

# Prime Sheep Report

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025

On Wednesday Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their weekly sale of 6,291 prime sheep, comprising of 2,800 prime lambs and 3,491 cast ewes & rams.

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Penrith Auction held their annual Christmas Show and Sale of Prime Sheep. Judging was in the capable of Mr Jimmy Mulholland who kindly took time out from his busy prolific shop at Great Orton.

A record entry of show pens was present with huge thanks going to all PDFM vendors going to the effort of bringing them forward.

Jimmy awarded his Christmas Show championship rosette and trophy to the Bindloss Family at Shap Abbey for their first prize pair of Beltex lambs. These lambs later went onto be sold for £290 for 58kgs achieving 500ppk purchased by the Judge Mr J Mulholland.

Reserve champion honours in our show were awarded to the 1st Prize Pair of Texel Lamb from the Hall Family at Inglewood Edge these expertly dressed and brought forward lambs sold for the top ppk on the day of 543ppk for 46kg realising £250 again purchased by the judge. A full list of prize winners and prices are attached below.

The show results are as follows:

Champion - Messrs M Bindloss & Son, Shap Abbey

Reserve Champion - Messrs R Hall & Son, Inglewood Edge

## Pair of Beltex lambs

1st	Messrs M Bindloss, Shap Abbey	58kg	£290	500ppk
2nd	Messrs R Hall & Son, Inglewood Edge	45kg	£215	478ppk
3rd	Messrs M Bindloss, Shap Abbey	49kg	£225	459ppk

## Pair of Texel lambs

1st	Messrs R Hall & Son, Inglewood Edge	46kg	£250	543ppk
2nd	Messrs R Hall & Son, Inglewood Edge	44kg	£205	466ppk
3rd	Messrs M Bindloss, Shap Abbey	62kg	£225	363ppk

## Pen of 10 Suffolk lambs

1st	Messrs Pollock, Wreay Hall	57kg	£180	316ppk
2nd	Mr W Hird, Town Head	52kg	£159	306ppk
3rd	Messrs M Bindloss, Shap Abbey	54kg	£163	302ppk

## Pen of 10 Mule Lambs

1st	Messrs M Bindloss, Shap Abbey	57kg	£167	293ppk
2nd	Messrs W E & B Wilson, Undercragg	53kg	£154	291ppk
3rd	Messrs Lowis, Waterside House	60kg	£170	283ppk

**Pen of 10 Cheviot Mule Lambs**

1st	Messrs R & J M Ridley, Ranbeck	54kg	£166	307ppk
2nd	Messrs E J Ivinson & Sons, Skelling Farm	53kg	£159	300ppk
3rd	Messrs E J Ivinson & Sons, Skelling Farm	53kg	£162	306ppk

**Pen of 10 Hill Bred Lambs**

1st	Messrs Hodgson, Woodfoot (Cheviot)	49kg	£154	314ppk
2nd	Mr F R Crew, Gall Farm (Blackfaced)	42kg	£134	319ppk
3rd	Messrs Bland, Clea Hall (Herdwick)	44kg	£138	314ppk

Once again, a huge thank you to all of our customers that brought stock forward to support our show.

Another great entry of 2800 lambs were forward and trade slightly easier on the week. Especially for grass fed types however a strong average of 314ppk overall or 329 SQQ or £148.05 per head.

Aside from the show we had some great top prices, Messrs Lowis, Waterside House topped the Mule trade for a pen of 10 weighing 60kg, realising £170 and a total of 292 mule lambs on offer sold to average £150.72, R & J M Ridley, Ranbeck sold his pen of 10 Cheviot Mule Lambs, weighing 54kgs realising £166.

Suffolk lambs sold to 356ppk for 41kg achieving £146 from Messrs J Carrick & Son, Ireshope Plains. D G & L M Strong, Sleagill House sold his expertly fed heavy Suffolks, weighing 68kg realising £192. T F & G L Pollock, The Wreay sold his first prize pen of Suffolks with excellent skins, weighing 57kg, realising £180. Hill Lambs topped at £154 for Messrs Hodgson, Woodfoot for their winning pen of 49kg lambs.

The Bland team of Clea Hall sold 44kgs. Herdwicks realised £138. Allan Duncan, Inshes Farm, Inverness sent a brilliant pen of 20 Scotch Mule lambs weighing 54kg realising £163.

