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Top Price Swaledale In Lamb Shearling from EC Coates realising £2600

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Saturday 6th February

INDIVIDUAL IN LAMB SHEEP

57 FORWARD

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Teeswater Shlgs	£160	P Murray, Arcleton	£160
BFL Shlgs	£1850	AC & K Pye & Son, Abbeystead	£848
BFL Hoggs	£1800	WM Hutchinson & Son, Kirkby Stephen	£1150
Swale Ewes	£400	AH Price & Son, Clapham	£320
Swale Shlgs	£2600	EC Coates, Richmond	£936
Swale Hoggs	£1200	EC Coates, Richmond	£817
Herdwick Ewes	£420	D & J Wilson, Penrith	£273
Herdwick Shlgs	£900	D & J Wilson, Penrith	£417
Herdwick Hoggs	£300	D & J Wilson, Penrith	£191
Cheviot Shlgs	£500	KO Stones, Marrick	£463

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): The Annual Sale of Individual In Lamb Sheep went off with a bang with a flying trade and a complete clearance of all breeds. The sale started with BFL which topped at £1850 for an in lamb shearling scanned for three from the Emmetts Flock from AC & K Pye. Messrs Booth, Smearsett Flock, sold an in lamb shearling to £1300 whilst R & PE Hargreaves, Barley sold to £1000. BFL Hoggs from the Redgate Flock of WM Hutchinson sold to £1800 and £1600. The Association Sale of Swaledale Sheep peaked at £2600 for a Bull & Cave sired shearling carrying twins to Stonesdale Governor finding a new home with Frank Brennand of Ellerbeck, who also bought a gimmer hogg from the same home sired by Keld-side Quantum at £1050. The same vendor topped the Swale hoggs at £1200 selling to Shaun Taylor. As expected, Jean Wilson showed a tremendous run of Herdwicks, topping the section at £900 with her Turner Hall sired shearling carrying twins to How Hall heading home with young breeder Master Mullins. Another good run from Ian Grisedale with his best to £580. Cheviot shearlings from Keith Stones of Nun Cote Nook to £500 x 2, others at £450 & £400.

Tuesday 9th February

2005 STORE HOGGS

Overall Average: £78.20

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Beltex	£120.00	BJ Bowness, Kendal	£120.00
Cheviot	£115.50	SW Thornber & Sons, Newton in Bowland	£87.00
Cheviot Mule	£101.00	SW Thornber & Sons, Newton in Bowland	£93.00
Easycare	£82.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£82.00
Gritstone	£74.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£74.00
Hampshire	£105.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£105.00
Kerry Hill	£97.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£97.00
Mule	£105.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£74.00
Romney	£85.50	J Quayle, IoM	£80.00
SBF	£94.00	Bowhill Farming, Selkirk	£71.00
Suffolk	£117.00	Matinley Farms, Selkirk	£89.00
Swale	£80.50	J Quayle, IoM	£58.00
Texel	£125.00	Mosside Farm, Carlisle	£95.00

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): Considering we are now into February, another large entry of over 2000 stores were forward. With the current finished price very strong, an enthusiastic ringside of both travelled and local buyers were in attendance. Strong and nicer bred hoggs £100-£120 with 4 Texels from Mosside Farm, Carlisle topping the day's sale at £125. Longer keep hoggs for the grass (April onwards) £70-£90 depending on quality. Showing for the first time, BQ Carterhaugh enjoyed a brisk trade with SBF hoggs topping at £94 to average £83.68 while near neighbour Matinley Farms sold their best pen to £93. Stronger SBF £80-£90 with smaller sorts £70-£80. Better Swales either side of £80 with the next cut down £60+. Mules to £105 with strongest sorts (32-35kg) £85-£95.

NEXT SALE OF STORE LAMBS

Tuesday 23rd February

Entries for catalogue close Monday 15th February

Wednesday 10th February

REARING CALVES

60 Forward

Breed	Top	From	Av
AA Bulls	£480	J Lawson & Son, Bentham	£332
AA Hfrs	£235	J Lawson & Son, Bentham	£213
BrB Bulls	£455	DJ, GC, D & JE Wallbank, Higher Walton	£325
BrB Hfrs	£410	G Sunter, Mansergh	£294
Beef Sho Hfrs	£330	G Sunter, Mansergh	£330
Fleckvieh Bulls	£370	HH & MG Robinson & Son, Slaidburn	£247
Limousin Bulls	£370	Boustagill Farms, Rathmell	£370
Limousin Hfrs	£210	CR & JA Booth, Wigglesworth	£210
Mont Bulls	£120	CR & JA Booth, Wigglesworth	£120
B + W	£100	TA & RM Dawson, Quernmore	£61

