

Sheep & Fleeces

All entries must be compliant with DEFRA and APHA regulations in force at the time of the Show.

All animal transport must enter the Showground and unload as directed by 8.30am when the public gates open. Vehicles must then remain clear of the Showfield until after the Grand Parade (approx 4.30pm).

MAEDI-VISNA: The Show will have two section, one for Scheme Accredited Sheep and one for Non-Scheme Accredited Sheep.

MV CERTIFICATES MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO UNLOADING

A limit of 2 entries per exhibitor, per class will be enforced.

Entry Fee: £3.00 unless otherwise stated.

Prize Money: 1st = £15, 2nd = £10, 3rd = £5, 4th = £3. Best woolled sheep in each section = £3

INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Champion Hill Sheep - Judge: John Bainbridge

Breed champions from the following sections (along with others from mixed sections at the Steward's discretion) will qualify:

Kerry Hill, Manx Loaghtan, Cheviot, Scottish Blackface, Swaledale, Jacob.

Champion Longwool Sheep - Judge: Francis Richardson

Breed champions from the following sections (along with others from mixed sections at the Steward's discretion) will qualify: Leicester Longwool, Wensleydale, Masham, Teeswater, Mule, Blue Faced Leicester, Valais Blacknose.

Champion Shortwool Sheep - Judge: Arnold Parks

Breed champions from the following sections (along with others from mixed sections at the Steward's discretion) will qualify: Suffolk, Texel (MV and non-MV), Charollais, Beltex, Zwartbles, Commercial Ram, Ryeland, Coloured Ryeland.

29/07/2025 10:00

SUFFOLK SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Alan Blair (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
1	Suffolk Aged or Shearling Ram	
2	Suffolk Ram Lamb	
3	Suffolk Ram Lamb, untrimmed	
4	Suffolk Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
5	Suffolk Shearling Ewe	
6	Suffolk Ewe lamb	
7	Suffolk Ewe Lamb, untrimmed	
8	Suffolk Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
9	Suffolk, Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH1	Suffolk Championship	

TEXEL SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Andrew Foxton (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
10	Texel Aged or Shearling Ram	
11	Texel Ram Lamb	
12	Texel Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
13	Texel Shearling Ewe	
14	Texel Ewe lamb	
15	Texel Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
16	Texel, Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH2	Texel Championship	

BRITISH CHAROLLAIS SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Robert Whittaker (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
17	British Charollais Aged or Shearling Ram	
18	British Charollais Ram lamb	
19	British Charollais Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
20	British Charollais Shearling ewe	
21	British Charollais Ewe lamb	
22	British Charollais Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
23	British Charollais Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH3	British Charollais Championship	

BELTEX SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Andrew Marsden (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
24	Beltex Aged or Shearling Ram	
25	Beltex Ram lamb	
26	Beltex Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
27	Beltex Shearling ewe	
28	Beltex Ewe lamb	
29	Beltex Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
30	Beltex Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH4	Beltex Championship	

ZWARTBLES SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John Stevenson (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
31	Zwartbles Aged or Shearling Ram	
32	Zwartbles Ram lamb	
33	Zwartbles Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
34	Zwartbles Shearling Ewe	
35	Zwartbles Ewe lamb	
36	Zwartbles Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
37	Zwartbles Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH5	Zwartbles Championship	

BLUE TEXEL SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Hamish Currie (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
38	Blue Texel Aged or Shearling Ram	
39	Blue Texel Ram lamb	
40	Blue Texel Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
41	Blue Texel Shearling ewe	
42	Blue Texel ewe lamb	
43	Blue Texel Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
44	Blue Texel, Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH6	Blue Texel Championship	

ANY OTHER CONTINENTAL BREED SHEEP MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John Earle (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
45	Any Other Continental Aged or Shearling ram	
46	Any Other Continental ram lamb	
47	Any Other Continental Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
48	Any Other Continental Shearling ewe	
49	Any Other Continental Ewe lamb	
50	Any Other Continental Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
51	Any Other Continental Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH7	Any Other Pure Breed Championship	

