

**HAWES FARMERS AUCTION MART CO LTD
LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT**

THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2026

**THE ANNUAL SALE OF BLUEFACED LEICESTER RAMS & FEMALES ON BEHALF OF THE BLUEFACED
LEICESTER SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
Kindly Sponsored by I' Anson Bros & Castle Farm Vets**

Forward: 635 Sheep comprising 501 Ram Lambs, 82 Shearling Rams, 13 Aged Rams and 2 Ewes, 19 Gimmer Shearlings & 18 Gimmer Lambs.

Hawes Auction was the place to be for a truly wonderful day at the Great Annual Show and Sale of Bluefaced Leicester Sheep, with the sale once again attracting the very best breeders and buyers from throughout the country. A day that will live long in the memory saw records smashed, with an electric trade throughout the ram lambs and outstanding demand for quality females.

The ram lamb trade could only be described as electric from the very first lot, with buyers competing keenly for the very best sheep on offer. The new breed record was achieved for the Champion Ram Lamb, Hewgill W001 from Messrs Lord, a much-admired Marriforth V034 sired lamb which had created significant interest throughout the day. When he entered the ring, eager bidding followed, eventually selling for a phenomenal £88,000.

Demand remained exceptionally strong throughout the sale, with an impressive 23 ram lambs selling for £10,000 or more, demonstrating the tremendous strength and depth of quality forward.

The Female Champion was awarded to Highberries R047, exhibited by Neil and Mary Marston, which went on to sell for an impressive £6,000.

A huge thank you must go to all the vendors, buyers, breeders, sponsors, judges and everyone who travelled from throughout the country to make this such a memorable day at Hawes Auction. A special thank you must also go to all the Hawes Auction staff, who put in a tremendous effort throughout the 15-hour marathon sale.

The atmosphere around the market was fantastic, and the support for the Bluefaced Leicester breed was clear to see. It was a privilege for everyone at Hawes Auction to be part of such a memorable day for the breed.

The official Bluefaced Leicester Sheep Breeders' Society report, including full sale results and photographs, will follow in due course.

Ram Lambs

1st & Overall Champion	290 M/S Lord, Hewgill	£88,000
2nd & Overall Reserve Champion	405 J Hunter & Sons, Steel	£20,000
3rd	417 I Montgomery, Mistyburn	£10,000
4th	668 E Fairburn & Sons, Marriforth	£7,000
5th	406 J Hunter & Sons, Steel	£13,000
6th	418 I Montgomery, Mistyburn	£4,000

Leading Prices: M/S Lord, £88,000, £14,000, £12,000, £8000, Midlock Farms, £32,000, £20,000, £11,000, £7000, £6500 x3, £5000, WC Porter & Son, £28,000, £16,000, £9000, £7000, £5000, J & A Brown, £24,000, £10,000, M Thornborrow, £22,000, J Bell, £22,000, £12,000, £9000, £5000, J Hunter & Sons, £20,000, £13,000, £9000, £8000, £5000, K & HA Ridley, £16,000, £5000, A Mckillop, £16,000, G Loughery, £16,000, £6500, £6000, E Fairburn & Sons, £14,000, £7000, J Mcquistin, £11,000, WA Dinsdale & Son, £10,000, I Montgomery, £10,000, CD & RF Kitching, £10,000, J Lee & Sons, £9000, KA Brown & Sons, £8500, S Pedley, £8000, W & D Lawson & Son, £7500, £6000, E Hodgson, £7500, D McCrystal, £7000, W Ridley, £6800,

M/S Lawson, £6200, WM Reed & Sons, £6000, £5000, CT & JE Willoughby, £5800, NC Marston, £5800, C Campbell, £5500, Breckhouse Enter Ltd, £5500 x2, E Harkin, £5500, JW Porter & Sons, £5500, A Ainslie, £5500, C & M Richards, £5200, J Allison & Sons, £5200, JA & R Caton, £5000. **Av. £2934**

