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Worshipful Company of Woolmen

Royal Ulster Agricultural Society
The King's Hall : Balmoral : Belfast BT9 6GW
Tel: 028 90 665225 : Enter on-line www.balmoralshow.co.uk

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All Sheep Shearing competitions will be held under the BISCA Rules [published in the Spring 2010 edition of Newsclip].

IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY THE USE OF WORM DRIVES IS COMPULSORY.

All competitors are also bound by the General Regulations and Instructions for the Society's Annual Show as contained in the main Prize Schedule - copies available on request. Subject to any right of Appeal contained in the Society's Regulations and Instructions to Exhibitors, the Chief Steward's ruling shall be final on any matter not covered by British Isles Shearing Competition Association rules Committee.

EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY - The Society being a charitable institution which organises the Show in order to promote agriculture and its ancillary industries within Northern Ireland requires all entrants and exhibitors as a fundamental condition of entry to undertake and accept that the Society whether or not due to its own negligence or that of its servants, agents, sub-contractors or other entrants, exhibitors or invitees or otherwise shall not be liable in any way for any claim to compensation or otherwise which may arise out of or be connected with the Show including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the holding, abandonment or alteration of the date of the Show, omission of any entry, the rejection or removal of any animal or other exhibit, the removal or exclusion of any owner, groom, rider or attendant from the Show, or the appointment, decision, act or omission of any Judge, Officer, Official, employee or other person connected with the Show nor shall the Society nor any of its Judges, Officers, Officials, employees or other persons be in any way responsible or accountable for anything that may happen [from any cause or circumstances whatever] to the Exhibitors or their Attendants, or to any exhibit or property brought into the Showgrounds, or for anything else in connection with, or arising out of, or attributable to the Society's Show. Each Exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any consequential or other Loss, Injury or Damage done to or occasioned by, or arising from any animal or item exhibited by him whether or not due to the negligence of the Society or any of its servants, agents, sub-contractors or other entrants, exhibitors or invitees and for its description as given in the Catalogue. Exhibitors shall indemnify the Society against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.

All shearers/wool handlers may be required to complete a declaration on the day confirming that they cleaned and disinfected their protective clothing and equipment before coming onto the Show premises. Any shearer/wool handler unable to complete such a declaration will not be permitted to compete and the RUAS reserve the right to inspect the clothing and equipment of all shearing/wool handling competitors.

Shearers should note that NO commercial symbols may be worn by competitors.

Competitors should note that prize money will not be paid on the day. Shearers/Wool Handlers must provide an address for prize cheques to be forwarded after the Show.

ENTRIES CLOSE : FRIDAY 30TH APRIL 2010

ENTER ON-LINE www.balmoralshow.co.uk

Late entries may be accepted on the day of shearing, subject to bio security restrictions, the availability of sheep and a 100% surcharge on the entry fee.

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SHEEP SHEARING OFFICIALS

Chief Steward: Robert Harkness

Deputy Chief Steward: Brendan Kelly

Commentator: Clarke McCartney

Assistant Commentator: Colin MacGregor

Scorekeeper: Gerard Kelly

Timekeeper: Rosemary Harkness

Chief Judge [Wednesday]: Brian Wilson

Chief Judge [Thursday]: Robin Kennedy

Stewards:-

Edwin Adams, Wallace Boyd, Diane Jones, William Jones, Gareth Kelly, Seamus Kelly, Ian Montgomery, Bryan Wilson, Maurice Megahey & Jayne Harkness-Bones

