

DINGWALL, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (October 23rd) sold 2,762 breeding and feeding sheep at the annual sale of N.C. Cheviot ewes and gimmers.

Cheviot Gimmers (338) sold to £260 gross from Newton of Ferintosh, Conon Bridge.

Cheviot Correct ewes (1,432) sold to £255 gross from Tister, Halkirk.

Cheviot Broken mouth ewes (412) sold to £158 gross from Hallcroft, The Doll.

Cheviot Feeder ewes (196) sold to £154 gross from Burnbank, Isle of Canna.

Other breed gimmers (40) sold to £275 gross for a pen of Suffolk crosses from Meikle Geddes Farm, Nairn.

Other breed correct ewes (191) sold to £202 gross for a pen of Cheviot mules from Tister, Halkirk.

Other Breed Broken Mouth ewes (40) sold to £92 gross for a pen of Suffolk crosses from 1 Skelpick, Bettyhill.

Other breed feeding ewes (72) sold to £160 gross for a pen of Texel crosses from Broynach Farm, Caithness.

Lambs (101) sold to £110 gross for a pen of crosses from Ussie Mills, Maryburgh.

Rams (27) sold to £240 gross for a Texel from Fraoch Cottage, Balblair.

Feeding sheep (23) sold to £148 gross for a pen of Cheviot wedders from Ussie Mills, Maryburgh.

"The final draft ewe sale of the season saw a full ringside present which culminated in the dearest trade of the season. Correct ewes were in particular demand as were gimmers with many a man venturing home empty handed."

Other leading prices per head:

Gimmers: BeltX – Meikle Geddes Farm, £270; **Chev** – Tister, £255, £175, Shielraig, £245, £220, 27 Portgower, £240, Muie SSC, £210, £155, 46 Blairmore, £185, 68 Foindle, £155, Achany Farm, £150; **SuffX** – Meikle Geddes, £210; **Mule** – Tister, £205; **CHM** – Tister, £205, £180.

Correct ewes: Chev – Tister, £235, £150, £145, £140, £135, £132, 12 Bualnaluib, £210, Isle of Canna, £185, £172, £165, £150, Shielraig, £170, Ose Farm, £165, 84 Tomich, £160, Blairbuie, £160, £135, 46 Blairmore, £158, £155, £152, £150, Strathvaich, £152, Tigh Beag, £152, £148, £138, Glenlraig Farmhouse, £150, £130, The Willows, £150, Muir SSC, £148, Creagmhor, £145, Culnacraig, £145, 1 Kilbride, £142, £130, 27 Portgower, £142, Milton Muie, £142, The Glebe, £140, 8 Sand, £138, Shielraig, £138, Balcherry, £138, 1 Sciberscross, £134, Achany Farm, £132, Ardheslaig, £132, 9 Sasaig, £132, West View, £132, 12 Sconser, £132, 11 Diabeg, £132, Hallcroft, £132, Monessie Farm, £130, Kilbreck, £130; **CHM** -Tister, £182, £145; **SuffX** – Fraoch Cottage, £182, £180, Tister, £155; **Mule** – Fraoch Cottage, £166, Tister, £142; **Hamp** – Fraoch Cottage, £140.

Broken Mouth ewes: Chev – 12 Bualnaluib, £122, 84 Tomich, £118, West View, £118, 46 Blairmore, £118, Refouble, £114, Achnaclerach, £114, 15 Achnairn, £112, 27 Portgower, £110, Riverfoot, £108, 1 Sciberscross, £105, Blairbuie, £102, Isle of Canna, £102, 15 Glenconon, £100, Torgrianach, £100, 5 Skelpick, £100.

Feeding ewes: Mule: - Broynach, £148; **Chev** - Dundreggan Croft, £142, £122, £95, Burnside, £140, Hallcroft, £136, 16 Moraypark Lane, £135, Blairbuie, £132, £92, 5 Skelpick, £128, 84 Tomich, £126, The Square, £126, £98, 12 Bualnaluib, £122, 7 Aultbea, £112, £90, Isle of anna, £112, 15 Achnairn, £100, £92, 1 Kilbride, £96, Riverfoot, £92, Syall, £90, 11 Diabaig, £90, 228 North Tannachy, £90, Strathvaich Estate, £90; **TexX** – Broynach Farm, £126, 15 Glenconon, £110; **Cross** – 14 Roag, £100, Ose Farm, £100.

Rams: Texel – Isle of Canna, £215; **Chev** – Isle of Canna, £148, Ericht Farming, £145, Balcherry, £140.

Lambs: Cross – Meadowrise, £91; **Chev** – Glenbrittle, £86, £80, 12 Bualnaluib, £82.