

Ceiriog Valley Sheepdog Trials and Show 2019 – Results

SHEEPDOG TRIALS:

Class 3 Local:

2nd Joe Lloyd, Pontfadog (Points-33) with Bill
1st Rheinallt Hughes, Llanarmon (Points 29) with Roy
Best Outrun: Joe Lloyd with Bill
Best Command: Elgar Hughes with Meg

Class 2 Novice:

Joint 5th E. Wyn Edwards, Ruthin with Robyn & Cyril Roberts, Llanwddyn with Becca (Points 23)
4th Gethin Jones, Llanarmon (Points-18) with Craig
3rd Brynley Williams, Holywell (Points-8) with Jac
2nd Barry Hopwood, Mold (Points-7) with Peg
1st Alun Jones, Selattyn (Points-6) with Denwyn Hemp

Class 1 Open:

5th Cyril Roberts, Llanwddyn (Points 23) with Roy
4th E. Wyn Edwards, Ruthin (Points 17) with Fflei
3rd Henry Hughes, Welshpool (Points 14) with Glen
2nd Bryn Davies, Bryneglwys (Points 12) with Lad
1st Glyn Jones, Llanarmon (Points 9) with Jock

Best Conditioned Working Sheepdog: *Barry Hopwood, Mold with Dell*

SHEEP:

Welsh Mountain Hill Flock Section – Judge: Mr. Alwyn Rees, Machynlleth

Ram, any age – **Glyn Jones & Sons**, Llanarmon D.C
Shearling Ram – **Alwyn Morris**, Llanarmon D. C
Ram Lamb - **Aled Jones**, Llanarmon
Two Ewes – **Aled Jones**, Llanarmon D.C
Two Shearling Ewes – **Glyn Jones & Sons**, Llanarmon D. C
Two Ewe Lambs – **Alwyn Morris**, Llanarmon D.C

Group of One Ram Lamb and Two Ewe Lambs – **Aled Jones**, Llanarmon D.C
Group of One Ram, Two Ewes, Two Shearling Ewes,
Two Ewe Lambs and One Ram Lamb – **Aled Jones**, Llanarmon D.C
Group of Two Ewes, Two Shearling Ewes and Two Ewe Lambs – **Aled Jones**, Llanarmon D.C
Two Butchers Lambs – **Glyn Jones & Sons**, Llanarmon D. C

Champion – **Glyn Jones & Sons**, Llanarmon D. C

Rare and Minority Breeds- Judge: Mr. Bob Williams, Groes, Denbigh

Ram aged 2 years or over – **Owen & Elis Martin-Jones**, Nantyr
Ram Lamb – **Heather Kirby, Overton**
Aged Ewe – **Jane Mitchell**, Glyn Ceiriog
Shearling Ewe – **Heather Kirby, Overton**
Ewe Lamb – **Heather Kirby, Overton**
Group of Three, one Male, two Female, any age – **Heather Kirby, Overton**

Champion – **Heather Kirby, Overton**

Bluefaced Leicester - Judge: Mr. Maldwyn Davies, Bylchau, Denbigh

Ram any age – **Dafydd Edwards**, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant
Shearling Ram – **Dafydd Edwards**, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant
Ram Lamb – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C
Aged Ewe – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C
Shearling Ewe – **Taliestyn Davies, Rhiwlas**
Ewe Lamb – **Taliestyn Davies, Rhiwlas**

Champion – **Dafydd Edwards**, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant

Welsh Mule & Halfbred - Judge: Mr. Maldwyn Davies, Bylchau, Denbigh

Two Shearling Ewes – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C
Two Ewe lambs - **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C

Champion – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C

Any Other Breed (Inc. Welsh Improved) - Judge: Mr. Bob Williams, Groes, Denbigh

Ram any age – **Aled Davies**, Rhiwlas
Shearling Ram – **Tecwyn Thomas & Sons, Llansilin**
Ram Lamb – **J T Edwards, Llangollen**
Ewe any age – **Tecwyn Thomas & Sons, Llansilin**
Shearling Ewe – **Aled Jones**, Llangollen
Ewe Lamb – **J T Edwards, Llangollen**

