this sale with quality stock, so we can really put this club sale on the map.

The annual flock competition in October was extremely well supported this year with a large entry from across our membership. Quite the undertaking for our judge, Steve Richardson, who managed to maintain his good humour throughout and entertained us at the awards dinner. It was a great night and wonderful to support each other in members' successes.

November saw the fourth Winter Warmers sale of in-lamb ewes and ewe lambs. Top price of the day went to Charlie Boden with the champion gimmer selling for 3800gns.

I would like to congratulate all members for their successes over the year and for their ongoing support of the club. A warm welcome to our new members and would encourage anyone to consider joining to please contact either myself or Toni for details on how to join.

Mandy Kellest
Chairwoman

North Scotland

The start of 2017 saw the Club sponsor the Royal Northern Spring Show, offering €250 towards prizes for Texel-sired sheep. We were delighted that Texel crosses dominated the prizes taking the championships in both the prime and breeding sheep sections. Champions in the prime sheep were a pair of Texel cross hogs from David Black, Kirriemuir.

June saw our show and sale of Texel prime lambs sponsored by Towns and Carnie. Judge Blair Duffton, awarded the champion to a pair of 42kg crosses to W & J Brown, New Deer, (£135), reserve pair were 49kg crosses from R Littlejohn, (£128).

During the show season the Club provided sponsorship for young handlers at Echt, New Deer, Banchory and Turriff shows. Our champion show flock was Graham Morrison, Deveronvale flock and reserve was awarded to Jemma Green, Corskie flock. Best show attendance was Messrs W & C Cruden, Upper Kirkton flock.

In July, we visited the Hilton of Clush, our thanks to the Brown family for a great evening where we were treated to a quality display of sheep and cattle. Five pens were forward for stock judging, congratulations to the winners. Great hospitality was enjoyed by all in attendance on the evening.

The September ram sale at ANM was ably judged by Kenny Mair Snr, Kinnermit, Turriff. His placings were as follows

Champion

R Wilson, Milnbank flock ram lamb

Reserve Champion

M Leggat, Foremanhill flock ram lamb

Shearling or Aged Ram

1st - W Knox, Haddo flock

Ram Lamb

1st – R Wilson, Milnbank flock

Pen of 3 Ram Lambs

1st – G L Stuart, Birness, flock

Top price of the day was 1600gns twice for a shearling ram from W J Knox, purchased by S & Y Finnie, New Deer and secondly for a ram lamb from R H Wilson and bought by E Alexander, Inch. The averages for the sale were 80 shearling @ £610.44 (+£65.96) and 153 ram lambs @ £462.26 (+£61.72).

The final event in the club calendar was the Christmas Classic. 140 Texel female entries were judged by Keith Hourston, Orkney, who ultimately declared his champion as R Wilson's gimmer which realised the top price of 4500gns and was purchased by S Smith, Turriff. One of Mr G Morrison, gimmer's 4200gns was claimed by judge K W Hourston, and another 3000gns was purchase by A Kerr. J C Innes & Sons' 2nd gimmer 2400gns from A D Jack Muir of Ord.

Best wishes and every success for the upcoming lambing, events, shows and sales in 2018.

Pat Imloh

Club Secretary

North Wales

We broke with tradition this year and moved our sale to the end of August and held it in the evening with selling starting at 5.30 pm.

It proved to be a success and there was a better clearance and higher prices compared to our 2016 sale. The only downside for some people was that it clashed with the Carlisle Sale so for 2018 we will be staying with an evening sale and moving it earlier to 16th August. Hopefully this will work well and become a permanent fixture in the sale calendar.

Llion Jones of Pant, Llanegryn, was the judge for our sale this year. He awarded the championship to a ewe lamb sired by Garngour Walkabout out of a home bred ewe from Iwan Parry Jones Llawes flock. The reserve champion was a shearling ram from Osian Rhys, Seiont flock.

The first prize ram lamb was a Ffrwd Van Persie lamb from Iwan Parry Jones and first prize shearling ewe was sired by Sportmans Whistle Blower from Wyn Morris, Fachell.

Greenlands Insurance Company kindly sponsored the sale for us this year which meant we were able to offer a £200 prize to the champion. We thank them for their support and hope that this can become a permanent arrangement.

Flock competition results are on page 149



Flock visit to Sportsmans

Flock visit 2017

We had been trying to arrange a visit to the Sportsmans flock for the last few years. This year it finally came off and really was well worth the wait.

The quality of the stock we saw across the board was of the highest standard and it just kept coming, wave after wave. Apart from the stock and shearling ewes we were given a preview of the ram lambs destined for the sales including the tremendous Lanark lamb.

After looking at the sheep we were treated to a barbecue which was equally as good. Everyone who attended had a really enjoyable day. Many thanks to Charlie and the whole family who went to such trouble to make the day so successful.

I would like to conclude my report by thanking everyone who helped organise our events this year and everyone who supported our sale and other activities.

John S Raffle
Chairman

North West

As incoming chairman I would like to thank Jeff Aiken for all his efforts and leadership over the previous two years.

The Club's annual trip saw members from the Northern and Solway and Tyne Club join us for a lively visit to Ireland. The trip took in a collective show of sheep hosted by the West Region as well as Ballymena show and visits to the Drumgooland and Forkins flocks. We saw fantastic sheep over three days and were treated to generous hospitality wherever we went. Thanks to all those who helped make it such a great weekend; with special thanks to Jennifer Aiken for all her efforts.

In June the club visited the Procters flock to see many fine examples of the breed and were made to feel most welcomed by the Aiken family. We held our first under 18's events day at the same time with 13 budding shepherds taking part in various activities and prizes kindly sponsored by Agri Lloyd. The club was treated to a further trip to the Hull House flock where the number and quality of sheep presented were outstanding. Thanks to the Mellin family for their hospitality.

In August the Club held it's annual sale at J36 Kendal. Peter Woof once again took the overall championship and with it a top price of 3950gns. The charity auction and hog roast raised an impressive £1800 for North West

Air Ambulance. A successful young handlers class was also held with Katie Aiken being the eventual winner in a strong class – well done to all those who took part.

The Club's final sale of the year was at Clitheroe Auction Mart. the champion went to Jill Mortimer-Tarbatt with her ram lamb which later sold for 480gns. The sale topped at 720gns for a shearling ram from Procters Farm.

