

Prime Sheep Report

Wednesday 14th October 2026

On Wednesday 7th October, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held its weekly sale of 7,678 prime sheep, comprising 3,322 prime lambs, 354 lightweight collections of hoggs and lambs, and 4,002 cast ewes and rams.

Another huge show of sheep here in Penrith with another solid trade throughout with handy weights a storm. An SQQ average of 349ppk or 329ppk overall or £153 per head.

Toppings the days sale at 510ppk came for a cracking pen of 5 at 39kg achieving £199 from WH Brass, Low Row. R Hall & Son also achieved 486ppk for 42kg at £204 with first time consigner Mr Mike Faulder, Ewan Close sold lambs to 465ppk for 43kg at £200. A total of 132 lambs sold more than 400ppk.

Topping the days sale at £220 came for 83kg Texel lambs from G Adams, Banchory. DG & LM Strong LTD sold Suffolks at the second top price of £216 for 66kg. Another new consigner in Penrith, Miss E Carvey, Northallerton sold 50kg Beltex lambs to 430ppk or £215 and another at £210.

Suffolks sold at 415ppk for 47kg at £195 from M/s Bindloss & Son, Shap Abbey, M/s R & JM Ridley, Ranbeck sold a pen of 12 54kg Cheviot Mules at £166. Suffolk lambs consignment averages also achieved

- M/s Gardner, Glebelands sold 33 @£191.61
- M/s H G Jackson, Littlebeck sold 19 @£190.84
- M/s TA & A Jefferson, Aspatria Hall sold 26 @£190.65
- Miss E Carvey, Eastfields Farm sold 44 @£182.34
- M/s D G & LM Strong, Sleagill sold 29 @£180.79
- Mr G Cartmel, Hollands sold 26 @£179.04
- M Faulder, Ewan Close sold 20 @£176.25

Strong numbers were once again presented in the ewe ring, with an overall sale average of £158.03 achieved. Topping the sale at £340 was an outstanding pure Texel from Mr A Vance, Bridge House Farm, Newton Stewart, closely followed at £330 by HM Livestock, Aberdeen. Several other ewes sold comfortably in excess of £300.

Suffolk ewes continued to attract very strong demand and maintained an even trade, topping at £270 for a pair of Suffolk-cross-Texels. The overall average for Suffolk ewes was £183.97, with numerous lots selling for over £200.

Overweight ewes also returned some excellent prices, with Bluefaced Leicesters topping at £230 and English Mules reaching £202. Swaledale-cross Mules sold to £198 for a pen of 15 from B Dufton, Huntley.

Some excellent pens of horned ewes proved very good to sell, with Mr E Astley, Morpeth, achieving £150 for Scotch Blackface ewes, while M/s W Ridley, Woodhall, sold Swaledales to £144.

Cast rams sold with great ease, topping at £295 for Texel stock ram from Thrimby Farm, Penrith. Plenty of other rams sold for £240 and above.

Our next sale will be held on Wednesday 21st October. Please advise entries to Paul Gardner on 07552 589141 or Andrew Maughan on 07717 611952.

Leading Prices

Prime Lambs £/head

Texel - £220 Raemoir; £210, £200, £192, £189, £182, £178 Eastfields; £208, £180 (2) Sycamore Rise; £1195, Thrimby Farms; £194 (2), £190 (2) Aspatia Hall; £192 Brocklebank; £190 Ireby Hall; £190, £188, £183 High Knipe; £190 Lowther Castle Inn; £188 Rottington Hill; £188 Station House; £185, £183 Shap Abbey; £185, £180 Sleagill House; £184 Well Head; £182 Glebe Cottage; £181 Milburn Grange; £178 Holme House; £178 Murrah Hall; £178 Crosby Hall

Beltex - £215, £202 (2), £192 Eastfields; £204, £176 Inglewood Edge; £201, £200 (2), £190 Glebelands; £200, £190 (3), £188, £180 Littlebeck; £200, £194, £180 Ewan Close; £199, £181 Low Row; £195 Home Farm; £194, £190(2), £180 (2) Hollands; £188 Sleagill House; £188 Murrah Hall; £176 Lower Gate