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): A smaller show, with strength selling to a premium, a strong Angus bull from J Lawson & Son at £480, best Blue bulls from Doug Wallbank at £455 and best Blue heifers to £410 from Gary Sunter. Trade on the whole similar on the week, Natives £300-£355, next draw in the late £200s. Best continentals £400+, more smaller calves around and generally £280-£320, a smashing 6 week Blue bull from The Duncans at £425. Nicest young heifers to £370 from Ian Hodgson, Rantree Fold, others to £365, whilst the lesser sorts £270-£300. Dairy bulls to £370 & £360 for strong Fleck bulls from Will Robinson, Slaidburn, younger Flecks £220-£260. Only a dozen B&Ws sold to a top of £100 from Andrew Dawson, others in the £60s with the smalls in the £40s.

CAST EWES

1080 FORWARD

Breed	Top	From
BFL	£127.50	W & D Lawson & Son, Masongill
Charollais	£133.50	RJ & J Towers, Ingleton
Cheviot	£105.50	N Scott, Blackburn
Cheviot Mule	£100.00	Mossie Farming, Carlisle
Dalesbred	£74.50	A & MA Wright, Roeburndale
Dorset	£98.50	J Driver, Chisworth
Mule	£106.50	Mossie Farming, Carlisle
Rough	£90.50	DJ & S Stainton, Howgill
SBF	£88.50	BQ Farming, Fauldshope
Suffolk	£130.50	M & RW Stirzaker, Milnthorpe
Swale	£74.50	WA & A Booth, Feizor & FA Nowell, Bentham
Texel	£140.50	P & S Mellor, Little Hayfield & Mossie Farming, Carlisle & T & J Moran, Hellifield
Zwar	£103.50	CR & JA Booth, Wigglesworth
Goats	£84.50	A Kirby, Soulby
HRD Tups	£92.00	A Mackie, Howgill
CTL Tups	£138.50	RM Wilson, Horton in Ribblesdale

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): A similar number of cast sheep forward. Heavy, best and horned ewes selling at similar rates with the Mule ewes slightly dearer on the week. Ewes topped at £140.50 on several occasions with best in general £130-£140 with no real powerful types forward. Heavy ewes £105-£125 with leaner sorts £70-£90. Heavier Mules £90-£105 topping at £106.50. Next draw down £80-£90 with plain £60-£76 depending on size. Rough Fell ewes to £90.50 from DJ & S Stainton with SBF from Bowhill Farming, Fauldshope to £88.50. Better fleshed Horned ewes £65-£78 with mediums £50-£60 and plain and small types £35-£45. Just short of 100 cast rams in the entry saw the heaviest sell between £110-£135 topping at £138.50 with leaner £80-£100. Some slightly less if very poor. Hill rams in general £70-£90 topping at £92 for Roughts from A Mackie. Goats to £84.50 from A Kirby, Soulby.

3140 PRIME HOGGS

Overall Av 269.7p SQQ 272.7p

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Under 36kg)			
Cheviot	£88.50	SF & S Hartley, Newton in Bowland	£82.00
Dales	£88.00	A & MA Wright, Roeburndale	£71.00
Herdwick	£74.50	RA & HJ Bury, Bolton by Bowland	£74.50
Lonk	£87.00	D & D Hodgson & Son, Higher Tatham	£87.00
Mule	£74.50	M & C Huddleston, Wray &	£70.00
Swale	£88.50	DA & J Faraday, Ingleton	£75.00
Texel	£103.50	D Breaks, Slaidburn & Burtree Farm, Hutton Sessay	£87.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)			
Cheviot	261.7p	MH & AR Robinson, Old Hutton	255.4p
Dales	251.4p	A & MA Wright, Roeburndale	231.3p
Herdwick	248.3p	RA & HJ Bury, Bolton by Bowland	248.3p
Lonk	255.9p	D & D Hodgson & Son, Higher Tatham	255.9p
Mule	248.3p	SJ Crane, Ribchester	227.3p
Swale	252.9p	DA & J Faraday, Ingleton	230.6p
Texel	304.4p	Burtree Farm, Hutton Sessay	268.5p
Top Price Per Head (Over 36kg)			
Charollais	£141.50	DJ Summers & Son, Gainsborough	£122.00
Cheviot	£126.50	W Holden, Oswaldtwistle	£109.00
Chev Mule	£118.50	GA & SM Wainwright & Sons, Bamford	£118.50
Dales	£117.50	GC & PM Haygarth, Wigglesworth	£106.00
Dorset	£115.50	J Driver, Chisworth	£112.00
Gritstone	£117.50	B Dibb, Yeadon	£97.00
Herdwick	£116.50	B Dibb, Yeadon	£109.00
Masham	£127.50	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	£111.00
Mule	£133.50	B Staveley, Clapham	£109.00
Rough	£115.00	A & AM Burrow, Hutton Roof	£111.00
SBF	£113.50	R & SH Stainton, Howgill	£112.00
Suffolk	£145.00	Messrs Sayer, Penrith	£123.00
Swale	£115.50	P & M Crackles & Sons, Burrow	£101.00
Texel	£159.00	ST Birkett, Carnforth	£122.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Over 36kg)			
Charollais	329.1p	DJ Summers & Son, Gainsborough	283.7p
Cheviot	302.7p	GA Stephens, Melton Mowbray	267.8p
Chev Mule	263.3p	GA & SM Wainwright & Sons, Bamford	263.3p
Dales	248.9p	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	236.2p
Dorset	257.1p	J Driver, Chisworth	249.7p
Gritstone	255.6p	SH Bowes, Stainton	250.3p
Herdwick	252.1p	B Dibb, Yeadon	252.1p
Masham	253.5p	J & C Wright, Airton	250.7p
Mule	261.9p	SR Dorey, Lincoln	253.2p
Rough	246.6p	DJ & S Stainton, Howgill	231.9p
SBF	258.0p	R & SH Stainton, Howgill	255.2p
Suffolk	280.2p	PT & L Johnson, Brampton	266.3p
Swale	252.7p	D Breaks, Slaidburn	244.2p
Texel	369.4p	GA Stephens, Melton Mowbray	283.2p

