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To All Members

Enclosed are the Official Sales Entry Forms for the Association Sales.

All Classes of entries can use the same type of form, but it is important to use only **ONE FORM PER CLASS OF SHEEP** – this will ensure your entries go in the correct section of the Sales Catalogue.

Please ensure you list your sheep in sale order and if you are using additional entry forms please number them in order. If you are short of entry forms, more can be downloaded from the website or can be requested from the Office. Anyone wishing confirmation that sales entries have been received should send a stamped addressed envelope for acknowledgement or contact the Association Office. Entry forms may be scanned and emailed and these entries will be acknowledged by return email

All lambs entered for the Association Sales must now be fully registered on to the Grassroots Database system prior to sale so you must complete the entry form in full including UK Tag Information, Sire, Dam and Sire of Dam information. For Shearlings and Older Sheep entry can be accepted with the Registration Number only as long as the breeding history is complete on the database

If you wish to sell Females there is an entry fee of £6.00 (inc.VAT) which is payable on all female entries at all Association Sales if payment is not received at the time of entry, then your entry will be refused and returned.

There is no entry fee for females in dispersal sales.

There is no entry fee for rams. (except for the M Walton, Builth NSA Rings, at Welshpool Sale please make cheques payable to M Walton and send with your entry to the auctioneers)

Catalogues: These will be sent out automatically to Vendors by the Auctioneers. The office will **not** hold a supply of Association catalogues and requests for catalogues should go to the relevant Auctioneers. Telephone Numbers are provided for this purpose.

Animal Husbandry: To assist buyers again this year we are going to continue to include in Association Catalogues details of Animal Husbandry - these will be displayed under a letter coding system which will be displayed in the back of the sale catalogues - this information is supplied on a voluntary basis by the vendor. If you are a Member of a Health Scheme and would like this indicated on your catalogued entry then please tick the box on the sale entry form.

Substitutes:

One sheep per vendor per ten sheep or part thereof per section entered may be substituted. A pro-forma will be available on the day or can be downloaded from the website prior to the sale, which must be completed by the vendor and displayed on the relevant pen. Substitutes will be identified with a blue disc on a string hung around their neck – these will be supplied by the Association office. The Auctioneer and Chief Steward must be informed.

If you are substituting a ram or ewe lamb these too must be registered on the Grassroots Database prior to Sale time so please ensure your list of substitute lambs are registered

Inspections:

The structure for inspections will remain the same as in 2019. The structure is to have one inspector in each pen working side by side with a third inspector outside the pens and if there is a sheep to be marked then the third inspector will be called in to the pen, if the inspector has a sheep he has a concern with then the third inspector will have the final say to determine if the sheep is to be red spotted or not. This structure will be used at Hexham Ring 17 Sale, M Walton (Sale at Welshpool), Lawrie & Symington (Lanark Blues), Jones Peckover (Sale at St Asaph), Hawes and Carlisle Sales. At the smaller sales only one inspector will be present.

Commission: There will be no Association Commission taken from Members Selling at Association Sales in 2020

****Pre Sale Shows: At all the Association Sales this year there will be no pre sale shows this is to help adhere to market guidelines and regulations due to the Covid 19 Pandemic**

Please pay particular note to the General Information and Conditions of Entry as these will be strictly adhered to.

Any sheep, which are inspected and subsequently rejected, must be removed immediately from the Mart. There is no appeal procedure.

NB. Due to Health and Safety Guidelines, the Association has banned the use of dips and water sprays at the Auction Premises.

