

Early ewes and lambs on parade at Skipton

Skipton Auction Mart staged a show for 'early' ewes with lambs at foot. (Mon, March 29)

Anthony Thompson, of Foulridge, sent out the first prize pair of Texel-x-Beltex ewes with single Beltex lambs, acquired at £170 per outfit by judge James Farrington, of Helmsley.

Mr Thompson also exhibited the show's top-priced pen of two Beltex ewes with twin lambs, sold at £250 each to M Jennings, Halifax.

The second class of five ewes with lambs at foot was won by a pen of Texel ewes, all with twin lambs, from Nick Dalby, of Hartwith, Harrogate. They joined FA Holmes & Sons, Otley, for £172 per outfit.



Anthony Thompson, right, with his Skipton ewes and lambs pairs champions, joined by fiancée Emma Dalby and show judge and buyer James Farrington, Helmsley.



Nick Dalby, centre, winner of the five ewes with lambs class is Skipton, is congratulated by show judge James Farrington, Helmsley. Left is shepherdess Eleanor Bradley.