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Champion Suckled Calf– Steer from Frankland Farms realising £1200

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Thursday 15th October

Annual Multi Breed Sale of Rams 268 Forward

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
LAMBS			
Beltex	£180	R Braithwaite, Bentham	£180
BFL	£600	RI Raw, Farleton	£400
Charollais	£380	J Stott Jnr, Stainton	£290
Dutch Texel	£180	JH Wilson, Settle	£160
Suffolk	£450	SC Walker, Tarporley	£310
Texel	£400	Procters Farm, Wray	£333
XBR	£250	J & A Lawson & Son, Westhouse	£197
SHEARLINGS			
Beltex	£600	EJ & AM Fox, Biggar	£325
BFL	£500	Bank House Farms, Cowan Bridge	£348
Charollais	£380	J Stott Jnr, Stainton	£310
Cheviot	£600	Firm of Nisbet Mill, Jedburgh	£325
Gritstone	£200	A Hayton, Kentmere	£200
Suffolk	£720	SC Walker, Tarporley	£368
Swale	£1200	CR & MJ Birbeck, Ravenstonedale	£280
Texel	£800	Procters Farm, Wray	£464
XBR	£520	A & HC Smith, Hawick	£319
2 SHEAR			
BFL	£400	S & P Parker, Bentham	£340
Dutch	£250	M Bowen, Mellor	£250
Swale	£550	WI & AM Atkinson & Son, Bleasdale	£280
Texel	£600	William Barr & Company, Lauder	£400
XBR	£750	EJ & AM Fox, Biggar	£410
3 SHEAR			
BFL	£220	O Hodgson, Old Hutton	£210
Dutch Texel	£480	MR & JE Davis, Eldroth	£480
Swale	£650	CP & VM Cowgill, Bentham	£359
Texel	£380	William Barr & Company, Lauder	£313
4 SHEAR			
Cheviot	£350	W & J Ousby, Kirkby Stephen	£350
Swale	£1400	J & A Lawson & Son, Westhouse	£442
5 SHEAR			
Swale	£650	J & A Lawson & Son, Westhouse	£385

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Annual Multi Breed Sale of Rams 268 Forward

CROSSING RAMS

Auctioneer's Report: (Greg MacDougall): Another good ram sale to end the season with a good ringside of customers including some from the Scottish Borders and Wales. Something to suit all budgets with a virtual clearance rate achieved. Procters Farm Ltd topped the Texel section realising £800– twice. Several consigners travelling from the Borders had a successful evening with A & HC Smith, Crumhaughill selling Texels to £700 x 2 and Suffolk x to £520. A dispersal of 24 Texels from W Barr, Thirlstone, Lauder met with plenty of interest. All in their working clothes and straight from the field, they topped at £720 for shearlings, £600 for 2 shears and £380 for older rams. Stronger rams in general £600-£700 with smaller end rams £300-£500. a run of quality Beltex again from Messrs Fox sold to £600 with the section averaging £325 for a mixed entry. A strong trade on the whole for Suffolks with SC Walker topping both the shearlings and lambs at £720 and £450 respectively. Trade in general £300-£480

BFL RAMS

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): A nice entry of Leicesters, a pair of lambs from Robert Raw realised £600 & £500, whilst Gavin and Abbey White's best lamb also hit £500. Best of the Shearlings from Johnathon Coates, Bank House also at £500, whilst a traditional shearling from Dan Towers realised £480, plenty of other shearlings £380-£450. A few older tups saw S & P Parker peak at £400 with a 2shr, others generally £200-£300.

HILL GOING RAMS

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): A mixed entry in the hill going rams, Cheviots in the most demand, the best coming from the Firm of Nisbit Mill, Jedbergh at £600, whilst others generally £250-450. A Derbyshire Gritstone peaked at £200.

SWALEDALE RAMS

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): Plenty of interest in the Swaledale section with a 94% clearance for the 58 rams on offer. Stephen and Adam Lawson of Threaber topped the sale with a 4 shear "Gillside Emblem" bred by Peter Lightfoot by the £22,000 Ian Brown tup and purchased by Jeff Pickles of Far Gearstones. Messrs Lawson also sold a 5 shear bred at Haredene at £650 whilst 2 shears sold to a top of £550 from John Atkinson of Bleasdale. A better show of shearling tups on offer with Messrs CR & MJ Birbeck of High Stennerskeugh leading the way with prices of £1200 and £1100. Their top price of £1200 sired by an Arthur Seeton ram was purchased by Martin Coates of Redshaw, the other was sired by a Sealhouses ram selling to Stephen Wallbank of Halsteads. David Faraday of Tatterthorn selling his best shearling to £800 going to John Sedgwick of Nether Lodge. Shearling rams to £1250 av. £280; 2 shear rams to £550 av. £380; 3 shear rams to £650 av. £358; 4 shear rams to £1400 av. £441; 5 shear rams to £650 av. £385.

