

CAIRNESS GIMMER BREAKS MARKET RECORD SELLING FOR 5500 GNS AT BEESTON SUFFOLK SALE



**Lot 31 - CHAMPION & 1st PRIZE
GIMMER from BEAUFORT -
1200 gns to FRONGOY**



**Lot 13 - 1st PRIZE EWE AND RESERVE
CHAMPION FROM BEAUFORT -
2000 gns to SAFADDAN**



**Lot 232 - 1st PRIZE EWE LAMB
FROM JUBILEE - 800 gns**



**Lot 16 - 3100 gns EWE
From BEAUFORT to SAFADDAN**



**Lot 73 - THE TOP SELLER
at 5500 gns - CAIRNESS GIMME
Selling to THURSTON**



**CAIRNESS GIMMER
2100 gns to KINGS**

The 12th Annual Show of Pedigree Suffolk In-lamb females and ewe lambs sponsored by the FARMERS GUARDIAN attracted a record entry numerically and which was very high on quality and attended by a large crowd of buyers from all over the UK. Buyers were recorded from Aberdeen to Devon and just about every county in between as well as Northern Ireland and Belgium.

This year's judge was Gary Beacom who owns the noted Lakeview Flock in Northern Ireland and he had some very competitive classes placed in front of him. It was a great day for Stuart Davies of the South Shropshire based Beaufort Flock who after just having won Reserve Champion Flock in the National Flock Competition won both the Champion and Reserve Championship with entries from his highly regarded Flock in the show classes. The Champion and winner of the gimmer class was a daughter of Rhaeadr Roberto scanned in lamb with triplets to Rookery Rooney. The Reserve Champion and winner of the ewe class was a daughter of Conveth The Jack Pot scanned with twins to a Burnview Lamb due with her second crop at the end of the year. The winner of the ewe lamb class was Mark Evans of Keighley with a February born daughter of Strathisla King of Kings from his highly respected Jubilee Flock.

Yet again a great crowd was in attendance and at the end of the day over 70 different buyers were recorded. Despite the difficult trading conditions in the commercial lamb market and the top sales this autumn, the trade experienced, although less than the dizzy heights of last year, was far better than might have been expected in the days leading up to the sale. There was plenty of bidding for all the good sheep, but anything of a lesser quality was far more selective. Ewe Lamb trade was hit and miss.

It was an entry from Jimmy Douglas's noted Cairness Flock based at Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire, that lit up the sale when achieving a record price of 5500 gns for this sale. The top selling entry was for a gimmer by Rhaeadr Roger Ramjet whose grand dam was a Glenisla ewe who in fact was the grand dam of the record priced 90000 gns Ardlea Arbennig. This gimmer was sold carrying twins to Baileys Rock Solid and was sold to Brian Jones for his Thurston Flock based in Cumbria.

The top seller was not shown and neither was the second top priced sheep, a one crop ewe by Stockton Barberian from Stuart Davies. This sheep sold for 3100 gns., carrying triplets to Mike Davies & Sons of Brecon for their Safaddan Flock who also purchased the Reserve Champion ewe from the same home at 2000 gns. Next in the price lineup was another from Cairness at 2100 gns, the third prize in-lamb gimmer from Jimmy Douglas; this was for a gimmer by Whitestone Footprint sold carrying twins to the 21000 gns Cairness Great Expectations. She now joins the Kings Flock of Robin Irwin based at Umberleigh, Devon.

There were another five sheep that broke the four figure barrier and these were led by the second prize gimmer from John Gibb's Cairnton Flock based at New Pitsligo Aberdeenshire for a daughter of Thurston Grand Dynamic carrying twins to Glenhead Titanium which sold to Gary Owen for 1700 gns for his Anglesey based Morris Flock. Next was the Champion that sold for 1200 gns to J M Jones and Co., from Llanon, Ceredigion for their Frongoy Flock and then the other three were all from Cairness selling at 1100 gns and 1000 gns twice.

The top selling ewe lamb was 900 gns achieved for the third prize winning entry from Ross Lawrence's Devon based Roundacre Flock for a daughter of Roundacre Romeo which sold to Alan Blair of Blackpool. Mark Evans' 1st prize winner sold for 800 gns to P W Poole, Shrewsbury.

AVERAGES:

92 Ewes £502.49; 79 Gimmers £525.83; 17 Ewe Lambs £481.07; 190 Head £509.39

WRIGHT MANLEY of Beeston Castle Auction, Cheshire were the Auctioneers.