



BLUEFACED LEICESTER SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

RUTHIN SALE

Thursday 13th October 2011



1463/B007 RUTHIN CHAMPION 2010

Exhibited by P A Smith, LLANYCHAN

Bred by A & J Minnis, MOSSVALE

Purchased for £588.00 by L Jones, Derwydd

Sire 468/W007 WALTON 'E+'

*"The Future's Bright,
the Future's Blue"*

Bluefaced Leicesters
50th Anniversary
2012
50 Years Young

Come and join in the celebrations on

**SATURDAY 11TH &
SUNDAY 12TH AUGUST 2012**

A weekend of events, to include a champagne reception followed by a dinner and dance at The Shap Wells Hotel, Penrith, Cumbria

With
Guest Speaker
Adam Henson

Full details of this event
will be in the 2011
Autumn Review magazine.





**BLUEFACED LEICESTER SHEEP
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SHOW AND SALE

OF

**56 Registered Bluefaced Leicesters
20 Shearling Rams, 27 Ram Lambs and 9 Females**

Thursday 13th October, 2011

in

Auction Mart, Ruthin

Judging 10.30 a.m.

Sale 12.00 Mid-Day

SHEEP WILL BE SOLD IN CATALOGUE ORDER

SHOW CLASSES:

Aged Tup, Shearling • Ram Lambs • Females

JUDGE:

Mr. D. P. May, 6 Derwen Green, Four Crosses, Llawymynech, Powys

CHIEF STEWARD:

Arthur Yeats.

STEWARDS:

M. Roberts, R. Thomas

ONLY CATALOGUED SHEEP WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE SALE

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EXHIBITOR	FLOCK NO	PREFIX
Mrs M Davies, Wernlas Farm, Maesbrook, Oswestry	WERNLAS	1319
Maldwyn Davies, Clwt Grugor, Bylchau, Denbigh	GRUGOER	2188
Miss R Lloyd-Evans, Fron, Cyffylliog, Ruthin	FRON	3668
Mr D Gethin, The Gaer, Forden, Welshpool	MONTY	3091
H D Gruffydd, Llys Garneddog, Bethel, Bala, Gwynedd	CAEREINI	4374
John Harris, Henllys Isaf, Llanbedrog, Pwllheli, Gwynedd	HENLLYS	3897
W A Jones, Lyndon Farm, Sandy Lane, Saitney, Flintshire	RIVERBANK	3787
D Roberts, Plas-Yn-Trofarth, Llangernyw, Abergele, Conwy	TROFARTH	4394
G Roberts, Myfyrian Isaf, Gaerwen, Anglesey	MYFYRIAN X	4390
M C Roberts, Myfyrian Isaf,	MYFYRIAN	1183
E Lloyd - Williams, Henblas, Cyffylliog, Ruthin	GLADYR	3663

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. ALL SHEEP MUST BE PENNED BY 9.30a.m OTHERWISE THEY WILL NOT BE SOLD
2. The Sale will be conducted under the auspices of the Bluefaced Leicester Sheep Breeders Association.
3. The Exhibitor is the Breeder unless otherwise stated. Animals marked * are Two-shear or over. Flock Prefix in Capitals.
4. All sheep classified by the Association as 'Elite' approved or 'Elite Plus' and their progeny, are marked 'E' 'A' or 'E' plus accordingly.
5. All sheep must be sold in the order in which they are catalogued with the exception of the Champion Sheep, which can come anywhere in the exhibitor's run of sheep.
6. An Upset price of £100 will stand on all Sheep.
7. Whilst every care is taken in compiling this catalogue the Association does not accept responsibility for any errors which may occur.
8. Black wool must be declared by the Vendor at the time of sale. If not declared and found by the purchaser before it leaves the market, the sheep can be returned on that day.
9. Purchasers must satisfy themselves as to the correctness of any animal for which they bid, which will be their responsibility at the fall of the hammer.
10. Red spots marked on sheep by the inspector indicate that:
 - (a) A ram of any age is marginally incorrect in the testicles and the fault will be intimated to the Auctioneer by the Exhibitor and announced at the time of Sale and the ram warranted a stock getter by the Exhibitor.
 - (b) An adult sheep is considered to be of good conformation but marginal in the mouth and the fault will be intimated to the Auctioneer by the Exhibitor and announced at time of Sale.
 - (c) Sheep which are rejected will have the Association Logo cut from the tag, head marked and must be removed immediately from the Auction Mart.
11. Any complaint for cudspilling must be lodged with the Auctioneers before the sheep is removed from the Sale premises. The return of a sheep for cudspilling shall be a matter to be resolved between the Vendor and the Purchaser.
12. All disputes are a matter to be resolved between the vendor and purchaser. The Association does not guarantee the stock getting capabilities of any sheep.

