

Donbraid flock owner takes top honour at Killeter

AN outstanding ram lamb, presented by Newtownstewart breeder Ian Donald walked off with the top accolade at the recent show and sale organised by the NI Branch of the Suffolk Sheep Society at Killeter mart.

The exceptional lamb, a son of the highly-acclaimed Conveth Scotty, was selected the show champion by judge Robert Tait. The adjudicator wasn't the only one suitably impressed, later in the sale ring the best of show achieved the joint top price of 650 guineas.

That price was equalled only by the first prize-winning shearling belonging to Martin Harkin, another eye-catching sire bred by Glenhead Ghengis Khan.

The best of the rest saw Cookstown breeder Robin McAdoo sell four rams for 510, 440, 425 and 420 while Ardstraw's William Moore, Hunter Stewart, Castlederg and L and M Liggett, Drumquin all exceeded the 400-guinea barrier.

In the show ring, William Moore achieved second and third places in the shearling class behind Harkin's first prizewinner, while Donbraid flock owner Donald finished ahead of Willima Tait, Gary McAdoo and Gary Beacom in the ram lambclass.

The final show and sale of the season takes place in Omagh mart later today, Saturday October 2. Show at 10am, sale at 12noon. Prizes have been generously sponsored by Jack Maguire.

Show Results

Ram lambs: 1, I Donald; 2, S & W Tait; 3, G McAdoo; 4, G Beacom.

Shearlings: 1, M Harkin; 2 & 3, W Moore.

Champion: I Donald; Reserve, S & W Tait.

Prices

Ian Donald: 650; 320; Martin Harkin: 650; Robin McAdoo: 510, 440, 425, 420;

Gary Beacom: 330, 325; 325; William Moore: 415, 370; L & M Liggett: 430; 365;

Hunter Stewart: 400.



Ian Donald with his 1st prize ram lamb and sale Supreme Champion



William Tait with his 2nd prize ram lamb and reserve champion



Martin Harkin with his 1st prize shearling ram