



### **Important Dates 2017**

**18 & 19 November** – English Winter Fair

**27 & 28 November** - Welsh Winter Fair

**2 December** – Society AGM at 1pm, Sportsman Porthmadog



### **Goronwy Williams**

I was very honoured to be asked to assist the judge Gail Shrubsall, as a Junior Judge at this year's NSA Show & Sale.

I was introduced to the breed when my grandfather bought me 3 Torwen sheep, as a Christmas present, at our local Bryncir Rare Breed sale, and I have gradually increased my flock to 19 sheep over the last 3 years.

When judging the show I felt nervous and excited at the same time. The quality of the sheep in the show was excellent with many competitors in each class. While assisting the main judge I was able to learn more about confirmation, and the markings of this unique breed, which will help me to improve my own flock of Torwen sheep for the future. I am very grateful for having had this opportunity, and I wish to thank the society for inviting me to have such an experience. I look forward to being involved with the Society for many years to come.

### **Connor Marshall**



I'm 14 years old and live on a dairy farm near Carmarthen. It was an honour to be asked to assist Malcolm Evans at this year's NSA show & sale. I really enjoyed the experience and learnt what a judge looks for. My interest in Torddu sheep began when I was 8 years old after starting to help Gareth Vince Jones with his flock of badgers. I bought my first 3 Torddu ewes from Dafydd Harries when I was 9 years old.

I took a yearling ram up to the Royal Welsh Show when I was 11 and was shocked to win 3rd prize. I have since shown both Torddus and Torwens at the Royal Welsh every year and successfully winning 2nd and 3rd prizes, but still waiting to win a 1st!! I also show at local shows.

Gareth has taught me what to look for in a Torddu – the markings, small ears etc, how to prepare a sheep for the show ring and how to hold a sheep once in the show ring. I still haven't trimmed yet – I'm still watching and learning. I enjoy showing and speaking to other society members and getting some tips from them.

I have decreased my number of sheep in order to continually improve my flock. I now have 3 rams and approx 40 ewes. I also have a flock of Torwens too. I look forward to keep showing my sheep and maybe one day I will get that red rosette at the Royal Welsh Show, and you never know, maybe one day I'll be a judge there.

## Registrations 2017

Please send all your registration forms to Rebecca Haf Lloyd. Rebecca has kindly volunteered in the interim to be responsible for this year's registrations. A permanent solution will need to be decided upon at the Society's AGM. Please find Rebecca's details below. The Society kindly asks that you be mindful that Rebecca works full time in a School and therefore if you need to speak to her she may not always be able to answer the phone, but please leave her a message, and she will get back to you.

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### President's Message

The AGM is a bit later this year and I'm very sorry if this inconveniences anyone. It is entirely because I am away in Bhutan, the land of the thunder dragon and gross national happiness, Hiking the Himalaya. I will try to give a short slide show after AGM or at dinner for anyone interested. We have a lot to discuss although changes may not now be until next year, but the sooner we share thoughts and tags, the better. We have talked about meeting in North Wales for a few years so it's good to be finally going there. Hope to see many of you. Vet notes will return in the next newsletter, as we have enough to cover in this one, but just to say it is another high fluke risk year for much of Wales.

### Newsletter

Please send any relevant news that you wish to be included in the next newsletter to the Secretary before 30th November 2017.

### Situations Vacant

#### Publicity Officer & Registration Secretary

The Society's current publicity officers will be retiring from post at this year's AGM. The Society wishes to appoint a publicity officer or officers to this role.

The Society also wishes to appoint a Registration Secretary. If you are interested in either of these roles please contact the Chairman before the AGM at [robin@hebsnbadgers.co.uk](mailto:robin@hebsnbadgers.co.uk) for further information.

## AGM 2017

This year the Society's AGM will be held in North Wales. Please see details below. Please remember to send your evening meal choices and payment back to Rebecca Haf Lloyd (address as above) before Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November. There is now a three course menu – which is different to the option provided in the last newsletter. The course meal is still available.

