

AIRIES PEDIGREE TEXELS

— Est. 1989 —

Special Flock Production Sale of
68 STOCK EWES & 38 STOCK GIMMERS

Bred for lambing-ease and profit

Treat yourself to an “Airies Ewe”

At C & D Auctions Limited, Dumfries,
Huntington Road, Dumfries DG1 1NF
Approx. 1pm on Friday 23rd September 2022

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**33 YEARS SELECTING MATERNAL TRAITS
TO BUILD THE LOW COST “AIRIES EWE”**

Mains of Airies, Ervie-Kirkcom, Stranraer, Wigtownshire. DG9 0RD

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Ellen, Olivia, John, Alexandra, Kristina, Rosie

WELCOME, to everyone attending our Airies Texel Flock Production Sale today and to anyone viewing and taking part on-line, and thank you for your interest.

Allow me to introduce ourselves and our flock to you. I am John, my wife is Alexandra and we have four daughters who we have raised helping us with our Hereford & Angus herds and Texel & Romney flocks.

Although we have been breeding Texels now for 33 years, we have done so mainly “under the radar” of most pedigree Texel flock masters. This has been primarily due to my aversion to feeding any breeding stock to their long-term detriment in preparation for shows and sales. We are lucky though to have a strong base of repeat commercial customers for our sale rams though, who appear to value our Texel genetics in their flock production.

My wife Alexandra and our four daughters all enjoy the lambing season and other sheep handlings and share my passion for our Airies Texel flock.

John Douglas

AIRIES BREEDING PHILOSOPHY

- ✓ *Maximise the number of live lambs born whilst keeping vet & labour costs low.*
- ✓ *Produce a high-quality product to sell from a low cost of production.*
- ✓ *Keep things simple & enjoy a better sleep at lambing time.*

ESTABLISHING THE AIRIES TEXEL FLOCK

Our flock foundation females were mostly bought at Lanark from the East Middle flock, with others added over the early years from flocks with a similar type of unforced flock to our own. Successful early rams for us were from Annan, Boghouse, Cambwell, East Middle and Tinwald. We produced and sold rams and gimmers at Lanark and Carlisle sales, but also sold rams more locally at Castle Douglas, Newton Stewart, Ayr & Dumfries. Our sheep were well enough received but were very much selling at a commercial level with only "OK" prices. Roughly twenty years ago, we had become disillusioned with the increasing amount of feed used in preparing Texel sale stock, and disappointed with stock rams purchased. The progeny were plainer and lacked the brightness and quality I looked for. We tried a Dutch Texel ram and were pleased with the return to type and quality in our flock. I divided our flock's ewe families into five separate tribes and selected home-bred rams from each tribe to use on the ewes in the following tribe. Since then, we have been satisfied with the type of Texel we have and continue periodically to buy a ram to complement our flock and introduce him to only one of the tribes. We can then extend his influence through son & grandsons and their progeny. This form of Linebreeding has worked well for us with our Ervie Hereford herd and has helped us achieve consistency and uniformity just as much with our Texels.

From the start as a Texel breeder, I have been passionate about breeding Texel sheep to suit the commercial flock master, **PRODUCTIVE, LOW-COST and PROBLEM-FREE.**

PRODUCTION. In 1989 when I was establishing my Airies flock, the main criticism I heard from other commercial shepherds was that they did not get as high a lambing percentage from Texel tups, so taking heed, I tried to avoid using rams born as singles in a bid to establish a ewe flock who would mostly produce twins.

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LOW COST. My second aim was to breed a flock of ewes who would live and thrive on grass with minimal feeding of concentrate. The only concentrate we provide ewes are feed blocks during the weeks we are lambing. Our lambs never have creep, and our sale rams never have any concentrate feed other than the odd feed block in mid-winter. The ewes lamb in March and are housed from the 1st March but back to the field a couple of days after lambing.

