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Sheep Show

Class Schedule

An RBST YOUNG SHEPHERD OF THE YEAR Qualifier

Saturday 21st October 2023
The Forfar Mart



2023 marks the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Rare Breed Survival Trust. It also marks the establishment of RBST Scotland.

To celebrate both events, Smallholding Scotland is delighted to work with RBST to host the RBST 50th Anniversary Championships at the Scottish Smallholder Festival 2023.

Each show at the Festival – sheep, goats and pigs – will generate its own Rare Breed Champion and these three animals will go head to head to compete to be the RBST 50th Anniversary Grand Champion.

The Rare Breed Champion for each species will receive prize money of £25 and a special rosette.

The Grand Champion will receive prize money of £75, a trophy and a rosette.

The Reserve Champion will receive prize money of £50 and a rosette.

Please see the individual show schedules for more details.

Scottish Smallholder Festival 2023

Sheep class schedule

Steward: Moyra Simpson

Judges: TBC

Entry fees

In Classes 1- 10 only, £10 for the first sheep and £5 per sheep thereafter.

There is no entry fee for Special Classes (Wool on Hoof, Best Horns and Young Handlers) but sheep entered in Wool on the Hoof and Best Horns must have been entered in classes 1-10. This condition does not apply to Young Handlers classes.

Entry fees are only refundable in the event of the Festival being cancelled for reasons within the Organiser's control.

Class Prizes

For classes 1-10:

Prize cards and rosettes will be awarded to 1st through to 4th places

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| 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
| £10 | £5 | £3 |

Championship

Champion: £25, prize card, rosette and **Scottish Smallholder Festival Perpetual Trophy**

Reserve Champion: £15, prize card and rosette

Best ram lamb: £10, prize card and rosette

Best ewe lamb: £10, prize card and rosette

Best Wool on the Hoof: £10, prize card and rosette

Special Prizes

Perpetual prizes, trophies and any special prizes relating to a specific class are detailed with that class.

Rules:

1. All classes are held under the general rules and conditions of the Festival, including Covid restrictions.
2. All sheep entered in the Festival's show must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor by 1st September 2023.
3. All sheep in classes 1-10 must be registered or be eligible for registration in the appropriate Flock Book.
4. No animal may compete in more than one class unless specifically stated in the class description.
5. There are no facilities for MV accredited sheep.
6. Animals suffering from any form of contagious or infectious disease must not be

brought to the Festival.

7. No animal may be exhibited that is in the final stage of gestation (within 15 days of the estimated due date) or within one week after giving birth.
8. Entry forms must be completed in full and must be received by the Secretary no later than **1st October 2023**
9. Each exhibitor will receive relevant information during week commencing 16th October 2023.
10. In the event of any class having fewer than three entries on the day, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes. This will be at the discretion of the Steward, following discussion with the Judge.
11. In the event of any breed in classes 1 to 10 having more than five representatives from three or more exhibitors, the Steward, following discussion with the Judge, may convene separate classes for that breed.
12. Sheep must be in their allocated pens by 9.00am. There will be no access after this time.
13. Exhibitors are responsible for the correct completion and submission of movement licenses to the appropriate government agencies. Exhibitors must bring their movement book to the venue and have it available for inspection. All sheep must be correctly tagged in accordance with current legislation.
14. A competent person must be in attendance on each lot of sheep for the duration of the Festival and all attendants must comply with reasonable requests from the Stewards.
15. Handlers are required to be of smart appearance; white coats must be worn at all times in the show ring.
16. Judging will commence at 9.30am. The class order will be as per the Schedule.
17. With the exception of the Stewards or other representatives of the Organiser, no person will be admitted to the judging rings or permitted to be in contact with the judges on any pretext.
18. Exhibitors may uplift their sheep after 4pm or immediately after all judging is completed, whichever is the later, unless permission to leave early has been given by the Organiser.
19. Any protests must be lodged with the Organiser in writing, before 3pm on the day of the Festival. The Organisers reserve the right to settle all protests or disputes that may arise and that decision is final.
20. Prize money, where payable, will be attached to prize cards and distributed with rosettes by the Judge or Steward at the end of each class. Trophies and special prizes will be presented to exhibitors at the Prizegiving towards the close of the event. No prizes will be posted out after the event.
21. Where prizes or donations have been made for any particular class or purpose, such prize or donation will be awarded to that class or purpose for which it was given.
22. Sawdust and water will be available at the venue but exhibitors must supply their own feed, forage and straw, if required for bedding.

CLASSES

Please note sheep will be shown haltered.

