

SEARCH FOR QUALITY FEMALES DRIVES BEESTON SUFFOLK TRADE

Several new and returning breeders from across the country seeking quality foundation and replacement Females drove demand at Wright Marshall's Annual Show and Sale of Pedigree Suffolk females at Beeston Castle last Saturday, resulting in a very pleasing clearance rate and excellent averages.



Leading the day in both Show and Sale-rings was the best of a pen of excellent **Ewe Lambs** from Stephen Bolland's Wharfe flock, based in Bolton Abbey, near Skipton. This Limestone Saracen daughter, out of a homebred Ewe, was awarded Show Championship under the keen eye of well-known judge, Keith Denby, Carlisle, and generated plenty of interest when she entered the ring at saletime. Several breeders competed hard, but it was Oliver Sparks who beat off everyone with the winning call of **1500** guineas, to take her home for his new flock in Miskin, near Cardiff.

Standing 2nd in the Ewe Lamb class was the top choice out of a pen of Ewe Lambs by Rhaedr Raring to Go, from the Rhaedr flock of Myfyr Evans. This Lamb, out of a ewe by Cairness Cognac, made **1000** guineas to M Oare, Brynford, Flintshire, who also bought another out of the same pen for **700** guineas. Also at **700** guineas was a Limestone Brigadier daughter from Stephen Bolland's pen, heading home to Congleton with Harry Lyons.

A strong class of in-lamb **Shearling Ewes** was headed by the best of another tremendous pen of sheep from the Tomcroft flock of the Cox family, Church Eaton, Shropshire, and lead the trade at **1250** guineas. By Carony Trump, and due with twins in January to Pexhill George, she was snapped up by O Whitehead, who took a quality load of sheep back to Anglesey. Another Trump daughter

due with twins to George in January from the Tomcroft flock made **880** gns to Messrs Whitticase, St Martins, Oswestry, whilst Geoff and Gill Biddulph saw the best Shearling from their Pexhill flock, a Salopian He's the Boy daughter out of a ewe by Cairness Great Expectations, and from a show-winning line, in-lamb to Cairness Beast from the East, stay local when she was the choice of young Congleton breeder Harry Lyons at **720** guineas.

Some excellent genetics were on display in the **Ewe** section of the sale, with several breeders eager to snap up different bloodlines. The Cox family's Tomcroft flock lead the way again, with a 2015-born Tomcroft Trogen sired Ewe out of one of the most admired females in this renowned flock. She sold for **1000** guineas to Harley Turner, Hatton, Derbyshire, with another Tomcroft ewe, this time a 2016-born Sitlow Stardom daughter carrying twins to Carony Trump, joining the contingent heading for Anglesey with Owen Whitehead at **950** guineas.

AVERAGES:

20 EWES £531.83

29 SHEARLING EWES £469.60

20 EWE LAMBS £517.65

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