



SHEEP



Entry Fee: £5 (unless otherwise stated)

Prizes: 1st £15, 2nd 10, 3rd £8

SPECIAL FOR 2026



This year we are hosting the VALAIS BLACKNOSE NATIONAL SHOW 2026 - Kindly sponsored by **LOUGHGUILLE CREDIT UNION** and **BARCLAYS BANK**. See Classes 316 – 322 with extra prizes available. This is open to EVERYONE to enter (members and non-

We will also have our sheep shearing marquee back again this year – Kindly sponsored by **FANE VALLEY AND SONI LTD** where there will be lots to see from shearing competitions to the NISSA Sheep Shearing Circuit



PLEASE NOTE: ALL SHEEP MUST COMPLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TAIL DOCKING REGULATIONS.

PLEASE NOTE ALL DRIVERS OUTSIDE A RADIUS OF 65KM MUST HAVE ANIMAL TRANSPORTER AUTHORISATION CERTIFICATE.

Sheep Young Handler Classes

Kindly sponsored by **BANK OF IRELAND**

Starts At 12.45pm

Entries on the field and online: £5. Prizes: 1st £30, 2nd £20, 3rd £10, 4th £5

Judge: Clarke Lamont

Class	200	BALLYMONEY SHOW Young Sheep Handlers Competition, 7 and under	Open to those aged 7 or under on day of show. Need to be accompanied by an adult.
Class	201	BALLYMONEY SHOW Young Sheep Handlers Competition, 8 - 11	Open to those aged 8 - 11 on day of the show (ie P4 to P7)

Class	202	BALLYMONEY SHOW Young Sheep Handlers Competition, 12 - 14	Open to those aged 12 - 14 on day of the show (ie Year 8 to Year 10)
Class	203	CLOGHER VALLEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY LTD PRESENT THE CLOGHER VALLEY YOUNG HANDLERS SHEEP QUALIFIER	Sponsored by FANE VALLEY . Entry Fee £6. Rules: 1. Three young handlers can qualify (if not already qualified at a previous show) 2. The handler can use any breed of sheep 3. All qualifiers will receive a qualifying rosette and plaque at Clogher Valley Show 4. This event is open to those aged 7 - 16 at the date of the final. 5. Winner will receive the Robin Wylie Perpetual Cup & Cydectin Challenge Shield & Prizes sponsored by Fane Valley. Qualifying shows: Ballymena, Ballymoney, Lurgan, Armagh, Saintfield, Newry, Omagh, Londonderry/Limavady, Castlewellan & Clogher Valley. FINAL: CLOGHER VALLEY SHOW: Wednesday, 29 th July 2026
Special Prize	S90	BALLYMONEY SHOW YOUNG SHEEP HANDLERS CUP for Best Young Sheep Handler Kindly Presented by the Barr Family, Kells, Ballymena	

Sheep Interbreed Special Prizes

Judge: Clarke Lamont

Special Prize	S91	SHEEP INTERBREED COMPETITION. Champion in each breed eligible. Kindly sponsored by JOHN McELDERRY LTD £200 sponsorship to be divided as follows - Supreme Champion £80; Reserve Champion £55; 3rd £40; 4th £25. ROBERT W. HANNA MEMORIAL PERPETUAL TROPHY for Supreme Champion Sheep Exhibit	
Special Prize	S92	Champion Pedigree Ram Lamb - All Breeds. Kindly sponsored by FARMCARE PRODUCTS All 1st Prize Winners eligible - 1st £50; 2nd £30; 3rd £20.	
Special Prize	S93	Champion Ewe Lamb - All Breeds. Kindly sponsored by FARMCARE PRODUCTS All 1st Prize Winners eligible - 1st £50; 2nd £30; 3rd £20.	
Special Prize	S94	DANSKE BANK / NISA SHEEP CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 For the best ewe, any breed, any age, having reared a lamb in 2026. The Danske Bank / NISA Sheep Championship is being held at Castlewellan Show on Saturday, 18th July 2026 . All exhibitors wishing to qualify for this Championship must enter the name / breed of their animal(s) and exhibitor details with the Qualifying Show. Only the 1 st and 2 nd placed ewes, any breed, any age, having reared a lamb in 2026 in the relevant sheep classes at Ballymoney Show are eligible to go forward to the Danske / NISA Sheep Championship. To maximise attendance of qualified exhibits at the Championship Final, those who qualify must confirm their intention to be present at Castlewellan Show on 18th July 2026 for the Championship Final. In the event of qualified exhibitors not wishing to attend the Final, the next placed animal will qualify. No exhibitor may qualify more than two exhibits for the Championship final. NISA will present special rosettes to the exhibitors of both qualifying animals at each qualifying Show Prizes at the Final: 1st Prize £300 plus Crystal Trophy and Sash, 2nd Prize £200, 3rd Prize £100, 4th Prize £50. The Qualifying Shows are: Ballymena, Ballymoney, Lurgan, Armagh, Saintfield, Newry, Omagh and Castlewellan.	
Special Prize	S95	MOST SUCCESSFUL SHEEP EXHIBITOR AWARD. Kindly sponsored by ANDERSON GILLAN BARR SOLICITORS . £120 to be divided as follows: 1st £60; 2nd £40; 3rd £20. These prizes going to the exhibitors gaining the most points in all sheep classes excluding special classes. The scoring to be 7 points for 1st, 4 points for 2nd, and 2 points for 3rd.	

