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GREEN LIGHTS FOR BLUE TEXELS AT WORCESTER UP TO 2200gns

The Blue Texel Sheep Society's Annual Show & Sale at Worcester proved a resounding success and a top of 2,200gns underlined the enthusiasm and commitment from a packed ringside.

The top call of the day went to "Hackney Extrovert" a February born ET Ram Lamb by Whatmore Siren and out of Whatmore Vienna from Paul Tippetts and Christine Williams Shropshire based flock. The lamb had won fourth in the show and was a full ET brother to the Reserve Overall Champion at this year's Royal Welsh Show. The bidding quickly accelerated and was finally secured by G Hardman, Red Marley, Gloucester.

Ram Lambs were in strong demand and close behind the top priced sheep was another Ram Lamb "Jonsland Xcess" a March born twin who had won First and Reserve Male Champion for Dan & Janine Jones in the pre-sale show and was taken at 2,100gns by W. Clarke Livestock, Norwich, Norfolk. Third highest priced ram lamb and also the third prize winner "Beaconsview Xtra" from Chris Davies levelled at a creditable 1,700gns to H. Heath, Ashbourne, Derby.

Senior Rams recoded much interest with the first prize 3 year old Ram bred by David Alexander and sold from Andrew Froggatt's "Sams" flock at 1800gns to T. Jenkins & Sons, Llantrisant, Mid Glamorgan.

Females were also closely followed topping in the Shearling Ewe section for the Female and Overall Champion from Sra Gibbons' 'Whatmore' flock peaking at 1,500gns also to H. Heath, Shropshire.

A strong entry in terms of quality was forward from David Alexander's "Millside" flock topping at 1,450gns for a 'Craigalbert' daughter going to T.G. Douglas, Jedburgh, Roxburghshire. Another daughter by the same sire levelled at 1,2590gns to Miss H Fletcher and Miss C Grenham, Deal, Kent.

Ewe Lambs are not to be let behind and more than held their own peaking at 1,100gns for the Reserve Female and Reserve Overall Champion "Glan-Y-Mor Xena" by 'Rattrays Vincent' from Matthew Jones and the fourth prize winner from Rhys Cooke's 'Nantyderri' flock also at 1,100gns selling to H. Heath, Shropshire and LA Richardson & Co, Fermanagh, N. Ireland respectively.

Averages:

28	Shearling Ewes	av: £799.50
29	Ewe Lambs	£489.16
1	Senior Ram	£1,890.00
15	Shearling Rams	£599.20
31	Ram Lambs	£602.23

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