

## **DSSUK FIRST SALE AT WELSHPOOL MARKET EXCEEDS ALL EXPECTATIONS.**

### ***With thanks to Welshpool Livestock Sales***

A wet miserable day in Welshpool, did not deter the buyers from turning out for a good show of Dutch Spotted sheep at the DSSUK inaugural sale at the centre. Right from the start of the day, there was a buzz about the pens and it carried through to sale time, resulting in 42 of the 49 sheep forward selling to an overall average of 1475gns.

Top price of the day went to Sarah Greig's Lane Farm flock from Shrewsbury, when her shearling ewe, Lane Farm Cherryberry sold to G O Jones, for 2800gns. Cherryberry is by Beech Hay Barman and out of the imported ewe Blueberry. Next in the ring, Lane Farm Charisma, imported as a ewe lamb, made 2000gns to DSSUK Association Chairman, Keith Harryman. Another two at 1400gns and 800gns took the pen average for four shearling ewes to 1750gns.

Sarah also led the ewe lamb trade with a lamb, again by Beech Hay Barman and out of another imported ewe, Bluebell. Lane Farm Delight Belle sold to S C Walker for 2600gns.

Ali Jackson justified his long trip from South West Scotland, when his ewe lamb, Tiptop Doris took the next highest price of 2200gns. Doris is by stock ram Tiptop Charlie and out of an imported ewe. She sold to M J & L Robertson, who also purchased the other ewe lamb in the pen, Tiptop Diamond Star, also by Charlie for 1800gns. Ali's 2-shear imported ewe, which had bred successfully in the flock, had already led the sale off, when she sold for 1700gns to C & C Cormack.

Another four females hit the 2000gns mark. The first of these from Roger, Gill & Sian Jones, Wrexham, sold to J R Park. Pentre Charming is a shearling ewe, by the imported ram Hassens Henry and out of an imported ewe. The Jones family followed this up with an impressive show of females and their six averaged 1733gns.

Tom Nash, had another successful day at the office, following on from taking the breed record of 6500gns at Carlisle the previous week. His first in the ring, made 2000gns to I J Davies. Merryboro Dora is by Merryboro Cracker, the sire of the breed record holder and out of an imported ewe.

Brian and Louise Davies, Ty-Gwyn Flock, saw their two ewe lambs each make 2000gns and both selling to S C Walker. Ty-Gwyn Dixie Chic is by their imported sire Boris and Ty-Gwyn Dellilah is by their very successful stock ram Gallowhill Balbair, who would later lead the male section, when he sold to new breeders Messrs Brown and Mason for 1800gns. Balblair was bred by Penny Troup in Inverurie and is a very correct and strong ram by her imported ram Ben.

Jan Rodenburg also realised 1800gns for his stock ram the imported Benedictus. Another very strong and correct ram, who had bred consistently in his Turbo Bent Flock.

### **AVERAGES**

1 AGED EWE	1700GNS
6 SHEARLING EWES	1800GNS
15 EWE LAMBS	1860GNS
4 AGED RAM	1400GNS
3 SHEARLING RAMS	800GNS
13 RAM LAMBS	842GNS