

### **Suffolk females sell to 1,500gns at NI Female Sale 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013**

THE NI Branch of the Suffolk Sheep Society brought the curtain down on a successful 2013 season with the Annual Female Show and Sale at Ballymena Livestock Mart.

It proved an occasion to remember for a number of the province's top breeders with Donrho flock owner Packie Donnelly securing the top price of the evening of 1500gns for an outstanding Birness Bolt ewe lamb.

This Bolt lamb was out of a dam by Bailey's Paddy Power and a grand dam by Kings High and Mighty.

The Birness prefix certainly appeared to carry some weight when it came to the bidding.

Second highest price went to Alastair Gault, Forkins, who sold an eye-catching fourth prize-winning Cairness New Approach shearling in-lamb to Birness Bacardi for 1200gns before securing 1000gns for the second prize winner. It was out of Cairness Kanine and again in-lamb to Birness Bacardi.

Denis Taylor, Ballynacanon, sold six shearlings all in lamb to Bacardi, achieving a top price of 1050gns as well as selling a third prize winner for 900gns. Both were daughters by Limestone To-Tal.

Earlier in the show arena, Packie Donnelly presented the first prize-winning shearling and ewe lamb before claiming the overall rosette.

Reserve was Alistair Gault's second placed shearling with Denis Taylor clinching third place on the podium.

**Judge was Martin Butler  
and the prizes were generously sponsored by Smyths Daleside Feeds**

#### Prices in gns

P Donnelly: 1500; 400; 400; 400; 400

AR Gault: 1200, 1000; 500, 400; 400.

PDW Taylor: 1050; 900;800; 650; 500; 500.

AJ and NJ Robinson: 520; 500.

Alan Bothwell: 660, 400.

J McKay: 500, 500