PROBLEM-FREE. Another trait I strived to establish was to breed a ewe who would mostly lamb without any need of aid. Our flock replacement policy is to select from unassisted lambings and to use rams also born unassisted. This has resulted in a negligible number of lambing problems, and I honestly do not remember the last time we needed veterinary aid for a lambing.

GENERAL INFORMATION

LOCATION: The sale will be held at C & D Auctions Limited, Dumfries Mart, Huntington Road, Dumfries. DG1 1NF

METHOD OF SALE: All sheep will be sold in pounds sterling.

CONDITIONS OF SALE: The sale is held under normal Dumfries Mart breeding sale conditions.

SETTLEMENT & CLEARANCE: Settlement in full is due to the Auctioneers at the close of the sale. All sheep must be removed from the market by noon on the day following the sale. **PURCHASERS UNKNOWN TO THE AUCTIONEERS MUST SUPPLY A BANKERS REFERENCE BEFORE PURCHASING.**

FLOCK HEALTH STATUS: The Airies Flock is Maedi Visna accredited.

The breeding flock is on the Heptavac P vaccination program.

The flock is closed apart from rams bought from known hi-health flocks.

To our knowledge our sheep have no contagious disease, and we value highly our flock's disease-free status.

All the ewes produced lambs in 2022. **No future breeding warranty is given.**

PEDIGREE REGISTRATIONS: All the ewes are fully registered with The Texel Society. Shearling gimmers are birth notified and can be fully registered with the Texel Society.

REFERENCE SIREs

AIRIES DAKOTA



AIRIES CHIEF



AIRIES CLINT I

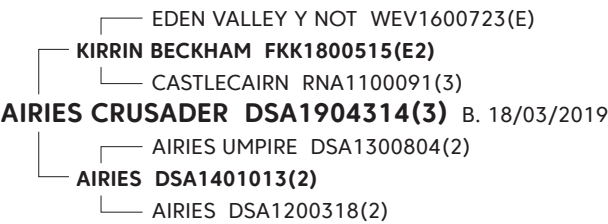


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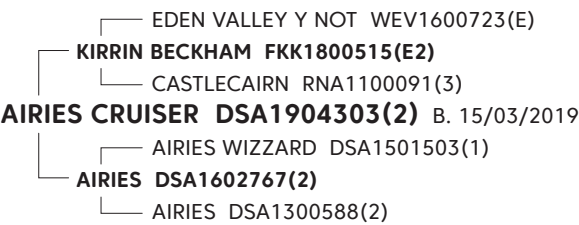
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AIRIES CRUSADER



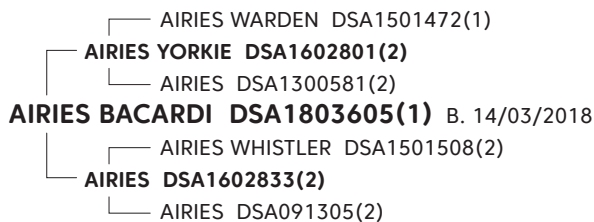
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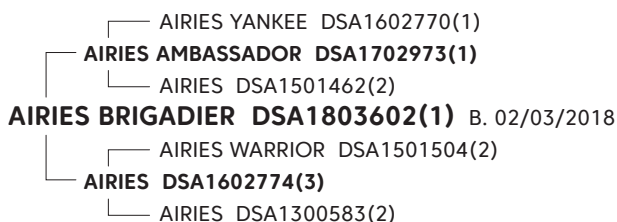
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AIRIES BACARDI



AIRIES BRIGADIER



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THE NEUK BALVENIE

└── DEN HOORN 03938-03780
└── **DEN HOORN LIGHTHOUSE 03938-03943(2)**
 └── DEN HOORN 03938-03789
THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224(1) B. 01/03/2018
└── SHURFLO 03938-74803(2)
 └── **THE NEUK HNK1500051(2)**
 └── UNKNOWN 05249-16002(2)

