

Chairpersons Annual Report - 2021

The chairperson, Roy Campbell, said it was hard to believe it was only six months since members last met at an AGM, during that time the Society has held the Texel national show – Extravaganza, and successful shows and sales.

“I thank everyone that supported and attended those events, whether exhibiting, selling and buying or just socialising.

“iTexel is going from strength to strength, it has been an immense help to the office staff, during this year alone the Society has introduced online transfers, the inbreeding predictor and entering sales online, the Society has done what it set out to do and is doing it well.

“Continued investment in promotions has been highly successful, the autumn bulletin is fantastic, it has taken us to another level, and I thank everyone involved in its development and production.

“While there were no world records this year, Society, Club and major commercial sales saw good clearance rates. At Kelso Texel’s accounted for 41% of the sale value, while at the main NSA ram sale, Builth Wells, the breed took 37% of the sale value.

“This year was the first time the breed has achieved the highest average at Kelso. The latest GB Sheep Breeds Survey showed that across GB 27.2% sires are Texel, showing how important the breed is to the industry.

“I extend my thanks to the CEO and Jonathan Long for their work on promotions and publicity for us, and the office staff who make our day-to-day job of being a board of directors so much easier.

“Thanks also go to the board, old and new, we have a second board meeting tomorrow and I am very much looking forward to working with the new directors. I am also sad to see one board member stepping down as Andy Barr ends his term tonight. I thank Andy for all his hard work over these years, four of which were as honorary treasurer and as the Society’s breed representative on the Sheep and Goat Health Scheme advisory committee.

“Andy has worked tirelessly over the past three years while the Society has been spending so much money. His dedication has been appreciated.”

The chairman concluded by asking for any comments or questions. None were forthcoming.