



Whitefaced Woodland Sheep Society

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Newsletter 112 – August 2019

ANNUAL WOODLAND SALE

Sunday 29 September

at Holmfirth Auction Mart

Riverside, Woodhead Road, Holmfirth HD9 2PR

Show classes for aged ram and shearling ram,
and presentation of the Ken Wild Trophy

Also: Pen of 6 or more Woodland ewe lambs
Pen of 6 or more Woodland ewes born in 2018

Judging begins at 11am sharp
Sale starts at 12 noon

This will be a catalogued sale

Please get your entries to Jill Thorp *no later than the 13th September* to be included. An entry form is included with this Newsletter. Jill will need the animal's name (if any), tag number, registration number, date of birth and dam/sire details, or as much information as possible.

Contact: Jill Thorp, Stott Hall Farm, Rishworth, Sowerby Bridge HX6 4QY Phone: 07730 402812 Email jillfalkingham@gmail.com
Details can also be found on our Facebook page.

It will no longer be possible to inspect tups for registration on Sale Day. If you need sheep registered, please contact the Secretary urgently, to arrange an inspection

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

still only £10!

2019/20 subscriptions are due on 1st September

Please see Rachel at the AGM, or post to her at the address on the back page.

We can also accept BACS payments – please ask Karen or Rachel for our bank details.

If you wish to pay by standing order, please ask for a form to notify your bank.

Farm visit and AGM

The AGM will be held on Sunday 6 October at Blackwood Farm, Rishworth, Sowerby Bridge, by kind invitation of Chareen Kaye and Dennis Stott.

Please arrive by 11 am, so that the AGM can start at 11.30. After that, and “a bite to eat”, Chareen and Dennis will have sheep penned so you can try your hand at judging. They will also have sheep to be inspected, so come and see the inspectors at work and challenge their decisions!!

For catering purposes, please let either Chareen (07799 257812) or Rachel know if you will be attending; also, any vegetarian or other dietary requirements.

*Directions to Blackwood Farm are on page 2
as is the AGM agenda*

*Draft Minutes of the 2018 AGM
are circulated with this Newsletter*

The Society's Fund Raising Lunch

12.30 pm Sunday 24th November 2019

At Meltham Golf Club, Thick Hollins Hall,
Thick Hollins Drive, Meltham, Huddersfield,
West Yorkshire, HD9 4DQ

Three Course Buffet Lunch with coffee

**followed by a Raffle (please bring lots of items)
and Entertainment**

Total cost £23.00 per head,
which includes a contribution to the Society
Children under 12 years old £9.00 each

(Please note: smart casual dress but no jeans.)

Everyone welcome please bring friends

Tickets for the lunch are available from Robert & Angela Crampton, Tel 01756 753779 or email r.crampton11m@btinternet.com or from Ross Warburton Tel No 07740 240380 Cheques payable to the Whitefaced Woodland Sheep Society, please

Please note: There will be no tickets without payment and cancellations will not be accepted after the 17th November; sorry refunds cannot be given after this date.

Farm Visit and AGM

Directions:

The address is Blackwood Farm, Rishworth, Sowerby Bridge, West Yorks HX6 4RF
The best approach is from Junction 22 off the M62. If coming on the westbound carriageway, turn right, if from the eastbound carriageway, turn left. Follow the road to The Turnpike pub, then turn left. Follow that road to the end and turn left again. We will put a sign at the end of our road.

AGENDA for the AGM

1. Members present and apologies received
2. Minutes of the 2018 AGM as circulated
3. Chairman's report of the year
4. Treasurer's report and Accounts
5. Election of officers
6. Annual Show and Sale
7. Inspections and Registration
8. Social events, AGM and fund raising
9. Any other business

Item 2: The draft minutes are circulated with this Newsletter. Please bring your copy with you
Item 3: The Chairman will report at the meeting
Item 4: Accounts will be available at the meeting
Item 5: Neville Belfield and John Jones are willing to stand for one more year as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively. If you have additional suggestions for officers or committee, please contact the Secretary without delay.

