

North East Live



Saturday 4th October 2025

LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE & ENTRY FORM

North East Live @ Darlington Farmers Auction Mart, DL2 2XX



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‘Get fed for a Fiver’

Pre-Show Shin Dig

We are inviting all livestock and trade exhibitors to join us in Dot’s Café on the Friday evening prior to North East Live for food and a social evening.

This event is open to exhibitors and sponsors only

Please state on one of your entry forms how many people you would like to attend ‘Fed for a Fiver’

We would like to thank Dot’s Café for sponsoring us by generously subsidising the food at this event.

Food served

6pm to 7.30pm

(Pay on the evening please)



2025 Judges

Pedigree Calves

Ruby Wright, Doncaster

Baby Beef

Gavin Scott, Linlithgow

Commercial Cattle

Colin Phillips, Hereford

Mule Gimmer Lambs

Sam Myers, Bransdale

Butchers Lambs

Andrew Atkinson, Harrogate

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Friday 3rd October

Arrival of Livestock 12 noon to 4pm

Weighing of Livestock 2pm to 4pm

Saturday 4th October

8.30am start - Order of Judging as below

Class	CATTLE CLASSES
1	Pedigree Continental Breed Bull Calf born in 2025
2	Pedigree Native Breed Bull Calf born in 2025
3	Pedigree Continental Breed Heifer Calf born in 2025
4	Pedigree Native Breed Heifer Calf born in 2025
a) Followed by - Champion & Reserve Pedigree Calf from the winners of Classes 1-4	
5	Baby Steer born in 2025 (max 400kg)
6	Baby Heifer born in 2025 (max 400kg)
b) Followed by - Baby Beef Champion & Reserve from Classes 5-6	
7	Steer or Heifer sired by a registered Native bull
8	Steer sired by a registered Limousin bull
9	Steer sired by a registered British Blue bull
10	Steer sired by any other Continental or Cross Bred bull
c) Followed by - Champion & Reserve Steer from Classes 8-10 (and possibly 7)	
11	Heifer sired by a registered Limousin bull
12	Heifer sired by a registered British Blue bull
13	Heifer sired by any other Continental or Cross Bred bull
d) Followed by - Champion & Reserve Heifer from Classes 11-13 (and possibly 7)	
e) Followed by Overall Champion and Reserve from Classes C & D	

PRIZE MONEY				
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
1 - 13	£100	£50	£30	£20
Classes A, B, C & D	£150	£50	X	X
Overall Championship	£800	£200	X	X

Note - The organisers reserve the right to split classes 1-13 into classes of no more than 9. Class 7 may be split in to steers and heifers whereas classes 1-4 will, if necessary, be split by breed and classes 5-13 (excluding 7) will be split by weight.

Entries may be capped due to space and in such instance be dealt with on a first come first served basis.

Max number guide - 30x Pedigree Calves / 30x Baby Beef / 65x Commercial Beef

Friday 3rd October

Arrival of Livestock 12 noon to 4pm

Weighing of Livestock 2pm to 4pm

Saturday 4th October

10.00am start - Order of Judging as below



Sheep Timetable

Class	SHEEP CLASSES
15	Pair of North of England Mule Ewe Lambs (trimmed or otherwise)
16	Pair of Native Down/Shortwool Breed Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed or otherwise)
17	Pair of Native Hill/Mountain/Longwool Breed Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed or otherwise)
a) Followed by Champion & Reserve Native Breed Lambs from the winners of classes 16-17	
18	Pair of Texel Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed/dressed or otherwise)
19	Pair of Beltex or Dutch Texel Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed/dressed or otherwise)
20	Pair of Blue Texel or Dutch Spotted Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed/dressed or otherwise)
21	Pair of Any Other Continental Sired Lambs any weight (trimmed/dressed or otherwise)
b) Followed by Champion & Reserve Continental Lambs from the winners of classes 18-21	
22	Pair of Butchers Lambs Any Breed (untrimmed) 79kg and under
23	Pair of Butchers Lambs Any Breed (untrimmed) 80kg to 89kg
24	Pair of Butchers Lambs Any Breed (untrimmed) 90kg to 99kg
25	Pair of Butchers Lambs Any Breed (untrimmed) 100kg and over
c) Followed by Champion & Reserve Butchers Lambs from the winners of classes 22-25	
d) Followed by Overall Champion & Reserve from Classes A, B & C	

