

2007 PROGENY SHOWS

PENRITH – 28th JULY OSWESTRY – 4th AUGUST
ANTRIM – 28th JULY

YOUNG HANDLERS CLASSES

Penrith and Oswestry Progeny Shows will have Young Handlers Classes for Under 12's and Under 18's. These will involve showing a sheep of any age and entries will be taken on the day. Prize money for these will be kindly sponsored by Farm Force.

FLOCK VISITS

Open Days will take place this year at CWMLLIW FARM, TRALLONG,
BRECON, POWYS
ON SUNDAY 25TH AUGUST

AND AT
BROOK HOUSE FARM, CLITHEROE AND LAUND FARM, PRESTON, LANCASHIRE
ON SUNDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

FURTHER DETAILS OF THESE EVENTS WILL FOLLOW and
CAN BE SEEN ON OUR WEBSITE

SIRE REFERENCE SCHEME

Anyone wishing to purchase semen from the undernoted reference sires should contact the office as soon as possible. Cost involved £100 Subscription plus £20 per straw to a max of 10 straws

1183 P033 Myfyrian 1542/V005 Pigot
1574/W012 FIRTH 1183/T010 Myfyrian
2522/W44 Cannington

HELME TROPHY

Three ram lambs by one sire sold to the highest average through Association Sales.

GREENOP TROPHY

Six ram lambs by any sire sold to the highest average through Association Sales.

J. R. BELL & SON TROPHY

Highest priced lamb outwith the top three prize places through
Association Sales at Hexham, Penrith and Carlisle.
Claims for these trophies should be made in writing
to the office immediately after the sales.

VISIT THE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE FOR UP TO DATE SHOW RESULTS
AND FURTHER INFORMATION:

www.blueleicester.co.uk

Solway Offset the printers, 11 Catherinefield Ind. Estate, Heathhall, Dumfries.

THE BLUEFACED LEICESTER SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

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To All Members,

Enclosed are the Official Sales Entry forms for the Association Sales. All classes of entries can use the same type of form, but it is important to use only ONE FORM PER CLASS OF SHEEP - this will ensure your entries go in the correct section of the Sales Catalogue.

Pay particular attention to the information box at the top right of the entry form. If you are short of entry forms, more can be downloaded from the website or requested from the Office, and we do accept photocopies.

As last year, the Entry Form will include a space for the Sire of the Dam. This information is voluntary.

NB. Due to Health and Safety Guidelines, the Association has banned the use of dips and water sprays at the Auction Premises.

Anyone wishing to confirm sale Entries have arrived should send a stamped addressed envelope or include a fax number for acknowledgement. Please try to avoid phoning the office to confirm the arrival faxes and forms, as this ties up the office phone for other uses and the office is very busy at this time.

CATALOGUES - These will be sent out automatically to vendors. The office will not hold a supply of Association catalogues and requests for catalogues should go to the relevant Auctioneers. Telephone numbers are provided below for this purpose.

COMMISSION: Association commission for 2007 Sales is 0.5 per cent.

SUBSTITUTES: One sheep per vendor may be substituted. A pro-forma will be available on the day, which must be completed by the vendor and displayed on the relevant pen. The auctioneer and chief steward to be informed.

Please pay particular note to the General Information and Conditions of Entry as these will be strictly adhered to. Any sheep, which are inspected and subsequently rejected must be removed immediately from the mart. There is no appeal procedure.

2007 ASSOCIATION SALES

SALE	SALE DATE	CLASSES	ENTRIES CLOSE
KELSO 01555 662281 or 01434 605444	Friday 14th September	Rams only All ages	10th August
BLACKMOORGATE 01643 841841	Monday 17th September	All Classes	13th August
CASTLE DOUGLAS 01556 502381	Friday 21st September	All Classes	17th August
BALLYMENA 02825 633470	Saturday 22nd September	All Classes	18th August
BUILTH WELLS 01745 832240 or 01668 217271	Monday 24th September	All Classes	20th August
LANARK 01555 662281	Wednesday 26th September	All Classes	22nd August
WELSHPOOL 01838 553438	Thursday 27th September	All Classes	23rd August
HEXHAM 01434 605444	Monday 1st October	All Classes	27th August
HAWES 01969 667207	Thursday 4th October	All Classes	30th August
PENRITH 01768 864700	Thursday 11th October	All Classes	6th September
CARLISLE 01228 590490	Friday 12th October	All Classes	7th September
MARTINSTOWN 02821 758460	Saturday 13th October	All Classes	8th September
HEREFORD 01432 356161	Wednesday 17th October	All Classes	12th September

