100% clearance rate at Lisahally

IN A season when demand for the Suffolk is on the increase, the sale of a first class assignment of shearlings and ram lambs at a Lisahally mart set a new best with a 100% clearance rate. With the traditional tupping season drawing ever closer, a packed ringside ensured demand was strong across the board.

From early doors bidding was brisk with customers prepared to go the extra mile for top quality. Robin McAdoo's champion, an exceptional carcase ram lamb bred by the outstanding Baileys Hilton, fetched 500 guineas before changing hands, as did a Castlewellan Keltic Fusion lamb presented by Elizabeth and James Gould, Garvagh.

Shearlings were also in strong demand with William Moore, Ardstraw continuing to enjoy a successful season by presenting an eye-catching batch of three which attracted considerable interest before being knocked down for 500, 500 and 430 respectively.

Earlier in the show ring the Moore camp picked up the second and third prize rosettes in the shearling class behind an outstanding Castle Impact ram brought forward by William Tait, Omagh.

The Tait brand, too, featured prominently among the prizes in an exceptional ram lamb class, another Castle Impact lamb sandwiched in between the first and third prizewinners – both bred from Baileys Hilton – presented by Threeways flock owner Robin McAdoo from Cookstown.

Judging duties on the night were carried out by Ian Donald, Newtownstewart.

Results

Shearlings: 1, S & W Tait; 2 & 3, William Moore. Ram lambs: 1 & 3, Robin McAdoo; 2, S & W Tait. Champion: Robin McAdoo; reserve, S & W Tait.

Prices

William Moore: 500, 500, 430. Robin McAdoo: 500, 445, 410, 390. Elizabeth and James Gould: 500,

380, 360. Gary McAdoo: 420, 410, 390, 315. Gary Beacom: 440, 330, 320, 300.

S & W Tait: 400, 360, 300. Lee McBride: 310, 300. Denis Taylor: 330.



Robin McAdoo's champion ram lamb



S & W Tait's reserve champion ram lamb



S & W Tait's 1st prize shearling



William Moore's 2nd prize shearling