

Harrison & Hetherington Ltd
Kirkby Stephen SSBA In Lamb Ewe Sale – Wednesday 1st March 2017

On Wednesday evening Harrison & Hetherington Ltd. held the Annual Prize Show & Sale of 59 Individual Crowned Swaledale Ewes, Shearlings and Gimmer Hogs on behalf of the Swaledale Sheep Breeders Association at Kirkby Stephen Mart.

The sale set off with a bang, with the first sheep in the ring selling for £7,000, this was the Reserve Champion, a Gimmer Shearling scanned for one from Messrs Sowerby, Oakbank Farm, Barras which was bought by Mr J Tully, Burncroft Farm, Eggleston.

The Champion was awarded to a 2 shear ewe scanned for two from Messrs Skidmore, Flakebridge Farm, Tebay which sold for £2,300 to Messrs Lightfoot, Gillside Farm, Glenridding.

The ring was packed to the rafters which created an electric atmosphere throughout the sale. The top end quality sheep were in strong demand with breeders prepared to invest in the best sheep which was reflected in the sale averages.

Averages

Gimmer Shearlings £1111.43 (plus £681.43 on 2016)

Ewes £880.00 (plus £16.77 on 2016)

Gimmer Hogs £566.67 (plus £206.67 on 2016)

Overall sale average £936.10 (plus 249.63 on 2016)

The show was kindly sponsored by Adrian Bell (Livestock Scanner), Eden Farm Supplies, Carrs Billington, H Pigney & Son, Castle Sculptures and H & H Reeds Printers. Judging was carried out by Mr I Close, Starbotton, Skipton & Mr M Wearmouth, South Stainmore, Kirkby Stephen with Mr S Bell, Winton, Kirkby Stephen.



Show Results

Class 1

Ewe

1 st	No 1	A&M Skidmore, Flakebridge - £2300 to Messrs Lightfoot
2 nd	No 21	P Morris-Eyton, Hallbeck - £3800 to WA&A Booth
3 rd	No 30	GA Slack, Stoneriggs - £750 to Messrs Rebanks

Class 2

Gimmer Shearling

1 st	No 16	PE&KA Sowerby, Oakbank - £7000 to Mr J Tully
2 nd	No 12	JR Dalton, South Wellhope - £1400 to Mr J Natrass
3 rd	No 28	C Nelson & Sons, Lainger House - £750 to Mr A Myres

Class 3

Gimmer Hogg

1 st	No 27	C Nelson & Sons, Lainger House - £400 to Mr AM Walton
2 nd	No 58	L&F Brown, Mount Pleasant - £800 to Mr SR Taylor
3 rd	No 59	L&F Brown, Mount Pleasant - £500 to RA Lancaster

Class 4

Conformation

1 st	No 53	JH&J Bland & Son, Crowden House - £400 to N&N Foster
2 nd	No 34	GA Slack, Stoneriggs - £350 to Mr J Staley
3 rd	No 27	C Nelson & Sons, Lainger House - £400 to Mr A&M Walton

CHAMPION

No 1 A&M Skidmore, Flakebridge

RESERVE CHAMPION

No 16 PE&KA Sowerby, Oakbank

Leading Prices

Gimmer Shearlings: £7000 Oakbank Farm; £1400 South Wellhope; £1400 Flakebridge Farm; £1100 Hallbeck; £750 Lainger House; £700 Billing Shield Farm.

Ewes: £3800 Hallbeck; £2500, £800 Helbeck Farm; £2300, £2000, £1000 Flakebridge Farm; £1400 Crowden House; £900 Town End Farm; £750 Stoneriggs; £550 Billing Shield Farm.

Gimmer Hogs: £800, £500 Mount Pleasant Farm; £400 Lainger House.