

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (September, 22nd) sold 353 rams and females at its annual show and sale sponsored by Norvite.

The judge, Mr C. MacIver, Wester Colfield, Forres, awarded the overall show champion and winner of the Mountrich trophy to a Texel shearling from Mr R. K. MacKay, Clyth Mains, Occumster, which realised £1,200 and the reserve champion was awarded to a Suffolk ram lamb from Mr D. Summers, Easthouse, Toab which realised £300. In the Cheviot section the judge Mr P. Fraser, Tighnahinch, Alcaig awarded the N. C. Cheviot Park champion to a shearling from Castle of Mey Trust, Longoe Farm, which realised £450.

Blue Faced Leicester shearlings (37) sold to £1,300 from Blackford Farm, Croy.
Blue Faced Leicester 2 shear (one) sold to £700 from Barnyards, Beauty.
Bleu Du Maine shearlings (one) sold to £300 from Horn Farm, Errol.
Charollais shearlings (6) sold to £300 from Upper Auchenlay, Dunblane.
Beltex shearlings (33) sold to £580 from Loandhu, Fearn.
Beltex ram lambs (2) sold to £200 from Upperton, Glenurquhart.
Suffolk shearlings (80) sold to £1000 from North Essie, Strichen.
Suffolk 2 shear (4) sold to £320 from Balnaha, Fearn.
Suffolk ram lambs (16) sold to £300 from 30 Castle Street, Forfar & East House, Toab.
Texel shearlings (102) sold to £1,200 from Clyth Mains, Occumster.
Texel 2 shear (2) sold to £800 from Weston, Buckie.
Texel ram lambs (10) sold to £520 from Balnaha, Fearn.
Millenium Blue shearlings (4) sold to £620 from Horn farm, Errol.
Cross shearlings (8) sold to £580 from Upper Auchenlay, Dunblane.
Dorset ram lambs (2) sold to £600 from 18 Kenilworth Terrace, Lochgelly.
Cheviot rams (21) sold to £650 from Biggins, Wick.
Females (24) sold to £300 for a Beltex gimmer from the reduction of Bardnaheigh, Harpsdale.

“A strong show of rams forward saw them sold to sellers advantage. A good clearance was had in all sections.”

Other leading prices per head:

Ram lambs: Dorset – 18 Kenilworth Terrace, £350; **Suffolk** – 30 Castle Street (4 times) and Marian, Evanton, £200, Ashton Farm Cottage, Inverness, £150; **Texel** – Balnaha, £450, Wester Raddery, Fortrose, £400 (twice).

Shearlings: Blue Faced Leicester – The Arr, Lethen, £1200, Nether Aucharnie, Fergie, £1050, Craighall, Forgandenny, £900; **Charollais** – Upper Auchenlay, £300 (6 times); **Beltex** – Braes of Coulmore, North Kessock and Runachloie, Gruids, £450, Horn Farm, Errol, Braes of Coulmore and Runachloie, £420, Upperton, Glenurquhart, £380; **Suffolk** – North Essie, £900 (3 times), Sibster & Stainland Farms, Thurso and Balnaha, £650; **Texel** – Moray Firth Texels, Forres, Lower Reiss, Wick and Veltigar, Tankerness, £1100, Weston, Deskford, £900, The Cloy, Fortrose, £880; **Millennium Blue** – Horn Farm, £600; **Cross** – Upper Auchenlay, £550; **Chev** – Belmaduthy, Munloch, £500, Achscrabster, Thurso and Castle of Mey (3 times), £450, Biggins and Belmaduthy, £400.

Females: Beltex ewe – Bardnaheigh, £300 (twice); **Beltex gimmer** – Bardnaheigh, £280 (2 times); **Suffolk in lamb gimmer** – East House, £250; **Texel gimmer** – Oldfield, Thurso, £150.