

Trade was brisk at 4th Annual Production Sale of Pedigree Suffolk Females from Annakisha, Clyda, Castleisle, Shannagh and Barrowlands Flocks at Blessington Mart on Saturday last. With a packed ringside and a lot of new breeders along with established breeders eager to acquire some of the breeds best and modern blood lines on offer there was no surprise that the sale had a 100% clearance.

S & S Gahan's Barrowlands Flock achieved highest price of the day €2800gns for a much admired ewe lamb by Kings Theatre selling to Gerry Killilea's "Carragh Flock". Barrowlands had an average of €845gns for 17 lots with their highest price for a Shearling ewe by Cairness Barcelona in lamb to Cairness Hamlet selling to Eamon Duffy "Kells Flock" for €870gns.

Andrew & Richard Wilson's Castleisle & Shannagh Flocks offered a consignment of 24 outstanding shearlings for sale which they sold for an average of €830gns. They secured their highest price for a classy shearling ewe by Cairness Achievement in lamb to Strathisla Schumacher for €1300gns to Rachel & Alan McCormack's "Altra Flock".

Well know Cork Breeders Arthur & Susan O'Keeffe sold 28 shearlings for an average price of €748gns securing their highest price of €1100gns from John Oakman, "Lissakillen Flock" for a quality shearling by Clyda Wishmaster and scanned with twins to Clyda 29 who was highest priced ram at Roscrea 2013 selling for €6800gns to Cairness Flock.