The October flock competition was judged by John and Duncan Mellin, Hull House. It was pleasing to see record entries in the novice flock category. The eventual winner was the Oldford flock and the reserve champion was Jill Mortimer-Tarbat's flock. Members enjoyed a lively presentation evening at the Yew Tree Inn, Anglezarke.

Massive thanks must go to Agri-Lloyd for their continued sponsorship of the club at shows sales and open days.

Finally I would like to thank our club secretary Jill, the committee and members for their continued efforts and support of the club. A massive thank you to Gemma Brown for all of her efforts behind the scenes too.

Robert Pierce
Chairman

Northern Area

As my period as chairman draws to a close I reflect on two years of endeavouring to take the Club forward. The opening of the membership waiting list, after many years, I hope will assist with new blood and new ideas.

This year's flock visit was tied in with two other clubs on a trip to Northern Ireland, which was very much enjoyed by all who attended. The Great Yorkshire Show was a great success with many Northern area members featuring in the placings in all classes. Our September ram sale attracted a very good trade once again with Steve Richardson taking champion with his shearling ram which went on to achieve 2000gns and reserve champion going to P K Woof's 1500gns ram lamb. Prices topped at 4500gns for R Wilson's shearling ram. J & S Lodge took the best shearling ewe and A Harker the ewe lamb.

Rachael and I hosted a summer hog roast/ open day here at Pear Tree which was enjoyed by all who attended. We were also kindly invited by John, Linda Mellin and family - Hull House flock to an open day / flock visit , a great presentation of sheep which I know lead to some good purchases by those who attended . There was also a kind invitation for our club to join in with Midland club visit, the day before, at near neighbour, Stuart Currie - Beauty flock. Our flock competition was kindly judged by Mark Ireland - Heys Texels. Overall champion and large flock champion

was John & Linda Mellin's Hull House flock with reserve champion, champion small flock and champion ewe lambs going to Robert Jones' Dromonby flock. Champion senior stock ram went to Paul Sykes' New Dunsley flock with Tullylagan Wizard and champion stock ram lamb went to Andrew and Bridget Weston's Limestone flock with Eden valley Ace, full results on page 147. The show point's trophy went to S Kirby for the second year in succession.

November saw the first ever hosting of the National AGM/social weekend by Northern area at Oulton Hall, Leeds, a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Our December in-lamb sale saw P K Woof's shearling ewe take the champion spot with Spiros Spyrou taking reserve champion. M & V Collins took the aged ewe and ewe lamb classes. As I step down as chairman I wish the club all the success in the future and hope our new chairman continues to take the club forward.

John Howard
Chairman

Northern Ireland

2017 Texel year started off with our AGM in January, when we were delighted to present charity cheques to Southern Area Hospice, proceeds of which were raised at our open night at W & J Herdman, Templepark Texels.

RUAS, Balmoral, saw a two crop ewe from the flock from Jack Gault, Cherryvale Texels take the championship and S&J McCollam, Carmavy Texels in Reserve.

The Volac Show Flock Championship ran at local shows throughout the year with the Springhill flock taking the overall championship and Forkins in Reserve.



Alastair Sampson, Volac presents John Foster Springhill Texels with the Volac Show Flock Championship rosette 2017 and Alastair Gault, Forkins Texels with the Reserve Champion.

This year's club open night was held at the renowned Clougher & Bushmills Flock's of Victor & David Chestnutt where breeders young and old gathered to view the flocks and take part in the evenings stockjudging event.

The 2017 sale season kicked off with the NI Premier sale which seen prices peak at 4000gns for a ram lamb from Naomi Ardis Millburn flock (Millburn All Star). The evening before saw shearling ewes peak at 2500gns for the Fourtres flock.

The club's annual flock competition took place in mid November, the club were delighted to welcome John Neville of the Thornville flock as this year's judge. Our annual dinner dance was held at the renowned Adair Arms Hotel in Ballymena were Mr Neville crowned the Cherryvale flock overall champion and Millars flock in reserve.

Martin Warnock
Secretary



Sonia McCallion Marie Curie accepts a cheque for £2775 raised at the NI Texel Club's Open Night and Charity Auction from Vice Chairman Henry Gamble.

Ruthin

The quality of sheep entering our show and sale in September is undoubtedly getting better year on year, backed by a full ringside for the show on Sunday followed by a flying trade throughout Monday.

Our judge this year was Jeff Aiken, shepherd for the renowned Proctors flock who awarded the sale champion to a shearling ram from the Williams family of the Caron flock. Mrs Jennifer Aitken was not to be outdone by her husband very ably judging the junior show of well turned out enthusiastic young breeders, she awarded best lamb to Harri Jones and the best young handler also to Harri Jones. Best consignment of shearling rams was judged by local farmer Aled Roberts with Bryn Garth Texels winning first prize. Best consignment of ram lambs was judged by breeder Dylan Jones with the Fachell flock this time taken first prize.

Flock competition

Held in July and judged by club stalwart Mr Arwyn Morris Pencoed flock, we spent a very enjoyable Sunday going around the seven entrants. Congratulations to Robin Ellis of the

Eglur flock who went on to represent the club at the all Wales flock competition.

Arwyn Morris this year stood down as committee member. Arwyn was one of the founder members of the club and our thanks go to Arwyn for all his work over the past years.

AGM & Presentation Evening

Held for consecutive years at The Drovers Arms, Rhewl, Ruthin, a very enjoyable meal was presented to a well attended evening, an excellent evening held by all.

Thank you to all judges for the contribution to this year's events also a special thank you to our auctioneers at Ruthin Farmers for all their hard work on running yet another successful sale, I would like to show my gratitude to secretary Sion Owen and the rest of the committee members for their support as chairman and finally I would like to wish all best to our new incoming chairman Llion Jones and vice chairman Edlon Thomas.

Wyn Owen
Chairman

Scottish

The year started with the club trip to Northern Ireland, this was a fantastic trip for everyone and one of the best supported in many years, with 29 members present. A huge thank you must go to our hosts who made us all feel very welcome and supplied us with top class hospitality. We visited five flocks, these being the Mullan flock of Brian Hanthorn and family; the Kiltariff flock of Barclay Bell and family; the Drumgooland flock of Paul and Baillie O'Connor and family; the Ballyrussell flock of Mary Clarke, and finally the Springwell flock of Henry Gamble and family. This finished off a fantastic weekend, where we got to see some outstanding stock. Thank you must also go to Henry Gamble who helped organise the visits and transport for us.

Live lamb competitions are still a popular event, being well supported at all markets. The Golf and Laser shooting outing is proving a popular event, going from strength to strength.

