

Hole Farm Rams

Inaugural

On Farm Ram Sale

Saturday 26th August 2023

Viewing from 3.00 pm & Sale at 5.30 pm



✓ *25 Registered High Index Suffolk Rams*

✓ *25 Durno Hybrid Rams (Texel x Charollais)*

From Logie Durno

Sale to be conducted by South East Marts at
Hole Farm, Hadlow Down, East Sussex, TN22 4HB

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Guest Auctioneer: Scott Lambie 07831 867224



Welcome to the inaugural on farm ram sale at Hole Farm

Following many years of selling Suffolk rams privately on farm we have decided to offer our rams via auction through an on farm sale. We have thought long and hard about this but feel that this is the best way to offer **all** buyers the chance to view our entire offering of shearling rams.

Half of the Suffolk rams offered for sale are in the Top 1% of the breed for Terminal Sire Index

“What you see is what you get”

All rams offered are presented naturally, with no dressing or trimming, and have not been forced. Giving them the best chance to lead long and productive lives in their new flocks.

*Sale features Durno Hybrid rams from noted ram breeders
Logie Durno from Aberdeenshire*

W&C Ingram of Logie Durno, Pitcaple, Aberdeenshire have put forward 25 of their most popular terminal sire composite breed: the “Durno hybrid”. Durno rams contain Charollais and Texel genetics which have been stabilised after nearly 20 years of breeding to ensure they breed consistent lambs when crossed with commercial ewes for fat lamb production.

Viewing

- ✓ **Viewing on the day will be available from 3.00 pm.**
- ✓ **Purchasers are welcome to view stock prior to the sale** (in the preceding days/weeks). If you wish to do so, please get in touch with James Hamilton 07789 713514.

South East Marts
Phone: 01323 844874

South East Marts will conduct the sale, with online bidding available on MartEye. Please get in touch with South East Marts for help on using MartEye.

Guest Auctioneer: Scott Lambie
Mobile: 07831 867224

Scott Lambie will be the auctioneer on the day. Scott has auctioneered livestock throughout Scotland and now runs his own company: Livestock Marketing (Borders) Ltd. Scott was the auctioneer for Malcolm Stewart's Sandyknowe Suffolks on farm ram sale from the first sale in 2014 through to the dispersal of the flock in 2022. Scott, who farms in partnership with his wife Carol at Ashcraig Farm, Selkirk in the Scottish Borders, is also a renowned breeder of Scottish Blackface sheep.



**Come to our sale, order direct or
bid online with MartEye**



MartEye

Sale Format

- ✓ **The sale will commence at 5.30 pm.**
- ✓ Rams will be sold via auction through the ring to the highest bidder.
- ✓ Buyers attending in person will be required to register at the sale on the day and give their buyer's number to auctioneer at the fall of the hammer.

Payment after the sale

- ✓ Payment via debit card, cheque, or cash to be completed after the sale if not previously arranged with James.
- ✓ Buyers will need their CPH number and Vehicle Registration at the payment desk.

Collection or Free Delivery Nationwide

- ✓ **Rams can be collected immediately** after purchase. Purchasers will be required to show a member of staff their invoice and movement form.
- ✓ **Buyers will be able to leave their rams at the farm** to be collected or delivered at a later date. Please let the payment desk know if this is what you would like to do.
- ✓ We are offering a **nationwide delivery service free of charge.**



Warranty

- ✓ All rams have been checked by ourselves prior to sale to ensure that they are fit for purpose.
- ✓ If you have a problem with your ram after the sale then please get in touch and we will make sure that you are looked after.

Health Status

- ✓ M.V. Accredited.
- ✓ Vaccinated with Heptavac P Plus & Footvax
- ✓ No CODD or CLA in the flock.
- ✓ Stock rams genotyped for scrapie – all past/present stock rams ARR/ARR
- ✓ All rams will be quarantine drenched, before collection or delivery, with Startect Duo on the advice of our vets.
- ✓ All rams will be fly covered for the season - Klik Extra applied 10th August.



Houdshall Suffolk Flock

Our aim is to produce shearling rams that are well suited to producing prime lambs from grazing systems, as well as producing Suffolk cross females which are increasingly in demand for their milkiness and ability rear quality prime lambs.

“We focus on the demands of the commercial producer”

The ewes are lambed in April and are managed on a commercial basis, receiving no special treatment.

“Lambs that get up and go”

The flock is first and foremost bred for functionality. Lambs are recorded at birth for lambing ease, vigour and speed to suckle to ensure that only functional rams are offered for sale.