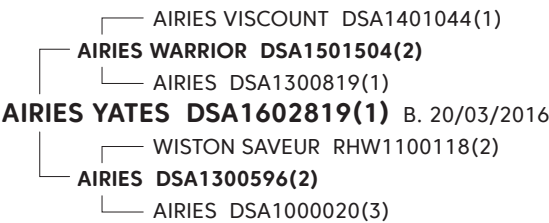
KIRRIN BECKHAM

└── SPORTSMANS TREMENDOUS II BGS1200471(E)
└── **EDEN VALLEY Y NOT WEV1600723(E)**
 └── EDEN VALLEY WEV1400268(E)
KIRRIN BECKHAM FKK1800515(E2) B. 05/02/2018
└── KNOCK POWERPACKER HAK091057(E)
 └── **CASTLECAIRN RNA1100091(3)**
 └── HEXEL MZH09234(1)

AIRIES AMBASSADOR

└── AIRIES WARLORD DSA1501500(2)
└── **AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770(1)**
 └── AIRIES DSA1200315(2)
AIRIES AMBASSADOR DSA1702973(1) B. 18/03/2017
└── AIRIES VISCOUNT DSA1401044(1)
 └── **AIRIES DSA1501462(2)**
 └── AIRIES DSA1300588(2)

AIRIES YATES



AIRIES YOGI



AIRIES YARDSMAN

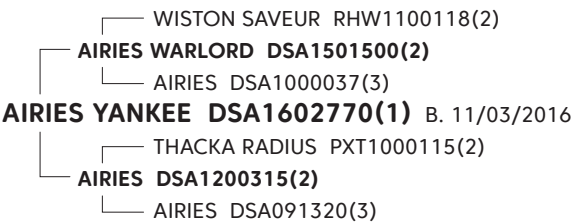


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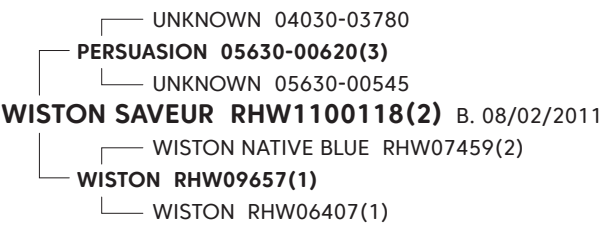
AIRIES YARN



AIRIES YANKEE



WISTON SAVEUR



AIRIES STOCK SHEARLING GIMMERS

(Ear tags are all UK0583609)

LOT 1 DSA2106557 TAG 06557 Born as 2 27/02/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA162818

NOTES:

LOT 2 DSA2106566 TAG 06566 Born as 2 02/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA183633

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 94.

LOT 3 DSA2106562 TAG 06562 Born as 3 02/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314
DAM: DSA173002

NOTES:

LOT 4 DSA2106576 TAG 06576 Born as 2 05/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA194265

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LOT 5 DSA2106577 TAG 06294 Born as 2 05/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA194265

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LOT 6 DSA2106588 TAG 06588 Born as 2 06/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA183603

NOTES:

LOT 7 DSA2106591 TAG 06283 Born as 2 07/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA172984

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LOT 8 DSA2106617 TAG 06617 Born as 2 12/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA172911

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 104.

LOT 9 DSA2106600 TAG 06290 Born as 2 08/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA183671

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 87.

LOT 10 DSA2106623 TAG 06293 Born as 3 13/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES COMET DSA1904350
DAM: DSA172960

NOTES:

LOT 11 DSA2106626 TAG 06626 Born as 2 13/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314
DAM: DSA183640

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 11.

LOT 12 DSA2106618 TAG 06618 Born as 2 12/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CLINT 1 DSA1904352
DAM: DSA172911

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 104.

LOT 13 DSA2106634 TAG 06292 Born as 3 15/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CHIEF DSA1904357
DAM: DSA183659

NOTES:

LOT 14 DSA2106638 TAG 06638 Born as 2 15/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CRUISER DSA1904303
DAM: DSA194331

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LOT 15 DSA2106628 TAG 06628

Born as 2 14/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314

DAM: DSA172908

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 106.

