

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (September, 26th) sold 455 rams and females at its annual show and sale sponsored by Norvite.

The judge, Mr Bruce Mair, Muiresk, Turriff, awarded the overall show champion and winner of the Mountrich trophy to a Texel shearling from Mr R. Mackay, Clyth Mains, Occumster, which realised £1550.

The Cheviot champion was awarded by Mr A. Simpson, Cairnside, Watten, to a shearling from Castle of Mey Trust, Longoe Farm, which realised £500.

Charollais shearlings (5) sold to £400 gross from Upper Auchenlay, Dunblane.
Beltex shearlings (21) sold to £700 gross from Fodderletter Farm, Tomintoul.
Suffolk shearlings (73) sold to £700 gross for the Suffolk champion from Bardnaclavan.
Texel shearlings (130) sold to £1,550 gross for the overall champion from Clyth Mains.
Blue Faced Leicester shearlings (64) sold to £900 gross from Broomhill Farm, Muir of Ord.
Cross shearlings (29) sold to £750 gross from Upper Auchenlay.

Cheviot rams (26) sold to £600 gross from Belmaduthy Farm, Munloch.

Beltex ram lambs (2) sold to £800 gross from Caberfeidh, Glenurquhart.
Suffolk ram lambs (13) sold to £400 gross from 1 Croft, Kingussie.
Texel ram lambs (16) sold to £400 gross from Wester Moy, Muir of Ord.
Blue Faced Leicester ram lambs (2) sold to £400 gross from Broomhill Farm.
Zwartbles ram lambs (one) sold to £120 gross from The Hollies, Beauly.
Cross ram lambs (3) sold to £200 gross from Seafield House Portmahomack.

Females (58) sold to £370 gross for a Beltex gimmer from Fodderletter Farm.

“Top end rams in all classes sold fairly well, others more difficult.”

Other leading prices per head:

Ram lambs: Belt – Fodderletter, £250; **Suff** – Easthouse, Orkney, £360; **Tex** – Barnyards, Beauly, £380.

Shearlings: Char – Blingery, Wick, £300; **Belt** – Braes of Coulmore, £600, £520, Fodderletter Farm, and Braes of Coulmore, £480; **Suffolk** – Newton of Crathie, £600, North Essie, £550 (twice), Skail, and North Essie, £500; **Texel** – Clyth Mains, £1500, Bardnaclavan, £1100, Weston, Deskford, £1000; **BFL** – The Arr, Lethen, £850, Nether Aucharnie, Forgue, £800, Broomhill, £720; **Cross** – Newton of Crathie, £700, Upper Auchenlay, £600; **Chev Hill** – Rhiroy, Lochbroom, £320, Brackside, £250; **Chev Park** – Longoe Farm, £500, Briar Cottage, Newmill, Longoe, and Belmaduthy, £450, Belmaduthy, £400.

Females: BFL gmr – West Mains, Maud, £320; **Beltex ewe** – Fodderletter, £210. **Beltex gmr** – Fodderletter, £200 (twice).