THE CERTIFICATION OF THE SHEEP IDENTIFICATION AND THE NSP BOLUS IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR. THE ASSOCIATION WILL PROVIDE A SCANNER FOR USE BY VENDORS OR PURCHASERS TO VERIFY BOLUS NUMBERS ON THE DAY OF THE SALE.

VENDORS CONDITIONS OF WARRANTY:

- (i) If a ram is proved incapable of and ineffective at natural service, and is to be returned by the purchaser to the vendor, notice must be given as soon as possible by the purchaser to the vendor and the ram must be returned to the vendor no later than 5th December in reasonable condition.
 - (ii) No claim on the vendor to exceed the purchase price of the ram.
 - (iii) Any female should be guaranteed free of lamb at time of sale unless otherwise stated. Any animal to be returned should be returned by 5th January in reasonable condition.
 - (iv) No claim on the vendor to exceed the purchase price of the animal.
- Any member selling a ram from which semen has already been stored must advise the auctioneers and have it announced at time of Sale.

ALL SHEEP ARE THE PRODUCE OF REGISTERED FLOCKS AND CONSIGNED BY MEMBERS OF THE BLUEFACED LEICESTER SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

Reference Sires used in the Sire Reference Scheme are marked "RS"

RAMS OF NSP GENOTYPE ARE MARKED WITH COLOURED DISCS
TYPE 1 – RED, TYPE 2 – BLUE AND TYPE 3 - GREEN

A Guide to the Performance Records for Bluefaced Leicester Sheep

Many factors influence the appearance of a ram - so the selection of superior stock 'by eye' alone can be misleading. Estimated Breeding Values (EBV's) and Breeding Indexes provide the only unbiased way of assessing breeding potential. These breeding values are produced by Signet using BLUP (Best Linear Unbiased Predictor) and are calculated from an animals' individual performance records as well as those of known relatives; taking into account known environmental influences (feeding, management, disease etc).

Estimated Breeding Values

EBV A brief explanation...

Estimated Breeding Values for commercially important traits		
Trait name	Description	Look for...
Eight week weight	The breeding potential for lamb growth rates from birth to 8 weeks of age.	High values for faster growth
Mature size	Choosing animals with high figures for this trait will increase mature size.	High values for larger mature size (and visa versa)
Litter size	Selection on high EBVs will increase the prolificacy of female replacements.	High values for more prolific ewes (and visa versa)
Maternal ability	This is the maternal component of the 8-week measurement. The higher this figure the better a ram's ewe lambs will perform as mothers (i.e. milking ability).	High values for milkier ewes
Scan Weight	The breeding potential for lamb growth rates to 21 weeks (age at scanning). The selection of breeding stock with high scan weight EBVs will result in animals with heavier carcasses at a constant fat class or leaner carcasses at a constant age.	High values for faster lamb growth rates
Muscle Depth	Choosing animals with high muscle depth EBVs will increase lamb muscularity and hence the lean meat content of the carcase.	High values for more muscular lambs
Fat Depth	Negative values indicate animals with lower fat content which will produce leaner carcasses or which can be taken to higher weights without becoming over-fat.	Low values for leaner progeny (and visa versa)
Breeding Indexes highlight superior breeding stock for a specific breeding objective.		
Lamb Growth Index	A breeding index which is heavily influenced by the breeding values for lamb growth rate and muscling for Bluefaced Leicesters	

Breed Benchmark

Breeding values should be assessed relative to the Breed Benchmark. This table shows the breakdown of EBVs across the recorded Bluefaced Leicester breed.

