

Ballymena Blue Texel Sale 19th September 2016

Ballymena mart, this week held its inaugural sale of Blue Texel Sheep on behalf of the Blue Texel Sheep Society. There was a good selection of sheep forward with buyers for the quality stock.

A & C Richardson, Abbey Road, Lisnaskea, Co Fermanagh, dominated the proceedings by taking the top prices. Their highest price of 1020gns was paid by David Vance, Trillick, Co Tyrone, for a Dutch imported shearling ewe by De Vries out of a Kreuze ewe. The second top price of 1000gns was paid by Carson Thompson, Trillick, for another imported shearling ewe. This time by Kreuze 26173-4437 and again out of a Kreuze ewe. Mr Carson then followed up this purchase with a bid of 850gns to secure a shearling ram from the same flock. Cleenagh You're a Gent is by CJ's Will-I-Am and out of a Beile Blues ewe.

Mr. J Redmond, Loughgall, Co Armagh paid 720gns for the ewe lamb, Cleenagh Amazing, by Cleenagh Walt Disney and out of a Nantyderri ewe .

Messrs Richardson also took the next two top prices at 500gns a piece, selling their first ewe lamb in the ring, Cleenagh Ace of Diamonds, by Will-I-Am to Geoffrey Rankin, Bready and then their shearling ram Cleenagh Yanuzai, by the same sire to R Greer, Ahoghill, Ballymena.

5 Shearling Ewes averaged £636

3 Ewe Lambs averaged £539

2 Ram Lambs averaged £404

10 Shearling Rams averaged £499

Auctioneers: Ballymena Livestock Market