Saturday 17th October

THREE COUNTIES OCTOBER SHEEP FAIR

2723 Forward

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
GIMMER LAMBS			
Cheviot Mule	£106	ST & EM Harrison, Tatham	£93
Dalesbred	£58	D & C Newhouse, Malham	£46
Herdwick	£58	K Raw, Dent	£54
BFL	£70	C Chappel, Bentham	£70
Lonk	£74	CE & MI Middleton & Son, Lowgill	£71
Masham	£90	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	£85
Mule	£120	C Hewitt, Tatham	£77
Swale	£72	J & A Lawson & Son, Westhouse	£45
Texel	£130	J Dennis & E Dennis, Farleton	£89
Zwar	£130	E Jackson, Bentham	£130
SHEARLINGS			
Beltex	£120	C Chappell, Bentham	£120
Cheviot Mule	£130	J Blacker, Thirsk	£130
Herdwick	£90	J Taylor, Chapel le Dale	£90
Masham	£112	E Nimmo, Lowgill	£112
Mule	£120	K Marshall, Harrogate	£118
SBF	£95	J Turner, Sawley	£85
Swale	£100	JA & F Nutter, Clitheroe	£88
Texel	£130	K Marshall, Harrogate	£108
EWES			
Cheviot	£135	K Calvert, Leyburn	£106
Cheviot Mule	£125	ST & EM Harrison, Tatham	£125
Dalesbred	£118	D & C Newhouse, Malham	£92
Herdwick	£100	A & M Brennand & Son, Chapel le Dale	£58
Mule	£125	F Johnson, Preston	£108
Swale	£110	H Fawcett, Sedbergh	£62
Texel	£125	T Pye, Ulverston	£104

Saturday 17th October
THREE COUNTIES OCTOBER SHEEP FAIR
2723 Forward

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): The October Fair of Breeding Sheep & Gimmer Lambs provided a mixed show of sheep. No real top draw sheep on offer and most categories suiting a more commercial budget. Dalesbred sheep were the most keenly sought after with the draft ewes on offer seeking to £118 from David Newhouse to average £94.60. Swaledale draft ewes were mostly 4 & 5 crop, the better end £70+ to a top of £110 from Henry Fawcett of Sedbergh with an average of £61.59. Shearlings selling to £100, mostly either side of £90. Lowland ewes sold relatively well. Texel x ewes to £125 to average £104 and shearlings to £130. Younger Mule ewes generally £108-£118 topping for 1 crops at £125. Shearlings ranging between £115-£120 including a run of late weaned sheep in improving condition from Kevin Marshall. Cheviot ewes well sought after topping at £130 from K Calvert Ltd. Gimmer lambs harder to place than earlier sales. Swaledales a little disappointing with the better end between £50-£60. Better end of the Mules in the early to mid £80s. An average of £76.80 reflecting an easier trade and some shot lambs on offer.

Tuesday 20th October			
SUCKLED CALVES - 249 FORWARD			
BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
<u>STEERS</u>			
AA	£740	GR & A Foy & Son, Conder Green	£715
Blonde	£800	JM Smith, Windermere	£773
BrB	£850	MW Hodgson, Grange over Sands	£778
Charolais	£880	D Eames, Abbeystead	£818
Limousin	£1200	Frankland Farms, Rathmell	£791
Simmental	£850	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£811
<u>HEIFERS</u>			
AA	£340	HE Hornsey & Sons, Gilling East	£340
Blonde	£620	JM Smith, Windermere	£620
BrB	£820	Frankland Farms, Rathmell	£664
Charolais	£740	ST & JE Foster, Calton	£703
Limousin	£1000	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£753
Simmental	£640	Fishwick Farms, Silverdale	£640
<u>BULLS</u>			
AA	£750	GR & A Foy & Son, Conder Green	£481
Blonde	£830	RW Mason, Sedbergh	£780
BrB	£850	Frankland Farms, Rathmell	£741
Beef Sho	£560	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£560
Charolais	£760	J & W Bracewell, Bacup	£714
Limousin	£980	JM & JJ Dawson, Littledale	£980

