

Crossing Bluefaced Leicester Sale

Sunday 4th October 2026

On Sunday evening, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held its Annual Sunday Show & Sale of Crossing Bluefaced Leicesters, kindly sponsored by Peter Horn Mobile Sheep Dipping and EQ Accountants.

The afternoon's proceedings opened with several strong show classes, judged by: Mr John Capstick, Lockholme Hall, and Mr C Borthwick, Broomie Bank, with Mr A Troughton, Moors Farm, acting as referee.

The evening's proceedings began with some exceptionally large and competitive show classes, comprising 24 ram lambs and 18 shearlings. The standard was exceptionally high throughout. Champion honours went to M/s Lord, renowned for consistently breeding quality stock, with Lot 15—a very correct and honest shearling sired by Hewgill R38. It went on to realise £10,000, selling to M/s Lowis, Waterside.

The reserve championship went to M/s W M Hutchinson, Redgate, with a very well put-together ram lamb that displayed quality and class throughout. Sired by Mcffi V2, it sold to M/s HW & MA Alderson & Son, Howgill Grange. A further lamb from the Lord family, sired by V34 Marriforth, also realised £6,000. It stood second in the show and was purchased by M/s Lowis.

Shearling and stock rams met a strong trade, with the majority selling between £800 and £1,200. Mr A Price, Bradley, sold three-shear rams to £1,300, while Mr JW Twentyman, Applegarth, sold shearlings to £1,800 to M/s Hutton, Setmabanning.

Overall, a very strong clearance was achieved, with vendors returning home highly satisfied with their returns.

The following awards were presented:

Show Results

Class 1 – Shearling & Aged Ram

- 1st** M/s Lord, West Dowgill - Lot 15
- 2nd** M/s Lord, West Dowgill - Lot 16
- 3rd** Mr M Allan, Knock Hall - Lot 74
- 4th** M/s D Curr & Son, Bowderdale - Lot 43

Class 2 – Ram Lamb

- 1st** M/s WM Hutchinson & Sons, Redgate - Lot 80
- 2nd** M/s Lord, West Dowgill- Lot 17
- 3rd** Mr M Allan, Knock Hall - Lot 75
- 4th** M/s Sowerby & Whitfield, Cotehouse Barn - Lot 96

Class 3 – Females of Any Age

- 1st** M/s Sowerby & Whitfield, Cotehouse Barn - Lot 100
- 2nd** Mr J Wills, Fawcett Park - Lot 42
- 3rd** Mr J Wills, Fawcett Park - Lot 41
- 4th** M/s RB & DJ Bousfield, The Old Forge - Lot 52

Champion – M/s Lord, West Dowgill, with their first-placed shearling ram.

Reserve Champion – M/s WM Hutchinson & Sons, Redgate, with their first-placed ram lamb.

Leading Prices

Ram Lambs: £6000, £1000 West Dowgill; £6000 Redgate; £3000, £2000, £1000 Knock Hall; £2500, £1500 Applegarth; £1600 Kilnknowe Place; £1400, £700 Low Prior Scales; £1200 North Hanging Wells; £1000 (2) The Old Forge; £1000 Fawcett Park; £1000 Town Head; £1000 Cote House; £700 (2) Old Parks; £700 Hegdale

Shearling Rams: £10,000, £3000 West Dowgill; £2000, £600 Bowderdale; £1800 Applegarth; £1500, £1000 (5), £800 Street House; £800, £700 Knock Hall; £800, £700, £600 Skirling Mains; £700 (3) Waterside House; £700, £600 Cote House; £700 The Old Forge

Two-shear and older: £1300 Bradley; £1000 Knock Hall; £1000 The Old Forge; £900 (2), £800 The Faulds; £800 Applegarth; £700, £600 Willimoteswick

Shearling Gimmers: £1200, £700 The Old Forge; £900 Applegarth; £700 Town Head; £600 Cote House Barn

Ewes: £580 Cote House

Gimmer Lambs: £500 (2) Fawcett Park; £500 Albury