Performance Recording from Grass

- ✓ The flock has been performance recorded from the start
- ✓ Focusing on fast growth rates (Scan Weight EBV) & carcass confirmation (Muscle Depth EBV)
- ✓ **All recording is done from grass**
- ✓ Selecting for positive fat depth → ability to finish off grass
- ✓ Ensuring that only rams that have the genetic ability to thrive on grass only systems are sold for breeding
- ✓ In addition to structural soundness and physical appearance

“All Suffolk rams offered for sale are in the Top 5% of the breed – with half in the Top 1%”

Breeding for use as a maternal sire

- ✓ Ideal for breeding milky & prolific Suffolk cross females
- ✓ Focus on **mothering ability & milk production**
- ✓ Strong emphasis on 8 week growth rates
 - Reflecting the milking ability of the ewe
 - Lambs genetic potential to convert grass and milk into meat



Logie Durno Sheep

An introduction to Logie Durno Sheep

www.logiedurnosheep.com

Logie Durno have put forward 25 Durno rams into the sale. The Durno has been chosen because it is their most popular terminal sire, crossing well over a number of different types of ewe and is already sold to a large number of flocks in the South East of England.

What is a Durno ram?

- ✓ The Durno is a **stabilised composite terminal sire** containing Texel & Charollais genetics
- ✓ Produced exclusively by Logie Durno & stabilised for 20 years
- ✓ Ensuring Durno sired lambs are consistent when crossed with commercial ewes
- ✓ **Fast growing & excellent carcass confirmation**
- ✓ Durno sired lambs grade well and are popular in the live markets

Durno rams contain the best of both Charollais & Texel genetics

- ✓ Charollais → fast growth rates, depth of loin & easy lambing
- ✓ Texel → hardiness, gigot muscularity and fleshing

***“As easy lambing as a Charollais &
as hardy as a Texel”***

Growth & Carcass

- ✓ All Durno lambs are back fat scanned and weighed at 16 weeks
- ✓ The raw data, i.e. actual weights, muscle & fat depths, are recorded in the sale catalogue and should be used as an aid for selection

Easy Lambing

- ✓ Bred for easy lambing → small heads and recorded on farm for lambing ease

Athletic Rams

- ✓ Rams are outwintered and run in large groups with only the strongest offered for sale
- ✓ Rams are athletic allowing them to tup large numbers of ewes and live long productive lives on farm

Profit from Grass

- ✓ All selection and performance recording has been done from grass
- ✓ Ensuring that only rams with the genetic ability to thrive on grass only systems are sold for breeding



Breed Benchmark for Suffolk Sheep 2023

Trait (Estimated Breeding Value)	Attribute	Bottom 25%	Breed Average	Top 10%	Top 5%	Top 1%
Scan Weight	Growth rate	0.20	1.73	4.64	5.46	7.01
Muscle Depth	Muscling	-0.51	0.06	1.15	1.46	2.04
Fat Depth	Finish	-0.12	0.02	0.29	0.37	0.51
Index	Profitable slaughter lambs	90	136	223	247	293

Scan Weight → Breeding potential for lamb growth rates to finishing weights

Muscle Depth → Choosing rams with high muscle depth EBVs will increase lamb muscularity & lean meat content of the carcass

Fat Depth → Ease of finishing, pick high fat depth EBV rams to improve lamb finish off grass

Index → Highlights superior breeding stock taking into account the ram's individual EBVs for each trait

Houdshall Suffolk Rams in this catalogue are in the following categories;

Top 25%

1

Top 5%

13

Top 1%

12

Suffolk Stock Ram

Sandyknowe Leader 19-1



Sandyknowe Leader 19-1 is a real carcass ram and was purchased from the Sandyknowe on farm sale in 2020. He is extremely well fleshed and has a great carcass with width all the way along his top line. Figures to match with Scan Weight, Muscle Depth & Fat Depth EBVs in the Top 1%. Over 200 progeny on the ground giving his figures >95% accuracy.