Bluefaced Leicester Breed Benchmark 2011

	Bottom 5%	Bottom 10%	Bottom 25%	Average	Top 25%	Top 10%	Top 5%
Eight week weight EBV	-0.78	-0.54	-0.15	0.21	0.66	1.03	1.31
Mature size EBV	-1.91	-1.11	-0.07	1.00	1.97	2.82	3.4
Litter size EBV	-0.06	-0.04	-0.01	0.03	0.06	0.1	0.14
Maternal ability EBV	-0.46	-0.33	-0.13	0.05	0.28	0.46	0.65
Scan Weight EBV	-1.47	-0.92	-0.12	0.79	1.48	2.15	2.52
Muscle Depth EBV	-0.52	-0.29	0	0.44	0.83	1.24	1.48
Fat Depth EBV	0.6	0.52	0.36	0.14	-0.05	-0.23	-0.33
Lamb Growth Index	38	57	77	100	123	146	158

It is often desirable to select animals on the basis of more than one EBV. Breeding Indexes focus on specific breeding goals and combine the appropriate EBVs in to a single figure based on their relative economic value.

	8 week weight EBV	Mature size EBV	Litter size EBV	Maternal ability EBV	Scan weight EBV	Muscle depth EBV	Fat depth EBV
Genetic response							
Lamb Growth Index	0.52	2.32	0.02	0.43	2.26	0.50	0.00

†Gain in EBVs per generation when the selection intensity is equal to 1 standard deviation (approximately the best 38% of animals selected).

Further details will be available from the breeders at the time of Sale of recorded sheep as indicated in the catalogue.

HCC Elite Ram Project

As part of a project run by HCC grant funding is available for the purchase of rams with EBVs in the Top 25% of the breed for Maternal Ability, Scan Weight and Muscle Depth.

To qualify in 2011 a recorded Bluefaced Leicester ram will need to have either a Maternal Ability EBV over 0.28, a Scan Weight EBV over 1.48 or a Muscle Depth EBV over 0.83.

AGED RAMS & SHEARLINGS

<i>Lot No.</i>	<i>Exhibitor</i>	<i>Reg No.</i>	<i>Index No.</i>	<i>NSP Genotype</i>
1	Maldwyn Davies, GRUGOER Performance Recorded Flock	2188/C64	117	<i>Sire:</i> 1510/A3 Red Cottage <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1939/X18 Hazelwood
*2	W A Jones, RIVERBANK	3787/B21		<i>Sire:</i> 3787/W3 Riverbank <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2963/W9 Robleston
*3		3787/B17		<i>Sire:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2963/W9 Robleston
4	Emrys Lloyd Williams GLADYR (bred by RC & RS Burniston, RIGGMOOR)	4053/C5		<i>Sire:</i> 1458/A10 Ty-Gwyn <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1939/Y9 Hazelwood
5	(bred by S A & C L Thomason, PIEL VIEW)	3935/C5		<i>Sire:</i> 2217/T3 Barlaes <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 708/T12 Bowder
6	(bred by Messrs Raine, OLD PARKS)	111/C3		<i>Sire:</i> 584/B5 Middle Dukesfield <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3363/Y1 Craig Yr Orsedd
7	(bred by Exhibitor)	3663/C6		<i>Sire:</i> 1411/B9 Duhonw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3320/W22 Tanhouse Farm
*8	D Roberts, TROFARTH (Bred by S A & R P Jones, CRAIG YR ORSEDD)	3363/B25		<i>Sire:</i> 119/Z2 Cocklaw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3151/T29 Scrainwood 'E+' <i>Sire:</i> 1397/Z5 Penngar 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3151/T29 Scrainwood 'E+' <i>Sire:</i> 2519/Y1 Meudwy <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2519/A43 Meudwy
9	(Bred by Exhibitor)	4394/C2		<i>Sire:</i> 2519/Y1 Meudwy <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2519/A19 Meudwy
10-11	H D Gruffydd, CAEREINI	4374/C2 – 4374/C3		<i>Sire:</i> 3900/X6 Thornton Le Dale <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 78/P5 Pennine
12		4374/C4		
13-17	D Gethin, MONTY	3091/C26 3091/C30		
18	M C Roberts, MYFYRIAN Performance Recorded Flock & Sire Reference Scheme Member	1183/C8		<i>Sire:</i> 2188/B1 Grugoer <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 281/T4 Carry House E+ <i>Sire:</i> 3320/W22 Tanhouse Farm <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3320/X1 Tanhouse Farm
19-20	Miss R Lloyd-Evans, FRON	3668/C4 – 3668/C5		

