RFBS Carlisle Sale report – 16th September 2023

Solid sale for Record Entry of Ryelands and Coloured Ryelands.

The RFBS Northern Sale took place at Borderway Mart, Carlisle on Saturday 16th September with a good number of quality animals for buyers to choose from.

The Coloured Ryelands kicked off the sale at 10.30am. The top price went to a shearling ram from T & G Glover, Sproxton, Night Start Comet, sired by Ryeside Coloured Antonio out of a Sproxton ewe, was placed third by the judge, Mr Russell Howell, Gower. The tup sold for £800 to S & P Barnes’ Glen Cairn flock, Dumfries. The Champion male was awarded to A & E Robinson’s shearling ram, Allerdale Cognac. Sired by Riverside Ryelands Ybba, out of a Hawthorns ewe, he sold to RH Bruce, Hawick, for £500. The reserve male was a ram lamb from the Harrington Family. Rosa Dizzy Rascal, sired by Greenlea Xanti out of a Rosa ewe, did not meet his reserve. The top priced ram lamb, Sproxton Diesel, was also from T & G Glover. Sired by Broomwell Uther Pendragon, out of a Hardgate ewe, he joined the Damson Brae flock of Susan Bryden, Lockerbie.

The top priced Coloured female was a shearling ewe from the Snelson flock of Michele Varmen, Macclesfield. Sired by Snelson Boom Bang a Bang out of an Appletree ewe, she was sold for £500 and joins the Nene’s flock of Janine Wood, Bacup. Also bred by Mrs Varmen, the top priced ewe lamb, Snelson Domino was placed fourth in the morning’s show. Sired by Stardust Zippy out of a home bred ewe, she sold for £450 the Holmes Family and will join their Tranwell flock in Morpeth. The Coloured Ryeland Female champion was a shearling ewe from the Norfolk flock of Jordan Stone. Sired by Mansel Zaki, and out of an All New ewe, she did not meet her reserve. The Reserve Champion was the winner of the ewe lamb class and another offering from the Snelson flock. This lamb, Snelson Davina Galicia, sired by Stardust Zippy out of a homebred ewe, was sold for £400 to the Coxwold flock of K & S Atkinson-Shaw, Thirsk.

The Ryelands followed the conclusion of the Coloured Ryeland section, with the joint top price for a Ryeland going to a shearling ewe from the Anglesey based flock of A & E Parry. Awarded the Female Championship by judge Ann Davies, Brecon, the Bryn Caffo female was sired by Mansel Yeoman and out of a home bred ewe. She was sold for £700 to P Kettle, Houghton le Spring. The second highest price went to the Reserve Champion, the winning ewe lamb from the Hawthorns flock of A Robinson, Wigton. Sired by Hawthorns Zinzan Valentine out of a home bred ewe, she sold for £600 to N Walker & J Dodds, Coupar. The next highest price for a female went to another offering from A Robinson. This time, bred by S Purdy, the Shabby Shepherds ewe was sired by Wellhill Archie, out of a Red Sewell ewe and she was sold for £400 to G Gettings, Arbroath.

Matching the top price of £700, was the Reserve Champion male, a ram lamb from the Maybole based flock of K, R & T Burns. The lamb, Spallander Disco Dave, sired by Pembroke Apollo, out of a home bred Spallender ewe, joined the Millfield flock of M Pink, York for £700. The Champion male sold for £620 to the Charlesground flock of E Jenkinson, Millom. Sired by Ronscliffe Applejack, out of a Teejay ewe, the tup Teejay Captain Morgan was bred by the Harrington Family. The third placed ram lamb, Hawthorns Dermot, bred by A Robinson, was sired by Hawthorns Zinzan Valentine and out of a Gaddesby ewe. He sold for £600 to J Adams, Watford Village. The fourth placed shearling ram from the Hardgate flock of S Hipps, Bishop Thornton sold for £480. Sired by Cagedale ZZ Top out of a home bred ewe, he went to Croc Mhor Farms, Glenburnie.