

Breeding Sheep

Friday 6th February 2025

On Friday Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their sale of in-lamb breeding sheep and geld gimmer hogs, to include dispersal sales from Mr JH Slack, Brougham Castle & Messrs TW & C Holmes, Langton Gate.

A great entry of genuine, honest breeding sheep was forward to a packed ringside of buyers, all very eager to purchase with demand meaning many more could have been sold to vendors' advantage.

The sale topped at £395 per head for a pen of 12 Texel X Beltex gimmer shearlings from Mr JH Slack, Brougham Castle, carrying 4 singles and 8 twins, due 16th March onwards, purchased by Mr SL Atkinson, Augill House Farm. This was closely followed at £380 for a pen of 10 Texel X 2-shear ewes from the same home, scanned 2 single & 6 twins, purchased by local neighbours Messrs Jenkinson, Clifton Moor. This run of 161 Texel X Beltex ewes and shearlings averaged a staggering £330.28.

The trade of the day went to Messrs TW & C Holmes, Langton Gate, with their consignment of full-mouthed Mule ewes, scanned over 200%, achieving £360, £340 & £330 per head.

Some superb geld hogs were forward from Messrs R Hall & Son, Inglewood Edge, achieving £290 for ultimate Beltex's, selling to Messrs Dent, Elm House, this home also sold Suffolk X hogs to £200 per head, all vaccinated for Enzo & Toxo.

Mr W Messenger, Howes Farm, sold 11 North of England Mule geld hogs to £190

Our next sale will be held on Friday 20th February, please advise entries to the mart office by 12 Noon on Friday 13th February.

Leading Prices

Dispersal from Mr JH Slack, Brougham Castle

In-lamb Shearlings

Texel - £395, £390 (2), £340

Blue Texel - £350

In-lamb Ewes

Texel - £380, £370, £360, £350, £340, £315, £310 (2), £305

Suffolk - £320

Dispersal from Messrs TW & C Holmes, Langton Gate

In-lamb Ewes

Mule - £360, £340, £330

Texel - £265, £255, £250

In-lamb Gimmers

Continental - £240

In-Lamb Shearlings

Cheviot - £265 Mellgates

Geld Hogs

Beltex - £290, £250, £225, £205 Inglewood Edge

Suffolk - £200 (3) Inglewood Edge; £180 Howes Farm

Mule - £190 Howes Farm