LOT 16 DSA2106640 TAG 06640

Born as 2 15/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUISER DSA1904303

DAM: DSA162791

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LOT 17 DSA2106642 TAG 06289

Born as 2 15/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194308

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 76.

LOT 18 DSA2106641 TAG 06641

Born as 2 15/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUISER DSA1904303

DAM: DSA162791

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LOT 19 DSA2106655 TAG 06655

Born as 3 17/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194271

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LOT 20 DSA2106652 TAG 06296 Born as 2 17/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314
DAM: DSA162788

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LOT 21 DSA2106649 TAG 06649 Born as 2 16/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314
DAM: DSA151522

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LOT 22 DSA2106657 TAG 06657 Born as 3 17/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194271

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LOT 23 DSA2106660 TAG 06660 Born as 2 18/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194290

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LOT 24 DSA2106661 TAG 06285 Born as 2 18/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194290

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LOT 25 DSA2106675 TAG 06298

Born as 2 20/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUSADER DSA1904314

DAM: DSA162814

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LOT 26 DSA2106695 TAG 06291

Born as 3 23/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUISER DSA1904303

DAM: DSA194282

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 81.

LOT 27 DSA2106697 TAG 06286

Born as 2 24/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194293

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 79.

LOT 28 DSA2106696 TAG 06696

Born as 2 23/08/21

SIRE: AIRIES CRUISER DSA1904303

DAM: DSA172982

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LOT 29 DSA2106698 TAG 06698

Born as 2 24/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194293

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 79.

LOT 30 DSA2106707 TAG 06707 Born as 2 26/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194338

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 70.

LOT 31 DSA2106702 TAG 06702 Born as 2 25/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194291

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 78.

LOT 32 DSA2106704 TAG 06284 Born as 2 25/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194268

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LOT 33 DSA2106710 TAG 06295 Born as 2 27/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194263

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LOT 34 DSA2106715 TAG 06715 Born as 2 28/03/21
SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299
DAM: DSA194323

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 71.

LOT 35 DSA2106724 TAG 06724

Born as 3 02/04/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194319

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 77.

LOT 36 DSA2106712 TAG 06712

Born as 3 27/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194381

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 64.

LOT 37 DSA2106726 TAG 06297

Born as 2 03/04/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194377

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LOT 38 DSA2106719 TAG 06719

Born as 2 30/03/21

SIRE: AIRIES DAKOTA DSA2005299

DAM: DSA194324

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 73.

AIRIES STOCK EWES

(Ear tags are all UK0583609)

LOT 39 DSA2005308 TAG 05308 Born as 2 13/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803684

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 86.

LOT 40 DSA2005347 TAG 06254 Born as 2 30/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602814

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LOT 41 DSA2005349 TAG 06301 Born as 2 30/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1401057

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LOT 42 DSA2005345 TAG 05345 Born as 1 29/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1702938

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LOT 43 DSA2005338 TAG 05338 Born as 1 28/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1501518

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LOT 44 DSA2005340 TAG 06305 Born as 2 28/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803616

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LOT 45 DSA2005342 TAG 06233 Born as 2 28/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602789

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LOT 46 DSA2005344 TAG 05344 Born as 3 28/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602794

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LOT 47 DSA2005330 TAG 05330 Born as 2 25/03/20
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1702970

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LOT 48 DSA2005327 TAG 05327 Born as 2 22/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1702918

NOTES: Powerful ewe but plenty feminine. Daughter of Lot 102.

LOT 49 DSA2005333 TAG 05333 Born as 2 25/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803601

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 95.

LOT 50 DSA2005320 TAG 05320 Born as 1 19/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803633

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 94.

LOT 51 DSA2005326 TAG 05326 Born as 3 21/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803711

NOTES:

LOT 52 DSA2005300 TAG 05300 Born as 2 10/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1702901

NOTES: Stylish ewe.

LOT 53 DSA2005315 TAG 06694

Born as 2 16/03/20

SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224

DAM: DSA1803679

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 83.