PANEL OF JUDGES:-

Denis Boyd, 39 Seskin Road, Straid, Ballyclare, Co Antrim
Dave Gillett, Garth View, Catterlen, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 0BQ
Alan Crockett, 21 Closemore Road, Castelderg, Co Tyrone
George Graham, Clough, Gorey, Co. Wexford
Walter Hoy, 9 Rickamore Brae, Templepatrick, Ballyclare, Co Antrim
Brian Jones, Dolerwen, Lianafan, Builth Wells, Wales, LD2 3LN
Gareth Kelly, 12 Lylehill Road East, Templepatrick, Co Antrim
Robin Kennedy, 59 Budore Road, Dundrod, Crumlin, Co Antrim
Eoin McCambridge, 75 Cushendale Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6QY
Nigel Laughlin, 85 Gorticastle Road, Omagh, BT79 8NT
Dave Turner, Eas Fors, 111 Springfield Road, Linlithgow, West Lothian, EH49 7JP
Brian Wilson, 2 Gordonvale Drive, Hampton Manor, Larne, Co Antrim BT40 2NS
Malcolm Fraser, 30 Moneyrea Road, Moneyreagh, Co Down, BT23 6BJ



WEDNESDAY 12th MAY 2010

11.00 am **NOVICE & ADVANCED LISTER SHEARING/YFCU SHEEP SHEARING CHAMPIONSHIP**

Competitors must report at 10.15 am

Lister Sheep Shear Silver Handpiece Perpetual Challenge Trophy & Commemorative Engraved Medallion presented to the winner of the competition. Shearing Vests provided by Lister Shearing.

1st and 2nd prizewinners will automatically take part in 'Royal Ulster' Championships.

1.30 pm **'ROYAL ULSTER' NATIONAL SHEEP SHEARING CHAMPIONSHIP - PRELIMINARY HEATS.**

BISCA NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED ON ENTRY FORM.

Entrants must be born in Northern Ireland or resident three years in Northern Ireland, not having represented any other country within three years of the day of the Competition.

Competitors must report at 12.15 pm

Each competitor will be required to shear 5 sheep or any number of sheep predetermined by Chief Steward.

Entry Fees RUAS Member £8, Non-Member £10 [inc VAT] per shearer.

Only plain shearing vests may be worn where **SHOW SPONSORS** vests are not provided.

4.00 pm **'ROYAL ULSTER' NATIONAL SHEEP SHEARING CHAMPIONSHIP - FINAL**

Each competitor will be required to shear 10 sheep or any number of sheep predetermined by Chief Steward.

The 'Ringer' Perpetual Challenge Trophy, presented by Maurice Megahey, for the competitor scoring most points in the 'Royal Ulster' Shearing Championship.

1st, Gold Medal and £100; 2nd, Silver Medal and £75; 3rd, Bronze Medal and £50; 4th, £25; 5th, £15.



THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF WOOLMEN has presented a Perpetual Cup, Medal and £100 prize which will be awarded to the competitor gaining the best board mark in the 'Royal Ulster' Championship.

GOLDEN SHEARERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS WALES JULY 2010

The winner of The Royal Ulster National Championships will captain the team and the highest placed Northern Ireland Shearer in the Ulster Wools Open competition will be the second.

GLENFARM HOLDINGS LIMITED are the main sponsors of the team to represent Northern Ireland in Wales 2010. Additional sponsors are: NFU Mutual & Ulster Wool Growers Limited.



SIX NATIONS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

The 2010 Six Nations Championship will be held on 3rd and 4th June 2010 at the Royal Bath & West Show and the team to represent NI will be the top three shearers in the 2010 Royal Ulster National Championship with the winner acting as team captain.



THURSDAY 13th MAY 2010

ROYAL ULSTER SHEARING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Note: Competitors will be required to shear a number of sheep as predetermined by Chief Steward. Competitors will only be able to shear in their classified category as set out in the Spring 2010 edition of Newsclip. **Competitors may only enter in one of the Sections below.**

BISCA NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED ON ENTRY FORM

Only plain shearing vests may be worn where Show Sponsors vests are not provided.