DISPERSALS

All Flocks advertising Dispersals will automatically lose their flock number and prefix following the sale. No flock numbers or prefixes can be reinstated

VISIT THE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION www.blueleicester.co.uk

2020 SALE DETAILS

SALE	SALE DATE	CLASSES	ENTRIES CLOSE
Hexham - Ring 17 01434 605444	Saturday 12 th September	Rams only All Ages	** Auctioneers – Tuesday 4 th August ** Association Office – Tuesday 11 th August * see extra details*
M Walton (Builth NSA Rings) at Welshpool Andrew Walton 07831 613432 or Jack Walton 07739 440457	Wednesday 16 th September	All Classes	** Auctioneers – Thursday 6 th August ** Association Office – Monday 17 th August * see extra details*
Ballymena 02825 633470	Saturday 19 th September	All Classes	Wednesday 19 th August * see extra details*
Ruthin 01824 702025	Saturday 19 th September	All Classes	Wednesday 19 th August
Tavistock 01822 610080	Tuesday 22 nd September	All Classes	Friday 21 st August
Castle Douglas 01556 502381	Wednesday 23 rd September	All Classes	Friday 21 st August
Hexham 01434 605444	Wednesday 23 rd September	All Classes	Friday 21 st August
Lawrie & Symington Lanark Blues 01555 662281	Saturday 26 th September	All Classes	** Auctioneers Offices – Monday 3 rd August for Shearling Rams Entries – Wednesday 26 th August for Ram Lamb Entries ** Association Office – Wednesday 26 th August * see extra details*
Jones Peckover (Builth NSA Rings) at St Asaph 01745 832240 or Matthew Holmberg 0777 1667332	Saturday 26 th September	All Classes	** Auctioneers Offices - Monday 17 th August ** Association Office – Wednesday 26 th August * see extra details*
Welshpool 01938 553438	Wednesday 30 th September	All Classes	Friday 28 th August
Hawes 01969 667207	Thursday 1 st October	All Classes	Thursday 27 th August
Carlisle Traditional Type 01228 406230	Thursday 8 th October (Evening Sale)	All Classes & Recorded Lamb Class	Friday 4 th September * See extra details*
Carlisle Crossing Type 01228 406230	Friday 9 th October	All Classes & Recorded Lamb Class	Friday 4 th September * See extra details*
Armoy 02820751237	Saturday 10 th October	All Classes	Thursday 10 th September * see extra details*

Due to the Cancellation of KELSO Ram Sales, 2020

These are the new Sale Arrangements for this year

You must enter the number of sheep you want to sell with your Auctioneer of Choice prior to sending your entries to the Association Office

Hexham & Northern Marts - Ring 17 - Sale Date – Saturday 12th September, 2020

Entries to the Auctioneers by Tuesday 4th August, 2020 - There is no entry fee for this sale

The Pedigree details must be logged with the Association Office by Tuesday 11th August

Lawrie & Symington - Lanark Blues - Sale Date – Saturday 26th September, 2020

Entries to the Auctioneers by Monday 3rd August for Shearling Ram Entries and by Wednesday 26th August for Ram Lamb Entries – there is no entry fee for this sale

The Pedigree details must be logged with the Association Office by Wednesday 26th August

The Ballots for these two sales will be drawn by the Auctioneers

Due to the Cancellation of Builth Wells Ram Sales, 2020

These are the new Sale Arrangements for this year

You must enter the number of sheep you want to sell with your Auctioneer prior to sending your entries to the Association Office

Michael Walton - Builth NSA Rings at Welshpool - Sale Date – 16th September, 2020

Entries to the Auctioneers by Thursday 6th August, 2020

There is an entry fee to the Auctioneers of £5.00 + VAT per sheep entered for sale.

A maximum of 4 females may be entered for this sale; And a maximum run of 20 sheep will be permitted per exhibitor.

