

Prime Sheep Report

Wednesday 29th October 2025

On Wednesday Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their weekly sale of 5,680 prime sheep, comprising of 3,040 prime lambs and 2,641 cast ewes & rams.

A much greater entry of 3,040 lambs were forward with another lift in the trade here at Penrith especially for export weights. This resulted in an sqq average of 338.5ppk or a whole sale average of 312ppk or £151 per head, £18 up on last year.

Meaty sheep were in strong demand for all classes. Topping the days trading at 448ppk came from Messrs R W & G Dickinson, High Knipe for a pen of Texel x lambs weighing 42kg at £188. Closely followed at 443ppk for a pen of 19 Beltex's weighing 42kg achieving £186 from Messrs W Gribbon & Co, Waterside Farm.

Numerous pens of lambs sold in excess of 400ppk. Topping per head at £207 came on two occasions both being Beltex's from Mrs J Marshall, Hermitage weighing 49kg at 422ppk and the others weighing 51kg at 406ppk. Also selling over £200 came from Messrs C A & J R Brown, Deepdale Hall for a 50kg Beltex lamb selling to £206.

Suffolk lambs topped trading at £185 for a pen weighing 64kg from Messrs W H Brass, Low Row. Ppk for Suffolks topped at 339ppk for 4 lovely types weighing 44kg achieving £149.

Mule lambs topped the trading at £166 for a pen of 19 weighing 59kg from Messrs T E Clarke, Howgill Castle.

Cast Ewes and Rams were completely off the clock with trade, with an overall sale average of £153.38 being achieved with plenty of ewes £20-£30 ahead up on the week. Topping at £390 was Mr S Lawson, Huntly Lodge with a monster of a pure Texel ewe selling to Yorkshire Halal, Ossett.

A grand total of 47 ewes sold over £300 with leading averages going to Mr H G Jackson, Littlebeck with 14 Texel X Beltex Ewes to average £280.29. With some larger pens achieving £330 for a pen of 10 pure Texels from Mr J Winter, Clickham.

All Suffolks sold averaged £191.20. Topping at £295 for a Texel X Suffolk from Messrs P & A Jarman, Brow Top with pure ewes to £290 from Mr H Mcrae, Shethin Farm with larger pens achieving £225x14; £202x25; £202x24.

Horned ewes fell along way short of buyer's requirements topping at £142 for 31 fed Scotch Blackfaced ewes from South Bogbain selling to Yorkshire Halal.

Swaledales sold extremely well, with pen after pen achieving £100 ahead plus topping at £134 from Mr J T Davidson, Bell Mount, with larger pens to £116x20; £112x15; £108x17; £106 x12; £100x15.

Tups again were a flying trade, topping at £280 for a pure Beltex with plenty well over £200, averaging £180.16 and Lonks achieving £190 ahead.

Some brilliant runs were forward at yesterdays sale a credit to all vendors. More sheep can be sold to vendors advantage. Please advise entries to Paul Gardner on 07552 589141, or Andrew Maughan on 07717611952.

Leading Prices

Prime Lambs p/kg

Texel – 448.0 High Knipe; 433.0, 391.0, 376.0 Woodfoot; 423.0, 405.0, 404.0, 303.0, 380.0 Low Row; 405.0 West House; 402.0 Staingills; 400.0, 371.0 Clifton Moor Farm; 396.0 Brockwoodlees Farm; 382.0 Moory Lea Farm; 378.0 (2), 370.0 Hewer Hill; 378.0 Waterside House

Beltex – 443.0, 422.0, 395.0 Waterside Farm; 438.0 Low Row; 427.0 Woodfoot; 422.0, 406.0 Hermitage; 418.0, 398.0, 396.0 Gallowberry; 417.0, 400.0, 377.0 Galloper Park; 413.0, 410.0, 372.0 Staingills; 412.0 Deepdale Hall; 411.0, 400.0 Moory Lea Farm; 404.0, 388.0 Sycamore Rise; 402.0, 393.0, 370.0 Bank House (Elliott); 400.0 Inglewood Edge; 396.0 Manor Farm (Pearson); 396.0 Brockwoodlees Farm; 388.0 Ireshope Plains; 383.0 Holme Wrangle; 382.0 Galleywreay Farm; 381.0 High Moss; 377.0 North Gill Bank

Blue Texel – 414.0, 402.0, 389.0, 386.0, 381.0, 366.0 Brougham Castle; 356.0 Manor Farm (Pearson)