Champion – **Aled Jones**, Llangollen

Cross Bred - Judge: Mr. Bob Williams, Groes, Denbigh

Two Ewe Lambs – **E. Jones & Sons**, Froncysyllte

Two Butchers Lambs – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C

Champion – **David Edwards**, Llanarmon D.C

Interbreed Sheep Competition – Judge: Mr. Gareth Jones, Whittington

Group of Two: One Male, One Female of Same Pure Breed – **Norman Green**, Pandy

Interbreed Champion – **Dafydd Edwards**, Llanrhaeadr Y. M

Best Exhibit of Sex Opposite to that of Interbreed Champion – **Aled Jones**, Bank Farm, Llangollen

Young Handler 7-11 – **Glesni Jones**, Llanarmon D. C

Young handler 12-16 – **Llyr Jones**, Froncysyllte

Overall Winner – **Glesni Jones**, Llanarmon D. C

COMPANION DOG SHOW:

Best Puppy – Candy, a Beagle owned by **Helen Greenough**, Minera

Best Novelty – Layla, a Rottweiler owned by **Tony Robinson**, Glyn Ceiriog

Best Conditioned (Ceiriog Valley) – Deer Hound owned by **Eleanor Cooke**, Glyn Ceiriog

Best in Show – Rosie, a Rough Collie owned by **Jan Williams**, Oswestry

The View of the Field

After a very wet start the sun showed its face on the fields at Tal y Garth and brought a good crowd of people to the show.

The sheepdogs and their handlers battled through the rain at the start of the Open and the day went well with Glyn Jones, Llanarmon winning with his dog Jock. On Friday the Local was won by Rheinallt Hughes, Llanarmon with Roy and the Novice was won by Alun Jones, Selattyn with Denwyn Hemp.

It has been an unusual year for us with some big changes. Due to the number of entries this year it was the first time that no runs were held on Ty'n y Groes which was the original field for the trials since starting in 1903. We would like to thank Gareth Thomas and his family for the long-standing use of the field and look forward to being with them again next year.

We had a record number of entries in the sheep section with Overall Interbreed champion being won by Dafydd Edwards, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant.

The shearing always draws a crowd and was judged this year by the current World Champion, Richard Jones. The Contractors competition was won by Tomos Jones, Penybont Fawr and the Farmers competition by Owen Martin-Jones of Nantyr, Glyn Ceiriog.

The Young farmers put on games and competitions that always add a bit of fun to the field.

We were very sad to announce that the horse show had been cancelled due to the outbreak of Equine Flu. The committee held an emergency meeting on August 8 after being informed that the horse section was being withdrawn. Unlike many other shows, the Ceiriog Valley Show is held on the site of a fully operational livery yard and, as such, we cannot risk introducing Equine Flu to the pasture. Whilst many owners vaccinate their animals we simply cannot take the risk, therefore, reluctantly, the decision was taken to withdraw the horse show this year.

The committee and its officials send our sincere apologies out to all those who were disappointed by this decision but hope you can understand that we are in the singular position of having a responsibility to our landlords and their business, as well as the wellbeing of the horses that normally graze on the show field. We did however introduce a number of new features, with a view to keeping an exciting and varied programme on the field, including Hawkeye Falconry, Dog Agility, Axe-Throwing, Croesoswallt Archery, Woodcrafting, Chainsaw Sculpture and Children's Rides. The atmosphere was fantastic and the activities were loved by young and old alike. There are some great pictures on the show's Facebook page. The society would like to pay special thanks to Mr. Jeff Eamens of Tal y Garth for the generous gesture of sponsoring the falconry.

Heartfelt thanks go out to all our volunteers and contributors. The committee works all year on planning the show and thanks go out to those who attend the meetings. There is no show without the decision makers and it always makes a heart-warming impact to see the wider collective come together every year and work hard to make it a great day celebrating the countryside and our exceptional community. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