RAM LAMBS

21	D Roberts, TROFARTH	4394/D12		<i>Sire:</i> 2832/Y8 Elian 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3391/ Somerford
22		4394/D13		<i>Sire:</i> 3935/C3 Piel View <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3151/T29 Scrainwood 'E+' <i>Sire:</i> 3935/C3 Piel View
23		4394/D14		<i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3989/Z4 Clennell 'E+' <i>Sire:</i> 3935/C3 Piel View
24		4394/D15		<i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1706/X1 Llywgy 'E+' <i>Sire:</i> 3935/C3 Piel View
25		4394/D16		<i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1939/X18 Hazelwood 'E'
26	M C Roberts, MYFYRIAN Performance Recorded Flock & Sire Reference Scheme Member	1183/D5		<i>Sire:</i> 1183/C1 Myfyrian <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 281/T4 Carry House E+
27		1183/D12		<i>Sire:</i> 1183/C1 Myfyrian <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1240/W2 Mossyard
28	G Roberts, MYFYRIAN x Performance Recorded Flock & Sire Reference Scheme Member	4390/D2		<i>Sire:</i> 1538/A5 Midlock E+ <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3419/Y8 Wellan

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29		4390/D8		<i>Sire:</i> 1411/B12 Duhonw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3419/Y8 Wellan
30-33	Mrs M Davies, WERNLAS	1319/D1 - 1319/D4		<i>Sire:</i> 3900/A12 Monty
34-38	E Lloyd Williams, GLADYR	3663/D1 - 3663/D5		<i>Sire:</i> 1411/B9 Duhonw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3320/W22 Tanhous Farm
39-42	Miss R Lloyd Evans, FRON	3668/D1 - 3668/D4		<i>Sire:</i> 1411/B9 Duhonw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3320/W22 Tanhous Farm
43	W A Jones, (RIVERBANK)	3787/D3		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
44		3787/D7		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
45		3787/D9		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
46		3787/D20		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
47		3787/D22		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down

FEMALES

48	M C Roberts, MYFYRIAN	1183/D23		<i>Sire:</i> 1257/B12 Cassington <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 3989/X41 Clennell
49	John Harris, HENLLYS	3897/C5		<i>Sire:</i> 893/Y4 The Close <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 584/V6 Middle Dukesfield
50-51		3897/C6 - 3897/C7		<i>Sire:</i> 893/Y4 The Close <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2188/X34 Grugoer
52	W A Jones, RIVERBANK	3787/D58		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
53		3787/D57		<i>Sire:</i> 3649/A1 Wanstead 'E+' <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down
54		3787/C23		<i>Sire:</i> 891/Y4 Lower Down <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 2963/W9 Robelston
55	Maldwyn Davies, GRUGOER Performance Recorded Flock	2188/C32	103	<i>Sire:</i> 2188/B1 Grugoer <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1183/T8 Myfyrian
56		2188/C43	119	<i>Sire:</i> 1070/Y1 Cernyw <i>Sire of Dam:</i> 1939/X18 Hazelwood

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
CLASS 1				
CLASS 2				
CLASS 3				
CLASS 4				
CLASS 5				
CLASS 6				
CLASS 7				
CLASS 8				

MALE CHAMPION	
FEMALE CHAMPION	
CHAMPION	
RESERVE CHAMPION	

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