All classes of meaty fed lambs still sell with ease. Messrs Holliday, Clea Mire brought forward a run of 60 sheared lambs to average 50kg, achieving £160.27. Newbiggin Farms brought another fabulous run of 62 lambs to average 50.8kg to achieve £163.58 or 321ppk. Mr J H Slack, Brougham Castle sold there run of 35 lambs to average 45kg, achieving 352ppk or £160.43. Topping the consignment average today came from the Hall Family at Inglewood Edge selling 46kgs to 452ppk or £212 per head.

Cast Ewes came forward in large numbers once again with a ringside of buyers all very competitive for all sections with a huge shortage of Continental and Suffolk but nevertheless all classes dearer on the week.

Topping at £380 went to Mr H McCrae, Shethin Farm, Aberdeenshire with a monster of a Texel Ewe selling to weekly supporters Romford Halal, Essex.

Suffolk x Texel Ewes topped at £245 from Mr A J Bell, Thethwaite selling to Pak Mekka Meats, Birmingham with all Suffolks averaging £189.53. The best English Mules achieved £190 for a pen of 22 from Mr P R Baker, Glebe Cottage, Lincolnshire.

Horned ewes comfortably up £4-£8 on the week with numbers short of requirements. Swaledale's topped at £130 from Messrs T E Clarke, Howgill Castle with larger pens achieving £124 x7; £123x15; £199x6; £119x17; £118x14; £116x20; £113x1; £112x10; £110x422 with all Swaledale's sold to average £97.53.

Cast Rams topped at £285 from Mr H Mcrae, Shethin Farm selling to Mr J Linsley.

All in all the competition here at Penrith does not slacken and all classes are sold to a genuine weekly strong trade for both local and travelled customers.

More sheep can be sold to vendor's advantage. Numbers are needed each week now going forward. Please advise entries to Paul Gardner on 07552 589141, or Andrew Maughan on 07717611952.

### ***Leading Prices***

#### **Prime Lambs p/kg**

**Texel-** 543.0, 466.0 Inglewood Edge; 374.0, 363.0 Shap Abbey; 365.0, 356.0 Bank House; 360.0, 342.0 Shethin Farm; 360.0, 351.0 Oaklands; 358.0, 342.0 Ireshope Plains; 356.0 Throstle Hall; 354.0, 354.0 Kirklington; 353.0 Mill Farm; 350.0, 340.0 Staingills; 348.0 North Netherscales; 344.0 Milburn Grange; 344.0 Crosby Hall; 344.0 Dearham Hall; 340.0 West View.

**Beltex-** 500.0, 459.0, 409.0 Shap Abbey; 478.0, 409.0 Inglewood Edge; 419.0 North Gill Bank; 417.0 Midtown Farm; 410.0 Brockwoodlees Farm; 405.0 Murrah Hall, 405.0, 391.0, 382.0, 360.0 North Gill Bank; 400.0, 351.0 Glaslyn House; 400.0, 397.0, 395.0, 387.0, 359.0, 345.0 Staingills; 392.0 Friarbiggin; 384.0 Glasslyn House; 381.0, 370.0 Crosby Hall; 381.0 Inglewood Edge; 380.0, 376.0 (2) Brougham Castle; 376.0 Holme Wrangle; 374.0 Reagill Grange; 370.0 Midtown Farm; 370.0, 364.0 Wreay Hall Farm; 368.0, 364.0 Staingills; 361.0 Bank House; 361.0 High Park Foot; 360.0 Harry Place; 359.0 Wreay Hall; 359.0 Ranbeck; 357.0 Mill Farm; 351.0 Cairnbridge Farm; 350.0 Throstle Hall; 350.0 Park House.

Blue Texel - 369.0, 336.0 Ireshope Plains; 340.0, 335.0 Dearham Hall

**Continental** – 359.0, 336.0 Greenhouse Farm; 345.0, 340.0 Staingills; 329.0 North Netherscales; 326.0, 325.0 Hill Top.

