

FINDON SHEEP FAIR



JUDGING SHOW PROGRAMME



14 SEPTEMBER 2019



WELCOME TO THE FINDON SHEEP FAIR 2019

Welcome to our village and this historic event which dates back to 1261. Last year, the show broke all records and we hope this year the weather is glorious and everyone has an enjoyable time.

What a privilege this is for me to write this introduction. I have only been involved with helping to organise it for the last three years but, now I have an appreciation of the extraordinary effort that goes into holding this event, driven by the passion and enthusiasm of just a few key people. Graham Langford is worthy of singling out, along with Geoff Parrish, Richard Bell and Chris Frost, plus the hard work from all the other committee members involved with the stallholders and main arena shows. I'm sure you will join me in giving them a massive 'Thank You' for all their efforts throughout the year.

This year we are showing off the beautiful South Downs country-side by introducing tractor and trailer rides with a difference. Throughout the half hour ride our local archaeologist will inform and enlighten on the archaeology and history of the area. This short journey will allow us to showcase the agricultural heritage and the important prehistoric and historic setting in which the Sheep Fair takes place.

We have a large number of farms entering this year bringing a diverse range of breeds to Findon. For the first time, there will be Romney sheep and we also welcome back some Valais Blacknose. Good luck to you all and thank you for supporting us.

Every year we call on the local community to help put on this event and without their support with setting up, on the day and clearing up after, the fair would not be as successful as it is. The committee is extremely grateful to the 100+ volunteers who give up their time in order to make this a great community event.

I hope you all enjoy the day and good luck in the competitions. And, on behalf of the committee, we look forward to seeing you again in 2020.

Su Pearce, on behalf of the Findon Sheep Fair Committee

HEAD JUDGE

This year our Head Judge is Bob Coleman of West Sussex



MOST SUCCESSFUL FARM



The points of all entrants will be totalled and the farm with the most points will receive a Trophy in memory of Janice Oakes Treasurer of Findon Sheep Fair

The trophy will be presented during the Grand Parade at 3.00pm in the main arena

BEST PRESENTED YOUNG HANDLER

Sponsored by—Sue Biddle

Judge—Jean Smith

To be judged during the Young Handlers section (see page 11)

GRAND SHEEP PARADE 3.00 PM TO MAIN ARENA AND FOR PRESENTATIONS

It would be good to have a strong presence of sheep in the parade. The Supreme Champions will lead the way, with as many sheep, representing as many breeds, as possible to follow. We would be grateful for your participation. Thank you

Prize money will be presented with rosettes and certificates during the judging classes

RARE BREEDS QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

We are very fortunate to have Gail Sprake with us today, both as judge for the Southdown and Downland section and as Chairman of the Rare Breeds Survival Trust.

Gail will be happy to take some Rare breed questions after lunch at 2.00pm in the Judges Tent.

RING ONE at 9.45-11.45am

COLOURED RYELANDS

Sponsored by—Findon Village Gardens Association

Judge—Linda Price, Wiltshire

Steward—Judy Stutchbury

Classes

RAM

RAM LAMB

EWE

EWE LAMB

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RING TWO at 9.45-11.45am

SHETLAND

Sponsored by—Holmes Construction

Judge—Nic Hill, Dorset

Steward—Gwyneth Frost

Classes

RAM—A&M

RAM LAMB

EWE—A&M

EWE LAMB

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RING THREE at 9.45-11.45am

PORTLAND

Sponsored by—Abigail Holmes

Judge—Cate Mack, Somerset

Steward—Dawn Jones

Classes

RAM

RAM LAMB

EWE

EWE LAMB

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RING FOUR at 9.45-11.45am

RARE & MINORITY—LONGWOOL

Sponsored by—Margaret Bamford

Judge—Sheila Leech, Kent

Steward—Tessa McCormick

Classes

RAM

RAM LAMB

EWE

SHEARLING EWE

EWE LAMB

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RINGS FIVE a & FIVE b at 9.30-11.45am

SOUTHDOWN & DOWNLAND

Sponsored by—Findon Accountancy

Judge—Gail Sprake, Suffolk

Steward—Chris James

Classes

RAM

RAM LAMB

EWE

SHEARLING EWE Untrimmed

EWE LAMB (Pre 1.3.2019)

EWE LAMB (Post 28.2.2019)

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RINGS SIX a & SIX b at 9.45-11.45am

