

Findon Sheep Fair - Saturday 12th September 2026 - Details

Sheep Judging Details: -

Entry cost per farm: £8:00 per pen (without straw)
Fleece entries - no charge, but must have a sheep entry in the main section.

Pens will be labelled with a number and flock or farm name and we will be happy for you to add your own descriptive material to the sides of the pens as usual.

UK Rare & Native Breeds and Continental & Foreign Breeds of sheep may be entered according to their breeds. Allocation to the appropriate section will be done by the organisers based on the numbers of entries received for any particular breed.

Entries for the "group of three" class must all be of the same breed, consist of two of one sex and one of the other and have all been shown in individual classes earlier in the day.

For the Fleece section fleeces should be rolled and labelled with the class and owner's name. If you wish us to sell the fleece after the judging, please indicate a price on the back of the label.

There will be trophies in certain sections and classes, as shown below, together with money prizes and rosettes for all classes and sections.

Judging times and parking details (arrival by 9:15 latest) will be sent to you after entry.
Judges decision is final.

Supreme Champion (prize money - £100 supreme, £50 reserve)
Shield for Supreme Champion - Donated by Sussex Manures
Reserve Supreme Champion

Main Sheep Judging sections (all classes prize money - £15, £10 and £5):

Classes for:	Ram	Ram Lamb	Aged Ewe*
	Shearling Ewe	Ewe Lamb	Group of Three

* Note that all entries to the Aged Ewe class must have borne a lamb during 2026

(1) Rare & Native Shortwool Breeds: including Whitefaced Woodland, Balwen, Badger Face Welsh, Black Welsh Mountain, Devon Closewool, Hebridean, Herdwick, Jacob, Llanwenog, North and South Country Cheviot, Portland, Ryeland.

Cup for Best Rare Breeds Shortwool Ram - Donated by Margaret Bamford
Cup for Best Rare Breeds Shortwool Shearling Ewe - Donated by Wappingthorn Lodge
Cup for Rare Breeds Shortwool Champion - Donated by Shetland Sheep Society
Cup for Best Portland sheep

(2) Rare & Native Longwool Breeds: including Cotswold, Devon & Cornwall Longwool, Greyface Dartmoor, Leicester Longwool, Teeswater, Wensleydale, Blueface Leicester.

Cup for Rare Breeds Longwool Champion

(3) Downland Breeds: including Dorset Down, Dorset Horn, Exmoor Horn, Oxford Down, Hampshire Down, Lleyn, Poll Dorset, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk.

Cup for Downland Champion
Cup for Best Southdown Ram - Donated by Judy Blackman

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(4) Continental and Foreign Breeds: including Beltex, Charollais, Dutch Spotted, Icelandic, Ouessant, Texel, Valais Blacknose, Zwartbles.

Cup for Continental and Foreign Champion

(5) Shetland - (Combined with Rare & Native Shortwool if insufficient numbers entered)

Shield for Shetland Champion - Donated by Karen Armitage

(6) Coloured Ryeland - (Combined with Rare & Native Shortwool if insufficient numbers entered)

Cup for Coloured Ryeland Champion - Donated by Coloured Ryeland Sheep Society

Cup for Coloured Ryeland Group of Three Champion - Donated by Coloured Ryeland Sheep Society

(7) Romney - (Combined with Rare & Native Longwool if insufficient numbers entered)

"Hugh Skinner Memorial Trophy" for Romney Champion - Donated by Romney Sheep Breeders Society

(8) Border Leicester - (Combined with Rare & Native Longwool if insufficient numbers entered)

Cup for Border Leicester Champion

(9) Kerry Hill - (Combined with Rare & Native Shortwool if insufficient numbers entered)

Cup for Kerry Hill Champion

Finished Butchers Lambs (prizemoney - £15, £10 and £5):

3 Lambs in a Pen, weighing 120 kilos or under

Cup for Butchers Lambs Champion

Wool on the Hoof (all classes prize money - £15, £10 and £5):

[Note - Sheep can be entered in advance or on the day, after judging in other sections, but will be restricted to one entry per class per farm]

Classes for: Shortwool Longwool

Shield for Wool on the Hoof Champion - Donated by Village House Hotel

Fleece (all classes prize money - £15, £10 and £5):

Classes for: Shortwool Longwool
Shetland Natural Coloured

"Running Horse Nepcote House" Cup for Champion Fleece - Donated by David Hender

Young Shepherd (all classes prize money - £10, £7 and £5):

Classes : Up to 3 separate classes split according to overall numbers entered (age up to 18 at 12 Sept 2026)

Trophies for each class winner

Sash for Young Shepherd Supreme Champion,

Trophy for Best Presented Young Handler (Supreme Champion) - Donated by Sue Biddle

Most Successful Young Shepherd:

[Note - Result based on points system over all classes and sections]

Hawthorn Flock Cup - Donated by Helen Butler

Most Successful Farm:

[Note - Result based on points system over all classes and sections]

Janice Oakes Cup - Donated by Bob Coleman

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