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Whitehart Texel gimmer hits 4700gns at Worcester

Saturday's (11th August) joint production sale from the Loosebeare, Whitehart and Hendre Texels flocks saw a 96% clearance and a top call of 4700gns paid for a gimmer from the Whitehart flock of Jim and Nicki Hartwright, Bromyard, Herefordshire, with others at 4200gns and 3600gns.

Leading the way was HWN1703337, a twin born daughter of the noted Loosebeare Voomer out of a dam by Humeston River Dance. This gimmer caught the eye of a number of breeders present, selling after a spirited bidding war to the Thomas family, Whitland, for their Onnen flock.

Following her at 4200gns was the best of the Loosebeare consignment from the Quick family in the form of QEL1707901, a daughter of the former Lanark champion Ballynahone Winner and out of a dam by Mossknowe United. This ET born shearling is from one of the best show families at Loosebeare and sold to Robin Orr and family for the Halbeath flock, Fife.

Then making 3600gns was another from the Loosebeare pen, QEL1707953, a Douganhill Whisky Mac daughter out of a dam by Courthill Valentino. This one sold in a two-way split to the Orr family, Fife, and David and Thomas Bradley-Farmer, Dumfriesshire.

The first lot of the day took the next top call, with this being another from Loosebeare, QEL1707897. Another by Whisky Mac, she is out of a dam by Glenside Klassy and had been in the flock's show team for the year, standing second at Devon County. She sold to David and Thomas Bradley-Farmer, Dumfriesshire.

And selling for 2000gns was QEL1707839, another Loosebeare gimmer, this time by the homebred Loosebeare Voomer. She's out of a Loosebeare Rebel daughter and was taken by the Bradley-Farmer brothers again.

Close behind at 1850gns was the first of the day from the Whitehart flock, HWN1703490, another by Voomer and this time out of a Humeston River Dance daughter. She is from one of the best family's at Whitehart and sold to Ed Page, Ripon.

Then at 1700gns was another from Whitehart, HWN1703510, a twin-born Strawfrank Wild Thing daughter out of a Langside The Gaffer daughter, with this one selling to Peter Mitchell, Tewkesbury, for the Avon Dale flock.

Two further females then sold at 1450gns, with the first being HWN1703545 from the Whitehart flock. This is another by Wild Thing and out of a dam by Cherryvale Shergar. She was the choice of W L Braund, Holsworthy.

The second at this money was QEL1708051 from the Quick family. This Whitehart Taylor Made daughter is out of a dam by Loosebeare Saviour and sold back to the south west, being bought by M Davis, Tiverton.

And a brace then sold at 1300gns too. First to make this money was QEL1707913, a Knock Will.I.Am daughter out of a dam by Fordafourie Power Pack. She was bought by W L Braund, Holsworthy.

And the other at this price was the last of the day, HWN1703556, a twin-born gimmer from the Hartwrights. This Douganhill Whisky Mac daughter is out of a Langside The Gaffer daughter and sold to the Dorrell family, Shrawley, Worcestershire.

Averages; 24 Loosebeare gimmers £1333.93, 25 Whitehart gimmers £1261.68, six Hendre gimmers £612.50 (McCartneys).