LOT 54 DSA2005309 TAG 05309

Born as 2 14/03/20

SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224

DAM: DSA1803603

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LOT 55 DSA2005305 TAG 05305

Born as 3 11/03/20

SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224

DAM: DSA1602817

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LOT 56 DSA2005318 TAG 05318

Born as 2 18/03/20

SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224

DAM: DSA1702984

NOTES: Daughter of Lot 101.

LOT 57 DSA2005294 TAG 05294

Born as 2 09/03/20

SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224

DAM: DSA1602818

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LOT 58 DSA2005306 TAG 05306 Born as 1 12/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1401038

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LOT 59 DSA2005303 TAG 05303 Born as 3 11/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602817

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LOT 60 DSA2005291 TAG 05291 Born as 2 07/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602765

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LOT 61 DSA2005292 TAG 06307 Born as 2 07/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1602765

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LOT 62 DSA2005288 TAG 05288 Born as 1 03/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1401013

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LOT 63 DSA2005289 TAG 05289 Born as 1 03/03/20
SIRE: THE NEUK BALVENIE HNK1800224
DAM: DSA1803671

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LOT 64 DSA1904381 TAG 04381 Born as 1 20/04/19
SIRE: AIRIES BACARDI DSA1803605
DAM: DSA1501518

NOTES: Dam of Lot 36.

LOT 65 DSA1904367 TAG 06300 Born as 3 29/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES BRANDY DSA1803688
DAM: DSA1401056

NOTES:

LOT 66 DSA1904373 TAG 05188 Born as 2 03/04/19
SIRE: AIRIES BRIGADIER DSA1803602
DAM: DSA1702970

NOTES: Good ewe.

LOT 67 DSA1904360 TAG 06303 Born as 2 24/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES BRANDY DSA1803688
DAM: DSA1602753

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LOT 68 DSA1904344 TAG 06320 Born as 3 21/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1602762

NOTES:

LOT 69 DSA1904356 TAG 06299 Born as 2 23/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1602789

NOTES:

LOT 70 DSA1904338 TAG 06316 Born as 2 20/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES BACARDI DSA1803605
DAM: DSA1501535

NOTES: Dam of Lot 30.

LOT 71 DSA1904323 TAG 06313 Born as 3 19/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1501457

NOTES: Dam of Lot 34.

LOT 72 DSA1904334 TAG 06309 Born as 3 20/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES BRIGADIER DSA1803602
DAM: DSA1501480

NOTES:

LOT 73 DSA1904324 TAG 04324

Born as 3 19/03/19

SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515

DAM: DSA1501457

NOTES: Breedy type of ewe. Dam of Lot 38.

LOT 74 DSA1904325 TAG 06312

Born as 3 19/03/19

SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515

DAM: DSA1602776

NOTES:

LOT 75 DSA1904311 TAG 04311

Born as 1 18/03/19

SIRE: AIRIES BRANDY DSA1803688

DAM: DSA1702977

NOTES: Great ewe in her prime.

LOT 76 DSA1904308 TAG 04308

Born as 3 17/03/19

SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515

DAM: DSA1602828

NOTES: Dam of Lot 17.

LOT 77 DSA1904319 TAG 04319

Born as 3 18/03/19

SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515

DAM: DSA1300817

NOTES: Dam of Lot 35.

LOT 78 DSA1904291 TAG 04291 Born as 3 15/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA14001057

NOTES: Dam of Lot 31.

LOT 79 DSA1904293 TAG 06310 Born as 3 15/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1401057

NOTES: Dam of Lot 27 & 29.

LOT 80 DSA1904295 TAG 04295 Born as 3 15/03/19
SIRE: KIRRIN BECKHAM FK11800515
DAM: DSA1602768

NOTES:

LOT 81 DSA1904282 TAG 06302 Born as 2 13/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES YARN DSA1602771
DAM: DSA1602791

NOTES: Lots of style. Dam of Lot 26.