3140 PRIME HOGGS

Overall Av 269.7p SQQ 272.7p

Auctioneer's Report (Greg MacDougall): Bentham continues to attract prime hogs from far and wide with some notable runs in particular travelling from Leicestershire, Suffolk and a now regular following from the Lincoln area. All vendors however taking advantage of the busy competitive ring side of buyers keen to purchase all classes of stock. Hogs once again continue to rise. Export hogs in strong demand and heavy sheep selling at increased rates. Topping the night's sale was ST Birkett, Carnforth with Texels realising £159 with A Rigby's best to £157.50. Also breaking the £150 mark was SG & LM Whalley at £156, £151 and Carol Parker at £150. Heavy hogs in general £130-£150. Best bred hogs 330p-360p topping at 369.4p for Beltex/ Texels from GA Stephens, Melton Mowbray. Nicer export types 280p-310p with commercial hogs 270p. Hogs weighing 45-50kg £120-£130. Heavy Mule hogs (50kg+) £123-£133 with Brian Staveley topping at £133.50. The next draw down £114-£120. Handy weights 250-260p with SR Dorey topping at 261.9p. Best fleshy Swales 240-252p with P & M Crackles topping the section at £115.50. Lighter weights 230-250p with DA & J Faraday to 252.9p or £88.50. Light CTLs to £103 from David Breaks or 304.4p from Burtree Farm. Some notable consignments saw PT & L Johnson top at £140 to average £127.59; PJ Wilson to £140 averaging £123.33 for Suffolk hogs; A Rigby to £157.50 averaging £139.25; SG & LM Whalley to £115 averaging £135.97; The Mellor Family to £144.50 to average £131.65 and DJ Summers to £142 averaging £132.06. Overall average 269.7p or £114.81 SQQ 272.7p.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The following protocol is now in place:

- Drop & Go Policy to be reinstated for all vendors (*Relevant paperwork (licenses, passports, entry forms etc.) to be handed to auction representative at the unloading docks together with any instructions RE lotting, reserve prices and luck money*).
- Sale Day payments will not be possible but cheques and BACS statements will be posted out as normal on Fridays.
- Buyers MUST sign in on arrival outside the sale ring.
- Attendance at markets must be restricted to those conducting business and only 1 buyer per business is permitted to enter the site
- Face coverings must be worn by everyone attending the site, at all times (this includes market staff) – exemptions are permitted for anyone with a medical condition that allows a face covering not to be worn.
- Strict Social Distancing to be maintained (minimum of 2 metres). The wearing of face coverings is NOT a substitute for the need to maintain Social Distancing at all times.
- The Auction Café will be open on a takeaway basis only, serving hot & cold food & drinks.

Tuesday 16th February at 10.30am

Feeding & Cast Cows & OTM Cattle

**532 FARMERS STIRKS &
YOUNG STORES**

Wednesday 17th February at 10.30am

FORTNIGHTLY DAIRY SALE

15-20 Newly Calved Dairy Cattle &
6 Pedigree In Calf Heifers due March to
Sexed Semen/AA

Wednesday 17th February at 11.45am

**OPENING WEEKLY SALE OF
SHEEP WITH LAMBS AT FOOT**

Tuesday 23rd February

**1500 COMMERCIAL IN LAMB
SHEEP & 1000 STORE HOGGS**

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