PRIZE MONEY				
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
15 - 25	£50	£25	£15	£10
Classes A, B & C	£75	£50	X	X
Overall Championship	£800	£200	X	X

Note - The organisers reserve the right to split classes 15-25 into classes of no more than 12 entries, if necessary, by weight or vendor or by breed. Entries may be moved classes at the organiser's discretion according to weight or breed if found to be not matching the original entry.

Calling all Young Handlers,

after a busy summer showing it is our belief here at North East Live that you are all now ready to...

‘Show up your grown up’

We are keen to encourage the next generation at North East Live and will always endeavour to do so. In 2025 we will again reward the youngsters with the generous help of our sponsors. Due to multiple judges operating across the day the responsibility of awarding prizes will be in the hands of selected members of the North East Live staff. The youngsters will be observed all day and awarded the following prizes in both the cattle and sheep rings.

1st £100 - 2nd £50 - 3rd £30 - 4th £20

Qualifying age - Under 21

Entry Form – Sheep (please fill in one form per entry)

CLASS NUMBER	EXHIBITOR NAME
EXHIBITOR ADDRESS	EXHIBITOR ADDRESS
EXHIBITOR EMAIL	EXHIBITOR TELEPHONE
BREED	HOME BRED Y/N
 	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
BREEDERS NAME/ADDRESS	ENTRY FEE
 	<p>£10 (+VAT) = £12.00</p> <p>PAID BY:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BACS <input type="radio"/> CHEQUE</p>

Please reserve _____ tickets for ‘Fed for a Fiver’

All entry forms must be returned no later than 30th August 2025 to North East Live, DFAM, Humbleton Park, Darlington, DL2 2XX or emailed to Stephen@dfam.co.uk

The appropriate entry fees must be paid

by cheque payable to ‘The Darlington Farmers Auction Mart’ or by BACS to The Darlington Farmers Auction Mart a/c 31734668 sort code 30-84-43
Please use your surname as a reference if paying by BACS

I have read and understood the rules, terms and conditions

Signed _____ Date _____

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Please clearly state below bank details to receive payment

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Entry Form – Cattle (please fill in one form per entry)

EXHIBITOR NAME		EXHIBITOR ADDRESS	
EXHIBITOR EMAIL			
EXHIBITOR TELEPHONE		NAME OF ANIMAL	
EAR TAG No		CLASS NO.	HOME BRED
			<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
BREED & ANIMAL D.O.B		BREEDERS NAME/ADDRESS	
BREED OF SIRE			
NAME OF SIRE		TB STATUS	ENTRY FEE
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Rules, Terms & Conditions

- All cattle and sheep to arrive between 12 noon and 4pm on Friday 3rd October 2025.
- All stock must be weighed. Weighing of stock will be held between 1pm and 4pm on Friday 3rd October 2025.
- All entry forms must be returned no later than 30th August 2025 to North East Live, DFAM, Humbleton Park, Darlington, DL2 2XX or emailed to Stephen@dfam.co.uk
- The appropriate entry fees must be paid by cheque payable to 'The Darlington Farmers Auction Mart' or by BACS to The Darlington Farmers Auction Mart a/c 31729068 sort 30-84-43
- No entry will be valid without the appropriate payment
- Entry Fees Cattle £20 plus VAT (£24) per entry
- Entry Fees Sheep £10 plus VAT (£12) per entry
- A maximum of 2 entries in any one class are permitted by any one exhibitor
- All livestock must be identified and be moved within current Defra regulations
- No animal/s may be entered in more than one class
- Exhibitors will be allocated entry tickets ahead of the show
- All sheep, baby beef and pedigree cattle entries must have been born in the year of the show
- Cattle - Exhibitors must state if their cattle are from a high-risk TB area on the entry form, those requiring a pre-movement TB test must bring with them a current TB test certificate

