

SOLWAY AND TYNE SECOND SALE REPORT:

A strong commercial trade underpinned a successful second sale for the Solway and Tyne Texel Breeders' Club, at Carlisle, on Saturday, September 26, 2020.

Though there were no five-figure prices, there were 10 ram lamb at 1000gns or above, showing that there was also an appetite for the odd 'good looker' to act as a sweeper for pedigree flocks. It all added up to a clearance of 85% and a level of £596.94 for 108 ram lambs sold.

Trade was led by a 3600gns ram lamb from Ian Graham, Hallrigg, Plumpton, Penrith. His Hallrigg Daytona raced to the top when bought by S and M Pickworth, Dotland Park, Hexham, Northumberland. For the outlay they got a son of Thornbury Classic and out of a dam by a Drumgooland sire.

Second top, at 2600gns, was Garngour Diego from J and H Clark, Garngour, Lesmahagow, which sold to a tri-partite buying team which included Adam Mawson, Bootle Station, Millon; George and Harry Wilkinson, Arkleby House, Arkleby, Wigton; and Alan Mounsey, Wardhall Gardens, also Arkleby. This late April-born lamb is by Proctors Chumba Wumba and out Knock Yardsman-sired dam that had been reserve champion at the Great Yorkshire last summer.

The same pen also sold another Chumba Wumba son at 1100gns to N and CM Henderson, Kilpatrick Farm, on Arran. The dam of this one, sired by Sportsmans Admiral, is a maternal sister to Craftsman and Alabama.

The Clark family's Teiglum flock, from Blackhill, Crossford, also came up trumps with Teiglum Detroit, a son of Craighall Crusader out of a Yardsman-sired dam, which sold for 1000gns to TH Roberts, Bachymbyd Bach, Rhewl, Ruthin, Clwyd.

George and Harry Wilkinson had already banked 2000gns for their Arkle Dark Secret before splashing out on the second top lot. This one is by Far Hey Cannonball and out of a dam by Midlock Yorkie and took the fancy of Willie Shaw, West Lethans, Saline, Dunfermline.

Making the same income was Steven Renwick's Craig Douglas Davinci, from Glenrath, Kirkton Manor, Peebles. This was a son of Sportsmans Cannonball and out of a dam by Haddo Whisky Galore, sold to EG Oliver, Tyn Clawdd, Tregarth, Bangor.

Knap Damn Yankee from Robert Cockburn, Hill of Errol, Errol, Perth, attracted a bid of 1600gns from JAD and PM Owens, Woodhouse, Shobdon, Leominster. This one is a son of Sportsmans Cannonball out of a dam by Mullan Amigo.

First of two valued at 1200gns was FA and J Stockdale's Elmdale Dan the Man, a Hexel Cassius son out of a dam by Orchilmore Avatar, from Crosshow, Dearham, Maryport, Cumbria. Buyer of this was RC Paterson, Over Abington, Abington, Biggar.

Just a handful of lots later, going to the same for New View Demonstrator from Jeff Teward, New View, Staindrop, Darlington, Co Durham, was M and H Owens, Glantre, Pontshaen, Llandysul, Dyfed. This was for a son of Teiglum Braveheart out of a dam by Sportsmans Tremendous.

Robbie Wilson, from North Dorlathers, Turriff, had a solid trade throughout for his pen, led by an 1100gns top for Milnbank Diego, a son of Ellen Valley Caesar out of a dam by Aman Vryrnwy which had produced the 7000gns Milnbank Brooklyn. Buyer of this one was D and J Barnett, Gilside, Shield Hill, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.

His flock mate, Milnbank Double Decker – this time by Kingspark Bentley and out of a dam by Vyrynwy – made 1000gns to H Timm, 11 Hawthorn Way, Pontefract, Yorkshire.

Gimmers were also in demand, selling to a best of 2200gns and averaging £605.56 for 58 sold producing a complete clearance.

Leading light was Kerrin Forsyth's daughter of Tullagh Bonzo from Baltier, Whithorn, which was purchased by Harry Woodmass, Brunstock, Carlisle. This one was out of a dam by Proctors Vagabond. A flock sister, by Rhaeadr Ace, was also highly thought of, with OEM Jones and EM Roberts, Penparc, Llangynin, St Clears, Carmarthen, going to 900gns to get her.

The same buyers also bought the second top female at 2000gns from Ibrahim Jaeban, Forth House, isel, Cockermonth. This was a daughter of Teiglum Young Gun and out of a dam by Milnbank Yellowstone, which will be joined on the trailer home by a 950gns purchase from Janice MacTaggart, Orchardton Mains, Palnackie, Castle Douglas. This was a gimmer by Sportsmans Bollinger and out of a dam by Easterseat Seabird.

Third top female, though, was the best out RS and J Bradley's Far Hey pen from Cross Lane, Salterforth, Barnoldswick, Lancs. Valued at 1500gns was a gimmer by Foreman Hill Apache out of a ewe by Connachan Rhino, which was taken to that by M and H Owens, of Glantre.