Northern Ireland Continental Sheep Final

THE IRISH SHOWS ASSOCIATION & CLOGHER VALLEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY PRESENT: The Northern Ireland Continental Sheep Final For Ewe or Ram, Any Age	
Sponsored by Danske Bank, Prize Fund £500, Direct Entry, Entry Fee £12 Entry Closing Date: 6th July 2026	
RULES & CONDITIONS:	
1. Competition confined to continental ewe or ram any age	
2. Direct Entry to: www.cloghervalleyshow.com	
Prize Fund: Champion £200, Reserve £100, 3 rd £75, 4 th £50, 5 th to 7 th £25	
Clogher Valley Show, Wednesday, 29th July 2026	

Beltex

Kindly Sponsored by STEELE FARM SUPPLIES

Judge: Chris Johnston

Class	204	Ram any age
Class	205	Ewe two shear and upwards having reared a lamb in current year
Class	206	Shearling ewe
Class	207	Ram lamb
Class	208	Ewe lamb
Class	209	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible classes
Special Prize	S96	STEELE FARM SUPPLIES kindly present BELTEX CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15. AIB CUP for BELTEX CHAMPION.

Blackface (Lanark Type)

Kindly Sponsored by MOORE'S ANIMAL FEEDS LTD

Judge: John McAlister

Class	210	Ram two shear and upwards
Class	211	Shearling ram
Class	212	Ewe any age rearing lambs
Class	213	Shearling ewe
Class	214	Ram lamb
Class	215	Ewe lamb
Class	216	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible classes
Special Prize	S97	MOORE'S ANIMAL FEEDS kindly present the BLACKFACE LANARK CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Blackface (Perth Type)

Kindly Sponsored by DUNBIA

Judge: Steven McHugh

Class	217	Ram two shear and upwards
Class	218	Shearling ram
Class	219	Ewe any age rearing lambs
Class	220	Shearling ewe
Class	221	Ram lamb
Class	222	Ewe lamb
Class	223	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible classes
Special Prize	S98	DUNBIA kindly present the BLACKFACE PERTH CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 THE JOHN KENNEDY CUP for Champion Blackface (won outright in 1984 by John Crawford Esq, JP and kindly represented in 1985)

Blue Faced Leicester

Kindly Sponsored by ULSTER BANK LTD

This show counts towards the Show Points Special, kindly sponsored by Ulster Bank Ltd

Judge: Jason Mills

Class	224	Ram two shear and upwards
Class	225	Shearling ram
Class	226	Ewe two years and over
Class	227	Ewe one year old
Class	228	Ram lamb
Class	229	Ewe lamb
Class	230	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram dropped in current year and entered in eligible Classes)
Class	231	Group of 3 lambs born in current year, all entered in eligible classes and include one opposite sex
Special Prize	S99	ULSTER BANK LTD kindly present the BLUE FACED LEICESTER CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 THE YOUNG PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP kindly presented by R Young & Co, Glasgow and FA McCaughan, Ballycastle for the Champion Exhibit.

Blue Texel

Kindly sponsored by McCARROLL PLANT HIRE

Judge: David Cromie

Class	232	Ram any age
Class	233	Ewe any age
Class	234	Shearling ewe
Class	235	Ram lamb
Class	236	Ewe lamb
Class	237	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Special Prize	S100	MCCARROLL PLANT HIRE kindly present the BLUE TEXEL CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Border Leicester (Pedigree)

Kindly Sponsored by FINVOY TYRE SERVICES

Judge: Jim Aiken

Class	238	Ram any age
Class	239	Ewe any age with lamb or lambs at foot
Class	240	Gimmer
Class	241	Ram lamb
Class	242	Ewe lamb
Class	243	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram dropped in current year and entered in eligible Classes)
Special Prize	S101	FINVOY TYRE SERVICES kindly present the BORDER LEICESTER CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 THE JAMES CLOW & CO LTD CUP presented to the Champion Border Leicester
Special Prize	S102	BORDER LEICESTER EXHIBITOR OF THE YEAR AWARD. This show qualifies for the above reward. The winner of this competition is announced at the AGM in September (BLSB).