RARE & MINORITY BREEDS MV

Entries from MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Eric Medway (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
52	Primitive Breeds, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
53	Primitive Breeds, Shearling Ewe	
54	Primitive Breeds, Ewe Lamb	
55	Primitive Breeds, Ram any age	
56	Other Rare Breeds, Ram any age	
57	Other Rare Breeds, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
58	Other Rare Breeds, Shearling Ewe	
59	Other Rare Breeds, Ewe Lamb	
60	Rare & Minority Breeds , Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH28	MV Rare & Minority Breeds Championship	

COLOURED RYELAND SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Chris Smyth (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
61	Coloured Ryeland Aged Ram	
62	Coloured Ryeland Shearling Ram	
63	Coloured Ryeland, Ram Lamb	
64	Coloured Ryeland, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
65	Coloured Ryeland, Shearling Ewe	
66	Coloured Ryeland, Ewe Lamb	
67	Coloured Ryeland, Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
68	Coloured Ryeland, Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH8	Coloured Ryeland Championship	

RYELAND SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mrs Zoe Unwin (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
69	Ryeland, Aged Ram	
70	Ryeland, Shearling Ram	
71	Ryeland, Ram Lamb	
72	Ryeland, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
73	Ryeland, Shearling Ewe	
74	Ryeland, Ewe Lamb	
75	Ryeland, Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
76	Ryeland, Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH9	Ryeland Championship	

TEXEL SHEEP (NON-MV)

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John Kelsall (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
77	Texel (non-MV), Aged or Shearling Ram	
78	Texel (non-MV), Ram Lamb	
79	Texel (non-MV), Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
80	Texel (non-MV), Shearling Ewe	
81	Texel (non-MV), Ewe lamb	
82	Texel (non-MV), Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
83	Texel (non-MV), Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH10	Non MV Texel Championship	

COMMERCIAL RAM SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Ian Ford (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
84	Commercial Aged Ram	
85	Commercial Shearling Ram	
86	Commercial Ram Lamb	
BCH11	Commercial Ram Championship	

BLUE FACED LEICESTER SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Granville Fairburn (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
87	Blue Faced Leicester, Aged or Shearling Ram	
88	Blue Faced Leicester, Ram Lamb	
89	Blue Faced Leicester, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
90	Blue Faced Leicester, Shearling Ewe	
91	Blue Faced Leicester, Ewe Lamb	
92	Blue Faced Leicester, Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
93	Blue Face Leicester, Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH12	Blue Faced Leicester Championship	

LEICESTER LONGWOOL SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Simon Johns (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
94	Leicester Longwool, Aged or Shearling Ram	
95	Leicester Longwool, Ram Lamb	
96	Leicester Longwool, Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
97	Leicester Longwool, Shearling Ewe	
98	Leicester Longwool, Hogg in Full Wool	
99	Leicester Longwool, Ewe Lamb	
100	Leicester Longwool, Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
101	Leicester Longwool, Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH13	Leicester Longwool Championship	

MASHAM SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

F W Graham (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
102	Masham Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
103	Masham Shearling Ewe	
104	Masham Ewe Lamb for breeding purposes - first cross from a Moor ewe	
105	Masham Pair of Ewe Lambs	
106	Masham Best Woolled sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH14	Masham Championship	

MULE SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited Sheep only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Ashley Cayton (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
107	Mule Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
108	Mule Shearling Ewe	
109	Mule Ewe lamb for breeding purposes - first cross from a Moor ewe	
110	Mule Pair of Ewe Lambs	
111	Mule Pen of 5 Ewe Lambs	
112	Mule, 3 Gimmers bred by same tup	
113	Mule Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH15	Mule Championship	

TEESWATER SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

F W Graham (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
114	Teeswater Aged or Shearling ram	
115	Teeswater Ram lamb	
116	Teeswater Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
117	Teeswater Shearling Ewe	
118	Teeswater Ewe Lamb	
119	Teeswater Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
120	Teeswater Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH16	Teeswater Championship	