Charollais - £189, £177 Holmes House; £184 Inglewood Edge

Suffolk - £216, £192, £174 Sleagill; £198, £195, £189 Aspatia Hall; £195, £167 Shap Abbey; £188, £170 (2) High Knipe; £187 Brocklebank; £184, £173 Holmes House; £184 Galleywreay; £184 Sceugh Dyke; £179 Eastfields; £175 Auchengray; £173 Low Row; £170 (2), £166 Town Head

Continental - £200 Eastfields; £180, £170, £159 Auchengray; £178, £168 Plantation View; £176 Sycamore Rise; £166 Thrang Crag; £166 Sceugh Dyke; £156 Mains of Balhall Farm

Rouge- £188 Inglewood

Cheviot Mule- £166 Ranbeck; £152 Ormathwaite

Cheviot - £152 Gall Farm; £149 Mains of Balhall Farm; £147, £146 (2) Inglewood Edge

Mule – £158 Hole House; £154 Shethin Farm

Blue Texel - £165 Shethin Farm; £164 Crosby Hall

Prime Lambs p/kg

Beltex – 510.0, 441.0, 385.0 Low Row; 486.0, 388.0 Inglewood Edge; 465.0 (2), 457.0, 442.0 Glebelands; 465.0, 451.0, 400.0, 378.0 Ewan Close; 462.0, 432.0, 413.0, 375.0, 372.0 Hollands; 444.0, 422.0, 413.0, 373.0 Littlebeck; 430.0, 396.0, 388.0, 384.0 Eastfields Farm; 427.0

Murrah Hall; 422.0, 407.0 Plum Tree House; 405.0 How Hill; 405.0 The Bow; 400.0 Lower Gate Farm; 384.0 Woodhead Farm; 378.0 Home Farm (Metcalfe)

Texel – 437.0, 391.0, 361.0 High Knipe; 430.0 Shap Abbey; 428.0 Well Head Farm; 414.0 Murrah Hall; 407.0 Low Row; 395.0, 378.0, 369.0 Milburn Grange; 392.0 Eastfields Farm; 391.0 Galleywreay Farm; 387.0, 376.0, 371.0, 363.0 Glebe Cottage; 382.0, 374.0 Sycamore Rise; 376.0 Galloper Park; 376.0 Lowther Castle Inn; 372.0, 363.0 Crosby Hall; 370.0, 364.0, 360.0 Westward Park; 369.0 Thrang Crag; 369.0 Longhurst Farm; 368.0 Plum Tree House; 363.0 Bridge House; 363.0 Cottage Farm; 361.0 Murrah Hall

Suffolk – 415.0, 366.0, 348.0 Shap Abbey; 350.0 Inglewood Edge; 349.0 Brocklebank Farm; 345.0, 324.0 High Mansriggs; 345.0 The Bow; 344.0 Brow Top; 338.0 Eastfields Farm; 337.0 Macey Bank; 334.0 Sycamore Rise; 329.0 Town Head (Hird); 327.0 Sleagill House; 325.0, 320.0 Aspatria Hall; 323.0 Thrimby Hall; 321.0 High Knipe

Blue Texel – 400.0 Crosby Hall; 389.0, 350.0 Plum Tree House; 359.0 Shethin Farm

Rouge – 395.0 Inglewood Edge

Charollais – 391.0 Inglewood Edge

Cheviot – 379.0, 369.0, 351.0 Cottage Farm; 359.0, 345.0, 333.0 Gall Farm; 355.0, 353.0, 333.0 Glebe Cottage; 348.0 Inglewood Edge

Continental – 370.0 Eastfields Farm; 355.0 Auchengray Farm; 350.0, 337.0, 333.0 (2), 330.0 Glebe Cottage; 338.0 Town Head Farm (Richardson); 332.0 Cottage Farm; 332.0 Mains of Balhall Farm

Mule – 316.0 Reservoir Farm; 298.0 Bank Hall; 298.0 Lea Croft; 296.0 Horsemoor Hills

Cheviot Mule – 307.0 Ranbeck

Leading Prices

Cast Ewes £/head

Texel (Av £237.23) - £340, £270 Bridgehouse Farm; £330, £315, £268, £245 Shethin Farm; £320 Brannock Courts; £305, £265 Huntly Lodge Farm; £300 Bogie Street; £280 Ballymaderphy Road; £270 Newstead Grange; £260 (2) Littlebeck; £258 Greenacres; £255 Clea Hall; £254 Holme House; £248 West Stobbswood Farm; £248 Low Moor; £248 Murrah Hall