Continental – 344.0, 335.5, 310.0 Staingills; 334.0, 324.0 Gall Farm; 327.0, 326.0, 310.0 Sycamore Rise; 315.0 Brow Top

Suffolk – 339.0, 326.0, 309.0 Staingills; 321.0 (2), 307.0 Gall Farm; 315.0 West House; 314.0, 300.0 Rectory Farm; 312.0 High Knipe; 309.0 Hallgarth; 307.0 Friarbiggin; 302.0 Hole House; 302.0 Inglewood Edge; 302.0 North Gill Bank; 300.0 Holme House; 300.0 Low Row

Cheviot – 327.0, 300.0 High Lodore; 320.0, 302.0 Gall Farm; 311.0 Ireshope Plains; 305.0, 300.0 Bank Hall; 300.0 Kilnknowe Farm

Mule – 287.0 Ireshope Plains; 286.0 North Gill Bank; 285.0, 278.0 Fog Close; 284.0, 281.0, 278.0, 276.0 Howgill Castle; 280.0, 278.0 Waterside House; 279.0 High Howe; 279.0 Undercragg

Cheviot Mule – 281.0 Ranbeck; 281.0 Low Abbey

Prime Lambs £/head

Beltex - £207 (2), £171, £170 (2) Hermitage; £206, £188 Deepdale Hall; £196, £188 Inglewood Edge; £192, £180 Woodfoot; £187, £186, £180 Gallowberry Farm; £187, £184 Low Row; £187, £170 Ranbeck; £186, £182, £173 Sycamore Rise; £186, £173, £170 Waterside Farm; £186 Ireshope Plains; £184, £180, £178 Manor Farm (Pearson); £184 High Moss; £184 Holme Wrangle; £182 Brockwoodlees; £178 (2) Throstle Hall; £177, £174 Bank House (Elliott); £175 Galloper Park £174 Swallow Heights; £173 Hole House; £172 Galleywreay Farm; £171 Staingills; £170 Oaklands

Texel - £198 Moory Lea Farm; £193, £187, £183, £177 Clifton Moor Farm; £190, £182, £172, £170, £169 (3) Low Row; £190, £182, £171 Brockwoodlees Farm; £188 (2), £178, £170 High Knipe; £185, £173 Waterside House; £183, £178 Sleagill House; £182, £180, £173 Woodfoot; £180, £179 (2), £178, £174, £170 Undercragg; £178 West House; £177 Staingills; £176 Low Abbey; £175 Sceugh Dyke; £174, £170 (2) Hewer Hill; £174 High Moss; £173 Sycamore Rise; £171 Rottington Hall; £170 Throstle Hall; £170 High Harberwain; £170 Sceugh Dyke

Blue Texel - £192, £183, £178, £177, £172, £166 Brougham Castle; £171, £170, £168 Manor Farm (Pearson)

Continental - £188 High Knipe; £180, £161, £160 Sycamore Rise; £172 Towcett Farm; £170 Moory Lea Farm; £160 Undercragg; £160 Ireshope Plains; £160 High Lodore Farm

Suffolk - £185, £177, £148, £145 Low Row; £184 High Knipe; £182, £170 Sleagill House; £178, £171 South View (Wilson); £178 Undercragg; £175, £157, £155 Scales Hall; £171 Cape Farm; £160 Friarbiggin; £159 Towcett Farm; £158 Scales Farm (Pollock); £157 Ireshope Plains; £156 Holme House; £156 Stoneybeck Farm; £154 Wreay Hall Farm; £152 Low Abbey; £150, £146 Grassknop Farm; £150 Greenacres; £149, £146, £145 Hole House (Coulston); £149 Staingills; £148 Inglewood Edge; £148 Hewan Hill; £146 Hallgarth; £145 North Gill Bank; £145 West House

Dutch Spotted - £180 Wreay Hall Farm

Mule - £166, £149, £142 Howgill Castle; £158, £140 Ireshope Plains; £157, £150 Waterside House; £150 Hole House; £144 Undercragg; £140 North Gill Bank