Charollais

Judge: David Cromie

Class	244	Shearling ram and older
Class	245	Ewe two shear and upwards, having reared a lamb in current year
Class	246	Shearling ewe
Class	247	Ram lamb
Class	248	Ewe lamb
Class	249	Group of three (only one animal from each class allowed and must have been entered in class)
Special Prize	S103	CHAROLLAIS CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 KANE & MCPHERSON PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP kindly presented for the Champion Charollais

Dorset

Kindly sponsored by HVS ANIMAL HEALTH

Judge: Kyle Bradshaw

Class	250	Ram, any age
Class	251	Ewe, any age
Class	252	Shearling ewe
Class	253	Ram lamb
Class	254	Ewe lamb
Class	255	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram) entered in eligible Classes
Class	256	Group of Three - with no more than one entry from any class
Special Prize	S104	HVS Animal Health kindly present vouchers for the DORSET CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 THE DORSET HORN AND POLL DORSET SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION PERPETUAL CUP for the Champion Dorset.

Dutch Spotted Texel

Kindly Sponsored by S M Motors, Ballymoney

Judge: Chris Johnston

Class	257	Ram any age
Class	258	Ewe any age
Class	259	Shearling ewe
Class	260	Ram lamb
Class	261	Ewe lamb
Class	262	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible classes
Class	263	YOUNG HANDLERS COMPETITION – open to those aged 7 – 16 on the day of the Show
Special Prize	S105	S M MOTORS kindly present the DUTCH SPOTTED TEXEL CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Greyface

Judge: Jim Aiken

Class	264	Ewe 2 years and over, suckling lamb or lambs
Class	265	Ewe 1 year old dry and unsuckled
Class	266	Ewe 1 year old suckling lamb
Class	267	Ewe lamb
Class	268	Pair of ewe lambs (each must be entered in the ewe lamb class)
Special Prize	S106	GREYFACE CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Hampshire Down

Kindly Sponsored by SONI Ltd

Judge: Josephine Wray

All sheep, shearing and older should be shorn bare after the 1st April

Class	269	Ewe any age
Class	270	Ram, any age
Class	271	Ewe lamb
Class	272	Ram lamb
Class	273	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Special Prize	S107	SONI Ltd kindly present the HAMPSHIRE DOWN CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Kerryhill

Kindly sponsored by ULSTER BANK LTD

Only sheep eligible for registration or registered in the KHFBS may be shown in these classes.

Judge: Jack Colhoun

Class	274	Ram, any age
Class	275	Ewe, any age
Class	276	Ram lamb
Class	277	Ewe lamb
Class	278	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Special Prize	S109	ULSTER BANK LTD kindly present the KERRYHILL CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Mules

Kindly Sponsored by PROVITA EUROTECH LTD

Progeny of Black Face ewes and Blue Faced Leicester rams

Judge: Jason Mills

Class	279	Ewe 2 shear and upwards having reared a lamb in current year
Class	280	Shearing ewe
Class	281	Ewe lamb
Class	282	Pair of lambs (must be entered in ewe lamb classes)
Class	283	Blackface Ewe rearing two lambs born in current year
Special Prize	S110	PROVITA EUROTECH LTD kindly present the MULES CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

North Country Cheviot

Kindly Sponsored by PROVITA EUROTECH LTD

Judge: Michael Johnston

Class	284	Ram two shear and upwards
Class	285	Shearling ram
Class	286	Ewe any age with lamb or lambs at foot
Class	287	Ewe one year old
Class	288	Ram lamb born in current year
Class	289	Ewe lamb born in current year
Class	290	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram, must be entered in eligible classes)
Special Prize	S111	PROVITA EUROTECH LTD kindly present the NORTH COUNTRY CHEVIOT CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15. THE OLD CASTLE HATCHERY CUP presented to the Champion.

Rouge De L'Ouest

Judge: Keith Tinney

Class	291	Ram any age
Class	292	Ewe two shear and upwards having reared a lamb in current year
Class	293	Shearling ewe
Class	294	Ram lamb
Class	295	Ewe lamb
Class	296	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram) must be entered in eligible classes
Special Prize	S112	ROUGE DE L'OUEST CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15

Suffolks

Kindly sponsored by P & T THOMPSON SHEEP BREEDING

Judge: Andrew Wilson

Class	297	Ram two shear and upwards
Class	298	Shearling ram
Class	299	Ewe any age with lamb or lambs at foot
Class	300	Shearling ewe
Class	301	Ram lamb
Class	302	Ewe lamb
Class	303	Pair of lambs (any sex), must be entered in eligible Classes
Class	304	Group of 3 lambs born in current year, ear marked and bred by exhibitor. (All must be entered in eligible classes and include one opposite sex)
Special Prize	S113	P & T THOMPSON SHEEP BREEDING kindly present the SUFFOLK CHAMPION £25, Reserve £15 MESSRS CRAIGS OF KILREA PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP presented to the Suffolk Champion
Special Prize	S114	THE DUNLOP CUP re-presented 2005 by The McCracken Family for BEST OPPOSITE SEX TO THE CHAMPION SUFFOLK
Special Prize	S115	TOM ROBINSON ESQ, NDA, NDD CRANKILL, BALLYMENA, PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY for BEST GROUP OF 3 SUFFOLK LAMBS BORN IN CURRENT YEAR