This year we changed the format of the Jubilee point's trophy, deciding to hold it as a one day show. This took place at Biggar Show and was a great success and well supported, with an outstanding show of sheep forward. Once again, it was supported by Lawrie and Symington, as well as the class sponsors. The Jubilee Points Trophy was won by Robert Cockburn of the Knap flock, with Robert Laird of the Cambwell flock winning the overall Texel championship, with an ewe which went onto win the sheep interbreed and show supreme accolades.

In July, the club visited the Cambwell flock at Biggar, by kind permission of the Laird family. We were joined by the Solway and Tyne Club, and a great day was had by all, with an excellent show of sheep and top hospitality.

The Show and Sale at Lanark in September proved to be a strong sale, with all classes

selling well and improved sale averages. Holding the show on the day of the sale rather than the evening before seemed to be a success also, with less pressure on vendors to have stock forward the night before and a better chance for purchasers to view the stock on offer. At the end of the day, 23 shearlings averaged £495.78 (-£56 for three more sold), 156 ram lambs levelled at £634.17 (+£133.80 for 20 more sold), and 13 gimmers averaged £530.65 (+£147.40 for seven less sold). The pre-sale show was ably judged by Andy Barr, who found his champion in the Scotsman pen, which later went onto realise 4500gns. Topping the trade was a ram lamb again from Scott Michie's Scotsman flock, which made 5200gns.

The stockjudging competition took place in November at Lanark Mart, ably judged by Steven Renwick of the Craig Douglas flock. The open contest was won by Robert Struthers, with David McKerrow winning the YF section, and Harry Griffes leading the juniors.

The flock competition this year was another well supported event, judged by Harry Wilkinson of the Arkle flock. He was very complimentary of the overall standard, placing the Clarks' Teiglum flock as best overall, with Gordon and David Gray's Ettrick flock finishing reserve. The ewe lambs were won by the Grays' Scrogtonhead flock, with Andrew Neilson of the Brackenridge flock coming in reserve.

This rounded off a successful year for the Club and we look forward to the next 12 months with optimism.

Andrew Clark
Chairman

Shropshire & Borders

My first event of 2017 as chairman was the annual pre-lambing 10 pin bowling competition. The winning male bowler was Matt Ellis, Jackie Forrester recorded the highest ladies score and Caoimhe Shields was the childrens winner.

In March, we received the sad news of the death of Max Preece of Wrickton flock. Max was a major influence in the development of the Shropshire and Borders Texel Club and the promotion of Texels within the area. He was club chairman in 1986 and 1987 and was club president from 1999-2007.

June 4th saw the club progeny show take place at Shrewsbury Livestock Market. Thank you to the Derbyshire Club who supported the event while on their three-day trip.

The venue for this year's three-day trip in July was South Wales. The flocks visited were: Caenant Melyn – Owen Williams, LLanthomas – Marion Paul, Lynn and Rhodri Jones, Scoulton – Andrew, Bill and Liz Reed, Stelfox – Tony and Sally Williams and the Welsh flock of Tomas and Selwyn Evans.

The stock on show at each venue was excellent, a credit to their owners and the hospitality shown by their families and friends was second to none.

The flock competition was judged by Deri Morgan, Tynnewydd flock. Deri was impressed with the high standard of the sheep on show leaving him with some difficult decisions to make in each class. The results are on page 151.

On August 6th, we had our one day trip, this year visiting the Sportsmans flock of Charlie Boden. The sheep were in their prime, ready

for the national sales and larger club sales. Once again, thanks to Charlie, Steph, Rosie and Tom for their hospitality and allowing us to visit at this busy time.

In September the real business began, with the first of our ram sales at Shrewsbury Livestock Market. The quality sheep on offer made premium prices. Top price on the day was 1180gns.

The second sale at Welshpool went well. Top price on the day went to Will and Jackie Forrester's shearing ram which made 1500gns. At the final club sale at Welshpool in mid October, there was a good clearance and good prices.


The club would like to congratulate James Ruggeri, Gyros flock, for obtaining the highest sale price for a club member in 2017 when Gyros Andy sold at Carlisle for 15,000gns.

Thank you to Liz McCaffrey for helping to make sure the club Facebook page was kept up to date, to Shirley Jones our secretary and the rest of the committee members for their help and support throughout my first year as chairman.

Here's looking forward to a successful and profitable 2018.

Donald Shields
Chairman

Solway & Tyne

 Our year began with the AGM in January, where we had a good turnout of members. We also presented a cheque for £2000 to Cancer Research UK, following a sale of donated semen. Thanks to Cowal, Hallbeath, Milnbank, Hull House, Cambwell, Procters, Arkle, Stainton and Eden Valley for donating the semen.

We didn't have an annual trip this year, but had successful day trips to visit the Clark family at Garngour and joined the Scottish Club on their visit to Robert and Joyce Lairds' Cambwell flock. Thanks to both families for their hospitality.

The flock competition was well supported and ably judged by John and Gloria Davies from Aman Flock, who endured three very long days judging, with super guide Harry Woodmass. Thanks to them for their time and dedication.

The annual dinner, was another great night and our judges entertained us with some humour and song. The flock competition was won by Adam Mawson, Midcombe flock with G H & G G Wilkinson's Arkle flock taking the reserve place. The Tinwald Points Cup went jointly to Messrs Graham, Hallrigg and Richard Wilson, Eden Valley flocks.

The first sale, now the largest one-day sale of Texels in the UK, saw a buoyant trade, with males, topping at 40,000gns for Garngour Alabama, from J & H Clark. There were six, five-figure prices and a club record in the female section of 9500gns, for a gimmer from Robert Forsyth's Baltier flock, selling to the Foxhill Flock. There was also a steady trade for quality commercial rams. Shearing ram trade peaked at 6500gns when Strathbogie Yamaha, from Jim Innes and Sons, sold for 6500gns to Duhonw Flock.

A sunny day on the second sale saw buyers come early which lead trade to slide

towards the end. Averages held up and the Clark family repeated their success from the first sale taking top price at 3000gns for a ram lamb selling to Silloans Flock. Shearlings were harder to move with the top going to Angus McColm when his pen topped at 1400gns to Dannett Flock.

Thanks to all of our sale judges, Brian Hanthorn, Thomas Illingworth and Allan Mounsey.

Agriexpo was very successful and members again enjoyed the comfort of the Society stand. The three ewe lambs from Matthew Watson were as good as anything in the show ring and the team members provided warm soup and refreshments.