LOT 82 DSA1904269 TAG 06325 Born as 2 10/03/19
SIRE: AIRIES BACARDI DSA1803605
DAM: DSA1602774

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LOT 83 DSA1803679 TAG 06319

Born as 2 18/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770

DAM: DSA1501466

NOTES: Dam of Lot 53.

LOT 84 DSA1904266 TAG 04266

Born as 3 09/03/19

SIRE: KIRPIN BECKHAM FK11800515

DAM: DSA1602765

NOTES: Lengthy ewe with good gigots.

LOT 85 DSA1803657 TAG 06306

Born as 1 16/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES ARCHER DSA1702906

DAM: DSA1501501

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LOT 86 DSA1803684 TAG 06318

Born as 2 18/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770

DAM: DSA1501462

NOTES: Dam of Lot 39.

LOT 87 DSA1803671 TAG 03671

Born as 3 17/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770

DAM: DSA1300599

NOTES: Dam of Lot 9. Top ewe.

LOT 88 DSA1803653 TAG 03653 Born as 3 15/03/18
SIRE: AIRIES YOGI DSA1602795
DAM: DSA1501470

NOTES: Dam of senior stock ram, Airies Digger.
Also dam of top-priced shearling ram this year – £1150.

LOT 89 DSA1803640 TAG 06317 Born as 3 14/03/18
SIRE: AIRIES AMBASSADOR DSA1702973
DAM: DSA1602759

NOTES: Dam of Lot 11.

LOT 90 DSA1803658 TAG 03658 Born as 2 16/03/18
SIRE: AIRIES YOGI DSA1702975
DAM: DSA1602788

NOTES: Great bodied ewe.

LOT 91 DSA1803641 TAG 03641 Born as 3 14/03/18
SIRE: AIRIES AMBASSADOR DSA1702973
DAM: DSA1602759

NOTES: The type we strive for.

LOT 92 DSA1803647 TAG 03646 Born as 3 14/03/18
SIRE: AIRIES YOGI DSA1602795
DAM: DSA1300596

NOTES:

LOT 93 DSA1803643 TAG 03643

Born as 1 14/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES ARCHER DSA1702906**DAM: DSA1602791****NOTES:** Good ewe.

LOT 94 DSA1803633 TAG 06314

Born as 2 11/03/18

SIRE: AIRIES ALIBABA DSA1702980**DAM: DSA1602779****NOTES:** Dam of Lot 2 & Lot 50.

LOT 95 DSA1803601 TAG 06324

Born as 2 27/02/18

SIRE: AIRIES AMBASSADOR DSA1702973**DAM: DSA1602810****NOTES:** Dam of Lot 49.

Her ram lamb made £620 in our 2021 ram sale.

LOT 96 DSA1702988 TAG 02988

Born as 3 24/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YATES DSA1602819**DAM: DSA1401054****NOTES:**

LOT 97 DSA1702981 TAG 06323

Born as 3 19/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YARDSMAN DSA1602777**DAM: DSA1200323****NOTES:** Long breedy feminine ewe.

LOT 98 DSA1702983 TAG 06322 Born as 3 19/03/17
SIRE: AIRIES YARDSMAN DSA1602777
DAM: DSA1200323

NOTES:

LOT 99 DSA1702979 TAG 06311 Born as 2 18/03/17
SIRE: AIRIES YATES DSA1602819
DAM: DSA1501490

NOTES: Perfect type of ewe for us.

LOT 100 DSA1702917 TAG 06308 Born as 2 11/03/17
SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770
DAM: DSA1501465

NOTES:

LOT 101 DSA1702984 TAG 06321 Born as 4 18/03/17
SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770
DAM: DSA1401015

NOTES: Dam of Lot 56.

LOT 102 DSA1702918 TAG 02918 Born as 2 11/03/17
SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770
DAM: DSA1501465

NOTES: Dam of Lot 48.