GENERAL INFORMATION WHICH APPLIES TO ALL SALES

- USE ONE ENTRY FORM PER CLASS.** The Entry Form must be returned by the closing date shown and **no responsibility will be accepted by the Secretary for Entry Forms not received in the mail.** If confirmation of acceptance is required please enclose a S.A.E.
NO LATE ENTRIES CAN BE ACCEPTED.
- All sales will be pre-balloted in public at the Auction Mart at 12 noon (approx.) on the day following the closing date of each sale. Entries will then be catalogued in sale order.
- A proportionate number of sheep from 2005 will be taken from the beginning and the end of the entries forward in that year and placed in the middle of each section in 2006 (approx 1 vendor per 100 sheep) e.g. 500 sheep entered in 2005 = first five and last five vendors forward placed in the middle in 2006.
- An entry fee of £5.85 (inc. VAT) is payable on all female entries. If this is not included with the Entry Form, entries will be returned and the closing date may be missed. There is no entry fee on rams.
- There is no entry fee for females in Dispersal Sales. Ewe lambs in a dispersal sale will be subject to normal inspection procedures. All dispersals will be sold at the beginning of the females.
- 2007 Upset Price. Males £100 Females £100
- All sheep must be penned by 9.00 a.m. or 1 hour prior to sale time. This includes females whose sale starts later in the day.
- All sheep must be sold in catalogue order with the exception of the Champion Sheep which can be sold anywhere within the members run of sheep.
- Sheep can only be entered for one sale. Any sheep entered for a sale and not forward cannot be re-entered for another sale.
- One substitute sheep per vendor will be allowed. Ear numbers will be checked prior to sheep entering the ring. Those which do not tally with the entry form will be rejected.**
- Only catalogued sheep will be allowed in the market.
- All sheep are subject to inspection on sale day by Association Inspectors. Vendors or their representative, should be present during these inspections.
- Sheep which are rejected will have the Association Logo cut from the tag, head marked and must be removed immediately from the auction mart.**
- Any sheep found by the inspectors to be cudspilling will retain its tag but will be removed from the auction mart.
- If a ram is found by the inspectors to be marginally incorrect in the testicles he will be given an identification mark by the inspectors and the vendor must notify the Auctioneers and have the fault announced in the ring at the time of sale and warrant the ram a stock getter. If the vendor is not prepared to warrant the ram a stock getter, its tag will be cut out and it must be removed from the auction mart.
- Any Shearing sheep considered to be marginal in the mouth but of good general conformation will be marked and announced in the ring.
- Lambs – Teeth must touch the pad neither over or under.
- No shaving or clipping of hair in front of the eyes will be permitted and the sheep will be removed from the auction mart.
- Black wool must be declared by the vendor at the time of the sale but inspectors still have the right to reject sheep for black wool so extensive as to seem not true to breed type. If black wool is not declared and found by the purchaser before it leaves the market, the sheep can be returned on that day.
- Inspectors decision is final.
- Whilst all sheep are inspected by Association Officers, purchasers must satisfy themselves as to the correctness of any animal which will be their responsibility on the fall of the hammer.
- Ram Lambs not likely to be mature enough to be active at tugging time can be removed from the market.
- Anyone found to have "ground" the teeth of any animal will be severely dealt with.
- Any Vendor selling a ram from which semen has already been stored must advise the auctioneers and have it announced at the time of sale.
- Any female should be guaranteed free of lamb at time of sale unless otherwise stated. Any female animal to be returned should be returned by 5th January in reasonable condition. No claim should exceed the purchase price of the animal.
- Genotyped sheep must be marked according to their genotype – Type 1 Red, Type 2 Blue, Type 3 Green. Members should use coloured discs. No marks must be made on the wool.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE SALES.

THE BALLOT WILL BE DRAWN BY THE ASSOCIATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CHIEF STEWARD ON THE DAY FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF ENTRIES. THE CATALOGUES WILL BE PREPARED BY THE ASSOCIATION AND REQUESTS FOR CATALOGUES SHOULD BE MADE TO THE RELEVANT AUCTIONEERS.

KELSO

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE A SHOW FOR ALL EXHIBITORS THE NIGHT BEFORE (13th SEPTEMBER).

TWO official entry forms must be completed. One should be obtained from Border Union or the Auctioneer and returned to the Auctioneer of your choice by Monday 23rd July and an Association entry form (enclosed) must also be completed and returned to this office by Friday 10th August to enable the catalogue to be compiled. ANYONE WHO DOES NOT RETURN AN ASSOCIATION ENTRY FORM WILL HAVE NO SHEEP DETAILED IN THE ASSOCIATION CATALOGUE. PLEASE ENSURE THE SAME NUMBER OF SHEEP ARE ENTERED WITH THE AUCTIONEERS AND THE ASSOCIATION.

BORDER UNION WILL DRAW THE BALLOT.

BUILTH WELLS

The two Association Auctioneers are as undernoted and only entries to these auctioneers will be catalogued in the Association catalogue. Anyone entering with an auctioneer other than those listed below will be sold in a separate ring and entries will appear in the NSA catalogue only.

NSA entry forms can be obtained from the auctioneers and must be returned to them by 8th August.

AN ASSOCIATION ENTRY FORM (ENCLOSED) MUST ALSO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE OFFICE BY 20th AUGUST. ANYONE NOT RETURNING AN ASSOCIATION ENTRY FORM WILL HAVE NO SHEEP DETAILED IN THE ASSOCIATION CATALOGUE.

The sale ballot will be compiled by NSA and catalogued in that order

A maximum of 4 females may be entered for this sale

a maximum run of 20 sheep will be permitted per exhibitor.

OFFICIAL AUCTIONEERS:	Michael Walton	Tel: 01668 217271
	Jones Peckover	Tel: 01978 364283

NORTHERN IRELAND

Please note that the Ballymena Sale on the 22nd September will again be an Export Sale with extra entry conditions. **NB: random bolus checks will be carried out. This will involve sheep being scanned to check the bolus number matches the sheep's ear tag number. Also, Scrapie Genotype Certificates must accompany ALL SHEEP to the export sale. Please make sure that the lot number is marked in pencil on the top right hand side of the Certificate.**

Entry fees for this will be £5.85 (incl VAT) for males and females.

Entries for Martinstown will be £3.53 (incl VAT) for all entries.

All entries for both Ballymena and Martinstown should be forwarded direct to the Office and not to the auctioneers. **Entries will not be processed until the correct fee is received.**

No late entries will be accepted for the sales. Following the ballot being drawn by the Association, in conjunction with the chief steward on the day following closure of entries, the catalogues will be prepared by the Association.

DISPERSALS

All flocks advertising Dispersals will automatically lose their flock number and prefix following the sale. No flock numbers or prefixes can be reinstated.