Our membership continues to grow and there have been quite a few new members included this year, although there are still about 40 on the waiting list. The waiting time is now around two years.

The website and Facebook page continue to keep members up to and if anyone has any pictures or results from summer shows, can they please send them in for the gallery as we go through the season.

We would take this opportunity to thank our members for their support over the past year and look forward to seeing you all again in 2018.

Fiona Sloan
Secretary



Adam Mawson, Midcombe winning the overall champion flock and champion ewe lambs

South Eastern

First of all I would like to thank the cub for nominating me in to be their new chairman and would like to thank Bill Baldock for his hard work as the former chairman.

In May we held our flock competition which was split into two classes, large flock and small flock. Alan Draper was our judge and would like to thank him for taking the time to come up for the two days of judging the flocks. Results are on page 153.

On Friday 8th September we held our club ram sale at Ashford Market. Once again Duffield's showed their great support by sponsoring our ram sale for another year. Which is greatly appreciated by the club.

Recorded Ram

1st Hugh & Pauline Skinner (Aragon)

Open ram Class

1st Bill & Sarah Baldock (Blackmores)

Overall Champion Ram

Bill & Sarah Baldock (Blackmores)

Best Pen of Rams

Robert & Nicky Warnock (Tumbletye)

The Dolphin Ram sale was very well attended by club members, Our judge Peter Beeching awarded the champion ram to Bill and Sarah Baldock. With a good trade to follow.

We had a small number of members attend a Christmas meal which was very much enjoyed and an event that we hope to grow for next year.


I would like to welcome our new club members who have joined this year and look forward to seeing everyone at our events in 2018. I would like to thank the committee members for all their hard work over the year, our club would not be the same without them.

Phil Loveland

Chairman

South Wales

Following another successful progeny show the Club's year started with a tremendous turn out at the AGM hosted by Chris and Sue Ball (Brynderi). I would like to thank Chris for all his hard work on behalf of the club.

 Our annual trip was held in June when we headed up north on a Friday to start our visit at the Hope Valley flock then onto Preston for the evening. On the Saturday we visited the Arkle and Ellen Valley flocks and then travelled back down the motorway to see Procters and Tatham Hall. On Sunday morning we visited the Limestone flock and then finished off our trip at the Charben flock.

I must say, on a personal note, that we saw wonderful sheep throughout our visits and some excellent bloodlines. We would like to thank all those involved with the flocks we visited for their hard work in preparation and their kind hospitality. We congratulate them on the quality of their stock.

The beginning of July heralded our flock competition. Mr Phillip Weaver of the Empire flock had a busy three days travelling all over the country. I must say what a pleasure it was to drive Phillip around and to see some fantastic sheep and flocks that we don't always see at the sales and shows. Mr Weaver made his decision and awarded champion flock to the Millend flock and reserve champion to the Brynderi flock. Brynderi then went on to represent South Wales in the All Wales Flock Competition. Our congratulations and thanks to all who competed. Mr Weaver and his wife joined us at our Club Dinner to present the awards. It was a real privilege to have them both

with us for the evening and we would like to thank Phillip so much for judging our flock competition. The format of our dinner was a little bit different this year and I must thank Derfel and James for organising the entertainment which included a 'Sion a Sian' / 'Mr and Mrs' Competition. We owe a huge thank you to Phillip and Helen Weaver and to Russell and Gill Watkins for agreeing to compete.

The Royal Welsh Show once again saw members from the South Wales Club successfully winning prizes. A fantastic result as any prize at this prestigious show is a huge achievement. We extend our congratulations to all members who sold well during the sale season which followed.

I would like to thank Derfel and all the staff at Clee, Tompkinson, and Francis for their hard work and support throughout my year of office.

Finally my sincere thanks to all South Wales Club members for your participation and enthusiasm at all our events. Good luck to you all for the year ahead.

Diolch yn fawr i bawb.

Tomos Evans
Chairman

South West

The South West Texel Club is currently in tremendous fettle. An increasing number of young people are showing a serious interest in the breed whilst the quality of sheep both at sales and shows continues to strengthen.

The English National Sale at Worcester goes down as an occasion the Chave and Summerhayes families are never likely to forget: 23,000gns for their shearing Peacehay Ya Belter (CFPI 6 1450).

This ET bred tup by Scrogtonhead U Stoater and out of a home-bred ewe by Sheeoch Tardis went in a three-way split to Robin and Caroline Orr (Halbeath), Messrs Gray (Langside) and Drayton Farm Partnership (Meonside).

Our own sale at Exeter was nearly as exciting. Six Texel shearlings sold for over 1000gns – testament to demand from regional buyers for quality stock. Emma and Amy Coumbe – relative newcomers to this sale – took no prisoners when their shearing Housey Yeah Man (by Grougfoot Uncle Jim out of a ewe by Aman Teiliwr bought in from JM Arnold & Son's Tregonetha flock at St Columb) was knocked down at 1500gns to Paul Quick.

Next highest at 1300gns was Messrs Frank Henry Chave & Son's show champion Peacehay Young Offender. This one is by Peacehay Untouchable, out of a home-bred ewe by Douganhill Lonestar. Robert and Rebecca Jordan's Moortown Yogi Bear reached 1200gns. This sheep was third in the show, by Langside United and out of a homebred ewe sired by Ettrick Taggart.

There have been many show successes for Texels at our county shows, one-day shows and further afield. EW Quick & Sons secured interbreed champions with their gimmer and aged ram at Devon County and Royal Cornwall, respectively.

A huge thank you must go to all who helped out on the stand at Sheep South West on the hottest day of the year. Despite many farmers taking the opportunity to make some decent hay the stand was busy all day with genuine inquiries regarding the worth of the Texel in commercial flocks. The icing on the cake was securing first prize for Best Trade Stand.

At the end of October Becky and Steve McLean (Fordwell) very kindly travelled down from Faringdon, Oxfordshire, to judge our flock competition. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the results are listed on page 154. We look forward to visiting the champion flock - Graham and Gill Hill's Rolle flock - next year for our AGM.

During the autumn Phil and Lesley Martyn-Ugnow (Badharlick) did a wonderful job hosting the AGM. Lesley's catering skills did not go unnoticed. It was a very enjoyable day and we were grateful to them for making us so welcome at a time when they were building their home, moving farm and managing two very active young girls! We were all very impressed by the quality of stock.

During the summer an inter-breed rounders match provided much entertainment and rivalry between Texel and Charollais breeders. It is hoped this social will be repeated next year with a better results for the Texels.