LOT 103 DSA1702956 TAG 02956

Born as 3 16/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YOGI DSA1602795

DAM: DSA1501470

NOTES:

LOT 104 DSA1702911 TAG 06315

Born as 3 10/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YANKEE DSA1602770

DAM: DSA1300599

NOTES: Dam of Lot 8 & 12. Good ewe.

LOT 105 DSA1702941 TAG 02941

Born as 2 15/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YARDSMAN DSA1602777

DAM: DSA1300581

NOTES:

LOT 106 DSA1702908 TAG 02908

Born as 3 09/03/17

SIRE: AIRIES YOGI DSA1602795

DAM: DSA1300583

NOTES: Dam of Lot 15.

AIRIES FLOCK SELECTION & BREEDING POLICY

Balanced trait selection maximises uniformity and consistency of type.

Since 1989 we have selected for the following traits important to commercial flock profit, considering both efficient finished lamb production and functional female flock replacements.

LAMBING EASE

Profit from sheep in the UK is dependent on low production costs. Very difficult to achieve profit in flocks that require veterinary aid and have high mortality at lambing.

For over 30 years we have been monitoring and selecting for unassisted lambings with worthy results.

PROLIFICACY

Lambing percentage is an important profit factor in most flocks with increased number of twins being the aim.

By selecting our replacements mostly from twins or triplets we have made our Texel flock more prolific.

LOW INPUT WITH HIGH OUTPUT

We have always bred for medium sized ewes that are hardy, thrifty and milky enough to produce a good crop of lambs from grass. We do not creep feed any lambs. Our replacements are therefore selected from our best natural performers and has gained us a good hardy ewe type. Longevity is another trait that has benefited and is an important factor in keeping replacement costs low.

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THE VALUE OF WOOL

Whether wool is a high price or low, we still breed our Texels to have a good fleece. Our Texel flock has naturally tight skins and a dense wool staple which is invaluable in cold wet weather and to us much more cost-effective than housing sheep. Difficult to fathom, with all the carbon footprint hype, why the world population continues to use synthetic fibres over natural product such as wool, linen & cotton for clothing and house fabrics.

UNIFORMITY & SIZE

Our selection has always been for deep-bodied, medium-sized sheep. Large sheep are not necessary for finished lamb production and require a lower flock stocking density. We like a medium-sized ewe who can lamb in March and rear twin lambs at grass to weigh 40 to 48kg by August.

OUR FINER POINTS

Good **feet**, well up on their **pasterns**. Should stand **narrower in front** than behind with a **smooth shoulder** into the neck to produce the correct shape of lamb for an unassisted lambing. **Moderate length** and to handle along top with good loin. Select a ram **without a thick tail** so as to produce red meat lambs finishing without excessive fat. **A good tight skin**, but not too bare as good wool cover aids lamb survival outdoors after birth. Shun a large coarse **head** to avoid requirement of lambing aid. **Correct mouths** are important for both suckling and grazing efficiency. A **bright head** with good **hard white hair and a black nose is attractive**. This does not increase profit on a line of lambs in the abattoir, but it helps draw buyer attention in the mart.

AIRIES TEXELS = BREEDING FOR PROFIT



AIRIES PEDIGREE TEXELS



Special Flock Production Sale of

68 STOCK EWES & 38 STOCK GIMMERS

- Offering every sound ewe in the flock and a large proportion of our replacement shearling gimmers
- This is not a flock dispersal. We retain some shearling gimmers and all our ewe lambs
- 33 years of Airies Texel breeding, offering you the chance to buy our best. A superb opportunity to purchase a group of Texel females with an established "type"
- The ewes and gimmers have not been pampered and polished and are shown straight from the field without feed supplement
- All ewes reared lambs in 2022
- The flock is Maedi Visna accredited
- PLEASE NOTE: any Airies sheep purchased that cannot be uplifted from Dumfries Mart by Saturday morning can be transported back to Mains of Airies, DG9 0RD and uplifted later by arrangement with John Douglas. Tel: 01776 854226. We hope this assists any online buyers and those from farther afield

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