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2019 Royal Welsh Champion: Shearling Ewe from the Fedw Flock of Will Workman.

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Royal Welsh Show Results.

Judge: K Bowman

Aged Ram

1. Edd Williams
2. Glenda Hughes
3. D & R Rowlands
4. Bethan Davies
5. D & S Hayward
6. Carys Morgan

Shearling Ram

1. Edd Williams
2. Glenda Hughes
3. Gwawr Hughes
4. Iestyn Hayward
5. Rhodri Workman
6. DRL Williams

Ram Lamb

1. Ffion Hughes
2. Edd Williams
3. Will Workman
4. D & R Rowlands
5. Ewan Hendrie
6. D & S Hayward

Breeding Ewe

1. Gwawr Hughes
2. Bethan Davies
3. D & S Hayward
4. Elin Meredith
5. MD & DL Evans
6. Glenda Hughes

Shearling Ewe

1. Will Workman
2. John Griffiths
3. Edd Williams
4. Gwawr Hughes
5. Bethan Davies
6. DRL Williams

Ewe Lamb

1. Gwawr Hughes
2. John Griffiths
3. Edd Williams
4. Elin Meredith
5. MD & DK Evans
6. Will Workman



Male Champion (right) with Glyn Williams and Reserve Male (left) with Edd Williams. Both bred and exhibited by Edd Williams.



Group of Three

1. D & R Rowlands
2. Edd Williams
3. MD & DL Evans
4. Bethan Davies
5. Gwawr Hughes
6. D & S Hayward

Male Champion: Edd Williams

Reserve Male: Edd Williams

Female Champion: Will Workman

Reserve Female: Gwawr Hughes

Breed Champion: Will Workman

Reserve: Edd Williams

Above: Reserve Female Champion, Breeding Ewe, bred and exhibited by Gwawr Hughes,



Left: HRH Prince of Wales presenting the prize for the best Group of Three to Dyfed & Rowena Rowlands.

Right: Judge Kevin Bowman with his wife, Joy, before the start of judging.



**BWMSBA Young Handler
Judge John & Hilary Garn.
Under 10s.**

1. Ffion Evans
2. Alfred Watkins
3. Gwyn Hughes

11 - 16s

1. Rory Ferguson
2. Cai Morgan Gervis
3. Caron Bufton

Champion: Rory Ferguson
Reserve: Ffion Evans.



Right: Champion BWMSBA Young Handler, Rory Ferguson. Left to Right: Judge Hilary Garn, BWMSBA Chair, John Griffiths, Rory Ferguson and Judge John Garn



Left: BWMSBA President Nigel Daff, presenting the Chris Hughes Memorial Award to Carys Morgan at the Royal Welsh Show.

Right: Nigel Daff presenting the Steffan Award to Edward Morgan at the Royal Welsh Show



Left: Ffion Evans, Champion in the RWAS Young Handlers Classes, Congratulations to Ffion.

Right: Photo Opportunity with Royalty to promote the BWMSBA's Centenary next year. Left to right: Steve Forsyth, Kevin Bowman, BWMSBA Chair, John Griffiths and HRH Prince of Wales.



Ram of the Year—2019

For the second year running, the accumulator points competition has been won by Bethan Davies with her home bred ram Brynyreglwys Yogi. This is the third successive year that Bethan has won this competition. She gained points with first prizes at Llandeilo, Pembrokeshire, and the RWAS Spring Festival, seconds at Llanfynydd, Llangadog, and Royal Three Counties.

Left: Ben Williams presents the Ram of the Year Trophy to Bethan Davies



Anglesey Show Results

Aged Ram

1. D & R Rowlands

Shearling Ram

1. I & A Jones
2. Glenda Hughes
3. D & R Rowlands

Ram Lamb

1. D & R Rowlands
2. D & R Rowlands
3. I & A Jones

Breeding Ewe

1. Gwawr Hughes
2. Glenda Hughes
3. I & A Jones

Shearling Ewe

1. Gwawr Hughes
2. D & R Rowlands
3. Glenda Hughes

Ewe Lamb

1. I & A Jones
2. Gwawr Hughes
3. I & A Jones

Group of Three

1. D & R Rowlands
2. Glenda Hughes.

Breed Champion. D & R Rowlands

Reserve: Gwawr Hughes

Annual Sale Report 2019

The Annual Show & Sale held on behalf of the Black Welsh Mountain Sheep Breeders Association drew a top-quality entry to the Monmouthshire Livestock Centre on the 30th August. A packed ring ensured a blistering trade throughout. Breed records were broken, averages well up on 2018 and clearance rates, very encouraging.