Bluefaced Leicester - £162 Waterside House

Charollais - £160 Holme House

Zwartble - £160 Ireshope Plains

Cheviot – £152 High Knipe; £149, £147 High Lodore; £145 Woodfoot

Cheviot-Mule - £149 Low Abbey; £149 Ranbeck

Cast Ewes £/head

Texel (av £237.82) - £390, £285 (2) Huntley Lodge Farm; £360, £355, £310, £300, £275, £270 Bogie Street; £360, £355, £300, £260 Holme House; £350 (2), £300, £270, £238 Shethin Farm; £350, £330, £290, £280, £262 Littlebeck; £350, £290, £260 Far Broom; £345, £335 Hewan Hill; £330 (2), £300 Clickham; £325 Waters Farm; £300, £265 (2), £245 Oaklands; £300, £275 Park House; £300 Dryevers Farm; £280 Firbank; £275 Castle Bank; £268, £242 Old Wall; £268 Well Head Farm; £250 Greenlands; £250 High & Low Buildings; £245 Greenacres

Blue Texel (av £224.15) - £300, £216 Bogie Street; £268 Old Wall; £220 (2) Greenacres

Suffolk (av £191.20) - £295, £226, £204 Brow Top; £290, £210, £204 Shethin Farm; £250, £229, £202 (2) Holme House; £246, £198 Bogie Street; £235 Oaklands; £214 Bolton Hall; £208, £190 Huntley Lodge Farm; £198, £188 Swallow Heights; £198 Bank Head; £194 Scales Farm (Wilson); £194 Brayton Road; £192 Park House

Continental (av £117.89) - £275 Firbank; £268, £264, £230, £228, £199 Gallowberry; £250, £208 (2) Clickham; £238, £204 High & Low Buildings; £236, £218, £198 Hill Crest; £235, £212 (2), £204 (2) Greenacres; £230, £224, £220, £218, £209, £207 Holme House; £222 Bell Mount; £222 North Gill Bank; £222 Huntley Lodge Farm; £216, £212, £200 Greenlands; £208 Brow Top; £207 (2) Hewan Hill; £206 Bolton Hall; £205, £202, £200 (2) Bank Head; £205, £198 Shethin Farm; £202 Hole Farm; £198 Salineshaw Farm; £198 Raw Foot; £198 Bogie Street

Beltex (av £227.64) - £270, £234, £230, £205, £200 Inglewood Edge; £260, £222 Huntley Lodge Farm; £220 Oaklands

Charollais (av £228.45) - £270 Holme House; £235 Waters Farm; £208 Colene Croft

Mule (av £142.52) - £182 Lodge Farm; £182 Sceugh Dyke; £182 Fog Close; £180 Lane End; £177, £171, £167, £162 Bogie Street; £170, £152 (2) Shethin Farm; £166 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £164 Clickham; £163 Holme House; £162, £158 Brockwoodlees Farm; £160 Park House; £160 Gallowberry; £158 Dryevers Farm; £156 Scales Farm (Wilson); £155 Lane End; £152 North Gill Bank; £152 Brow Top; £152 Hewan Hill

Cheviot (av £144.52) - £210, £170 £140 Drumreach Farm; £202 Bogie Street; £192, £190, £162 Huntley Lodge Farm; £175 Park House; £172, £160 Holme House; £170 Shethin Farm; £165 High House (Dickinson); £158 Brockwoodlees Farm; £158 Pear Tree House; £150, £140 Ranbeck; £146 Smallthwaite; £140 Inglewood Edge

Bluefaced Leicester (av £153.36) - £201 Fog Close; £172 Bell Mount; £170 Sleddale Hall; £150 Holme House

Zwartble (av £142.90) - £160 Greenacres

Scotch Blackfaced (av £117.88) - £142 (2), £126 Greenacres; £115 Copperthorns; £112 Greensyke Farm; £100 (2) Salineshaw Farm; £97 Bell Mount; £96 Shire Lodge; £92 Bolton Hall

Swaledale (av £87.92) - £134, £107 Bell Mount; £120, £108, £90 Scales Farm; £116, £100 Well House (Strong); £114 North Gill Bank; £112 Hollins Farm; £108 Salineshaw Farm; £108 Waters Farm; £106 Bowderdale; £100 High Snab; £96 Fog Close; £92 Burtree Ford

Herdwick (av £64.54) - £118, £98 High Snab; £98 Greensyke Farm

Jacob (av £96.88) - £100 Castle Bank

Cast Rams £/head

Beltex - £280 Brow Top

Charollais - £270 Inglewood Edge

Texel - £250 Dryevers Farm

Continental - £235 Hole House; £225 Bogie Street; £218 Greenacres