Scan Weight: 8.68 (Top 1%)

Muscle Depth: 2.04 (Top 1%)

Fat Depth: 0.62 (Top 1%)

Index: 327 (Top 1%)

Pen 1	Suffolk Rams						Lots 1-5	
Lot	Tag SUS:22:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
1	1403	Leader 19-1	Twin	9.30	2.64	0.42	359	
2	1434	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.50	3.11	0.64	322	
3	1402	Leader 19-1	Single	11.49	2.65	0.48	390	
4	1429	Leader 19-1	Twin	10.44	1.30	0.85	353	
5	1411	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.47	2.93	0.49	288	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.64</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>0.29</i>	<i>223</i>	

Pen 2	Suffolk Rams						Lots 6-10	
Lot	Tag SUS:22:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
6	1417	Leader 19-1	Triplet	9.65	1.21	0.40	313	
7	1392	Leader 19-1	Twin	8.66	1.10	0.06	303	
8	1424	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.80	2.36	-0.06	283	
9	1421	Leader 19-1	Single	9.71	1.18	0.33	313	
10	1432	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.75	1.25	0.55	269	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				4.64	1.15	0.29	223	

Pen 3	Suffolk Rams						Lots 11-15	
Lot	Tag SUS:22:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
11	1379	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.34	2.26	0.37	289	
12	1380	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.75	1.95	0.71	296	
13	1412	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.45	2.96	0.28	301	
14	1400	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.69	2.39	0.58	285	
15	1382	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.71	2.08	0.01	275	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.64</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>0.29</i>	<i>223</i>	

Pen 4	Suffolk Rams						Lots 16-20	
Lot	Tag SUS:22:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
16	1384	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.35	1.90	0.81	271	
17	1390	Leader 19-1	Twin	7.60	1.56	0.48	305	
18	1415	Leader 19-1	Twin	5.79	1.50	0.60	271	
19	1439	Leader 19-1	Twin	3.88	1.04	0.01	195	
20	1381	Leader 19-1	Twin	3.21	2.88	0.90	261	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.64</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>0.29</i>	<i>223</i>	

Pen 5	Suffolk Rams						Lots 21-26	
Lot	Tag SUS:22:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
21	1431	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.20	1.62	0.30	264	
22	1398	Leader 19-1	Twin	7.84	1.15	0.30	278	
23	1401	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.87	2.69	0.52	313	
24	1422	Leader 19-1	Triplet	3.26	2.78	1.25	274	
25	1427	Leader 19-1	Twin	7.18	1.58	1.53	311	
26	1376	Leader 19-1	Twin	6.59	0.83	0.59	257	

Pen 6	Durno Rams				Lots 30-34		
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Actual Measurements scanning			Notes
				Weight (Kg)	Fat Depth (mm)	Muscle Depth (mm)	
30	45180	April	Triplet	77	3.22	35.1	
31	44563	March	Twin	81	3.77	33.3	
32	44476	March	Triplet	77	2.73	34.6	
33	45220	April	Triplet	56	3.27	30.2	
34	45662	April	Twin	57	4.33	33.9	

Pen 7	Durno Rams				Lots 35-39		
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Actual Measurements scanning			Notes
				Weight (Kg)	Fat Depth (mm)	Muscle Depth (mm)	
35	44591	March	Twin	64	3.23	34.2	
36	44297	March	Twin	66	2.73	34.5	
37	45237	April	Twin	62	3.87	30.6	
38	45859	April	Single	63	3.30	31.1	
39	43698	April	Twin	62	3.57	32.2	

Pen 8	Durno Rams			Lots 40-44			
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Actual Measurements scanning			Notes
				Weight (Kg)	Fat Depth (mm)	Muscle Depth (mm)	
40	45697	April	Twin	57	3.20	34.0	
41	45686	April	Twin	54	3.37	34.0	
42	45757	April	Twin	59	2.73	32.4	
43	45810	April	Twin	57	3.27	27.3	
44	45172	April	Triplet	64	4.67	34.3	

Pen 9	Durno Rams				Lots 45-49		
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Actual Measurements scanning			Notes
				Weight (Kg)	Fat Depth (mm)	Muscle Depth (mm)	
45	45320	April	Twin	58	2.27	34.6	
46	44711	April	Twin	65	3.57	33.3	
47	45366	April	Twin	56	3.53	33.8	
48	45528	April	Twin	60	3.67	30.9	
49	45314	April	Twin	63	3.77	32.5	

Pen 10	Durno Rams				Lots 50-54		
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Actual Measurements scanning			Notes
				Weight (Kg)	Fat Depth (mm)	Muscle Depth (mm)	
50	45642	April	Twin	58	2.87	29.6	
51	44985	March	Twin	68	3.23	33.5	
52	44713	April	Twin	58	3.57	30.0	
53	44701	April	Twin	62	4.27	30.1	
54	45471	April	Twin	53	2.57	32.1	

- ✓ Rams presented naturally
- ✓ Pre-sale viewing available
- ✓ Free delivery nationwide
- ✓ M.V. Accredited & Signet Recorded



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Bar & BBQ

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