**Suffolk** – 356.0. 314.0 Ireshope Plains; 330.0, 327.0 Shethin Farm; 324.0 Holme Wrangle; 324.0, 312.0 Scales Hall (Jenkinson); 323.0 Eden Terrace; 319.0, 312.0 Friarbiggin; 318.0, 306.0 Seat House Farm; 316.0 Wreay Hall Farm; 310.0 Brockwoodlees Farm; 309.0 North Netherscales; 308.0 Askrigg Hall; 308.0 Sleagill House; 307.0 Park Head; 306.0 Shap Abbey; 306.0 Ireshope Plains; 306.0 Town Head.

**Cheviot-**356.0 (2), 343.0, 330.0, 326.0 Harry Place; 331.0, 325.0 Gall Farm.

**Herdwick-** 334.0 (2) High Lodore Farm; 315.0 Eden Terrace; 314.0 Clea Hall; 309.0 Harry Place; 302.0 High Lodore Farm.

**Cheviot Mule-**313.0 Clea Hall; 307.0 Ranbeck; 306.0 Skelling Farm.

Mule- 306.0, 294.0 Street House; 302.0 Ireshope Plains; 302.0 Inshes Farm; 298.0 Howgill Castle; 298.0, 293.0 Shap Abbey; 296.0 (2) Sceugh Dyke; 291.0 Undercragg; 291.0 Long Park Farm; 291.0 High Park Foot; 290.0 Undercragg; 290.0 Hole House Farm; 290.0 Hill Top Farm; 289.0 Old Parks.

**Blackfaced:** 326.0, 319.0 Gall Farm.

### **Prime Lambs £/head**

**Beltex** - £290, £225, £202, £176 Shap Abbey; £215, £198, £192 Inglewood Edge; £184, £180, £176, £171, £162 North Gill Bank; £184, £174, £165, £160 Wreay Hall Farm; £178 Murrah Hall; £175, £163 Midtown Farm; £174, £162, £160 Staingills; £172 (2) Bolton Wood Lane Farm; £171, £168 Brougham Castle; £170, £169, £164 Crosby Hall; £169, £168, £160 (2) Glaslyn House; £168 Park House; £166 High Park Foot; £165 Woodhouse; £164 Braithwaite Mill; £162, £161, £160 Brockwoodlees Farm; £161 Reagill Grange.

**Texel** - £250, £205 Inglewood Edge; £225, £198 Shap Abbey; £194 Brougham Castle; £190 Street House; £188 (2) Park View; £183, £161 Sceugh Dyke; £182, £180, £167, £161 (2), £160 Park House; £182, £160 Pennine View; £180, £175, £166, Sleagill House; £180, £162 Shethin Farm; £170 (3), £166 (2), £164 Newbiggin Farms, £170, £162 Inshes Farm; £168 (2), £163, £160 Clea Mire; £168 Bank House; £168, £167 (2), £161 (2) Wreay Hall Farm; £167, £166, Ireshope Plains; £166 Holme Wrangle; £165, £164 Dearham Hall; £162 Friarbiggin; £162 Gall Farm; £161 Milburn Grange; £160 High Street.

**Suffolk** - £192, £191, £170 Sleagill House; £184 Pennine View; £180, £168 Wreay Hall Farm; £174, £162, £159, Scales Hall (Jenkinson); £170 High Street; £165, £160, £157 Ireshope Plains; £163 Brockwoodlees Farm; £163, £153 Shap Abbey; £161, £156 (2) Seat House Farm; £159 Town Head (Hird); £158 Clea Mire; £157 Crindledyke Farm; £156 Hole House; £153 Town Head (Mounsey); £153, £151 Sceugh Dyke; £151 Friarbiggin; £151 Sootyhill; £150 Shethin Farm; £150 Ratten Castle; £150 Braithwaite Mill.

**Mule** - £190, £150 Street House; £170, £158, £156 Waterside House; £167 Shap Abbey; £163 Inshes Farm, £163 High Park Foot; £154 Ireshope Plains; £154, £151 Undercragg; £153 Howgill Castle; £150 Crindledyke Farm.

**Continental** - £172 Pennine View; £158, £151 Greenhouse Farm; £154 Hill Top; £152 Fenton Farm; £152 Mellgates; £151 Sootyhill; £150 Braithwaite Mill; £150 Ratten Castle.