- Cattle - All cattle must be accompanied by their official passport, entry will be refused without
- All sheep must be accompanied by a current DEFRA sheep licence
- Sheep - There will be no MV accredited section in place
- Sheep - No entire tup lambs will be accepted, ewe lambs must be empty
- Sheep - Entries in the un-trimmed classes may have their tails 'squared off' however no further dressing will be permitted
- All exhibitors are responsible for the accuracy of their entry form, any dispute will be dealt with by the organisers, their decision will be final
- Cattle - All cattle must be halter led in the judging rings by a competent person.
- Sheep - All sheep handlers must be competent and have the physical ability to control their sheep at all times.
- Cattle - If any animal entered in the baby beef classes are over the weight limit of 400kg they will be moved in to the appropriate breed class.
- Cattle - No animal will be moved in to the baby beef class regardless of weight if it is not entered in the Baby Beef originally. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure their animals are entered in the correct class.
- Disclaimer - In the absence of any negligence or other breach of duty by us, North East Live and its officers shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss howsoever caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant or to any animal, article or property exhibited or brought on to the show by him." Each exhibitor shall indemnify North East Live from and against all actions, suits, expenses or claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury however caused.
- Insurance - By completing the entry form you indemnify North East Live that on or from the date of application up to and including the end of the show the applicant will hold valid insurance to insure against loss or damage caused to any person or property to a minimum value of £2 million.
- The event organisers reserve the right to disqualify any entry deemed to have broken the show rules, in the event that this entry is a prize-winner the other entries in its class will be promoted

- All entries must be the sole property of the exhibitor/s at the time of entry with the exception of class 15
- All animals may be subject to a veterinary inspection, any animal showing signs of contagious or notifiable disease will be placed in isolation and cannot come forward to show
- The exhibitors and their appointed stock attendants are responsible for the wellbeing and cleanliness of their animals at all times
- Exhibitors must provide food and the appropriate feeding and drinking troughs/vessels. Straw and water will be provided.
- **No cattle washing facilities will be available after showing begins**
- No animals will be permitted to leave before 4.30pm on Saturday 4th October
- Space will be allocated for livestock exhibitor parking & camping; caravans/tents are welcomed for exhibitors only
- **Please can we remind all exhibitors that this is a public event and that everyone involved has a duty to promote agriculture in a positive light. We encourage good sportsmanship and positive interaction with spectators; neither aggressive or unsportsmanlike behaviour will be tolerated in any way, shape or form**



Castle Farm
Vets

RELEASE DATE:

1st July 2025



PRESS RELEASE



Castle Farm Vets are extremely proud to be the frontline main sponsor for the second consecutive year of the **North East Live Show at Darlington Farmers Auction Mart** this Autumn.

The event offers a new major date for the **commercial showing calendar** and is a great opportunity to showcase the best of what **North East agriculture** has to offer as well as seeing an **excellent selection** of trade stands in an outstanding venue.



ABOUT US

Castle Farm Vets are a **dedicated 100% farm animal practice** offering a **comprehensive clinical service** to all farms in the North East of England as well as a complete advanced breeding service throughout the United Kingdom from our bases in **Barnard Castle, Darlington, Malton and Selby**.

Our team will be **present throughout the show** and very much look forward to seeing you there.



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Monday Livestock Sales Schedule

All Classes of Pigs
9.15am

Cast Cows, OTM's, Stock Bulls
9.30am

Breeding Cattle
11am

Feeding Bulls and Store Cattle
11am

Store & Breeding Sheep
10.30am

Thursday Livestock Sales Schedule

Prime Bulls - 9.30am

Cast Cows & OTM - 10.20am

Prime Steers & Heifers - 10.30am

Prime Sheep - 1pm

Cast Ewes & Rams - 3pm

Machinery and Farm Dispersal Sales

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John Wharton - 07912 946549 *Auctioneer*
Oliver Chapman - 07887 653442 *Auctioneer*

Megan Dowson - 07471823606 *Trainee Auctioneer*
Stephen Dodsworth - 07946 514 154 *Fieldsperson*
Tracey Gilhespy - 07867 974 688 *Fieldsperson*



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