The sale was topped twice at 1900gns, equalling the current male breed record set two years ago. The first was for Gaer Yankee Doodle, first prized senior ram and Male Champion. Sired by Gaer Wyddfa and bred by D & R Rowland, Anglesey, the home bred two year old was purchased to found a new flock for Master Owain Davies, Llangynidr, Crickhowell. Also making the top price, was Fedw Archie. Sired by Garnview Watcha Lookin At and bred by W Workman, Trecastle, the winning shearling ram & Reserve Male Champion Fedw Archie was purchased by Messrs Kimberley & Dawson, Blaenau Ffestiniog. Two ram lambs sold to 1100gns. Garth Uchaf Bourbon, sired by Garnview Wizard, bred by B Williams, Pentyrch, had been placed 2nd in the ram lamb class and was pur-



Above: Male Champion Gaer Yankee Doodle. Bred and Exhibited by Dyfed and Rowena Rowlands, with judge Philip Moyle. Sold for 1900gns to Owain Davies, Llangynidr.



Left: Reserve Male Champion, Fedw Archie, bred and exhibited by Will Workman. Sold for 1900gns to Messrs Kimberly and Dawson, Blaenau Ffestiniog.

Photo: Zoe Davies.

chased by Glenda Hughes, Caernarfon. The second to make this price was the winning ram lamb from W Workman, Fedw Boris, sired by Garnview Yoyo, was purchased by Messrs Codd & Lewis, Haverfordwest. Another ram making four figures was Ty Ysgubor Archie, sired by Gaer Super Ted, a shearling ram bred by P Samuel, Newbridge On Wye. This tup was sold for 1000gns to D Roberts, Caernarfon. Other leading prices amongst the males included 900gns for shearling ram, Eryri Arrowsmith from Ffion Evans, Abergavenny; 750gns for two year old tup Eryri Yr Ysgwrn from Gwawr Hughes, Bryn croes; 700gns for shearling ram Talley Abbey from DRL Williams, Talley and ram lamb Wenallt Brexit from EO Williams, Talybont On Usk sold for 600gns. The male classes were judged by Mr Philip Moyle, Llanbrynmair.



Above: Champion and Record Priced Female - Ewe lamb from Edd Williams (right). Sold for 1300gns to Harriet Brown, Binegar (centre) . Photo: Zoe Davies

The Female classes, judged by Darren Hayward, St Andrews Major, produced a top price of 1300gns, smashing

the previous female breed record. The 1st prize single Ewe Lamb & Female Champion, bred by EO Williams, was sired by the home bred tup Wenallt You Only Live Twice and was purchased by H Brown, Binegar, Somerset. The Reserve Female Champion was the winning single shearling ewe, also sired by a Wenallt ram, bred in Gwawr Hughes Eryri flock and sold for 470gns to SM Forsyth, Heol Senni. Also selling for 470gns



Above: Reserve Champion, Shearling Ewe from the Eryri Flock of Gwawr Hughes. Sold for 470gns to Steve Forsyth, Heol Senni. Photo: Zoe Davies.

was the 2nd prize Shearling ewe, sired by Wenallt Top Gun, from EO Williams. She was purchased by Cambrian Farming, Tiverton, Devon. The same buyer also purchased the 1st prize pair of Shearling ewes from EO Williams at 440gns apiece and 5th prize single Shearling ewe, bred by Bethan Davies for 440gns. A single ewe lamb from the Cefn flock of M & D Evans, Abergavenny sold for 420gns to join the new flock of Master Owain Davies, Llangynidr; a pair from Ben Williams, Pentyrch, sired by Garth Uchaf Tywin, sold for 410gns apiece to S & S Jones, Maesteg; Gwawr Hughes sold a Shearling ewe sired by Fridd Winner for 400gns; DRL Williams sold a shearling ewe, sired by Cwmyr Walter for 360gns and M & D Evans also sold a shearling ewe sired by Gaer Watchyn for 360gns.

AVERAGES

Flock Ewes	4 sold	max 68gns	av. £61.00	Clearance. 44%
Yearling Ewes	47 sold	max 470gns	av. £202.18	Clearance. 96%
Ewe Lambs	54 sold	max 1300gns	av. £188.22	Clearance. 86%
Senior Rams	6 sold	max 1900gns	av. £596.75	Clearance. 86%
Shearling Rams	17 sold	max 1900gns	av. £513.26	Clearance. 85%
Ram Lambs	11 sold	max 1100gns	av. £ 363.68	Clearance. 48%

Auctioneers: J Straker Chadwick.



Photos: Zoe Davies

BWMSBA Centenary—2020

As you will know, 2020 will see the BWMSBA celebrate 100 years since its inception. The Association's Council and a small working group have been beavering away all year making plans for the year and significant progress has been made.

