

Mullingar Show

Following on from a very successful Belclare All-Ireland Championship at Clonmel the previous week, the Rathkenty Flock had another weekend to remember by taking home the red rosette in three of the four Belclare classes as well as the Supreme Championship.

The first class of the day and the Supreme Championship went the way of the Lalor's homebred aged ram. This ram who had won his second All-Ireland Aged Ram Championship in Clonmel, was also winning at the Mullingar Show for the second consecutive year. Second place went the way of Liam and Eoin Dunnes 2014 born stock ram while third place went to Eunan and Mark Bannon's stock ram Rathkenty Apocalypse.

Another All-Ireland winner to take home the red rosette was Richard and John Lalors Rathkenty Circe in the Ewe Lamb class. This well grown January born lamb is a maternal sister to the 2016 Premier Sale Supreme Champion and the 2015 Premier Sale Reserve Champion, so is certainly bred to be successful in the show ring.

The ram lamb class provided the Lalors with another winner, this time with Rathkenty Calypso. This ram lamb, sired by last year's Premier Sale Champion Rathkenty Beethoven was making his first appearance in the show ring. In second place was another Lalor ram, this time Rathkenty Coogee, a triplet born January lamb. This was the third week in a row the Rathkenty flock had supplied the first two in the ram lamb classes, and remarkably the winner on each occasion has been a different lamb. Third prize went to a ram lamb from the Tubber Flock of Liam and Eoin Dunne.

The Aged ewe class provided Liam and Eoin Dunne with a red rosette, taking the class with a very stylish homebred ewe. This ewe later went on to take the Overall Reserve Belclare Championship. The Dunnes also took the second prize in this class, with a twin sister of the winner. The third placed yellow rosette went the way of Eunan and Mark Bannons ewe.



