

Whitefaced Woodland Sheep Society

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The Annual Whitefaced Woodland Sheep Sale

on Saturday 27 September

at Bretton Mill Farm, Haigh, near Barnsley

Next to Junction 38 of the M1, in the same field as last year, on the east side of the motorway. Approaching from the North, leave the motorway at Junction 38 and take the first exit on the roundabout. From the South, it will be the last exit, the turning towards Woolley

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

Judging begins at 11am

Ewe classes for: Pen of 6 or more Woodland ewes born in 2013; Pen of 6 or more ewe lambs

Sale starts at 12 noon

To enter, or for further details, please contact:
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Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Whitefaced Woodland Sheep Society will be held at Gam Farm, Moor Lane, Grassington, North Yorkshire BD23 5BD on Saturday 18 October 2014 at 11am

Following the Bretton Mill Sale, our next event will be the AGM on 18 October, when we are guests of Chris and Helen Wray at Gam Farm. They will ask us to review their Woodland flock and suggest possible uses of some of their byegone farming tools. There will be a BBQ and the chance to see other stock, including their major herd of Northern Dairy Shorthorns. Details and directions will be circulated soon.

Paul Dixon and Rob Ford both retire after three years' sterling service and are not eligible for reelection. Philip Onions, who became Joint Vice Chairman last year, is prepared to continue as Vice Chairman. Paul Thorp has agreed to stand as the new Chairman, proposed by Philip Onions and seconded by Rachel Godschalk.

If anyone else is prepared to volunteer for office, would they please contact the Secretary. An agenda will be circulated nearer the date of the meeting. If you have any items you want discussed, or proposals to make, again, please contact Rachel by the end of September.

Subscriptions for 2014/2015 became due on 1 September.
Please send your £10 to the Secretary.

Show Results

Ryedale Show

Judge: Tessa Wigham

Tup any age: Dave & Debbie Wardell

Tup lamb: Pam Crosby Aged ewe: Pam Crosby Shearling ewe: Pam Crosby Ewe lamb: Pam Crosby

Group of 3: Dave & Debbie Wardell

The Champion was Dave and Debbie's ram, with Pam Crosby's shearling ewe as Reserve Champion.

Hope Show

Judge: Harold Smith Aged tup: Paul Thorp

Shearling tup: Neville Belfield Tup lamb: Karen Dowey Aged ewe: Paul Thorp Shearling ewe: Paul Thorp

Ewe lamb: Karen Dowey

Paul's aged tup was judged Champion, and his shearling ewe took Reserve.

Faith Johnson won the Mountain and Hill class with her Woodland fleece.

Champion of Champions

Judge: Tony Redfearn Congratulations to Paul and Jill Thorp, whose aged ewe won the Championship, with their shearling ewe taking Reserve Champion.

Mottram show

Judge: John Jones Aged tup: Chareen Kaye Shearling tup: Paul Thorp Tup lamb: Karen Dowey Aged ewe: Paul Thorp Shearling ewe: Paul Thorp Ewe lamb: Karen Dowey

The Breed Champion was Chareen's aged tup and Reserve Champion was Paul's shearling ewe.



Jill and Paul Thorp at Hope Show, with their Champion ewes. [Photo: P J Onions]

Skipton Sale

I was supposed to be in two different places on Saturday 30 August, and didn't actually get to either – but that's a long story. . . According to the catalogue, there were nine shearling ewes and one aged ewe, four ewe lambs, a ram lamb and one ram. Results taken from the CCM website:

Ewe lambs to £131 (Price) Shearling ewes to £204 (Beardwell)

Ewe £141 (Norcross) Ram lamb £210 (Price)

If anyone who was there could let me have details of individual lot prices, I should be most grateful.

Robert and Jean Price's ram lamb took second place in the Hill and Heath class.

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Sheep for Sale and Wanted

Julie Beardwell has eight CFB registered Woodland shearling ewes for sale, from Keith Willis's Beacon House flock. Phone: 01663 733570 (Derbyshire/ Cheshire)

Camphill Community Trust, near Middlesbrough, is looking for up to 20 Woodland ewes – either shearling or 2-shear. North east or Yorkshire location preferred. Please contact David Devine on 07701 074810 or e-mail david.devine@cvt.org.uk



NSA Free 2 Month Membership Taster

We would like to offer a **2 month National Sheep Association 'taster membership'** to members of your Sheep Society. This will be comprised of a copy of the most recent Sheep Farmer magazine, a booklet about NSA and a leaflet about our current 3in1Feeder prize draw promotion, along with 2 months of our weekly email newsletter which comes out on a Friday evening and is full of interesting news and events from within NSA and the sheep industry. The newsletter is available only by email. Please note this taster package does not entitle you to be entered into the draw to win a 3in1 Feeder or future campaigns at time of take up. We hope you will enjoy reading the literature and find it useful and informative. Please do consider joining NSA — not only will you reap the benefits but you will be supporting the only organisation which represents sheep farmers to the Government, policy makers and other stakeholders in the sheep industry. If you would like to take up this opportunity please contact **Charlotte Underwood (Membership Recruitment Officer) at NSA HQ, Malvern, on 01684 892661** with your contact details and email address.

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