## South Wales and Borders Dutch Spotted Group

Meeting held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at Fedw Equestrian Centre, Powys.

18 People present representing 15 different flocks.

Name	Flock Name	Flock No
Will Workman	Celtic	246
Wayne Lloyd	Llanfilo	644
Daniel Pugh	Llanfilo	644
Charmaine Lovering	Roebuck	200
Trevor Garlick	Roebuck	200
Lisa James	Pentan	750
Gwenllian Thomas	Dalmatian Jasper	929
Tom Buckland	McLaren	569
Huw Williams	Banc	413
Sian Hayward	Garnview	781
Darren Hayward	Garnview	781
Cath Difford	Hilltop	063
Mathew Thomas	Red Roses	609
Owain Fisher	Drefach	294
Michelle Thomas	Tywi Valley	182
Lyn Williams	Talley	584
Darren Witcomb	Aberhonddu	728
Tracey Evans	Beacons	070

Apologies: Iwan Davies, Caryl Roberts, Louise Nash, Derfel Harries, Sue Bartley, Robbie Alman-Wilson.

Minutes from meeting on 24/01/2024 were read out by LJ and was agreed that they were a true representation of the meeting.

Matters Arising: High praise from WW to Owain Fisher for taking over the organisation and preparation of the open day.

Open Day Review: The original date of 6/5 was abandoned and Owain kindly volunteered to host and organise the day on a new date of Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024. It was agreed it was a very successful and informative day.

There was £133 raised from sale of official merchandise

£362 taken in entry fee and raffle

-£230 to cover cost of refreshments for the event

Which leaves us with a balance of £132 profit.

Any Other Business:

A letter from Derfel Harries at Clee Tompkinson Francis was received, inviting us to have a Wales and Borders Show and sale incorporated in the already established Coloured Continental/Continental sheep sale on the first weekend in September.

It was agreed this would be a good idea and was suggested we incorporate both MV and Non MV sections, and having the Non MV DS to follow the MV DS, so as not to expect buyers to hang around waiting. Also suggested that any DS sheep sold through this sale would be inspected and possibly asking Kate Hovers to do the honours as inspector, she was deemed a worthy candidate with her t

Suggested Judges for the day were Charmain Plummer, Imogen Crump, and Laura Monk.

Owain Fisher said that Carmarthen Mart have applied directly to main DSSS in regards holding a sale.

It was suggested that maybe Carmarthen would be better to try and organise a coloured in lamb or couples' sale later in the year as to test the need for another sale.

*Elfryn Thomas has contacted Owain Fisher to ask about holding Spotted classes at St clears show in 2025.* 

Suggestions for 2025 SWBDS show are as follows, Llandeilo 17<sup>th</sup> Aug, St Clears June, and Aberystwyth June. What's App vote to be created to open voting for all members to decide.

Cath Difford said that the main DSSS has created a small amount of money for each sub group to use for social spending, trophies etc.

Michelle is going to source a shield and rosettes for 2024 SWBDS show at sennybridge show, using some of money raised from the open day.

Date, time and venue of next meeting.

Offer of Nelson Park was made for any meeting.

Proposed next meeting is to be held in Llandeilo area with Huw Williams to source a venue, date, and time to be confirmed once we have advised closing dates for the show and sale.