



BWMSBA

SUMMER 2018



Royal Bath & West 2018: Shearling Ewe Pair, bred and exhibited by Edd Williams, Wenallt. Breed Champion, Seen with section judge Chris Garn (left).

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Royal Bath & West 2018 - Results

Judge C Garn

GROUP OF THREE SHEEP

1 - Mr & Mrs D & S Hayward 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - Mr Paul J Bertorelli

SENIOR RAM

1 - Mr & Mrs D & S Hayward 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - Mrs Sarah Sladen

SHEARING RAM .

1 - Mr E Williams 2 - Mr E Williams 3 - M D & D L Evans

BREEDING EWE

1 - M D & D L Evans 2 - Mrs Melinda Baker 3 - D & S Hayward

SHEARLING EWE

1 - Mr E Williams 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - Mrs Melinda Baker

SHEARLING EWES (PAIR).

1 - Mr E Williams 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - D & S Hayward

ewe LAMB OR RAM LAMB.

1 - M D & D L Evans 2 - D & S Hayward 3 - M D & D L Evans

PAIR OF SHEEP

1 - Mr E Williams 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - D & S Hayward

CHAMPION Mr E Williams

RESERVE Mr E Williams

Show Results & Photos

In order to keep our members up to date, if you have any results or photos from shows around the UK, please send them to the office so that they can be used on the website and Facebook, in newsletters and potentially in the Flock Book. Please bear in mind, that under new data protection rules, where children are included in pictures, the permission of the parent must be sought before it can be posted, used or forwarded.

BWMSBA Council:

President: John Green

Chairman: John Griffiths

Council Members: Melinda Baker, Margaret Brain, Mark Bufton, Lyn Cockerill, Bethan Davies, Gareth Davies, Matthew Evans, Stephen Forsyth, Christopher Garn, Darren Hayward, Glenda Hughes, Gwawr Hughes, Ben Williams, Edd Williams.

Ram Registrations

At the recent meeting of the BWMSBA Council, the guidelines for the registration of rams was discussed and some new rules were approved. The existing guidance was printed in the flock book and is re-produced below:

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.

The following additional rules have been approved and will take effect immediately

- 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.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MALES TO BE ENTERED IN THE 2018 SALE MUST BE REGISTERED. FORMS ARE AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD FROM THE WEBSITE <http://www.blackwelshmountain.org.uk/downloads>, OR FROM THE OFFICE BY POST OR EMAIL.

RWAS Spring Festival - Results

Judge: G Hughes

RAM 2YR OLD AND OVER

1 - Wyn Price 2 - Palmer & Hayward 3 - D. W. & V Crew

SHEARLING RAM

1 - E O Williams 2 - Chris Garn 3 - E O Williams

EW E 2YR OLD AND OVER

1 - D & R Rowlands 2 - M D & D L Evans 3 - Palmer & Hayward

SHEARLING EW E

1 - Bethan Davies 2 - E O Williams 3 - Chris Garn

BEST GROUP: D & R Rowlands

RES GROUP: M D & D L Evans

BRED CHAMPION: E O Williams

RES CHAMPION: D & R Rowlands

BWMSBA also had a trade stand at the event - many thanks to Matthew and Donna Evans for providing sheep, straw and flower for the display.



RWAS Spring Festival: Champion shearling ram from EO Williams (left) and reserve, breeding ewe from Dyfed & Rowena Rowlands (right). Judge Glenda Hughes can be seen in the centre.

Ram of the Year 2018

This year's competition will already be underway as the show season accelerates. Qualifying shows are listed on page 21 of the current flock book. Points cards can be downloaded from the downloads page or the website or directly by typing the address below into the search bar of your web browser <http://www.blackwelshmountain.org.uk/workspace/uploads/ram-of-the-year-card-2018.pdf>

Alternatively, please email enquiries@blackwelshmountain.org.uk or phone the office to request a copy.

Gaer Award 2018

Qualifying shows for the Flock of the Year competition in 2018 are RWAS Spring Festival, Vale of Glamorgan, Royal Welsh, Royal Bath & West. Denbigh & Flint and Llangadog shows are also qualifiers, both carrying double points for this award.

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Dyffryn Ogwen Show Results



Dyffryn Ogwen Champion 2018. Ffridd Ysberin bred and exhibited by G Hughes.

RAM ANY AGE

1 - Glenda Hughes 2 - Gwawr Hughes

AGED EWE

1 - Gwawr Hughes

SHEARLING EWE

1 - Gwawr Hughes 2 - Glenda Hughes 3 - Glenda Hughes

GROUP OF THREE

1 - Glenda Hughes 2 - Gwawr Hughes

BREED CHAMPION - Glenda Hughes, Shearling ram

RESERVE CHAMPION - Gwawr Hughes, Shearling ewe

Glenda Hughes also went on to win the Interbreed Group of Three.

Extract from the Report from the Trustees for Financial Year Ending 31st March 2018.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The Association membership currently stands at around 270 members who are currently paying full subscription and registering sheep. The numbers vary a little on an annual basis with most members actively breeding sheep.

