



WALLETS MARTS CASTLE DOUGLAS LIMITED

FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2016 BLUEFACED LEICESTER SHEARLINGS AND RAM LAMBS

Wallets Marts Castle Douglas Limited staged the 28th Annual Show and Sale of Registered Bluefaced Leicester Rams held under the auspices of the Bluefaced Leicester Sheep Society on Friday 23rd September 2016.

A large gathering of breed enthusiasts and buyers from Scotland, England, Wales and Ireland were in attendance and a sound trade ensued throughout. At the pre-sale show the judge, Mr Gary McDonald, awarded the Championship tickets to Lot No 41, a Midlock sired Shearling, consigned by Mr M Drummond, Cassington, Maybole. It later sold for £1200 to JC Jones, Corwen. Reserve Champion came in the form of a Ram Lamb Lot Number 168 from A Brown, Macqueston, Thornhill which later made £1150 to HR Contractors Ltd, Clonrae.

Shearlings enjoyed the best of the day's trade selling to £3800 for a Highberries sired ram from A Brown, Macqueston and selling to R Dunlop & Son, Pinvalley, Barr. Macqueston went on to sell at £3400 and £3000 to R & F Loughridge, Northern Ireland. Overall average in the Shearling section levelled at £711.04 for 134 sold, a rise of £160.38 for 32 less sold than last year.

Ram lambs were a poorer quality than the previous year with buyers being more selective. Whilst the better bred sheep sold easily plainer types were harder to cash. Topping the section at £1500 was lot number 190 from J Wight & Sons, Midlock selling to TW Hamilton & Sons, Kirkton of Crawford. Next up at £1150 was the reserve champion from Macqueston. With only five four figure bids the average fell by £135.15 to £512.89 for 46 sold.

SHEARLING RAMS

£3800 Macqueston; £3400 Macqueston; £3000 Macqueston; £2100 Marr; £2100 Barlaes; £200 Macqueston; £1700 Lagganpark; £1500 JD Blues; £1450 Barlaes; £1450 Barr; £1350 Macqueston; £1350 Dalpeddar; £1200 Cassington; £1100 Upper Hardland; £1050 Lagganpark; £1000 JD Blues; £1000 Barlaes; £1000 JD Blues; £1000 JD Blues; £950 Barlaes; £950 Barr; £950 Barr; £950 JD Blues; Upper Hardland £900; Upper Hardland £900; Finniness £900; Barr £900; Finniness £900; Barr £850; Barr £850.

RAM LAMBS

£1500 Midlock; £1150 Macqueston; £1100 Midlock; £1000 Midlock; Lochhill £880; £850 Moscow; £850 Sauchrie Mains £850; Barlaes £820; Nisbets £700; £700 Macqueston; £680 Barlaes; £650 Macqueston; £620 Lochhill; £600 Sauchrie Mains; £580 Barlaes; £550 Macqueston; £550 Culdoach; £520 Hundith; £500 Barlaes; £480 Macqueston; £480 Glenlaugh; £420 Lochhill; £420 Culdoach.