Rebecca Jordan
Chairwoman

Southern Central

We have had another year with our main event being our show and sale at Wilton in September when we welcomed many old and several new customers. Ed Gwyn kindly came to judge a very high standard of entries.

Shearling rams

1st and reserve champion - Waid and Georgie Helyer
2nd - Waid and Georgie Helyer
3rd - Annabel Hole

Ram Lambs

1st - Waid and Georgie Helyer
2nd - Adrian Dufosee

Shearling Ewes

1st and Show champion - Adrian Dufosee
2nd - Charlie Fielder
3rd - Ian Andrews

There was a strong interest for shearling rams with most of them finding homes. There were, maybe, a few too many ewes with the buyers being very selective.

2017 was a great year for Adrian Dufosee and family as they not only had the

show champion but also won the flock competition which was judged by Nigel Durnford.

Hannah Edmonds with her pink sheep, Uno, with supporters and the cheque



Congratulations to Hannah Edmonds who, with her long suffering, lovely sheep, UNO, collected a massive £1400 for the pink cancer research UK. Poor UNO became a pink sheep and collected at shows, with a bucket and caused a lot of interest wherever she and helpers went.

Date for your diary – Central Southern Club show and sale at Wilton Sheep Fair, 13th September 2018.

Georgie Helyer
Chairman



Adrian Dufosee with his champion ewe together with the Helyers Res. Champion ram and Ed Gwyn the judge.



This is our grandson, Toby, highly elated with his cup and showing off the gigots of winning ewe lamb!! A worms eye view of gigots!!

Derbyshire

Judge: John Howard - Quercus

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|---|---|
| Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Small Flock Shearling Ewes |
| 1st F Rushton - Fresh Fields | 1st H Fletcher - Damdale |
| 2nd S Talbot - Jenah | 2nd F Rushton - Fresh Fields |
| | 3rd R Cartledge - Plattin |
| Small Flock Stock Ram | Best Small Flock Homebred Ram |
| 1st S Talbot - Jenah - GAF1601686 Forkins Yabby | 1st F Rushton - RFF1600452 - Fresh Fields A Cracker |
| 2nd R Cartledge - RSS1600429 Stonebridge Yogi | 2nd R Cartledge - CPR1700257 - Plattin A-Star |
| | 3rd S Talbot - TBO1700700 - Jenah Albert |
| Champion Small Flock | Reserve Champion Small Flock |
| H Fletcher - Damdale | 1st F Rushton - Fresh Fields |
| Large Flock Ewe Lambs | Large Flock Shearling Ewes |
| 1st P Barlow - Moorclose | 1st B Baggott - Coley |
| 2nd B Baggott - Coley | 2nd P Barlow - Moorclose |
| Large Flock Stock Ram | Large Flock Homebred Ram |
| 1st P Barlow - Moorclose WBUI601421 - Lower Reiss Yager Bomb | 1st P Barlow - Moorclose BQY16003807 - Moorclose Yes Sir |
| | 2nd B Baggott - Coley BPY1701583 |
| Champion Large Flock | Reserve Champion Large Flock |
| P Barlow - Moorclose | B Baggott - Coley |
| Overall Champion | Reserve Champion |
| H Fletcher - Damdale | F Rushton - Fresh Fields |



Derbyshire Club Newcomers

| 3 Ewe Lambs | 3 Shearling Ewes |
|--|--|
| 1st H Stanley - Melbourne | 1st R Sowter - Hazelhood |
| 2nd C Asher - McLean | 2nd J Newton - Moorgate |
| 3rd R Sowter - Hazelhood | 3rd W Wilton |
| Stock Ram | Homebred Ram |
| 1st J Newton - GGH1505125 Ettrick Waterboy | 1st R Sowter - SRV1700267 Hazelwood Angus |
| 2nd R Dykes - FHD1500251 Damdale What a Bloke | 2nd C Asher - AHR17000006 Allan Shearer |
| 3rd W Stilton - WWO1500187 Lodley Winston | 3rd J Newton - NWT1700172 Moorgate Acorn |
| Champion Newcomer | Reserve Champion Newcomer |
| C Asher - McLean | R Sowter - Hazelhood |



Dyfed

Judge: Robert Laird - Cambwell

| Best Small Flock | Best Medium Flock |
|--|-------------------------------|
| 1st Alfryn Davies - Ifan Ddu | 1st DJJ Watkins - Cwmcerrig |
| 2nd Carwyn Lewis - Hathren | 2nd S & K Lewis - Karven |
| 3rd Owen Williams - Solbury | 3rd DR & SL Jones - Steddfa |
| Best Large Flock | |
| 1st J E & L Davies - Teilo | |
| 2nd D K & J M Thomas - Tywi | |
| 3rd Selwyn & Tomos Evans - Welsh | |
| Best Stock Ram | Best Gimmers |
| 1st Stelfox Farms Ltd - Stelfox BLB1500834 - Ballaglonney Will Be Good | 1st D J J Watkins - Cwmcerrig |
| 2nd S & T Evans - Welsh & DJJ Watkins Cwmcerrig ORE1406619 - Eryri Van Dango | 2nd J E & L Davies - Teilo |
| 3rd DJJ Watkins - Cwmcerrig WJJ1601038 - Cwmcerrig Young Gun | 3rd Carwyn Lewis - Hathren |
| Best Shearling Rams | Best Lambs |
| 1st - Stelfox Ltd - Stelfox | 1st D K & J M Thomas - Tywi |
| | 2nd S & T Evans - Welsh |
| | 3rd J E & L Davies - Teilo |
| Champion Flock | Reserve Champion Flock |
| J E & L Davies - Teilo | D J J Watkins - Cwmcerrig |



Gloucester and Border Counties

Judge: Meg & Charlotte Watkins - Millend

| Best Small Flock | Best Large Flock |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1st David Martin - Barnage | 1st Nicola and Jim Hartwright - Whitehart |
| 2nd Paul Phillips -Kimbolton | 2nd J & B Leadbeater - Blackbird |
| 3rd Sam McPherson - Sands | 3rd A & S Andrews - Miserden |
| Best Gimmers | |
| Nicola & Jim Hartwright - Whitehart | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Nicola & Jim Hartwright - Whitehart | |