Continental (Av £175.64) - £310, £270 Aspatria Hall; £310 Ballymena Road; £275, £260 (2), £258, £250 Lansmere; £270 Greenacres; £266 High Knipe; £265, £240 Shethin Farm; £264, £244 Littlebeck; £262, £238, £226 (3) West Stobbswood Farm; £248, £236, £235 Duffton; £246, £242 Buninver Rd; £245, £234 Jonesborough House; £240, £238 Ballymaderphy Road; £230 Killough Road; £230 Glen Loughan Road; £230 Ballymacilcurr Road; £228 (2) Brannocks Court; £226 Thethwaite Farm; £225 Staingills

Charollais (Av £212.17) - £280 Bogie Street; £272 Brick House; £270 Ballymacilcurr Road; £258 Huntly Lodge Farm; £252 Buninver Road; £252 Brannock Courts

Suffolk (Av £183.97) - £270, £210 Brannock Courts; £270 Ballymaderphy Road; £260 Slealands; £248 Ballymena Road; £234, £218 (2), £216, £212 Buninver Road; £224 Bogie

Street; £219 Holme House; £218 Ballymacilcurr Road; £214 Killough Road; £211 Glen Loughan Road

Blue Texel (Av £223.14) - £248 Ballymena Road; £190 The Bow; £190 Dry Howe

Beltex (Av £188.12) - £232 West Stobbswood Farm; £228 Hollands; £220, £198 Staingills; £216 Inglewood Edge; £200 Bromley Green

Bluefaced Leicester (Av £175.64) - £230 Bridgehouse Farm; £200 Buninver Road; £194 Hawkswell Farm

Cheviot (Av £136.58) - £204, £173 Holme House; £200 Ballymacilcurr Road; £188 Bogie Street; £188 Shethin Farm; £176, £170 High Knipe; £172 Glen Loughan Road; £172 Sycamore Rise

Mule (Av £154.78) - £202 Whins Farm; £198, £181, £180 Bogie Street; £198 Greenacres; £190 Holme House; £186 Ballymacilcurr Road

Zwartble (Av £155.60) - £196 Ballymaderphy Road; £190 Ballymena Road; £158 Ballymacilcurr Road; £158 Mains of Balhall Farm

Cheviot Mule (Av £159.17) – £192 Staingills; £182 Fenton Farm; £178 Hollands; £168 Manister Road

Dutch Spotted (av £150.00) - £170 High House (Dickinson); £170 Ballymacilcurr Road Dorset - £169 Ballymena Road

Scotch Blackfaced (Av £114.42) - £150, £130, £120 West Stobbswood Farm; £136, £132, £125 Bogie Street; £135 Holme House; £128 (2), £120 (2) Greenacres; £125 Raemoir Road; £122 Brae Farm; £120 Thethwaite Farm; £120 Dallowie Farm; £120 Ballymaderphy Road Herdwick (Av £80.92) - £149 (2) Ruloe Farm; £145 High Greening Farm; £138 Plantation View; £118 Hawkswell Farm; £115 Low Side

Llyn (Av £135.43) - £146 Greenacres; £140, £128 Osmond Flatt

Jacob - £146, £122 Ballymacilcurr Road; £138 Sandwath Farm; £114 Thethwaite Farm

Swaledale (Av £88.54) - £144, £116 Woodhall; £132 Bogie Street; £117 Hawkswell Farm

Goat - £120 Macey Bank

Rough Fell (Av £118.00) - £135 Hardendale Hall

Kerry Hill – £125 West Stobbswood Farm

Shetland - £95 Cluseburn Farm

Hebridean - £90 Greenacres

Cast Rams £/head

Texel - £295 Thrimby Hall; £275 Shethin Farm; £242 Longhurst Farm; £232 Greenacres; £230 Church Street

Continental - £262 Holme House; £218 Buninver Road

Beltex - £260 Howgill; £210 High Knipe; £210 (2) Inglewood Edge

Zwartble - £260 Holme House

Dutch Spotted - £230 Ballymacilcurr Road

Suffolk - £230 Thethwaite Farm

Charollais - £226 Ballymena Road

Bluefaced Leicester - £216 Bridgehouse Farm

Blue Texel - £200 Holme House

Cheviot - £182 Dry Howe

Goat - £136 Ballymacilcurr Road

Swaledale - £128 Hartley Castle

Herdwick - £138 High Mansriggs