Special Prize	S116	North Antrim & East Londonderry Suffolk Club Perpetual Shields for the CHAMPION & RESERVE SHOW TEAMS. The Club will also award points at this show for the Competition kindly sponsored by John Thompson and Sons. Awards to be presented at Annual Dinner Dance.
Special Prize	S117	SUFFOLK MALE OF THE YEAR - Smith/Kline Trophy
Special Prize	S118	SUFFOLK FEMALE OF THE YEAR - Suffolk Sheep Society NI Branch Trophy

Suffolk Cheviots

Judge: Michael Johnston

Class	305	Ewe 2 years old and over, having sucked a lamb in current year
Class	306	Ewe 1 year old
Class	307	Ewe lamb
Class	308	Group of three, one from each class, all from the same owner
Special Prize	S119	SUFFOLK CHEVIOT CHAMPION £25; Reserve £15

Texels

Kindly sponsored by MANOLA FARM SUPPLIES

All exhibits in this section must not be dressed

Judge: Nigel Hamill

Class	309	Ram any age
Class	310	Ewe any age
Class	311	Shearling ewe
Class	312	Ram lamb
Class	313	Ewe lamb
Class	314	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Class	315	Pair of hogget ewes with two teeth
Special Prize	S120	MANOLA FARM SUPPLIES kindly present the TEXEL CHAMPION £25; Reserve £15
Special Prize	S121	THE NI TEXEL SHEEP BREEDERS CLUB will present £20 to the Champion Texel. Points may be gained in all the classes which will be counted towards the NI Texel Show Flock Competition.
Special Prize	S122	THE RAM LAMB SHOW CHAMPION & RESERVE AWARD. The NI Texel Club will also be awarding a series of special awards at a number of shows and Ballymoney has been selected to run the Ram Lamb Show Champion special prize. This will be awarded to the first placed animal in the Ram Lamb class with the reserve award being presented to the second placed Ram Lamb at Ballymoney Show.

Valais Blacknose

Kindly sponsored by LOUGHGUILLE CREDIT UNION and BARCLAYS BANK

Ballymoney Show has the privilege of hosting the Valais Blacknose National Show this year, and as a result there are additional prizes and prize money in this section. Class prizes of 1st £15, 2nd £10, 3rd £8 and 4th £5. Champion £40, Reserve £30 and 2nd Reserve £20. Also £10 for each exhibitor with 5 or more Valais Blacknose sheep entries.

Note: these classes are open to everyone to enter, regardless of whether you are in a Valais Blacknose Club.

Judge: Jamie Wood

Class	316a	Ram lamb (0 – 6 months)
Class	316b	Ram lamb (7 - 12 months)
Class	317	Shearling Ram (12 – 24 months)
Class	318	Aged Ram (more than 24 months)
Class	319a	Ewe lamb (0 - 6 months)
Class	319b	Ewe lamb (7 - 12 months)
Class	320	Shearling Ewe (12 – 24 months)
Class	321	Aged Ewe (more than 24 months)
Class	322	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Special Prize	S123	VALAIS BLACKNOSE CHAMPION £40; Reserve £30; 2 nd Reserve £20. Also £10 for each exhibitor with 5 or more Valais Blacknose sheep entries.

Zwartbles

Judge: Liz Watson

Class	323	Ram any age
Class	324	Ewe any age
Class	325	Shearling ewe
Class	326	Ram lamb
Class	327	Ewe lamb
Class	328	Pair of lambs (1 ewe and 1 ram), must be entered in eligible Classes
Special Prize	S124	ZWARTBLES CHAMPION £25; Reserve £15

Butchers Lambs (Non-registered)

Animals in this section are not eligible for entry in any other section

Judge: Nigel Hamill

Class	329	Single lamb born in current year
Class	330	Pair of lambs born in current year (both must be entered in previous Class)
Special Prize	S125	BUTCHERS LAMBS CHAMPION £25; Reserve £15

Any Other Pedigree Breed

Open to any breed not already classified in the schedule

Judge: Keith Tinney

Class	331	Ram, any age
Class	332	Ewe, any age
Class	333	Ram lamb
Class	334	Ewe lamb
Special Prize	S126	ANY OTHER PEDIGREE BREED CHAMPION £25; Reserve £15

