



Hampshire Down

SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION UK



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On Friday 5th October some 50 Hampshire Down enthusiasts (from UK, Belgium & Holland) met up at the 'Hampshire Hotel Bon' Aparte' near Lochem, for a social weekend of visits & events



On Saturday we visited the Ada Hoffman water gardens (top) and then our coach took us on to Ben & Tiny Nederhoed's

Ben with his ewes & (above) our welcome at the farm





Ben's Ewe Lambs

Clog Dancing



...off to a farm museum where we were entertained by a group of traditional clog dancers. Some of us even joined in!



Left: Our three senior judges off to prepare Sunday's competition



Sunday morning & a warm welcome at Harrie & Jo Roekevisch's farm



Some of Harrie's ewe flock



Jo, her daughter and Harry Westerinck made sure that we didn't go hungry or thirsty!



The competition: we had to judge a pen of rams & a pen of ewe lambs. Did our placings agree with Messrs Davies, Derryman & Ritchie?



We all had our thoughts....
Derek points out the salient points as Charles & Martyn keep control
.... and the winners were ~ Jean, Sally and Kevin.
Harrie offers his congratulations





What a wonderful way to spend a sunny Sunday morning in October!



It was time to go and Sally presented Harrie & Jo with a memento and gave them our collective, 'thank you'. Then back on the coach, 'Goodbye!' ...and off to the station and on to the airport or ferry and home once more.



The weekend was brilliant!
We had a great time, so thanks to all our Dutch hosts for their work organizing the programme .

