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Rendells Chagford Livestock Market Report Sale of Breeding Sheep and Poultry on Saturday 8th August 2026



Rendells Auctioneers report a strong trade, considering the current concerns surrounding Bluetongue and the continued dry weather, with a fantastic number of sheep entered for our first of three sales, held in the traditional setting of Ashburton Sheep Field opposite Peartree. Numbers were up on last year's sale, with 380 store lambs, 162 ewes, 15 rams, and the eagerly awaited new addition of a poultry sale featuring 40 cages and over 120 birds. All sections attracted huge crowds, with new buyers and supporters helping to maintain a strong and enthusiastic trade throughout.

Store Lambs

The store lamb trade was strong and held up well, considering that the previous week's drop in prices at other local markets causing some concern. The sale of store lambs averaged £109.50 per lamb across the board with the top call of £129.50 for S Butcher, Ponsworthy, with his Hampshire cross lambs, followed by prices of £125, £124, and £120 for J Harper of Kayton, M Shergold of Totnes sold to £114, while R G Palmer of Lustleigh sold his pens of store lambs to £112. Many other pens looked very well sold at £107, £105, £104 and £102.

Breeding Ewes

A good number of breeding ewes were entered; however, with recent Bluetongue outbreaks, it was advised that any breeding ewes coming to market should be BTV vaccinated to allow buyers to bid with confidence. Top price was £180 for P Smerdon of Rattery with his shearing Suffolk Mules. Jacob ewes, both six-tooth and full-mouth, sold to £160 each for R D Partridge of Teignmouth. Wensleydale-cross shearlings sold to a top of £110 for H Bond & Daughters, while Whitefaced Dartmoor hogs topped out at £82 from the same home.

August Sales	
Thursday 20th August	Chagford Show
Saturday 22nd August	Ayliffe Retirement Sale – Higher Staplehill Farm Catalogue available on www.rendells.co.uk or call 01647 432277
Saturday 29th August	Chagford Sale of Sheep, Machinery and Sundries Catalogue available on www.rendells.co.uk or call 01647 432277
September Sales	
Wednesday 2nd September	Newton Abbot Livestock Market – June Fair sale of Prime & Store Cattle plus, Lambs, Hogs & Ewes Accepting Entries & Competitive Commission Rates
Saturday 12th September	South Devon Collective Machinery Sale - Wifford, Bovey Tracey Catalogue available on www.rendells.co.uk or call 01626 353881 for further information
Saturday 19th September	Ashburton Breeding Sheep Sale
Saturday 26th September	Chagford Sale of Sheep, Machinery and Sundries Catalogue available on www.rendells.co.uk or call 01626 353881 for further information
October Sales	
Saturday 3rd October	P & H J Rusden – Farm Machinery & Equipment Catalogue available on www.rendells.co.uk or call 01647 432277
Wednesday 7th October	Newton Abbot Livestock Market – July Fair sale of Prime & Store Cattle plus, Lambs, Hogs & Ewes Accepting Entries & Competitive Commission Rates
Thursday 8th October	First Chagford Pony Sale
Saturday 17th October	Ashburton Breeding Sheep and Store Lamb Sale
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