



Jacob Sheep Society
Central Region Ewe Assessment & Stock Judging Day
Sunday 29th September 2024 – 9.00am
Please reply by Monday 16th September 2024

To be held at the Lickhill Flock
hosted by Kay & Sean Carpenter at Woodgreen Farm
Lickhill Road North, Stourport on Severn, Worcestershire, DY13 8RW

The day will be split into 3 parts to cover;

1. **Breeding ewe assessment.** Selecting ewes for putting to the tup. This discussion will be led by Lesley Partridge of the Bentley Flock. Lesley has a great deal of experience and success at breeding Jacobs and has been a member of the society for 47 years. She has registered lambs in every Flock Book since issue No.2. The discussion will cover common issues such as correct teeth, pasterns, legs, udders, condition scoring and anything that is particular to Jacobs such as markings and horns.
2. **Grading fat lambs at finishing.** How to assess your lambs for a better return using the EUROP grading system. This discussion will be led by John Wescott, Director at Farmers Fresh. Several JSS members sell their lambs straight to Farmers Fresh as dead weight. This would be an ideal time to find out more. John will be using live lambs to demonstrate the grading process. There will be an opportunity for members to then have a go at grading a pen of lambs for themselves.
3. **Young shepherds (up to 18 years old) competitions.** To include;
 - (1) Stock judging a pen of 4 lambs. Young shepherds are to individually judge a pen of lambs and make notes (a scribe will be provided if required). They will then need to present their order of 1st to 4th to the judge by giving a 5 minute talk. There will be no audience. Just the judge, a note taker and a scribe if required. Their placings of 4 lambs must have reasons based on the EUROP system and information learnt in the morning workshop.
 - (2) A summary of show preparation given by Hayley Higginson with top tips on how to present your sheep in the ring. Hayley has been showing for more years than she wishes to divulge! Her showing highlight so far was watching her daughter, Abbie, win reserve champion RBST Young Shepherd after qualifying at Royal Cheshire, followed by overall champion at GYS this year. This section will culminate with an in-hand showing competition, using lambs provided on site.

Programme for the Day:

9.00 am - Arrival at Woodgreen Farm, DY13 8RW - Coffee & Biscuits

9.15 am - Introduction.

9.30am - Breeding ewe assessment workshop.

10.30 am - Fat lamb workshop

12.00 pm - Lunch - during lunch and throughout the rest of the day members are encouraged to have a go at grading a pen of lambs. These can then be compared to the judge's assessment before leaving.

1.00 pm - Young shepherds stock judging. Presentations to the judge.

Whilst these presentations are taking place a show preparation workshop will be held, with top tips on haltering, washing and trimming.

2.00 pm - Young handlers competition - a chance for young handlers to demonstrate their in-hand skills.

3.00 pm - Tea & Cake. Raffle.

3.30 pm - Grading results and prize giving

To book your places or if you would like further information, please contact Kay Carpenter – 07771 5511445 – Email central@jacobsheepsociety.co.uk

I/We wish to attend the Ewe Assessment & Stock Judging Day on Sunday 29th September 2024

Name		Member No.		
Number attending	Adults @ £ 12.00	No.	Children aged 18 and under free	No.
Total paid:				
Please state any vegetarians or other special dietary requirements:				

Please email, post or message this slip to;

Kay Carpenter, Woodgreen Farm, 5 Lickhill Rd North, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcs DY13 8RW

and make an online banking payment with the reference CAD member no. & flock prefix

(e.g. CAD04561Lickhill) to Lloyds sort code 30 99 80 account number 01034824

or enclose a cheque made payable to the Jacob Sheep Society Ltd. to arrive by 12th September 2024.