One of the main events will be a Centenary Show, which will be held at the Royal Welsh Showground on 8th August of 2020. There will be a wide range of classes, including Open, Restricted and Cross Bred sections. There will also be a "breeders" section, specifically aimed at members who don't normally show their sheep, where animals will be judged in the pens. There will also be a designated Young Handler's Section. The aim is to make this show accessible to as many members as possible. We have been fortunate in securing Greenlands Insurance as the main sponsors and work is ongoing to secure additional sponsorship to enable the event to go with a bang. Further details of proposed classes can be found on the BWMSBA website at <http://www.blackwelshmountain.org.uk/news/7872/centenary-show-draft-schedule/>

A Centenary Open Day will be hosted by Edward Williams and family, home of the Wenallt flock. The date is set for 13th September and will be free to attend for members. A promise auction is planned with half of the proceeds going to BWMSBA and the rest will be donated to a Cancer Charity. Arrangements are also in train for an Open Day with Jervois Family who have the oldest surviving flock of Black Welsh Mountains - their flock number is 00003. The location will be near Basingstoke and the date is to be confirmed, but will be in late May or early June.

The finale to the year of celebrations will be a gala dinner to be held on the 3rd October 2020, at the Celtic Royal Hotel in Caernarfon, just a short distance from the venue of Association's first ever meeting at Plas Tan Y Bwlch, Maentwrog.

The dinner will feature a 3 course meal complete with tea /coffee to finish. Rooms will be available to book at the Hotel for a discounted rate of £108 (double or twin). Alternatively, the historic town of Caernarfon offers a wide range of alternative accommodation within easy distance of the venue. To assist the BWMSBA in the arrangements for this event, it would be very helpful to have an early indication of the numbers of members who might wish to attend. Please email enquiries@blackwelshmountain.org.uk or phone the office (07511 653715) to express an interest.

The Council is really excited about the Centenary events and hope that you will be too. It's a once in a lifetime opportunity for BWMSBA to celebrate all this Black Welsh!

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Llandeilo Show Results

Ram

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|-------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. B Davies | 2. DRL & H Williams | 3. M & D Evans |
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Ram Lamb

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| 1. M & D Evans | 2. S Forsyth | 3. M & D Evans |
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Shearling Ewe

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| 1. M & D Evans | 2. B Davies | 3. M & D Evans |
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Ewe Lamb

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| 1 Bethan Davies | 2. S Forsyth | 3. DRL & H Williams |
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Breeding Ewe

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|-------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1. B Davies | 2. M & D Evans | 3. D & S Hayward |
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Group of Three

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|-------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1. B Davies | 2. M & D Evans | 3. DRL & H Williams |
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Male Champion. M & D Evans

Reserve Male. B Davies

Female Champion. B Davies

Reserve Female. M & D Evans

Breed Champion. B Davies

Reserve. M & D Evans

Right: Llandeilo Show Champion, ewe lamb from Bethan Davies (right), judge Dyfed Rowlands (centre) and Reserve Champion, Shearling Ewe from Matt & Donna Evans (left)



Royal Three Counties Show

Aged Ram

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|-------------------|-------------|
| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. B Davies |
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Shearling Ram

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| 1. M & D Evans | 2. B Davies | 3. D & R Rowlands |
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Pair of Shearling Ewes

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| 1. M & D Evans | 2. D & R Rowlands | 3. B Davies |
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Breeding Ewe

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|-------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. M & D Evans | 3. B Davies |
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Shearling Ewe

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|-------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. B Davies | 3. M & D Evans |
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Group of Three

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| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. M & D Evans | 3. B Davies |
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Champion. D & R Rowlands **Reserve.** M & D Evans.



Above: Champion at Royal Three Counties Show (right) from D & R Rowlands, judge Huw Williams (centre) and Reserve Champion, a pair of shearling ewes from M & D Evans (left).



Left: Champion at Llanrwst Show, Shearling ewe from Gwawr Hughes (left) with Elgan Hughes, (centre) and judge Mark Bufton (right).

Cothi Bridge Show Results.

Judge: Matthew Evans

Ram

- 1. Bethan Davies
- 2. Bethan Davies
- 3. Williams family Banc

Single Ewe.

- 1. Bethan Davies
- 2. Bethan Davies
- 3. Williams family Banc

Ewe Lamb.

- 1. Bethan Davies
- 2. Bethan Davies
- 3. Williams family Banc

Ram Lamb

- 1. Bethan Davies
- 2. Williams family Banc
- 3. Young family

Group of Three

- 1. Bethan Davies
- 2. Williams family Banc
- 3. Young



Above: Cothi Bridge Champion (right), and Reserve (left). Both bred and exhibited by Bethan Davies. With Judge Matthew Evans (centre).