Midlands

Judge: Steve Richardson - Stonebridge

| Small Flock | Large Flock |
|---|---|
| 1st Melanie Kellet - Booley | 1st J & S Williams - Honeyhill |
| 2nd Paul Castle - Ulmus | 2nd P & V Barlow - Moorclose |
| 3rd C A Freeman - Fernave | 3rd P Weaver - Empire |
| Junior Stock Ram | Senior Stock Ram |
| 1st R & M Lawrence - Coton BGS1702678 - Sportsmans Atlanta | 1st R & M Lawrence - Coton MAE1301421 - Crailloch Usain Bolt |
| 2nd Paul Castle - Ulmus BGS1702644 - Sportsmans Amir | 2nd R & B Smith - Slapton GEB1600876 - Bettonfield Yahoo |
| 3rd B & J Leadbeater - Blackbird UVPI702864 - Blackbird Usk Vale Alfie | 3rd Paul Castle - Ulmus GCT1606270 - Tima Yes Man |
| Champion Flock | Reserve Champion Flock |
| J & S Williams - Honeyhill | P & V Barlow - Moorclose |

North Scotland

Judge: Robert Cockburn - Knap

| Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Medium Flock Ewe Lambs |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1st W J & M Hunter - Hunters | 1st Brian Buchan Jnr - Clinterty |
| 2nd Gavin Buchan - Pennan | 2nd Graham A S Morrison - Deveronvale |
| 3rd Keith Ingram - Ault More | 3rd Kenny Pratt - Hilltop |
| Large Flock Ewe Lambs | |
| 1st Robert H Wilson - Milnbank | |
| 2nd R & K Davidson - Corsairty | |
| Champion pen of Ewe Lambs | |
| Robert H Wilson - Milnbank | |
| Small Flock | Medium Flock |
| 1st W J & M Hunter - Hunters | 1st Graham A S Morrison - Deveronvale |
| 2nd Keith Ingram - Ault More | 2nd Brian Buchan Jnr - Clinterty |
| 3rd Gavin Buchan - Pennan | 3rd Kenny Pratt - Hilltop |
| Large Flock | |
| Robert H Wilson - Milnbank | |
| R & K Davidson - Corsairty | |
| Matthew Seed - Auchry | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Graham A S Morrison - Deveronvale | |
| Champion Stock Ram | |
| Robert H Wilson - Milnbank - IJSI 600754 - Strathbogie Yes Sir | |
| Reserve Champion Stock Ram | |
| R Matthew Seed - Auchry - DWC I 601243 - Canllefaes You Are The One | |



North West

Judge: John & Duncan Mellin - Hull House

| Best Small Flock | Best Medium Flock |
|--|---|
| 1st Jill Mortimer-Tarbatt - Earnshaw | 1st Chris Ladds - Benson Hall |
| 2nd Rob Mason - Hoskinshire | 2nd Rob Smith - Coppy |
| | 3rd - Ann Jackson - Newstead |
| Best Large Flock | |
| 1st Robert Pierce - Oldford | |
| 2nd Mark Ireland - Heys | |
| Best Five Gimmer Lambs | Best Seven Gimmer Lambs |
| 1st Jill Mortimer-Tarbatt - Earnshaw | 1st Rob Smith - Coppy |
| 2nd Rob Mason - Hoskinshire | 2nd Chris Ladds - Benson Hall |
| 3rd Rebecca Knipe - Rusland | 3rd Ann Jackson - Newstead |
| Best Ten Gimmer Lambs | |
| 1st Robert Pierce - Oldford | |
| 2nd Mark Ireland - Heys | |
| 3rd Will & Sharon Piell - Piell's | |
| Small Novice Flock | Large Novice Flock |
| 1st Rebecca Knipe - Rusland | 1st Keith Parker - Wyrebeck |
| 2nd Daniel Tennant - Ribble | 2nd Will & Sharon Piell - Piell's |
| 3rd Eammon Vaughan - Partridge Nest | |
| Best Stock Ram - Junior | Best Stock Ram - Senior |
| 1st Keith Parker - Wyrebeck LYMI702458 - Milnbank Ace of Spades | 1st Rob Mason - Hoskinshire CXPI508428 - Stump Cross Water Boy |
| 2nd Mark Ireland - Heys IMHI707228 - Heys Atomic | 2nd Will & Sharon Piell - Piell's GCK1507151 - Douganhill Wildfire |
| 3rd Rob Smith - Coppy GGHI707071 - Ettrick Astroturf | 3rd Jill Mortimer-Tarbatt - Earnshaw GBVI600355 - Auchencorth Yager Bomb |
| Champion Stock Ram | |
| Keith Parker - Wyrebeck - LYMI702458 - Milnbank Ace of Spades | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Robert Pierce - Oldford | |
| Reserve Champion | |
| Jill Mortimer-Tarbatt - Earnshaw | |

Northern Area

Judges: Mark Ireland - Heys

| Large Flock - 30 ewes & over | Small Flock - under 30 ewes |
|---|--|
| 1st John, Linda & Duncan Mellin Hull House | 1st Robert Jones - Dromonby |
| 2nd John Howard - Quercus | 2nd Andrew & Bridget Weston - Limestone |
| 3rd Paul Sykes - New Dunsley | 3rd Steven Kirby |
| Ewe Lambs | |
| 1st- Robert Jones - Dromonby | |
| 2nd John, Linda & Duncan Mellin - Hull House | |
| 3rd Andrew & Bridget Weston - Limestone | |
| Best Senior Stock Ram (Shearling or older) | Best Stock Ram Lamb |
| 1st Paul Sykes - New Dunsley HPY1501091 - Tullylagan Wizard | 1st Andrew & Bridget Weston - Limestone WEV1700938 - Eden Valley Ace |
| 2nd John, Linda & Duncan Mellin - Hull House - WXH1612204 Crimple Head Your the Man | 2nd John, Linda & Duncan Mellin - Hull House - IJS1701602 - Strathbogie Ali G |
| 3rd John Howard - Quercus - CPI600577 Drumgooland Yabba Dabba | 3rd Steven Kirby |
| Champion Flock | |
| John, Linda & Duncan Mellin - Hull House | |
| Reserve Champion Flock | |
| Robert Jones - Dromonby | |