Leading Flock Averages: M/S Lord, £16,800 for 8, J Hunter & Sons, £8875 for 8, Midlock Farms Ltd £8608 for 12, WC Porter & Son £8070 for 10, J Bell £6340 for 10, K & HA Ridley, £7833 for 3, M Thornborrow, £7075 for 4, J & A Brown £5900 for 7, G Loughery, £5366 for 6, I Montgomery £5067 for 3, D McCrystal £4750 for 2, JA & R Caton, £4500 for 2, A Mckillop £4414 for 7, WM Reed & Sons, £4233 for 6, KA Brown & Sons £4225 for 4, CD & RF Kitching £3975 for 4, WA Dinsdale & Son £3940 for 5, E Fairburn & Sons, £3800 for 11, A Murray, £3750 for 2, W & D Lawson & Son £3689 for 9, J Mcquistin & Son £3600 for 6, C Campbell £3450 for 2, JW Porter & Sons, £3350 for 2, A Campbell £3250 for 2, E Harkin £3100 for 2, C & M Richards £3200 for 2, Breck House Enter Ltd £3063 for 8.

Shearling Rams

1st	85 RW & RA Booth, Smearsett	£4,000
2nd	111 R Hargreaves, Barley	£4,200
3rd	73 AR Edmondson, Hawkswell	£1,800
4th	104 SD Thompson, Aysgarth	£1,200

Leading Prices: R Hargreaves, £4200, £2500, RW & RA Booth, £4000, NC Marston, £3800, £2200, £1600, Breck House Enter Ltd, £3800, £1800, £1400, £1000, G & HR Shields, £3500, £1400, CD & RF Kitching, £2500, AR Edmondson, £1800, £1500 x2, £1200, R & AR Hunter, £1600, £1400, £1400, £1100, Midlock Farms, £1500, NM Peacock, £1400, E Fairburn & Sons, £1400, JC & N Throup, £1200, H Stenton, £1200, SD Thompson, £1200, £1000, E Fairburn & Sons, £1100, £1000 x2, DIL & E Jones, £1100, £1000.

Average: £1119

Aged Rams

1st	86 RW & RA Booth, Smearsett	£6,000
2nd	106 NM Peacock, Maunby	£500

Leading Prices: I Montgomery, G Loughery & D McCrystal £12000, RW & RA Booth, £6000, £5000, CT & JE Willoughby, £3000, Breck House Enter Ltd, £2000, £1200.

Average: £2530

FEMALES

Ewes

1st & Female Champion 115 NC Marston, Highberries £6,000

Leading Prices: NC Marston, £6000, CT & JE Willoughby, £500.

Av. £3250

Gimmer Shearlings

1st & Reserve Female Champion	155 G & HR Shields, Skeughdale	£4,200
2nd	152 GE Jackson, Lakeber	£2,500
3rd	124 A Ainslie, Linkshead	£2,000
4th	150 GE Jackson, Lakeber	£2,600

Leading Prices: G & HR Shields, £4200, £1600, GE Jackson, £2600, £2500, £1600, £1300, £1000, NC Marston, £2200, A Ainslie, £2000, £600, JC & N Throup, £1200, £800, £700, £500, P Sowerby, £900, WM & JE Shuttleworth, £800, £700, £500.

Av. £1368

Gimmer Lambs

1st	126 A Ainslie, Linkshead	£1,400
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2nd	117 HW & G White, Ribblesdale	£1,000
3rd	137 A & D Mckillop, Giants Causeway	£1,000
4th	148 C & M Richards, Mcffi	£800

Leading Prices: A Ainslie, £1400, £1000, C & M Richards, £1100, £800, HW & G White, £1000, £800, A Mckillop, £1000, £500, P Sowerby, £500, CT & JE Willoughby, £500, I Borthwick, £500 x2.

Average: £644