Champion. Bethan Davies

Reserve. Bethan Davies

Lampeter Show Results

Judge: Mr Nigel Daff

Ram

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| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. D & R Rowlands | 3. DRL & H Williams |
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Ram Lamb

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| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. DRL & H Williams | 3. Bethan Davies, |
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Shearling Ewe

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| 1 D & R Rowlands | 2. DRL & H Williams | 3 Bethan Davies |
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Ewe Lamb

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| 1. D & R Rowlands | 2. DRL & H Williams | 3. Bethan Davies |
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Untrimmed classes.

Ram

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| 1. Tomos Jones | 2. Williams | 3. Bethan Davies, |
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Ram Lamb

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| 1. Bethan Davies | 2. DRL & H Williams | 3. Tomos Jones |
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Ewe

1. DRL H Williams
2. Tomos Jones
3. Bethan Davies

Ewe Lamb

1. DRL & H Williams
2. Bethan Davies
3. Tomos Jones

Group of Three

D & R Rowlands

Male Champion

D & R Rowlands

Female Champion

D & R Rowlands

Breed Champion

D & R Rowlands

Reserve Champion

D & R Rowlands



Above: Lampeter Show Champion (left), and Reserve (right), both from D & R Rowlands. The judge, Mr Nigel Daff is centre.

Flock of the Year 2019

The Gaer Award is a season long points competition for the Flock of the Year, the most consistent performer at shows throughout the season, very generously sponsored and administered by Dyfed and Rowena Rowlands. Qualifying shows in 2019 were; Eglwysbach, Llandeilo, Monmouth, New Forest & Hampshire, Royal Welsh Show, RWAS Spring Festival and Royal Three Counties. This year's winners



Above: Presenting the Flock of the Year Award 2019. Left to Right; Dyfed Rowlands, Rowena Rowlands, Llew Evans, Donna Evans, Ffion Evans and Matthew Evans. Photo: Zoe Davies

were Matthew & Donna Evans, Cefn Flock, who were presented with their trophy at the Annual Sale.

Flint & Denbigh Show

Aged Ram

1. D & R Rowlands

Shearling Ram

1. D & R Rowlands 2. J & I Jones

Ram Lamb

1. D & R Rowlands 2. D & R Rowlands 3. J & I Jones

Breeding Ewe

1. J & I Jones

Shearling Ewe

1. D & R Rowlands 2. J & K Jones 3. D & R Rowlands

Ewe Lamb

1. J & I Jones 2. D & R Rowlands 3. D & R Rowlands

Group of Three

1. D & R Rowlands

Male Champion. D & R Rowlands **Reserve** :D & R Rowlands

Female Champion. D & R Rowlands **Reserve** J & I Jones

Breed Champion. D & R Rowlands **Reserve** D & R Rowlands

Best Hill Ram Lamb Championship. D & R Rowlands

Hill Group Championship. D & R Rowlands

Supreme Sheep Championship. D & R Rowlands' Ram Lamb



Right: Supreme Champion, Flint & Denbigh Show, Ram lamb bred and exhibited by D & R Rowlands.

A few more Royal Welsh moments....



Shearling Ewe line up with Bethan Davies and Sian Hayward in shot.

Right: An immense class of ewe lambs....



*Left
..... That took a long time to judge and it all got a bit much for some!*

Annual Returns 2019 & 2020 Subscriptions

The 2019 Annual Return is enclosed with this newsletter. Please take care to complete it as fully as possible and return to the office by 31st December

Membership Subscriptions

Annual Subscriptions fall due on the 1st January each year—there will be an option on the Annual Return form to pay your subs when sending the form in to the office if you have not already signed up to pay by Standing Order.

Please note that Subscriptions must be paid by the 31st January 2019 if you wish your contact details and flock return information to be printed in the 2019 Flock Book.

Ram Registrations

With the ram registration season swinging into gear, it's worth reproducing the BWMSBA guidelines for pedigree registration:

- Only purebred sheep purchased from a registered member of the Association or that can be clearly shown to have been obtained from a flock registered in the Flock Book at the lambing date, can be accepted into the established Flock Book.
- Members who wish to register their rams with the Association may do so with the Annual Flock Return at the end of the year on returning a completed Ram Registration Form with the £15 remittance (or £16 if a certificate is required).
- Rams can however be registered at any time of the year and forms are available to download from the website www.blackwelshmountain.org.uk or from the office on request. Certificates will only be issued if requested on the form.
- All sheep must be tagged under DEFRA and SEERAD regulations and their UK tag numbers will be recorded on the Registration Certificate and in the Flock Book.
- Only the breeder of the animal may be permitted to register it
- Applications must be received on the BWMSBA forms and accompanied by payment
- To be eligible for registration, the sire must be registered in the BWMSBA flock book and the dam must have been bred in a pedigree black welsh flock, registered with the BWMSBA (to be determined by the ewe's ear tag number).
- Applications for registration should be received by 31st December of the year following birth. Registrations received after this date would be subject to a 15 surcharge.
- BWMSBA reserves the right to refuse any registration.