Northern Ireland

Judge: John Neville

| Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Medium Flock Ewe Lambs |
|---|--|
| 1st Jack Gault - Cherryvale | 1st Martin Warnock - Straidarran |
| 2nd Philip Whyte - Innisrush | 2nd Naomi Ardis - Millburn |
| 3rd Danny McKay - Rowandale | 3rd S & J McCollam - Carmavy |
| Large Flock Ewe Lambs | |
| 1st Alastair Gault - Forkins | |
| 2nd John Foster - Springhill | |
| 3rd Martin & Cyril Millar - Millar's | |
| Senior Ram | Junior RAM |
| 1st A Gault - Forkins ONH1500312 - Halbeath Woody | 1st Christopher & Martin Mullan Blue Gates OCPI700816 - Drumgooland Aga Khan |
| 2nd N Ross - Glenross TYC1300324 - Curley Usher | 2nd Martin & Cyril Millar - Millar's VMG1701620 - Millar's Abracadabra |
| 3rd J Foster - Springhill CFY1600994 - Bluehill Yogi | 3rd Simpson & Calvin - Ballyhivistock ERX1701103 - Millburn All Star |
| Small Flock | Medium Flock |
| 1st Jack Gault - Cherryvale | 1st Alastair Gault - Springhill |
| 2nd Adrian Liggett - Corbo | 2nd S & J McCollam - Carmavy |
| 3rd Danny McKay - Rowandale | 3rd Frank Clewer - Bluehill |
| Large Flock | |
| 1st Martin Millar - Millar's | |
| 2nd Victor Chestnutt - Clougher | |
| 3rd John Foster - Forkins | |
| Reserve Champion Flock | Champion Flock |
| Martin & Cyril Millar - Millar's | Jack Gault - Cherryvale |
| Volac Championship | |
| Reserve | Champion |
| Alastair Gault - Forkins | John Foster - Springhill |

North Wales

Judge: David Williams - Criccin

| Best Stock Ram | Best Pen of 5 Lambs |
|---|------------------------|
| Osian Rhys - Seiont JKEI405014 - Boghouse V-Ewe Finder | Iwan Williams - Llyfni |
| Best Pen of 5 Ewe Lambs | |
| Dafydd Jones - Kitrob | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Dafydd Jones - Kitrob | |

Ruthin

Judge: Arwyn Morris - Pencoed

| Best Small Flock | Best Large Flock |
|------------------------|---|
| 1st Nia Ellis - Kauri | 1st Robin Ellis - Eglur |
| | 2nd Carl H Bellis - Cosyn Texels |
| Best Shearling Ewes | Best Stock Tup |
| Iolo P Jones - Llangwm | Carl H Bellis - Cosyn Texels WGA1603037 - Arkle Youre In |
| Champion Flock | |
| Robin Ellis - Eglur | |



Scottish

Judge: Harry Wilkinson - Arkle

| Small Flock | Medium Flock |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1st R & M Struthers - Collielaw | 1st Clark Farms - Teiglum |
| 2nd David Gray - Tima | 2nd J & H Clark - Garngour |
| 3rd Allan Campbell - Strawfrank | 3rd Steven Renwick - Craig Douglas |
| Large Flock | |
| 1st Gordon Gray - Ettrick | |
| 2nd Lynn Gray - Scrogtonhead | |
| 3rd T & R Laird - Cambwell | |
| Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Medium Flock Ewe Lambs |
| 1st Andrew Neilson - Brackenridge | 1st James Currie - Carlinside |
| 2nd James & John Dunlop - Eastfield | 2nd J McKerrow - Grougfoot |
| 3rd Allan Cambwell - Strawfrank | 3rd J & H Clark - Garngour |
| Champion Ewe Lambs | Reserve Champion Ewe Lambs |
| Lynn Gray - Scrogtonhead | Andrew Neilson - Brackenridge |
| Best Stock Tup | |
| Allan Campbell - Strawfrank - HBR1600833 - Ballynahone Yorkie | |
| Champion | Reserve Champion |
| Clark Farms - Teiglum | Gordon Gray - Ettrick |



Shropshire & Borders

Judge: Deri Morgan - Tynewydd

| Best Small Flock | Best Medium Flock |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1st Elgan Davies - Llwyngan | 1st Robert Pierce - Oldford |
| 2nd D N Higgins - Bentley Ford | 2nd Matthew Ellis - Cressage |
| 3rd D Shields - Chapelcott | 3rd Paul Phillips - Kimbolton J B Joseph - Waen |
| Best Large Flock | |
| 1st Robert Bennett - Plasucha | |
| 2nd S P & C PWilliams - Wollascott | |
| 3rd W L & J A Forrester - Doonguile | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Robert Bennett - Plasucha | |
| Reserve Champion | |
| S P & C PWilliams - Wollascott | |
| Best Welsh Flock | |
| Robert Bennett - Plasucha | |
| Reserve Welsh Flock | |
| Elgan Davies - Llwyngan | |
| Champion Gimmers | |
| Robert Bennett - Plasucha | |
| Reserve Champion Gimmers | |
| S P & C PWilliams - Wollascott | |



Solway & Tyne

Judge: Gloria & John Davies - Aman

| Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Medium Flock Ewe Lambs |
|--|---|
| 1st Adam Mawson - Midcombe | 1st Matthew MacTaggart - Rascarrel |
| 2nd William Fleming - Mossknowe | 2nd David Jarman - Stow Beck |
| 3rd Hamish Currie - Burnholm | 3rd Harry, Irena & Nick Woodmass Harene |
| Large Flock Ewe Lambs | |
| 1st G H & G G Wilkinson - Arkle | |
| 2nd Angus McColm - Crailloch | |
| 3rd Messrs Graham - Hallrigg | |
| Reserve Champion Flock of Ewe Lambs | Champion Flock of Ewe Lambs |
| G H & G G Wilkinson - Arkle | Adam Mawson - Midcombe |
| Senior Ram | Ram Lamb |
| 1st David Jarman - Stow Beck CFA1600710 - Finevalley Yogi | 1st Angus McColm - Crailloch CJNI704947 - Garngour Alexander |
| 2nd Jamie Brownrigg - Castle Sowerby WKMI515039 Midlock Wilsons Pride | 2nd Matthew MacTaggart - Rascarrel LTE1701065 - Cornmore Assault |
| 3rd Angus McColm - Crailloch BBY1601062 - Clinterty Yorkie | 3rd G H & G G Wilkinson - Arkle CNKI700542 - Strawfrank Alphonso |
| Reserve Champion Ram | Champion Ram |
| Matthew MacTaggart - Rascarrel LTE1701065 - Cornmore Assault | Angus McColm - Crailloch BBY1601062 Clinterty Yorkie |
| Small Flock | Medium Flock |
| 1st Adam Mawson - Midcombe | 1st Matthew MacTaggart - Rascarrel |
| 2nd William Fleming - Mossknowe | 2nd David Jarman - Stow Beck |
| 3rd Hamish Currie - Burnholm | 3rd Harry, Irena & Nick Woodmass Harene |
| Large Flock | |
| 1st G H & G G Wilkinson - Arkle | |
| 2nd Angus McColm - Crailloch | |
| 3rd Ian Murray - Glenway | |
| Reserve Champion Flock | Champion Flock |
| G H & G G Wilkinson - Arkle | Adam Mawson - Midcombe |