Annual 1st Show & Sale of SUCKLED CALVES - 249 FORWARD

Judge: Ian Wainwright

CHAMPION	
Frankland Farms	£1200

RESERVE CHAMPION	
Fishwick Farms	£1000

Best Bull		
	FROM	PRICE
1 st	JM & JJ Dawson	£980
2 nd	Frankland Farms	£850
3 rd	JM & JJ Dawson	£900

Best Heifer		
	FROM	PRICE
1 st	Fishwick Farms	£1000
2 nd	Fishwick Farms	£810
3 rd	JM & JJ Dawson	£800

Best Steer		
	FROM	PRICE
1 st	Frankland Farms	£1200
2 nd	Fishwick Farms	£920
3 rd	Fishwick Farms	£900



Auctioneer's Report: (Greg MacDougall): The largest show of suckled calves forward for some time. A nice show on the whole with a good ringside of both new and returning buyers in attendance. Trade sharper on the year with vendors leaving happy with their day's trading with some reporting plus £80-£100 on the year. The judging was in the capable hands of Ian Wainwright, Todhall, Fife who awarded the overall Champion to Frankland Farms for the second year in a row with a Limousin x steer later realising £1200 purchased by the judge. Reserve Champion came from the run of quality Simmental and Limousin from Fishwick Farms with a Limousin heifer making £1000 going home with D & L Coar, Darwen. A good bull trade with a consignment from JM & JJ Dawson, Fieldhead topping at £980 with others to £900 to average £783 including heifers. Best bulls in general £830-£900 with lesser end sorts £700+. Undoubtedly a highlight of the sale was the annual consignment of Sim x/ Lim x from Fishwick Farms. All calves shown in good order and keenly bid for by returning customers they averaged £793 (+£121 on 2019). Best steer calves in general £850-£900 with others £700-£800. Smart heifers including those for future breeding purposes were good to sell often £820-£900 with a nice Lim x from Barn Hey Farms, Flookburgh to £905. Commercial heifers £620-£740 depending on the breed. Several native bred calves saw AAx bulls from GR & A Foy to £750 with steers from the same home to £740. Overall, a successful sale with entries invited for the 2nd Sale on 17th November.

TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER
CAST COWS– 60 FORWARD

B + W Cows to £972.80 from MH & AR Robinson or 142p from J & N Young

CTL Cows to £1391 from JH Wilson or 156p from J Duxbury

Bulls to £1244.40 or 136 from Messrs EW Holmes

Auctioneer's Report (Stephen Dennis): A big entry of feeding and cast cows which were again well bid for from a full audience of buyers. Well fleshed B + W cows 115p-125p/kg topping at 138p/kg (£972) from Matthew Robinson of Homescales with heifers reaching 142p from Youngs of Jenkin Cragg. Medium quality B + Ws 95p-110p/kg including various feeding types with plain cows generally either side of 80p/kg. Beef bred cows again in demand, a Mont x heifer from John Duxbury of Woodplumpton topping at 156p/kg. A Beef Shorthorn cow from John Wilson of Settle weighed in at 1070kg grossing £1391

STIRKS - 370 FORWARD

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
<u>BULLOCKS</u>			
AA	£1000	L Taylor, Brookhouse	£753
Blonde	£645	K Raw, Dent	£763
Baz	£560	TN Airey & Son, Eldroth	£560
BrB	£1020	SE Lord, Roeburndale	£719
Beef Sho	£690	M Ellershaw, Bentham	£690
Fleckvieh	£755	SR & PA Thompson, Firbank	£587
Here	£840	SR & PA Thompson, Firbank	£696
Irish Moiled	£610	PJ Richardson, Clapham	£610
Limousin	£1140	WK & R Harrison, Docker	£804
Mont	£660	EW & RM Towers, Hornby	£568
Norwegian	£660	EW & RM Towers, Hornby	£512
Simmental	£940	WK & R Harrison, Docker	£878
Sw Red	£500	R & JM Harper, Sedbergh	£500
Welsh Black	£650	MB Townley, Gressingham	£650
B + W	£770	TH Wensley & Sons, Preston	£481
<u>HEIFERS</u>			
AA	£750	L Taylor, Brookhouse	£667
Blonde	£480	W & M Bland, Kirkby Malham	£480
BrB	£830	J Duxbury, Woodplumpton	£609
Charollais	£800	SW & K Metcalfe & Son, Whittington	£800
Hereford	£680	SW & K Metcalfe & Son, Whittington	£575
Limousin	£1080	M Carefoot, Longridge	£688
<u>BULLS</u>			
BrB	£620	WH Kitching & Sons, Helsington	£595
Here	£660	J Duxbury, Woodplumpton	£598
Limousin	£885	JW Bentham & Son, Dent	£746
Mont	£800	J Duxbury, Woodplumpton	£653