CONTINENTAL & FOREIGN

Sponsored by—Southern Co-operative Funeralcare Findon

Judge—Mike Miller, Dorset

Steward—Gill Gostick

Classes

RAM

RAM LAMB

EWE

EWE LAMB

GROUP OF THREE

CHAMPIONSHIP

RING SEVEN at 9.30-11.45am

RARE & MINORITY—SHORTWOOL

Sponsored by—Margaret Bamford
Judge—Bob Coleman, West Sussex
Steward—Sara Baird

Classes

RAM
RAM LAMB
EWE
EWE LAMB
GROUP OF THREE
CHAMPIONSHIP

MARQUEE at 9.30-11.00am

FLEECE COMPETITION

Sponsored by—Abigail Holmes
Judge—Holly Arpino, East Sussex
Steward—Lol Harries

Classes

SHORTWOOL
LONGWOOL
SHETLAND
NATURAL COLOURED
CHAMPIONSHIP

PENS at 10.00-11.00am

BUTCHERS LAMBS COMPETITION

3 lambs per pen—120 kilos and under

Sponsored by—The Gun Inn, Findon

Judge—Keith Manning, West Sussex

Steward—George Derrick

RINGS SIX a & SIX b

SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP—11.45am-12.15pm

Sponsored by—Findon Probus

Judge—Bob Coleman from West Sussex
& Main Section Judges

Steward—Chris James

Prize money : Winner—£75.00 & Runner Up—£25.00

RING FOUR at 12.15-13.00pm

ENTRY ON DAY ACCEPTED BUT NO MORE THAN

1 ENTRY PER FARM PER CLASS

WOOL ON THE HOOF—LONGWOOL

Sponsored by—Green Wright Chalton & Annis

Judge—Holly Arpino, East Sussex

Steward—Gill Gostick

RINGS SEVEN & SIX b To follow Longwool

WOOL ON THE HOOF—SHORTWOOL

Sponsored by—Green Wright Chalton & Annis

Judge—Holly Arpino, East Sussex

Steward—Gwyneth Frost

CHAMPIONSHIP

1.00-1.45pm
LUNCH BREAK

RINGS SEVEN & SIX b at 1.45-2.45pm (approximately)
See Page 3 for details of Best Presented Young Handler Competition

YOUNG HANDLERS COMPETITION

Sponsored by—Bramber Construction

Judge—Michelle Bray, Hampshire

Steward—Sara Baird

Classes

Up to 8

9-11 Years

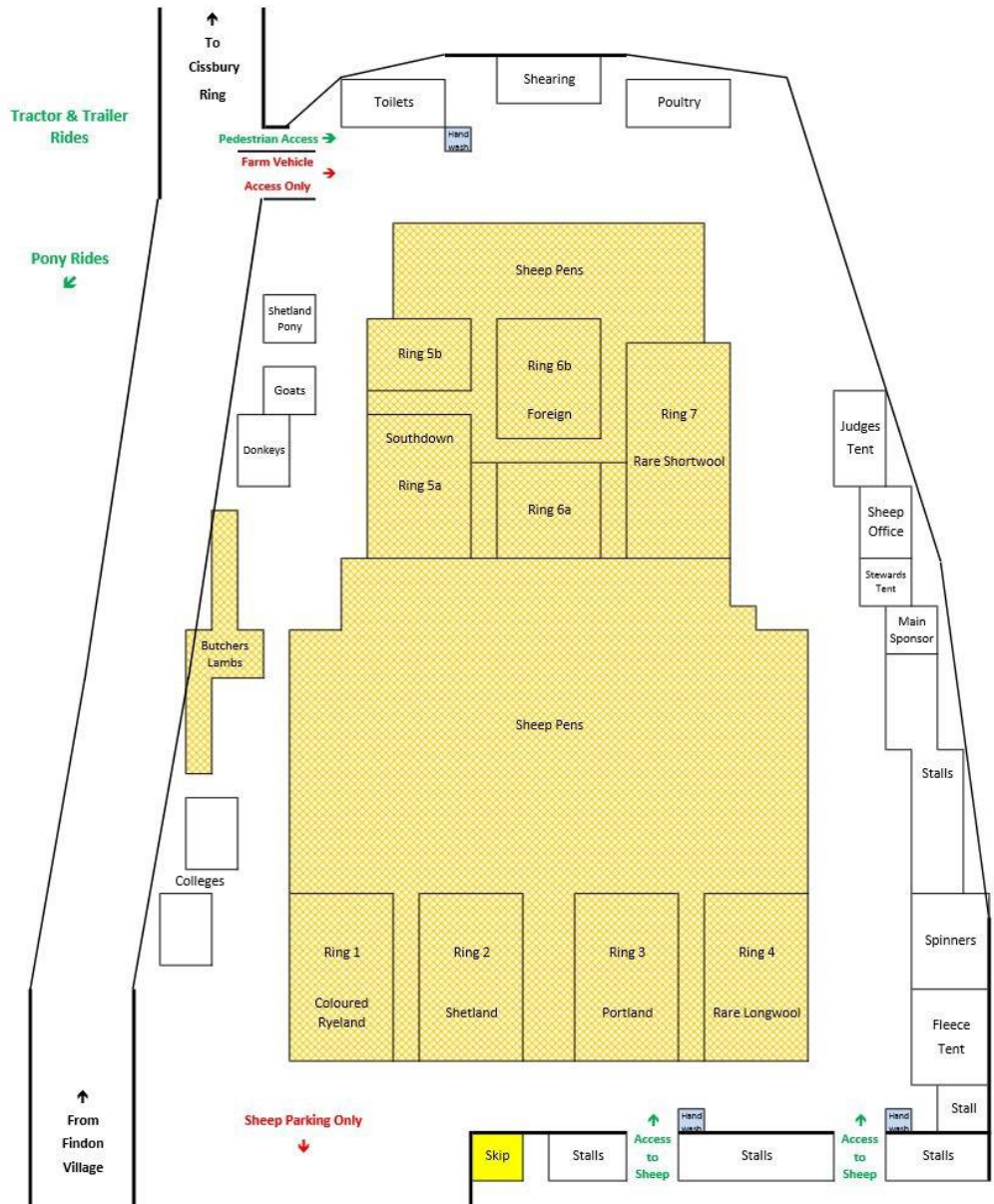
12 Years and Over

SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP—Young Handlers

GRAND PARADE 3.00pm (See Page 3)

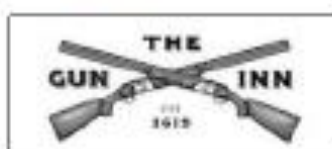
The commentary in the Show Rings is provided by
Graham Langford, Richard Bell & Abigail Holmes

The Bio Security Officer is Graham Langford



Findon Sheep Fair - Saturday 14 September 2019 - Area Plan

Findon Sheep Fair would like to thank the following for their support with the sheep show;



Margaret Bamford

Abigail Holmes

Sue Biddle