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LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2025

ANNUAL SHOW & SALE OF SWALEDALE EWES AND GIMMER SHEARLINGS

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Forward: 711 Swaledale Sheep, comprising 598 Ewes and 113 Shearlings.

Ewes Averaged £216.58 Shearlings Averaged £201.58

The annual show and sale of Swaledale draft ewes and gimmer shearlings was regarded as a great improvement, as the team at Hawes Auction continue to work hard on developing this event. This year's sale had a great atmosphere, with the sheep penned on the Golden Acre and a much busier ringside of pedigree purchasers and commercial buyers.

A special thank you goes to the pre-sale judges, Annabel Walker and Neil White, for their time and expertise. The champion pen of Swaledale ewes was awarded to B. Thornborrow, West Stonesdale, which went on to sell for £265. The first prize pen of Swaledale shearlings was awarded to R. & P.E. Hargreaves & Son, Barley, selling for £225.

Leading the way was the consignment from R., M., S. & P. Hallam of High Birkwith, selling a pair of three-crop ewes for £1,100, sired by Oakbank Endeavour and out of a patch ewe purchased by M.M. Hutchinson, Redgate. The leading pen of ten ewes from the Hallam family sold for £580, comprising five sired by Oakbank Endeavour and five by High Birkwith Hellboy, purchased by N. Richardson. An individual from J.H. & J. Ryder, Silloth, bred by Patrick Sowerby, sold to A. & L. Huddleston for £460. A pen of six three-crop ewes from F. & M.P. Allinson & Son, Barnard Castle, sold for £400, purchased by W. Nattrass. At £300 was the leading pen from J.S. & J. Bland, Thwaite Bridge.

There was a strong trade throughout, with plenty of quality breeding ewes selling in excess of the £200 mark. The overall averages saw breeding ewes average £216 and gimmer shearlings average £201.

Show Results

Kindly Judged by Mr Neil White, Marrick & Mrs Annabel Walker, Embsay

Ewes

1st B Thornborrow, West Stonesdale £265 sold to RW & RA Booth, Wharfe

2nd P Hallam, Horton-in-Ribblesdale £580 3rd TW Hutchinson, Forest-in-Teesdale £260

Shearlings

1st R & PE Hargreaves, Barley £225 2nd JH & J Ryder & Son, Silloth £205 3rd R & PE Hargreaves & Son, Barley £215

Swaledale Ewes

Leading Prices: P Hallam, £1100, £580, £340, JH & J Ryder, £460, £202, £195, £170, F & MP Allinson & Son, £400, £270, £245, £220, J & SJ Bland, £300, B Thornborrow, £265, £225, £192, MR & LE Rukin, £265, £205, £190, £180, £175, M/S Brogden, £265, TW Hutchinson, £260, JR & SL Pratt, £255, £198, £180, £178, £175, P Ewbank, £255, EW Atkinson, £248, £200, £195, G Calvert & Sons, £248 x2, £240, £238, £210, £200, J Dixon & Sons, £240, REC Simpson & Sons, £228, £195, GR Scarr, £220, £200 x2, £198, £190, £182, WH Harker, £215, ME Waggett, £210, Dixon Bros, £205, £185, R & H Hird, £198, £195, £170, RW & MA Suttill & Son, £195 x2, £178, AD Coates & Son, £178, £175.

Shearlings

Leading Prices: R & PE Hargreaves & Sons, £225, £215, £208, L Bland, £220, J & SJ Bland, £220, WH Harker, £215, RW Ridley, £215, JH & J Ryder, £205, £180, AP & D Sowerby, £195, £190, £180, T Robinson & Sons, £180, £165.

Leading Flock Averages 15 or more Sheep:
P Hallam £585 for 16, F & MP Allinson & Son £275 for 26, G Calvert & Sons £231 for 73, J & SJ Bland £230 for 19, B Thornborrow £221 for 32, EW Atkinson £214 for 30, R & PE Hargreaves £214 for 38, REC Simpson & Sons £211 for 20, MR & LE Rukin £205 for 45.