Show results

Great Yorkshire Show

Judge: Tom Davis

Aged ram: 1st Paul Thorp, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd Paul Thorp

Shearling ram: 1st & 2nd Paul Thorp, 3rd Rachel Godschalk

Ram lamb: 1st Rachel Godschalk, 2nd Chareen Kaye, 3rd Paul Thorp

Aged ewe: 1st Chareen Kaye, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd Rachel Godschalk

Shearling ewe: 1st Angela Crampton, 2nd Paul Thorp, 3rd Chareen Kaye

Ewe lamb: 1st Chareen Kaye, 2nd Rachel Godschalk, 3rd Paul Thorp.

Champion male: Paul's aged ram, Reserve: Rachel's ram lamb

Champion female: Chareen's aged ewe, Reserve: Angela's shearling ewe

Paul then took the Breed Championship, with Chareen's ewe as Reserve.

Halifax Show

Judge: Robert Thackeray

Aged ram: 1st Angela Crampton, 2nd Richard Smith, 3rd Laura Gilbertson

Shearling ram: 1st Karen Lucas, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd Richard Smith

Ram lamb: 1st Richard Smith, 2nd Karen Lucas, 3rd Angela Crampton

Aged ewe: 1st Chareen Kaye, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd Richard Smith

Shearling ewe: 1st Angela Crampton, 2nd Richard Smith, 3rd Angela Crampton

Ewe lamb: 1st Angela Crampton, 2nd Chareen Kaye, 3rd Karen Lucas.

Group of 3: 1st Angela Crampton, 2nd Chareen Kaye, 3rd Karen Lucas

Best lamb was Richard's tup lamb

Champion was Angela's shearling ewe and Reserve was Karen's shearling ram.

Ryedale Show

Judge: Neville Belfield

Results to follow

Mottram Show - cancelled

Hope Show

Judge: Paul Thorp

Aged ram: 1st Richard Smith, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd John Jones

Shearling ram: 1st Karen Lucas, 2nd Rachel Godschalk, 3rd Thomas Thackeray

Ram lamb: 1st Karen Lucas, 2nd Thomas Thackeray, 3rd David Shirt

Aged ewe: 1st David Shirt, 2nd Chareen Kaye, 3rd Thomas Thackeray

Shearling ewe: 1st Thomas Thackeray, 2nd Angela Crampton, 3rd Karen Lucas

Ewe lamb: 1st Chareen Kaye, 2nd Karen Lucas, 3rd Angela Crampton

The Champion was David Shirt's aged ewe, with Karen Lucas's shearling tup taking reserve.

Champion of Champions

Judge: Chris Crowther

Paul Thorp won the Championship with his aged tup. Reserve Champion was Angela Crampton's shearling ewe.

Yet another perspective...

For those of you that read about my first ever encounter with sheep and sheep-people at the Hope Show last year, you will be pleased to know I have now ventured to lands afar to attend the Great Yorkshire Show. I stood and stared in amazement at the vast and varied varieties of sheep and other creatures being exhibited. Life will never be the same now that I have experienced cows being pressure washed, horses having hair-do's and of course my favourite, sheep being spray tanned with cold Yorkshire Tea! I have to admit I still haven't resolved why Yorkshire Tea is supposed to be the best in the world when I thought tea came from India and China??!!

OK back to the sheep.....the show ground commentator told a story of the Elliotts who had been breeding sheep for generations in Wensleydale, a great revelation to me when I thought Wensleydale was only famous for Wallace and Grommet, I stand corrected! Sorry.

I learned that thin wiry sheep are the hill sheep and the fat square ones are the lowland sheep...wow who knew that? On the way home I spent the first hour of the journey identifying the

hill from the flatland sheep, sorry but that little exercise was almost as sleep inducing as counting them!

Did you know why the judge looked at the sheep's teeth? Nope, not to tell their age like horses BUT to see if they have an overbite because if they do then they cannot nibble and no one wants a sheep that can't nibble now do they?! I am not even going to comment on what the judge does at the "back end" all too naughty to mention here. But I think my favourite has to be when the commentator said "bring in the lamb-rams" love that definition, I have been trying my hardest to pop that phrase into a conversation somewhere..... hmmm not having much success with that one but I won't give up!

So onward to the Hope Show.....thanks to everyone in the Whitefaced Woodlands community that were kind enough to explain things to me without showing any obvious amusement (well not to my face anyhow) or eye rolling. Had a "Great" time so now know why it is the GREAT Yorkshire Show.

Jo Auckland

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