Contact Andrew Walton 07831 613432 or Jack Walton 07739 440457

The Pedigree details must be logged with the Association Office by Monday 17th August

Jones Peckover - Builth NSA Rings at St Asaph - Sale Date – Saturday 26th September, 2020

Entries to the Auctioneers by Monday 17th August, 2020

There is no entry fee to the Auctioneers for this sale and no restriction on numbers. Straw can be purchased from the Auctioneers

Contact Jones Peckover at the Abergele Office: 01745 832240 or Matthew Holmberg: 0777 1667332

The Pedigree details must be logged with the Association Office by Wednesday 26th August

The Ballots for these two Sales will be drawn by the Association Office

General Information which applies to ALL Sales

- USE ONE ENTRY FORM PER CLASS.** The entry form must be returned by the closing date shown and no responsibility will be accepted by the Secretary for Entry Forms not received in the mail. If confirmation of acceptance is required please enclose a S.A.E. **NO LATE ENTRIES CAN BE ACCEPTED**
All lambs entered for the Association Sales must be fully registered on to the Grassroots Database system prior to sale so you must complete the entry form in full including UK Tag Information, Sire, Dam and Sire of Dam information. For Shearlings and Older Sheep entry can be accepted with the Registration Number only as long as the breeding history is complete on the database
- All sales will be pre-balloted in public at the Auction Mart at 12 noon (approx) on the day following the closing date of each sale. Entries will then be catalogued in sale order.
- A proportionate number of sheep from 2019 will be taken from the beginning and the end of the entries forward in that year and placed in the middle of each section in 2020 (approx 1 vendor per 100 sheep) e.g. 500 sheep entered in 2019 = first five and last five vendors forward placed in the middle in 2020.
- An entry fee of £6.00 (inc. Vat) is payable on all female entries at **ALL SALES**. If this is not included with the entry form, entries will be returned and the closing date may be missed. There is no entry fee for rams.
- There is no entry fee for females in Dispersal Sales. Ewe lambs in a dispersal sale will be subject to normal inspection procedures. All dispersals will be sold at the beginning of the females.
- The 2020 Upset Price for All Rams is £200. The Upset Price for Females is £150 – This applies to all sales except Northern Ireland Sales in Ballymena and Armoyn where the upset price is £200 for Rams & Females
- All sheep must be penned at least 1 hour prior to start time of the sale. This includes females whose sale start later in the day. **OTHERWISE THEY WILL NOT BE SOLD**
- All sheep must be sold in catalogue order, with the exception of the Champion sheep which can be sold anywhere within the members run of sheep.
- Sheep can only be entered for one sale. Sheep not presented when entered may be used as a substitute at another sale.
- One sheep per vendor per ten sheep or part thereof per section entered may be substituted. The Substituted sheep is to be marked with a blue disc hung around its neck on a string – this will be supplied by the Association Office. Ear numbers will be checked prior to sheep entering the ring. Those which do not tally with the entry form will be rejected. If you are substituting a ram or ewe lamb these too must be registered on the Grassroots Database prior to Sale time so please ensure your list of substitute lambs are registered.
- Only catalogued sheep will be allowed in the market.
- All sheep are subject to inspection on sale day by Association Inspectors. Vendors or their representative should try to be present (but not in their pen) during these inspections. All sheep forward for pre-sale show classes will be inspected by the Association Inspectors prior to entering the Judging ring and must be identified by their catalogued lot number either hung on a string around the sheep's neck or marked on the sheep's face
- Sheep which are rejected will have the Association Logo cut from the tag, head marked and must be removed immediately from the Auction Mart.
- Any sheep found by the inspectors to be cudspilling will retain its tag but will be removed from the auction.
- If a ram is found by the inspectors to be marginally incorrect in the testicles he will be given an identification mark of a red spot on the rump by the inspectors and the vendor must notify the Auctioneers and have the fault announced in the ring at the time of sale and warrant the ram a stock getter. If the vendor is not prepared to warrant the ram a stock getter, its tag will be cut out and it must be removed from the auction mart.
- Any shearling sheep considered to be marginal in the mouth but of good general conformation will be marked with a red spot on the shoulder and announced in the ring.
- Lambs - If the teeth on a lamb can be scraped it will be red spotted, Bad mouthed lambs will still be rejected
- No shaving/clipping of hair in front of the eyes will be permitted and the sheep will be removed from the auction mart.
- Coloured wool - Coloured Wool must be declared by the Vendor at the time of sale, but Inspectors still have the right to reject sheep for coloured wool so extensive as to seem not true to breed type. If coloured wool is not declared and found by the purchaser before it leaves the market, the sheep can be returned on that day.
- Inspectors decision is final.
- Whilst all sheep are inspected by Association Officers, purchasers must satisfy themselves as to the correctness of any animal which will be their responsibility on the fall of the hammer.
- Ram Lambs not likely to be mature enough to be active at tupping time can be removed from the market.
- Anyone found to have "ground" the teeth of any animal will be severely dealt with.**
- Any Vendor selling a ram from which semen has already been stored must advise the Auctioneers and have it announced at the time of Sale.
- If a ram is proved incapable of and ineffective at natural service, and is to be returned by the purchaser to the vendor, notice must be given as soon as possible by the purchaser to the vendor and the ram must be returned to the vendor no later than 5th December in reasonable condition. The purchaser agrees that the right to reject the ram and return it under this clause will be lost if the purchaser has after purchase taken semen from the ram
- Any female should be guaranteed free of lamb at time of sale unless otherwise stated. Any female animal to be returned should be returned by 5th January in reasonable condition. No claim should exceed the purchase price of the animal.
- Only rosettes awarded which apply to the sale you are attending will be allowed to be exhibited on vendors' pens prior to Sale. **ALL** other rosettes will be not permitted to be displayed.
- If you are a member of a Health Scheme and would like this included in the catalogue please tick the box on the entry form – the name of the scheme will not be listed – just that you are a member of a Scheme.