VALAIS BLACKNOSE

Any lambs shown are to be born in the current year of the show only

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mrs Alexandra Burch (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
121	Valais Blacknose Aged or Shearling Ram	
122	Valais Blacknose Ram Lamb	
123	Valais Blacknose Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
124	Valais Blacknose Hogg in Full Wool	
125	Valais Blacknose Ewe Lamb	
126	Valais Blacknose Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
127	Valais Blacknose Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH24	Valais Blacknose Championship	

WENSLEYDALE SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John McHardy (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
128	Wensleydale Aged or Shearling Ram	
129	Wensleydale Ram Lamb	
130	Wensleydale Aged or Shearling Ewe	
131	Wensleydale Hogg in Full Wool	
132	Wensleydale Ewe Lamb	
133	Wensleydale Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
134	Wensleydale Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH17	Wensleydale Championship	

CHEVIOT SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Robert Flintoft (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
135	Cheviot Aged or Shearling Ram	
136	Cheviot Ram Lamb	
137	Cheviot Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
138	Cheviot Shearling Ewe	
139	Cheviot Ewe Lamb	
140	Cheviot Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
141	Cheviot Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH18	Cheviot Championship	

JACOB SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John Newborough (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
142	Jacob Aged or Shearling Ram	
143	Jacob Ram Lamb	
144	Jacob Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
145	Jacob Shearling Ewe	
146	Jacob Ewe Lamb	
147	Jacob Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
148	Jacob Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH19	Jacob Championship	

KERRY HILL SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Miss Linda Barnard (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
149	Kerry Hill Aged or Shearling Ram	
150	Kerry Hill Ram Lamb	
151	Kerry Hill Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
152	Kerry Hill Shearling Ewe	
153	Kerry Hill Ewe Lamb	
154	Kerry Hill Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
155	Kerry Hill Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH20	Kerry Hill Championship	

MANX LOAGHTAN SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Ms Joanne Corrigan (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
156	Manx Loaghtan Aged or Shearling Ram	
157	Manx Loaghtan Ram Lamb	
158	Manx Loaghtan Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
159	Manx Loaghtan Shearling Ewe	
160	Manx Loaghtan Ewe Lamb	
161	Manx Loaghtan Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
162	Manx Loaghtan Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH21	Manx Loaghtan Championship	

SCOTTISH BLACKFACE SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Harry Morshead (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
163	Scottish Blackface Aged or Shearling Ram	
164	Scottish Blackface Ram Lamb	
165	Scottish Blackface Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
166	Scottish Blackface Ewe Lamb	
167	Scottish Blackface Ewe Lamb	
168	Scottish Blackface Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
170	Scottish Blackface Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH22	Scottish Blackface Championship	

SHETLAND SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mrs Kate Sharp (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
171	Shetland Aged or Shearling Ram	
172	Shetland Ram Lamb	
173	Shetland Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
174	Shetland Shearling Ewe	
175	Shetland Ewe Lamb	
176	Shetland Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
177	Shetland Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH32	Shetland Championship	

SWALEDALE SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Adam Stobart (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
178	Swaledale Aged Ram	
179	Swaledale Shearling Ram	
180	Swaledale Ram Lamb	
181	Swaledale Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
182	Swaledale Shearling Ewe	
183	Swaledale Ewe Lamb	
184	Swaledale Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
185	Swaledale Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH23	Swaledale Championship	

ANY OTHER NATIVE BREED SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Colin Milburn (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
189	Any Other Native Aged or Shearling Ram	
190	Any Other Native Ram Lamb	
191	Any Other Native Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
192	Any Other Native Shearling Ewe	
193	Any Other Native Ewe Lamb	
194	Any Other Native Group Class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
195	Any Other Native Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH25	Any Other Native Breed Championship	

BUTCHER'S LAMBS

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only. Lambs will be weighed on the day, and transferred between classes if necessary.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr John Watson (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
196	Two butcher's lambs up to and including 40kgs	
197	Two butcher's lambs over 40kgs	
BCH26	Butcher's Lambs Championships	

CROSS BRED SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Ian Ford (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
198	Cross Bred Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
199	Cross Bred Shearling Ewe	
200	Cross Bred Ewe Lamb	
201	Cross Bred Pen of 3 Store Lambs (Ram Breeders excluded)	
202	Cross Bred Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH27	Cross Bred Championship	

