

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (October, 27th) sold 746 rams at its annual show and sale of North County Hill Cheviots, generously sponsored by Robertson Crop Services, D. R. Alexander Trailers, Animal Health (Highland) & Brogan Fuels.

The judge Mr C. Bradbury, Satchells, Melrose awarded the overall champion for a four shear from Messrs J. M. Elliot & Partners, Woodside Farm, Kelso, realising £1,000. The reserve champion award went to a shearling from Mr G. Milne, Kinaldy Farm, Fife, realising £1,200. Suisgill Estate, Kildonan won the Animal Health Highland sponsored prize for highest Highland flock average (minimum 5 rams), selling 7 rams to average £1,600.

Shearlings (173) sold to £2,100 gross from Thistle House Croft, Thurso.

Two shears (478) sold to £4,800 gross from Kelsocleugh Farming, Kelso.

Three shears (77) sold to £2,000 gross from Allanshaws, Galashiels.

Four shears & Aged (15) sold to £1,800 gross from Bardnaclavan Farm, Thurso and also from Brackside, Thurso.

Ram lambs (3) sold to £200 gross from Ose Farm, Isle of Skye.

“A steady trade from start to finish, with sellers home satisfied.”

Other leading prices per head:

Shearlings – 186 Migdale & 185 Migdale, Bonar Bridge, £2,000, Allanshaws, £1,900, Rhifail Farms, Newton of Ferintosh, £1,600, £1,300, £1,100, Kinaldy Farm, £1,200, South Balkeith, Tain, £1,100, £1,000.

Two shear – Suisgill Estate, Kildonan, £3,800, £2,100, £2,000, Castle of Mey, Longoe Farm, £3,000, East Clyne, Brora, £3,000, Inkstack Farm, Barrack, £1,900, 101-102 Midtown, Lairg, £1,800, Armadale Farm, Lairg, £1,800, Achentoul, Kinbrace, £1,800.

Three shear – Rannoch, Tain, £1,300, Keoldale SSC, Glengolly, £800, Saluscraggie, Helmsdale, £800.

Four shear & Aged – Brackside, £1,800, Woodside Farm, £1,000.

Flock averages 2017

746 sold to average £499.20 (2016 averaged £504.69 for 703 sold)

Address	No.	Top	Average
Suisgill	7	3800	1600.00
Achentoul Shepherd	2	1800	1500.00
Thistle Croft House	2	2100	1450.00
Kelsocleugh	7	4800	1257.00
Allanshaws	5	2000	1230.00
Armadale	7	1800	1185.00
Whitefield	2	1600	1000.00
Balnakeil	3	1500	983.00
186 Migdale	6	2000	916.00
185 Migdale	4	2000	887.50
Hethpool	13	1600	880.76
Taldale	4	1500	875.00
Welbeck	2	1100	850.00
Inkstack Farm	10	1900	790.00
Castle of Mey	9	3000	777.77
Bardnaclavan	4	1800	762.50
Brackside	8	1800	737.50
Buchtrig	10	1150	730.00
Badanloch Shepherd	1	700	700.00
Torrish Shepherd	2	800	700.00
Suisgill Shepherd	1	700	700.00