Northern Ireland – Ballymena Sale

The Ballymena Sale is for Sheep that are ELIGIBLE FOR EXPORT

The Sale Requires Sheep to be entered under these sale conditions:-

This means that all sheep entered for this sale must be Scrapie Monitored OR Geno typed 1

EU status – All sheep need to be of standard;

Ram lambs 60 days on holding – Females 30 days – Either have isolation facilities

Sheep sold at this sale are eligible for movement into the UK and Northern and Southern Ireland

This Year Members are required to complete one entry form per class per sale this must be completed in full and returned to the Association Office by the Closing Date with the correct fee

THERE IS NO ENTRY FEE FOR SELLING RAMS

ENTRY FEE FOR FEMALES ONLY IS £6.00 (INCL VAT) PER SHEEP ENTERED

Entries will not be processed until the correct fee is received – If no fee is received with your entry form then your form will be returned and your sheep will not be entered for Sale

No late entries will be accepted for the sale.

The catalogue will be prepared by the Association.

Northern Ireland – Armoy

This year the Armoy Sale will remain in the same format as last year

This Year Members are required to complete one entry form per class for this sale, this must be completed in full and returned to the Association Office by the Closing Date with the correct fee

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ENTRY FEE FOR FEMALES ONLY IS £6.00 (INCL VAT) PER SHEEP ENTERED

Entries will not be processed until the correct fee is received – If no fee is received with your entry form then your form will be returned and your sheep will not be entered for Sale

No late entries will be accepted for the sale.

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New Arrangements for the Carlisle Sale for 2020

Due to the Regulations and Restrictions relating to the Covid 19 Pandemic the Carlisle Sale has been split for this year

Thursday 8th October, 2020 will be an Evening Sale of Traditional Bluefaced Leicester Shearlings & Aged Rams, Ram Lambs and Females

Friday 9th October, 2020 will be the Sale for Crossing Type Bluefaced Leicester Shearlings & Aged Rams, Ram Lambs and Females

Pedigree Entries for Both Sales must be logged with the Association Office by Friday 4th September, 2020

HELME TROPHY

Three ram lambs by one sire sold to the highest average through Association Sales

GREENOP TROPHY

Six ram lambs by any sire sold to the highest average through Association Sales

J. R. BELL & SON TROPHY

Highest priced lamb out with the top three prize places through Association Sales at Hexham, Penrith and Carlisle

CLAIMS FOR THESE TROPHIES SHOULD BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SALES.