South Wales

Judge: Phillip Weaver - Empire

| Best Small Flock | Best Medium Flock |
|---|--|
| 1st Chris Ball - Brynderi | 1st Michael James - Duhonw |
| 2nd J & GY Davies - Aman | 2nd Alan & Owen Hughes - Vale |
| 3rd James & Trudy Davies - Trujim | 3rd Marion Jones & Family - Llanthomas |
| Best Large Flock | |
| 1st Russell & Gill Watkins - Millend | |
| 2nd - Reed Family - Scolton | |
| 3rd - Tony & Jill Williams - Stelfox | |
| Best Stock Ram | |
| 1st Michael James - Duhonw - Meinspride Usain - LNMI301533 | |
| 2nd Russell & Gill Watkins - Millend - Strawfrank Yoda - CNKI600397 | |
| 3rd Russell & Gill Watkins - Millend - Tumble Tye Vacation - WNT1400456 | |
| Best Gimmers | |
| Michael James - Duhonw | |
| Reserve Champion Gimmers | |
| Chris Ball - Brynderi | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Russell & Gill Watkins - Millend | |

South East

Judge: Alan Draper - Hollyford

| Best Small Flock | Best Large Flock |
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| Bill & Sarah Baldock - Blackmores | Robert & Nicky Warnock - Tumbletye |



South West

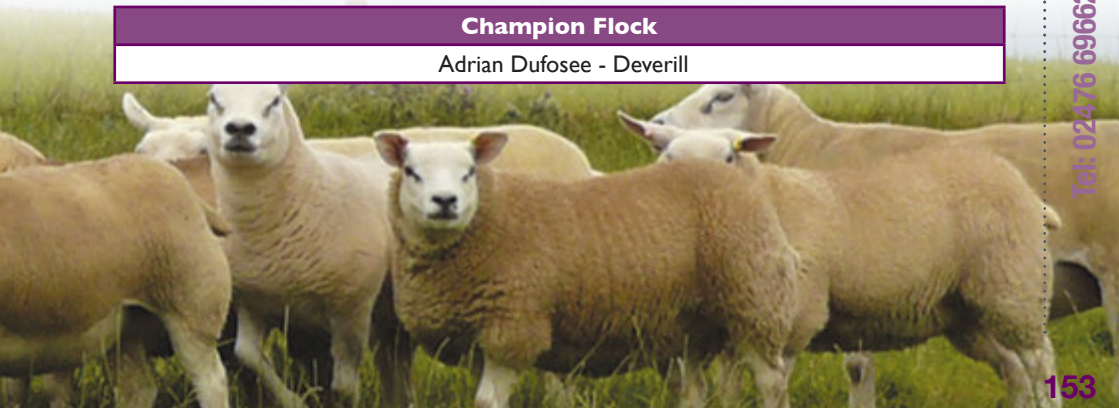
Judge: Steve & Becky McLean - Fordwell

| Best Small Flock | Best Large Flock |
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| 1st R Stevens - Russell's | 1st Graham Hill - Rolle |
| 2nd R & R Jordan - Moortown | 2nd K Coumbe - Housey |
| 3rd T Ball - Lypehill | 3rd A Carter - Millcroft |
| Best Small Flock Ewe Lambs | Best Large Flock Ewe Lambs |
| 1st R Stevens - Russell's | 1st A Carter - Millcroft |
| 2nd G Hutchings - Kensey Valley | 2nd K Coumbe - Housey |
| 3rd J Robinson - Cotton Valley | 3rd Graham Hill - Rolle |
| Best Small Flock Ram Lambs | Best Large Flock Ram Lambs |
| 1st T Ball - Lypehill | 1st K Coumbe - Housey |
| 2nd R Stevens - Russell's | 2nd M Lear - Sidborough |
| 3rd R & R Jordan - Moortown | 3rd Graham Hill - Rolle |
| Best Stock Ram | |
| N Prouse - Lambley - GIH1701515 - Humeston Atta Boy | |
| Graham Hill - Rolle - GAF1601614 - Forkins York II | |
| Champion Flock | |
| Graham Hill - Rolle | |
| Reserve Champion Flock | |
| K Coumbe - Housey | |

Southern Central

Judge: Nigel Durnford - Vashtie

| Champion Flock |
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| Adrian Dufosee - Deverill |



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| <p>29 August GAERWEN Morgan & Evans Tel: 01248 421582</p> | <p>1 September FFAIRFACH Ffairfach Livestock Mart Tel: 01267 236 268</p> | <p>6 - 7 September CARLISLE Harrison & Hetherington Tel: 01228 406 230</p> | <p>7 September ASHFORD Hobbs Parker Tel: 01233 502222</p> |
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| 26 September MARKETHILL Markethill Livestock Tel: 028 3755 1265 | 12 October GORTIN Richard Beattie's Livestock Sales Tel: 028 8164 7105 | 15 October BALLYMENA (Harvest Sale) J A McClelland Tel: 028 2563 3470 | |

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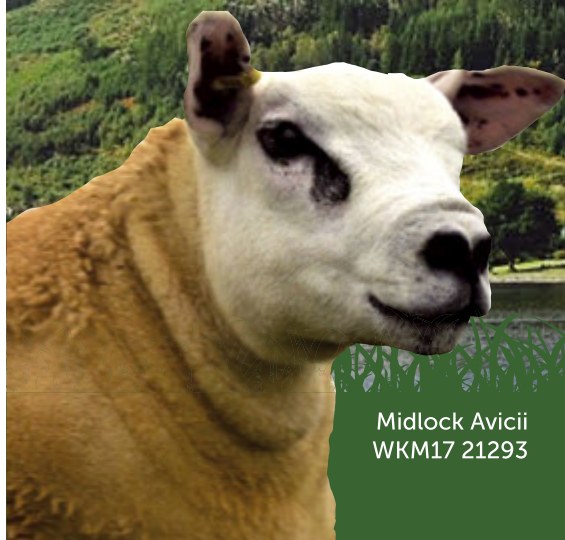
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