

# HAWES FARMERS AUCTION MART CO LTD

## MARKET REPORT

**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

### **Sale of Swaledale Gimmer Shearlings and Gimmer Lambs**

**Sale Kindly Sponsored by JG Paxton & Sons, Machinery Sales.**

The annual show and sale of Swaledale gimmer shearlings and gimmer lambs met with a strong trade and lively demand, with many vendors noting that more could easily have been sold. A busy ring of local and travelled buyers ensured competitive bidding throughout the day. Sincere thanks are extended to our judge, Mr. Paul Fairburn, for his time and expertise, and to our sale day sponsors, Paxton's of Bentham, along with their representative, Gary Robinson, for their valued support.

**Forward: 2428 Sheep comprising 184 Gimmer Shearlings and 2244 Gimmer Lambs.**

### **SHOW RESULTS**

Kindly Judged by Mr Paul Fairburn, Thornton Steward.

#### **Gimmer Shearlings**

1 <sup>st</sup>	G Calvert & Sons, Keld	£290
2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Calvert & Sons, Keld	£295
3 <sup>rd</sup>	G Calvert & Sons, Keld	£215

#### **Gimmer Lambs**

1 <sup>st</sup>	JW Porter & Sons, Gunnerside	£290
2 <sup>nd</sup>	RS Harker & Son, Grayrigg	£220
3 <sup>rd</sup>	G Harker & Son, Arkengarthdale	£220

#### **Gimmer Shearlings**

The section for gimmer shearlings attracted keen interest, with quality outfits particularly sought after. More could readily have been sold to the advantage of vendors. The consignment from G. Calvert & Sons, Keld, enjoyed an excellent day, winning the first prize rosette and selling to £290, with the second prize also awarded to the same home and topping at £295. The Calvert consignment of Swaledale gimmer shearlings averaged an impressive £240.08. Other leading prices included E.W. Atkinson, Arkengarthdale, who sold to £215. The overall average for all gimmer shearlings forward was £180.56.

**Leading Prices:** G Calvert & Sons, £296, £290, £235, £220, £215, £195, EW Atkinson, £220, £215, N & H Sutcliffe, £180, £172, SD Thompson, £160, J & SJ Bland, £150, £145, JH Harrison, £140, £120, £105, JR & JF Worthington, £132, £115, M Kearton, £128.

**Average £180.5**

## **Gimmer Lambs**

A buoyant trade was also witnessed for Swaledale gimmer lambs, with demand strong from start to finish and interest shown from both local and travelled buyers. Powerful, dark gimmer hoggs were particularly sought after, with the best regularly exceeding the £150 mark. Leading the way was the first-prize pen from J.W. Porter & Sons, Gunnerside, achieving £290. The second-prize pen from R.S. Harker & Son, Grayrigg, realised £220, with the third-prize pen from G. Harker & Son, Arkengarthdale, also selling to £220. Other notable prices included J.S. Calvert, Reeth, at £215; D. Hodgson, Askrigg, at £210; and J.T. Dixon & Son, Bellerby, closing the sale with a pen at £205. The overall market average for gimmer lambs was £116.73, representing an increase of £28 on the year, with very few pens selling below the £60 mark.

**Leading Prices:** JW Porter & Sons, £290, £175, RS Harker & Son, £220, £162, £160, £155, £150, £145, G Harker & Son, £220, £152, £140, JS Calvert Ltd, £215, D Hodgson, £210, £140, JT Dixon & Son, £205, £170, £160, £140, B Thornborrow, £192, £185, MR & LE Rukin, £185, £150, £140 x2, GJ & JM Scarr, £182, JS Calvert Ltd, £180, SR Taylor, £180, AD Coates & Son, £180, TW Cowperthwaite, £175 x2, £160, £145, MM & CL Whitehead, £170, GA & DE Slack, £170, £145, ME Allison, £170, £145, S & D Robinson, £170, £142, K & HJ Fawcett, £165, £155 x2, £150, KM & KJ Curwen, £160, £150, £140, J Rukin & Son, £160, £140, S Bell & Sons, £155, EW Atkinson, £150, £145, GJ & JM Scarr, £150, Walburn Hall, £148, Dixon Bros, £145, DA & JM Pedley, £145, ME Waggett, £145, R Metcalfe, £145, S Reynoldson & Son, £142, £140, BR Lawson & Son, £140, JR & SL Pratt, £140, MW Dent, £140, J Dixon & Sons, £140.

**Average £116.7**