

FORT WILLIAM, Dingwall & Highland Marts Ltd, (November, 7th) sold 489 rams at its annual sale of rams.

Blackface shearlings (239) sold to £900 gross from Craig Farm, Straiton, Maybole.

Blackface two shears (33) sold to £550 gross from Knockdon, Straiton.

Blackface three shears (36) sold to £750 gross from West Lethans, Saline, Fife.

Blackface ram lambs (51) sold to £500 gross from Elmscleugh, Dunbar.

Texels (14) sold to £250 gross for a shearling from Ardoch Farm, Cardross.

Suffolks (6) sold to £370 gross for a two shear from Balmaglaster (Cameron), Spean Bridge.

Cheviots (53) sold to £400 gross for a shearling from Inverbroom, Ullapool.

Texel crosses (11) sold to £200 gross twice for shearlings from Clashnoir, Glenlivet, and Kingside, West Linton.

Beltex (8) sold to £180 gross for a shearling from Ardchatten Home Farm, Oban.

Zwartbles (2) sold to £160 gross for a shearling from Eastfield, Tarbert.

Blue Faced Leicesters (4) sold to £200 gross for a shearling from Ardoch Farm.

Quality tups met a firm demand while plainer types proved harder to cash.+

Other leading prices per head

Ram lambs:

Tex – Rosaburn, Isle of Arran, £180;

BF – Elmscleugh, £450 twice;

Shearlings: BFL – Newton of Crathie, Ballater, £160;

Bel – Aberchalder Estate, Gorthleck, £170;

TexX – Balmaglaster (Mackenzie), Spean Bridge, £180;

Chev – Inverbroom, and Knockan, Ullapool, £220;

Suff – Ardchatten Home Farm, £350;

Tex – Newton of Crathie, Ardoch Farm, and Inverbroom, £220;

BF – Craig Farm, £500 twice;

Two shear: BF – East Bracklin, Callander, £300;

Three shear: BF – Gavinburn, Old Kilpatrick, £380;