**Dutch Spotted** - £172 Woodhouse (Marrs);

**Blue Texel** - £168 Ireshope Plains; £162, £160 Dearham Hall

**Cheviot Mule** - £166 Ranbeck; £162, £159 Skelling Farm.

**Cheviot** - £161 Ranbeck; £154 Woodfoot; £150 Whygill Head.

**Blackface** - £134 Gall Farm.

### **Cast Ewes £/head**

**Texel (av £215.73)** - £380, £330, £295, £246, £214 Shethin Farm; £320, £250, £230, £218, £216 Bogie Street; £275, £255, £248 Greenacres; £275, £220, £214 Glebe Cottage; £250 Old Wall; £248, £240, £228, £218, £206 West Stobswood Farm; £248 Stanley House; £246 Wreay Hall Farm; £242, £230, £216 Old Wall; £238, £208 Fell Farm House; £228 Unity Farm; £222 Cottage Farm; £218 Park Dargue; £216 Inshes Farm; £216 Stewart Drive; £210 Whygill Head; £210 Mill Farm (Noble); £200 Howgill; £200 North Gill Bank; £200 Bustabank

**Continental (av £161.25)** - £285 Brockwoodlees Farm; £268 Stanley House; £200, £228 Unity Farm; £224, £216, £212 Shethin Farm; £222, £202 Greenacres; £222 West Stobswood Farm; £220, £202 Glebe Cottage; £220 Inshes Farm; £219, £210, £202 Clifton Moor Farm; £208 Oaklands; £204, £200 Shawclough Road; £204 Braithwaite Mill; £204 Old Wall; £202 Braithwaite Shields; £200 Bogie Street;

**Beltex (av £205.38)** - £275, £270, £228 Espland House; £250, £232 Skelling Farm; £215 Starrah; £214 Mid Farm; £208 Thethwaite Farm; £200 Well Head Farm; £200 Braithwaite Shields

**Suffolk (av £189.53)** - £245, £230, £206 Thethwaite Farm; £242, £226, £222, £198 Bogie Street; £240, £218, £217, £190 Shethin Farm; £218, £205, £202, £198, £190 Glebe Cottage; £194 Belvedene; £192 Inshes Farm; £190 Braithwaite Shields

**Cheviot (av £141.87)** - £194, £174 (2), £162, £154 Glebe Cottage; £194, £170 Braithwaite Shields; £180 Shawclough Road; £174 Mid Farm; £170, £164 (3), £162 Shethin Farm; £169 East Newbiggin Farm; £167 Mill Farm (Pollock & Scott); £164, £150 East Cocklaw Farm; £164 Coach House; £158 Hill Top; £156 Pallet Hill; £152 Park Dargue

**Mule (av £145.08)** - £190, £168 (2) Glebe Cottage; £172 Belvedene; £170, £164 Bogie Street; £168, £160 Shethin Farm; £168 Bomby; £167 East Newbiggin Farm; £166 Greenacres; £166 Brackenburgh Home Farm; £160 Braithwaite Mill

**Zwartble (av £147.78)** - £184 Greenacres

**Cheviot Mule (av £164.38)** - £180 Mid Farm; £175 Westhills

**Easycare (av £122.78)** - £140 Shethin Farm; £134, £127 Shielswood; £134 Greenacres Jacob - £138 Shawclough Road

**Swaledale (av £97.53)** - £130, £119 Howgill Castle; £124 Street House (Maughan); £123, £110 Undercragg; £119 Yew Tree Farm; £118 High Park Foot; £118 Woodhall; £118 Howe Green; £116 Fog Close; £113 Marsh House; £112 Throstle Hall; £110 Mount Pleasant

**Scotch Blackfaced (av £100.97)** - £126 Inshes Farm; £124, £123, £121 Shawclough Road; £124, £112 High Roans; £122 Tarn Foot; £120 Thethwaite Farm; £120 Mid Farm; £118 Shire Lodge; £113 (2), £110 Marsh House

**Herdwick (av £79.03)** - £114 Harry Place; £111 Starrah; £106 Sheilswood; £106 Howe Green; £100 High Lodore Farm

#### **Cast Rams £/head**

**Texel** - £285, £220 Shethin Farm; £215 Yew Tree Farm; £200 Grasvegas

**Continental** - £218 Middle Fell Farm; £205 Stanley House

**Blue Texel** - £208 Bank Wood

**Suffolk** - £200 Howe Green

**Herdwick** - £130 Middle Fell Farm; £128 Braithwaite Shields

**Scotch Blackfaced** - £130 Belvedene