The breed continues to widen its geographical range and is attractive to smallholders, who are our mainstream membership, but is becoming increasingly more popular as a commercial hill breed due to the support available for indigenous breeds from the UK Government and European support schemes such as HR” Development and Glastir.

The breed continues to be an attraction at many shows around the UK, with smaller events being supported through the provision of Champion rosettes and inclusion of some in the Gaer Award. The Council maintains vigilance on the showing of sheep and the presentation of the breed for both breed type and any activities which they consider detrimental to the breed, members or The Association. Anything found to be contrary to the benefit of the members and or the breed is dealt with in an advisory way or through our Newsletter and anyone continuing to use unacceptable practise is dealt with by the Association Council as they see fit.

The annual show and sale was excellent in 2017 with record prices seen. The event once again benefited from another breed having their sale on the same day. The website was kept up to date with a new site being designed. It is expected to become live in April 2018. Members received a Flock Book and two newsletters in the year keeping them well informed of what is happening in BWMSBA

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts show a profit £2379.00

Unrestricted funds as at 31st march 2018 were £25,788

Some difficulties and delays in managing the Society's finances were experienced when moving from one Treasurer to another, but it is envisaged that these were one off occurrences and there is no reason to suspect that the finances of the BWMSBA will run anything other than smoothly in the forthcoming year.

Royal Three Counties Show - Results.

Judge: Mr John Green

AGED RAM

1 - D & R Rowlands 2 - MD & DL Evans 3 - D Crew

SHEARLING RAM

1 - MD DL Evans 2 - C Garn 3 - Miss B Davies

SHEARLING EWES (PAIR)

1 - MD & DL Evans 2 - D & R Rowlands 3 - C Garn

BREEDING EWE

1 - D & R Rowlands 2 - Palmer & Hayward 3 - M & D Evans

SHEARLING EWE

1 - Miss B Davies 2 - Linda Eccles 3 - Miss B Davies

GROUP OF THREE

1 - Miss B Davies 2 - MD & DL Evans 3 - Palmer & Hayward

Champion: Miss B Davies

Reserve Champion: D & R Rowlands



Royal Three Counties 2018: Champion, Miss B Davies Shearling ewe (right) Judge Mr John Green (centre) and Reserve Champion breeding ewe from D & R Rowlands (left)

Young Stockmen.

Young Shepherds and showmen are the future of any breed so with this in mind, it's exciting to announce the introduction of a new award for younger members to run alongside the established Chris Hughes Memorial award. With this in mind, it will now be restricted to under 16s

The new "Pont Steffan" trophy has been presented by the current President, Mr John Green and is intended to support the older age category 16 - 26 years.

A short citation nominating for the awards and explaining why the nominee should be considered for the award should be submitted to the office, either by email or post, by the middle of August. The competition will be judged by the President and the Chairman.

Royal Welsh 2018

With the Royal Welsh fast approaching, there's a small team of people working hard to organise the post showing members get together and barbeque. If you are able to help with this, please contact the office or Hilary Garn (Upper House flock).

All members are welcome to attend the gathering which will take place after the close of judging on the first day of the show (Monday 23rd July)

Open Day 2018

The BWMSBA Open Day for this year will be hosted by the Bryn-yr-Eglwys flock of Bethan Davies. The date for your diaries is Saturday 22nd September.

Based at Llanfynydd, near Carmarthen this has been a prolific show winning flock, with Bethan winning the Chris Hughes Memorial Award in 2015, the Gaer award in 2016 and the Ram of the Year prize last year. Bethan has also made a strong start to the 2018 season, with several championships and one supreme title already. Bethan has also joined the BWMSBA Council recently.

Details are to be confirmed and further information will be circulated with the Show & Sale catalogues.



Left: Bethan Davies with the Supreme Champion at Llanddarog Show 2018.

Annual Sale 2018

This year's sale will take place on Friday 24th August at Raglan Market. Please note that this is the Friday of the Bank Holiday weekend rather than the final Friday of the month. Two other sales (Jacobs and North Country Cheviots) will also be taking place on that day so there should be a good crowd.

Members should receive entry forms directly from the Auctioneers very soon. Entry fees will be £5.88 for males and £2.35 for females. Entries will close on the 27th July. All rams entered for sale must be registered.

The appointed judges are EO Williams for the males and K Bowman for the females.

All stock will be inspected on arrival BWMSBA reserves the right refuse to sell animals failing inspection as part of the official sale. Market gates will open at 7am and all animals must be penned by 9.30am.

BWMSBA Centenary 2020

At the most recent meeting of the Council, discussions were held to consider how BWMSBA might celebrate its centenary which is coming up in 2020.

At the moment possibilities include a Flock Open Day, a special Show and a Formal Dinner, with these events spread throughout the year and geographically scattered to make them as accessible to members as possible.

BWMSBA belongs to the members so this is your Centenary. If you have any suggestions about events that could be organised or would like to get involved in helping and organising, please contact the office.