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): A nice show of 370 stirks followed the suckled calves. Plenty of better quality sorts about, the better end top side of £1000, the days best coming from Kevin & Stephen Harrison with their Lim bullock at £1140. Nice wintering cattle £650-£750, the next step up £800+. Heifers peaked at £1080 from Martin Carefoot, Longridge, other Lim heifers £730-£790. A trio of Charollais from Steven Metcalfe at £800. Black and whites to a high of £770 from TH Wensley & Sons and generally £500-£535, with the next shade down £450-£480. A few bulls on offer, suckler bred Lims from Julie Bentham to £885, whilst dairy bred topped at £800 for a strong Montbelliarde from John Duxbury, others £620-£660.

Wednesday 21st October

REARING CALVES

124 Forward

Breed	Top	From	Av
AA Bulls	£435	GW Whitwell, Lanshaw	£302
AA Hfrs	£215	AHS & HJ Raby, Preesall	£153
BrB Bulls	£415	E & NJ Johnson, Giggleswick	£292
BrB Hfrs	£345	JA Salthouse & Son, Elswick	£288
Fleck Bulls	£360	HH & MG Robinson & Son, Slaidburn	£210
Here Bulls	£412	HH & MG Robinson & Son, Slaidburn	£272
Here Hfrs	£235	J & N Young, Kendal	£218
Lim Bulls	£390	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£368
Sim Bulls	£445	W Hull, Out Rawcliffe	£415
B + W	£200	JA Salthouse & Son, Elswick	£70

Auctioneer's Report (Will Alexander): Another large show of calves, not as many of the best sorts about today. Those best still over £400, hitting a top of £445 from Wyn Hull, Out Rawcliffe with a pair of Sim Bulls. Angus and Herefords also over £400, topping at £435 & £412. Blue heifers £260-£320, peaking at £345 on 3 occasions, from JA Salthouse and EB & S Coultherd. Younger calves dearer on the week, Native heifers either side of £170 with those a bit stronger top side of £200. 15 Fleckvieh bulls sold to a top of £360, twice, from new vendor HH&MG Robinson & Son, Slaidburn. Other best over £300, with the next draw £170-£210. Black and Whites generally £72-£98, lesser sorts either side of £50, stronger types £110-£155, peaking at £200 from JA Salthouse & Son, Roseacre.

PLEASE NOTE:

Wennington to Low Bentham Road will be closed from 19th October for 14 days.

Please follow diversion.

CAST EWES

723 FORWARD

Breed	Top	From
BFL	£94.50	M Taylor & Son, Rathmell
Cheviot	£75.50	Matinley Farms, Selkirk
Dalesbred	£60.00	Huddleston & Longton, Bentham
Lonk	£58.50	JM Knowles, Lowgill
Mule	£90.50	R & S Wilcock & Son, Burton in Lonsdale
Rough	£54.50	A Mackie, Kendal
SBF	£60.00	WJ Coltherd, Selkirk
Suffolk	£120.00	GI Richmond, Goosnargh
Swaledale	£64.50	GJ & L Taylor, Clapham
Texel	£107.50	GJ & L Taylor, Clapham
Horned Tups	£94.50	L Brown, Gisburn
CTL Tups	£130.00	J Aiken, Wennington

Auctioneer's Report: (Greg MacDougall): With a load of Island sheep hampered due to rough seas, a reduced entry of cast sheep was forward. All classes sold at similar rates to previous weeks with heavy ewes good to sell and very short of requirements. The night's sale topped at £130 for Texel rams from Jennifer Aiken, Moss House Farm with Suffolk ewes from GI Richmond to £120. Heavy ewes in general £95-£115 with good selling sorts £80+, small or grazing ewes £60-£95 with small and lean sorts £55-£65. Strong Swale and SBF ewes £60-£64, medium sorts £40-£55 with plain £25-£35. Hill rams to £94.50 for Lonks with Continentals in general £80-£120 depending on size and condition.

