

## **November 6<sup>th</sup> 2012**

I delivered a Shetland ram lamb to a local young farmer who is setting himself up to breed Shetland sheep.

## **October 12<sup>th</sup> 2012**

A young couple from the South West are planning to sell rare bred lamb to their local private and business customers, and thought our Shetland yearling ewes would be good foundation stock to help start off their flock of breeding ewes, so 14 of them are now grazing approx. 3 miles from the sea.

## **October 6<sup>th</sup> 2012**

3 different customers came today with 2 Black Welsh Mountain ewe lambs heading to Nottinghamshire, a Black Welsh Mountain ram lamb going locally and 2 Kerry Hill ewes helping to increase a small flock near Monmouth.

## **September 24<sup>th</sup> 2012**

Builth Wells stages the biggest one day ram sale of the year and needing some fresh rams we came home with 3 Badger Face (Torddu & Torwen) rams, a Balwen and a Texel.

## **September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2012**

I needed to get away from home after what has turned out to be a very mediocre harvest and requiring a fresh Castlemilk ram I went to the Coventry area and bought one.

## **September 6<sup>th</sup> 2012**

The autumn is not only a time for selling but also a time to bring in new blood lines, and needing some new Black Welsh Mountain rams we went to Abergavenny and bought a yearling ram and a ram lamb.

## **September 4<sup>th</sup> 2012**

It's always nice to sell to a satisfied customer, and so it was today with 5 Castlemilk Moorit yearling ewes joining those we had sold in July.

## **September 1<sup>st</sup> 2012**

The first Saturday in September is the main Kerry Hill sale of the year, and what a sale it turned out to be, with record averages. We entered for the first time, and sold 2 yearling ewes and a ewe lamb well above what we were expecting when we left home.

## **August 16<sup>th</sup> 2012**

A local couple who wanted to have some sheep of their own after renting out their fields for the last few years went home with 10 Badger Face (Torddu) yearling ewes.

## **July 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> 2012**

The Royal Welsh Show picked the hottest week of the summer so far, and we entered once again, and were pleased to come away with a 7<sup>th</sup> prize with a Torddu yearling ewe in a very strong class.

## **July 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> 2012**

What a week, firstly 4 Shetland ewe lambs went to a returning customer from North Hereford, then 4 Kerry Hill ewe lambs went to an estate in the Midlands, 14 Badger Face (Torwen & Torddu) yearling ewes went to South Wales, 4 Black Welsh Mountain ewe lambs found new homes in the Forest of Dean and finally 4 Castlemilk Moorit yearling ewes also went to a new home in South Wales. It's good to know there are customers for all our different breeds of sheep.

## **July 10<sup>th</sup>**

It has been a little quiet on the selling front recently but today 5 Badger Face (Torwen) yearling ewes were sold to up to Mid Wales to start a new flock.

## **June 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2012**

This is our 2<sup>nd</sup> show of the year where we entered sheep from a number of different breeds. On the Saturday we had a 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> with a Torwen ewe and ram lamb and a 5<sup>th</sup> with a Torddu yearling ewe. On Sunday we had a 1<sup>st</sup> with a Shetland ram, a Highly Commended with a Shetland yearling ewe and 3<sup>rd</sup> with a Kerry Hill ewe lamb.

## **June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2012**

We have decided to disperse our Kerry Hill flock and today was the first stage in that process with 10 yearling ewes heading for Mid-Wales.

## **May 31<sup>st</sup> 2012**

I have had a busy day shearing and in the evening I delivered 6 Badger Face (Torddu) ewes with their 6 lambs locally.

## **May 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2012**

Once again we went to the Smallholder Show in Builth Wells and this year we had the champion in the primitive class with a Shetland ram and came 3<sup>rd</sup> with a Shetland yearling ewe.

## **March 30<sup>th</sup> 2012**

It was the turn of Black Welsh Mountain's again as I headed for the Birmingham area with 20 2011 ewe lambs and 2 yearling ewes and their twin lambs. What a beautiful day it has been.

## **March 26<sup>th</sup> 2012**

I delivered 2 yearling ewes with their twin lambs and 2 2011 ewe lambs to re-establish a Black Welsh Mountain flock in South Shropshire.

## **February 25<sup>th</sup> 2012**

The sun is shining, what a beautiful day it has been, and 6 ewe lambs have found new pasture, with 4 Badger Face (2 Torddu & 2 Torwen) going to South Powys and 2 Balwen's going to North Herefordshire.

## **December 29<sup>th</sup> 2011**

4 Black Welsh Mountain scanned in lamb ewes today found a new home in the Welshpool area to start up a new flock.

## **December 24<sup>th</sup> 2011**

Having supplied some Black Welsh Mountains as Christmas presents last year, this year was the turn of the Kerry Hill's when 2 ewe lambs found their way to the Forest of Dean, as presents for a husband and brother, who seemed quite pleased when they came to pick them up.

## **December 17<sup>th</sup> 2011**

It was scanning day again with 550 ewes to scan. It went well, with 40 to be scanned again in a month's time, as the scanner could not give us an accurate result, as they were not far enough in lamb. So far the scanning result is an average of 170% over all our breeds.

## **November 29<sup>th</sup> 2011**

A Black Welsh Mountain ram lamb went to join some ewes we sold to South Shropshire about three years ago today.

## **November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011**

A 3yr old Black Welsh Mountain ram was sold locally.

## **November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 2011**

3 ram lambs found new homes this weekend, with a Badger Face (Torwen) going to North Wales, a Badger Face (Torddu) going to South Wales and a Shetland staying in Herefordshire.

## **October 13<sup>th</sup> 2011**

A Black Welsh Mountain ram lamb has joined a registered flock in North Herefordshire today.

## **October 11<sup>th</sup> 2011**

8 Texel ewe lambs were sold to a local family today.

## **October 10<sup>th</sup> 2011**

We seem to be having more enquiries for rams this year, and today a Black Welsh Mountain ram lamb went to be used on a local registered flock.

## **October 1<sup>st</sup> 2011**

I had an idea around a month ago to have a sale/open day when all our breeds of sheep would be on view, for people to buy, or just to browse, so they could see what we have on offer. Today was the day when it all came to fruition; unfortunately it was not as busy as I had hoped, although we did sell a few sheep. Some people just came to look, so may be in the future some sales will come about.

## **September 29<sup>th</sup> 2011**

We only kept 1 Texel ram lamb for breeding this year, and today he went to a local couple to complement a ram they had off us a few years ago.

## **September 19<sup>th</sup> 2011**

We once again took some Badger Face rams to the NSA ram sale at Builth Wells, unfortunately we didn't sell anything, but did buy a Torwen ram lamb.

## **September 17<sup>th</sup> 2011**

We haven't had the chance to sell any Kerry Hill's before this year as we have wanted to build our numbers up, but today found 10 ewe lambs going to the Llandeilo area.

## **September 10<sup>th</sup> 2011**

I have wanted to go to the rare breed sale at Melton Mowbray for the past couple of years and today we finally made it and came back with a Shetland yearling ram.