ENTRY FEE [INC VAT]

RUAS Member - Junior £6; Intermediate £8; Senior £10; Open £17
Non - Member - Junior £8; Intermediate £10; Senior £12; Open £19

9.00 am

PRELIMINARY HEATS

Competitors must report NO LATER THAN 8.30 am. Junior competition will start at 9.00 am sharp (please note that traffic around Balmoral is very busy at this time therefore you should leave extra time to get to the Show Grounds)

2.00 pm

SEMI - FINALS AND FINALS

4.30 pm

FINAL - OPEN

- JUNIOR** - 1st, Edwin Adams Trophy & £75; 2nd, £50; 3rd, £25; 4th, £15; 5th, £10
- INTERMEDIATE** - 1st, Malcolm Fraser Trophy & £100; 2nd, £75; 3rd, £50; 4th, £25; 5th, £15
Sponsored by Net-Tex Industries Limited.
- SENIOR** - 1st, Wallace Boyd Trophy & £150; 2nd, £100; 3rd, £60; 4th, £40; 5th £30
Sponsored by Net-Tex Industries Limited.
- OPEN** - 1st, Gartree Trophy, & £500; 2nd, £250; 3rd, £200; 4th, £150; 5th, £100
Sponsored by Ulster Wool Growers Limited.
- Special Award £100 for the best pen mark in heats or final



The Worshipful Company of Woolmen has offered the following prizes - £50 and a £50 voucher for further shearing training to the highest placed Northern Ireland Junior shearer holding either a blue or bronze seal only and under 26 years on 1st May in the current year. The next highest placed eligible Northern Ireland shearer will receive a £50 voucher for further training.

The Junior Competition is a qualifier for the **Worshipful Company of Woolmen** Junior Competition Final to be held at the Royal Welsh Show with £1300 prize money on offer. There will be a final shear off, of 10 shearers, 1st prize £350 and minimum prize £100.

As a means of encouragement to Junior and Intermediate shearers **LISTER SHEARING EQUIPMENT LIMITED** has offered prizes for each of the finalists in the Junior and Intermediate Championships. All finalists in these Championships will receive a Special Trophy and a Lister shearing vest.

THE LISTER COMPANY will also supply the shearing machines and technical support for all the shearing competitions at the Show. Grinding machines will not, however, be available.

Thursday 13th May results will contribute to the NI Net-Tex Colate Sheep Shearing Circuit, 2010.



FRIDAY 14th MAY 2010

**ULSTER WOOLS
WOOL HANDLING COMPETITION**

WOOL HANDLING OFFICIALS

Chief Steward: Robert Harkness

Commentator: Brian Megahey

Sheep Steward: Brendan Kelly

Scorekeeper: Gerard Kelly

Timekeeper: Rosemary Harkness

Stewards: Edwin Adams, Joanna Boyd, Wallace Boyd, Jayne Harkness-Bones, Diane Jones,
William Jones, Gareth Kelly, Seamus Kelly, Ian Montgomery, & Maurice Megahey.

PANEL OF JUDGES:- WOOL HANDLING

Wallace Boyd

Brian Jones

Dave Turner

Malcolm Fraser

Robin Kennedy

COMPETITORS MUST REPORT NO LATER THAN 10.15 am

Entry Fees RUAS Member £8, Non-Members £10 [inc VAT]

11.00 am PRELIMINARY HEATS (3 SHEEP PER COMPETITOR OR ANY NUMBER
OF SHEEP PREDETERMINED BY CHIEF STEWARD)

3.00 pm FINAL (4 SHEEP PER COMPETITOR OR ANY NUMBER OF SHEEP
PREDETERMINED BY CHIEF STEWARD)

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Prize Money kindly donated by **Ulster Wool Group**.

1st £100, 2nd £60, 3rd £40, 4th £30, 5th £20, 6th £10

Special Prize £25 - for the best Northern Ireland Novice Wool Handler

Special Prize £25 - for the best Northern Ireland Open Wool Handler

(Both Awards are kindly Sponsored by **NISSA**).

GOLDEN SHEARERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS WALES JULY 2010

The top two of The Northern Ireland wool handlers will complete the team to represent
NI in the World Championship, Wales 2010.

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