| Class No | Class | Judge |
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| 1 | Ram born on or after 1st January 2023 British hill, heath or upland breed (e.g. Blackface, Cheviot, Herdwick, Jacob, Kerry Hill, Norfolk Horn, Portland, Welsh Mountain etc.) | TBC |
| 2 | Ewe born on or after 1st January 2023 British hill, heath or upland breed (e.g. Blackface, Cheviot, Herdwick, Jacob, Kerry Hill, Norfolk Horn, Portland, Welsh Mountain etc.) | TBC |
| 3 | Ram born on or after 1st January 2023 Northern Short-tailed breed (e.g. Boreray, Castlemilk Moorit, Gotland, Hebridean, Icelandic, Manx Loaghtan, North Ronaldsay, Shetland, Soay etc.) | TBC |
| 4 | Ewe born on or after 1st January 2023 Northern Short-tailed breed (e.g. Boreray, Castlemilk Moorit, Gotland, Hebridean, Icelandic, Manx Loaghtan, North Ronaldsay, Shetland, Soay etc.) | TBC |
| 5 | Ram born on or after 1st January 2023 British Longwool breed (e.g. Border Leicester, Bluefaced Leicester, Teeswater, Lincoln Longwool, Wensleydale etc.) | TBC |
| 6 | Ewe born on or after 1st January 2023 British Longwool breed (e.g. Border Leicester, Bluefaced Leicester, Teeswater, Lincoln Longwool, Wensleydale etc.) | TBC |
| 7 | Ram born on or after 1st January 2023 British Down breed (e.g. Hampshire, Ryeland, Coloured Ryeland, Suffolk, Poll Dorset etc.) | TBC |
| 8 | Ewe born on or after 1st January 2023 British Down breed (e.g. Hampshire, Ryeland, Coloured Ryeland, Suffolk, Poll Dorset etc.) | TBC |
| 9 | Ram born on or after 1st January 2023 Any other breed | TBC |
| 10 | Ewe born on or after 1st January 2023 Any other breed | TBC |

The winners of classes 1-10 will progress to the Championship.

The highest placed sheep from a breed on the RBST Watchlist (Priority and At Risk Breeds – see Appendix A) in Classes 1-10 will automatically progress to Class 19 RBST 50th Anniversary Championship.

Special prizes

The Rosedean Salver for the Best Coloured Ryeland

Gifted by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Champion will be presented to the highest placed Coloured Ryeland ewe lamb in 2023.

Championship

The winners of classes 1-10 will compete for Best Ram Lamb, Best Ewe Lamb, Champion and Reserve Champion.

Special Classes

Wool on the hoof

Open to sheep already entered in classes 1-10. Winners do not qualify for the overall Championship.

Judge: TBC

Prizes: Prize cards and rosettes will be awarded 1st to 4th place in each class.

Special prize

The winners of classes 11-14 will compete for the **Scottish Smallholder Festival Tankard**, for the Best Wool on the Hoof.

| Class No | Class |
|----------|------------------------------|
| 11 | Hill and upland breeds |
| 12 | Northern short-tailed breeds |
| 13 | Closewool |
| 14 | Longwool |

Best horns

Open to sheep already entered in classes 1-10. Winners do not qualify for the overall Championship

Judge: TBC

Prizes: Prize cards and rosettes will be awarded 1st to 4th place.

Special Prize

The class winner will receive the **Wester Gladstone Trophy**, a perpetual trophy kindly presented by Gordon and Juliet Johnston, Wester Gladstone

| Class No | Class |
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| 15 | Best horns |

Young Handlers

Handlers to be judged on their ability to handle and show their sheep and on their knowledge and understanding of sheep and sheep care. Sheep do not have to have been already entered in the preceding classes and do not have to be registered or eligible for registration. Age taken at the date of the Festival.

Judge: TBC

Prizes: Prize cards and rosettes will be awarded to 1st to 4th places. All young handlers will receive a rosette for participation.

RBST YOUNG SHEPHERD OF THE YEAR The winners of the Young Handlers classes (class 17 and class 18) will be eligible to take part in the RBST Young Shepherd Competition 2023. If the Class winner has already qualified, the next highest placed eligible competitor not previously qualified can go forward. RBST qualifying age categories (the age of the child on the day of qualifying) Junior Young Shepherd 8 – 12 years, Senior Young Shepherd 13 – 16 years. It is the handler that qualifies regardless of what sheep breed they are showing. The Grand Final for the 2023 RBST Young Shepherd competition will take place at the English Winter Fair, Staffordshire County Showground on Saturday 18th November. Further details will be provided in each qualifier pack. The Junior Young Shepherd of the Year will win the Outlane Trophy and the Senior Young Shepherd of the Year will win the Harrison Challenge Trophy. The winners from each class will then compete for the overall Young Shepherd of the Year. The winner of the Junior and Senior category will receive £50 and the Championship Rosette, the Junior and Senior Reserve will receive £25 and Reserve Champion Rosette.

| Class No | Class |
|----------|--------------------------|
| 16 | Under age 8 years |
| 17 | Junior (age 8-12) |
| 18 | Senior (age 13-16 years) |

RBST 50th Anniversary Sheep Championship

The highest placed sheep from a breed on the RBST Watchlist (Priority and At Risk Breeds – see Appendix A) in Classes 1-10 will automatically progress to Class 19 RBST 50th Anniversary Sheep Championship.

The class is also open to sheep from a breed on the RBST Watchlist Watchlist (Priority and At Risk Breeds – see Appendix A) that were born before 1st January 2023.

The winner of Class 19 will represent sheep in the RBST 50th Anniversary Championship

Prizes: Prize cards will be awarded to 1st to 4th places; the Champion will receive a special rosette and £25 prize money.

| Class No | Class |
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| 19 | RBST 50 th Anniversary Championship |

Appendix A

Sheep breeds eligible for the RBST 50th Anniversary Championship

Torwen Badgerface Welsh Mountain
Lonk
Welsh Mountain Pedigree
Whitefaced Dartmoor
Devon & Cornwall Longwool
Boreray
Lincoln Longwool
North Ronaldsay
Leicester Longwool
Border Leicester
Whitefaced Woodland
Castlemilk Moorit
Cotswold
Derbyshire Gritstone
Dorset Horn
Portland
Hill Radnor
Manx Loaghtan
Teeswater
Wensleydale
Soay
Balwen
Devon Closewool
Dorset Down
Greyfaced Dartmoor
Llanwenog
Norfolk Horn
Oxford Down