AGM Saturday 2nd December 2017,  
Royal Sportsman Hotel, Porthmadog Gwynedd, LL49 9BH 01766 512015  
Meeting to begin at 1pm / Meal to follow at 7pm  
2 course meal £15 ( ADDITIONAL £2 IF ORDERING VEGETABLES WITH PORK )  
3 course meal £19.95 ( ADDITIONAL £2 IF ORDERING VEGETABLES WITH PORK )

SOUP OF THE DAY  
Home made bread  
PORK & LEEK SCOTCH EGG  
Sweet mustard sauce  
STICKY SOY PORK RIBS  
Asian slaw  
HOME MADE PITTA BREAD ( V )  
Peanut & Coriander Hummus, Harissa Dip  
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SPICY MIXED PEPPER LINGUINI ( V )  
Confit tomato sauce  
SLOW-ROAST PORK BELLY  
Black pudding Rositi & Apple Sauce  
( VEG ADDITIONAL £2 FOR THIS MAIN COURSE ONLY )  
BADGER FACE LAMB  
Yorkshire Pudding, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables & rich roast gravy  
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STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING  
Butterscotch sauce & vanilla ice cream  
STRAWBERRY ETON MESS  
VANILLA CRÈME BRULEE  
Lemon & Thyme Shortbread

Please send your orders on the form attached and the correct payment to me  
before **Sunday 19th November 2017**  
(Cheques made payable to The Badger Face Welsh Mountain Sheep Society)

Rebecca Haf Lloyd, Bwlch Dwyfor, Rhoslan, Criccieth, Gwynedd. LL52 0NS

## NSA Show and Sale 2017 – Results

### Torwen Classes Judge: Gail Shrubsall Junior Judge: Goronwy Williams

<b>Ram, shearling or over</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Eirian & Jasmine Jones
<b>2nd</b>	Robin & Jenny Langford
<b>3rd</b>	Dafydd Williams

<b>Ram Lamb</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Dafydd Harries
<b>2nd</b>	Eirian & Jasmine Jones
<b>3rd</b>	Robin & Jenny Langford

<b>Ewe, Shearling or over</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Sean Jeffreys
<b>2nd</b>	Malcolm Evans
<b>3rd</b>	Dafydd Williams

<b>Ewe Lamb</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Geraint Jones
<b>2nd</b>	Gareth Vince Jones
<b>3rd</b>	Geraint Jones

<b>Overall Championship</b>	
<b>Champion</b>	Eirian & Jasmine Jones (Yearling Ram)
<b>Reserve Champion</b>	Geraint Jones (Ewe Lamb)



**Torddu Classes**  
**Judge: Malcolm Evans**  
**Junior Judge: Connor Marshall**

<b>Ram, shearling or over</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Dafydd Harries
<b>2nd</b>	TG King
<b>3rd</b>	Robert Condell

<b>Ram Lamb</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Gareth Vince Jones
<b>2nd</b>	DG & B Thomas
<b>3rd</b>	Myfyr Jones

<b>Ewe, Shearling</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Aron Hemmings
<b>2nd</b>	Steven Pugh
<b>3rd</b>	TG King

<b>Ewe Lamb</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Gareth Vince Jones
<b>2nd</b>	Aron Hemmings
<b>3rd</b>	Geraint Jones

<b>Overall Championship</b>	
<b>Champion</b>	Aron Hemmings (Yearling Ewe)
<b>Reserve Champion</b>	Gareth Vince Jones (Ram Lamb)



**Llandovery Colour Breeds Sale  
(Show kindly sponsored by Crystalux)**

**Torddu**

**Judge: Morys Ioan**

**Champion: Wil Hughes (Yearling Ram)**

**Reserve Champion: Joseph Family (Ram Lamb)**



**Torwen**

**Judge: Dafydd Williams**

**Champion: Huw Williams (Ewe Lamb)**

**Reserve Champion: Dafydd Lewis (Ram Lamb)**



## **Bryncir Rare Breeds Sale**

### **Torddu**

**Judge: Gareth Vince Jones**  
**Champion: Geraint Jones**  
**Reserve Champion: Jennifer Williams**



### **Torwen**

**Judge: Gareth Vince Jones**  
**Champion: Geraint Jones**  
**Reserve Champion: Sara Roberts**



## Llandysul Show



Three of the Society's younger members were successful in the Young Handler's class at this year's Llandysul Show.

**1<sup>st</sup>** Sion Evans

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Harri Williams

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Osian Paewai Jones

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