Wednesday 21st October
2842 PRIME LAMBS Overall Av 184.1p SQQ 188.9p

BREED	TOP	FROM	AV
Top Price Per Head (Under 36kg)			
LONK	£72.50	JE & BM Harrison, Easington	£65.00
TEXEL	£76.00	HC Nimmo, Westhouse	£74.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Under 36kg)			
LONK	233.9p	JE & BM Harrison, Easington	189.1p
TEXEL	223.5p	HC Nimmo, Westhouse	216.2p
Top Price Per Head (Over 36kg)			
BELTEX	£111.50	EJ Ward & Sons, Nether Kellett	£92.00
BFL	£83.00	Procters Farm, Wray	£83.00
CHEVIOT	£90.00	PR Beresford, Hawes	£80.00
CHEVIOT MULE	£79.00	SR & P Thompson, Firbank	£79.00
DALESBRED	£68.00	R Jackson & Son, Horton in Ribblesdale	£64.00
MASHAM	£85.00	T & D Wright, Roeburndale	£79.00
MULE	£85.50	WA & A Booth, Feizor	£78.00
SUFFOLK	£93.50	Brafferton Manor Farmers, Helperby	£82.00
SWALE	£68.00	JM & DE Wood, Horton in Ribblesdale	£64.00
TEXEL	£113.00	J Aiken, Wennington	£82.00
Top Price Per Kilo (Over 36kg)			
BELTEX	247.8p	EJ Ward & Sons, Nether Kellett	230.1p
BFL	193.0p	Procters Farm, Wray	193.0p
CHEVIOT	195.7p	PR Beresford, Hawes	184.5p
CHEVIOT MULE	183.7p	SR & PA Thompson, Firbank	183.7p
DALESBRED	178.9p	R Jackson & Son, Horton in Ribblesdale	168.2p
MASHAM	180.7p	JK Gorst & Son, Tatham	172.7p
MULE	181.3p	CC & DA Fawcett, Sedbergh	174.2p
SUFFOLK	214.6p	JR Metcalfe, Ivy Cottage	179.7p
SWALE	168.4p	DR Robinson, Clapham	162.1p
TEXEL	275.0p	EJ Ward & Sons, Nether Kellett	191.4p

Auctioneer's Report: (Greg MacDougall): As expected, lambs harder to cash with Brexit talks and lock downs being blamed as the main cause. Looking back 12 months however, when the average was 157p, perhaps things aren't quite as bad. Handy weight and lightweights most sought after often 195p-205p with nicer sorts 210p+. Best bred lambs 230p-250p topping at 275p from EJ Ward & Sons, Intack. Grass fed lambs weighing around 40kg harder to cash and selling in the 180s. Heavy lambs not just as sharp with 45kg-50kg £80-£90 with a few better pens around £100 topping per head at £113 for Texels from J Aiken, Moss House followed at £111.50, £111 x 4 again from EJ Ward. Handy weight Mule and Mashams either side of 180p and again, lighter grass sheep nearer 170p. Heavier pens selling into the £80s with WA & A Booth topping at £85.50 with a pen of 40. Horned lambs meeting limited demand with JM & ED Wood to £68 and DR Robinson topping per kilo at 168.4p.

DEADWEIGHT SALES OPTION

We are continuing to partner with Dunbia to offer a weekly collection for deadweight lambs allowing vendors to market their lambs whilst under restrictions of the 6 day rule.

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SALE TIMES - THROUGH THE MAIN RING

10.30am Dairy Cattle (fortnightly)

11.00am Calves

3.30pm Feeding & Cast Sheep followed by Prime Lambs

Tuesday 27th October

Great Annual Sale of

**IN CALF SUCKLER CATTLE, ALSO COWS/HEIFERS WITH
CALVES AT FOOT & BREEDING BULLS
FORTNIGHTLY SALE OF STORE LAMBS**

Wednesday 28th October

FORTNIGHTLY SALE OF DAIRY CATTLE

Tuesday 3rd November

Feeding & Cast Cows & OTM Cattle

MONTHLY SALE OF STORE CATTLE & FEEDING BULLS

Entries for catalogue close Monday 26th October

Tuesday 10th November

FORTNIGHTLY SALE OF STORE LAMBS

CLOSING SALE OF BREEDING SHEEP & RAMS

Entries for catalogue close Monday 2nd November

Wednesday 11th November

FORTNIGHTLY SALE OF DAIRY CATTLE