

JANUARY 2023

The AGM of members of the association is to be held on Wednesday, 1st February 2023 at 7.30pm at the offices of Welshpool Livestock Sales, Buttington Cross, Welshpool

2023 SALE DATES:

WELSHPOOL:

- Wednesday, 13th September (Ewes)
- Thursday, 14th September (Ewe Lambs)
- Thursday 12th October (Ewes & Ewe Lambs)

Hereford:

- Friday, 15th September (Ewes & Ewe Lambs)
- Tuesday, 17th October (Ewes & Ewe Lambs)

RUTHIN:

- Saturday, 16th September (Ewes & Ewe Lambs)

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Welsh Mules Sheep Breeders Association Newsletter

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Sales Report 2022

September Sales

The yearling ewes at Welshpool on 7th September saw a buoyant trade with an average of £186 with H & E Powell, Llwyngwilym, Rhayader topping the market at £322 for a pen of ewes sold to R A & W H E Jones, Lower Brithdir, Berriew. The following day, ewe lambs averaged £134, a slight drop of £2 on the previous year with Wyn Jones, Maesyderi, Ffairfach receiving the best price for the champion ewe lambs at £340 from G Scrivens, Oldberrow Hill Farm, Ullenhall, Warks.

The association sale in Hereford was held on 9th September. Prices for both yearlings and ewe lambs were back a little from 2021. Yearling ewes averaged £188, with the top price of £300 again being gained by H&E Powell, Llwyngwilym, Rhaeadr for a pen bought by J L Robins, Middle Farm, Weston Subage, Chipping Campden. Ewe lambs averaged £131 with RG & BM Jones & Son, Tymawr, Garth receiving the best price for ewe lambs at £272 from judge H&E Powell, Llwyngwilym, Rhayader.

The association's September sales continued at Ruthin with yearling ewes averaging £133, with the top price of £195 being gained by A E Evans, Ffrith Fedw, Prion, Denbigh for a pen bought by GW & HLL & DW Roberts. Ewe lambs averaged £101 with E Jones, Ty Nant, Eglwys Bach, Colwyn Bay receiving the best price at £160 from R J Ryan.

October Sales

The October sales of Welsh Mule breeding sheep saw steady prices with good demand.

Yearlings at Welshpool averaged £137, down £47 on 2021 with the top price of £215 achieved by A Breese & Co, Upper Fachwen, Tregynon, Powys for a pen sold to M J Woodward, Glenfield Farm, Gilmorton Road, Lutterworth. Ewe lambs averaged £102 each, down £19 with A M Jones, Middle Farm, Rorrington obtaining the best return of £142 for sheep purchased by B Balmer, Townsend, Tilley Road, Shropshire.

Yearlings at the association's sale in Hereford averaged £146 with the top price of £188 obtained by WE & MG Morgan, Tyngarn Farm, Myddfai, sold to I J Price & Co, Talog, Siloh, Llandovery. While ewe lambs averaged £103 with the top price being £175 for a pen sold by RG & BM Jones & Son, Ty Mawr, Garth, who were also the winners of the Vernon Wilson Memorial Cup for the best pen of ewe lambs, which were purchased by High Ash Estate, Cappers Lane, Spurstow, Tarp.

Richard Thomas, association chairman was also pleased with the overall outcome. "I'm generally satisfied that the sales have held up so well. We are confident that the sheep forward will be up to the association's usual excellent standards and there will be a very good choice available for buyers."

TAGGING SEQUENCE

The association's executive committee has approved the following tagging colour sequence for the next seven years.

2023	<u>ORANGE</u>
2024	WHITE
2025	PINK
2026	BROWN
2027	PURPLE
2028	GREEN

2022 Sale results in detail

Welshpool	2022	2021
September:	Av Price	Av Price
Yearlings	186.64	191.51
Ewe lambs	134.00	137.80
October:		
Yearlings	137.21	184.67
Ewe lambs	102.50	121.49
Hereford		
September:		
Yearlings	188.88	204.81
Ewe lambs	131.08	142.11
October:		
Yearlings:	146.93	167.01
Ewe lambs	103.78	120.37
Ruthin		
Yearlings	133.31	161.40
Ewe lambs	101.87	112.62

Accounts for the year to the 31st August 2022

A summary of the 2022 Financial Accounts is attached to the Annual General Meeting Agenda.

The full detailed accounts are available on request by emailing the secretary on info@welshmules.co.uk or by calling the WAOS offices on 01970636688.



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**For the 2023 sales, ewe lambs
must be tagged with a yellow
electronic tag in the left ear
and a ORANGE coloured tag**

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