ANY OTHER CONTINENTAL SHEEP (NON-MV)

Entries by Non MV flocks only.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Alastair Sutcliffe (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
203	Any Other Continental Aged or Shearling ram	
204	Any Other Continental Ram Lamb	
205	Any Other Continental Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
206	Any Other Continental Shearling Ewe	
207	Any Other Continental Ewe Lamb	
208	Any Other Continental Group class (2 females and 1 male from different classes)	
209	Any Other Continental Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH33	Non MV Any Other Pure Bred Championship	

RARE & MINORITY SHEEP

Entries from Non-MV Accredited flocks only. Entries will only be accepted from breeds within categories 1-5 on the Rare Breeds Society list. If there is a minimum of 6 sheep of one breed in a class, a separate class will be formed. 'Primitive' includes Hebridean breeds.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Eric Medway (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
210	Primitive Breeds Ram, any age	
211	Primitive Breed Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
212	Primitive Breed Shearling Ewe	
213	Primitive Breed Ewe Lamb	
214	Other Breed Ram, any age	
215	Other Breed Ewe having reared lambs in 2025	
216	Other Breed Shearling Ewe	
217	Other Breed Ewe Lamb	
218	Rare & Minority Best Woolled Sheep (automatic entry)	
BCH34	Rare & Minority Breeds Championship	

PET LAMB & YOUNG HANDLERS SECTION

Pet Lambs judged at 12 noon & Young Handlers from 12.30pm. Entries accepted from both MV & Non MV accredited flocks, they will be then separated on the day.

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

James Dennis (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
219	Pet Lamb led by a child 5 years or under	Pet Lamb to be born in 2025
220	Pet Lamb led by a child aged 6-7 years	Pet Lamb to be born in 2025
221	Young Handler aged 8-10 years	
222	Young Handler aged 11-15 years	
BCH29	Pet Lamb Championship	
BCH30	Young Handler's Championship	

FLEECE SECTION

Location - The Produce Tent located inside the Livestock Secretaries tent.

Ring: Fleece & Produce Marquee

Judges

Mr Dennis Easton (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
223	Fleece - Any Other Continental & Half Breed	
224	Fleece - Any Other Long Wool	
225	Fleece - Any Other Wool	
226	Fleece - Blue Faced Leicester	
227	Fleece - Down or Down Cross and Charollais	
228	Fleece - Jacob or Coloured Wool	
229	Fleece - Masham	
230	Fleece - Mule	
231	Fleece - Scottish Blackface	
232	Fleece - Swaledale	
233	Fleece - Teeswater	
234	Fleece - Wensleydale	
BCH31	Fleece Championship	

Overall Champion Sheep

Champion of champions

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

To Be Confirmed (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
SIBCH1	Champion Hill Sheep	Breed Champions from the following sections will qualify: Jacob, Kerry Hill, Manx Loaghtan, Scottish Blackface, Swaledale and Shetland.

Champion Longwool Sheep

Breed Champions from the following sections will qualify: Leicester, Wensleydale, Masham, Teeswater, Mule, Blue Faced Leicester,
Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Kevin Wilson (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
SIBCH2	Champion Longwool Sheep	Breed Champions from the following sections will qualify: Blue Faced Leicester, Leicester Longwool, Masham, Mule, Teeswater, Valais Blacknose, Wensleydale

Champion Shortwool Sheep

Breed Champions from the following sections will automatically qualify: Suffolk, Texel, Charollais, Zwartbles, Commercial Ram, Ryeland, Coloured Ryeland, Texel (non-acc),

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Andrew Craven (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
SIBCH3	Champion Shortwool Sheep	Breed Champions from the following sections will automatically qualify: Beltex, Blue Texel, Charrolais, Commercial Ram, Coloured Ryeland, Ryeland, Suffolk, Texel, Zwartbles

Champion Hill Sheep

Breed Champions from the following sections will qualify:
Kerry Hill, Manx Loughtan, Cheviot, Scottish Blackface, Swaledale, Jacob & Shetland

Ring: Sheep Ring

Judges

Mr Greg Dalton (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
SIBCH4	Overall Champion Sheep	