



# *Northern Region Open Day 2015*

The 2015 Northern Region Open Day will be held on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May** at the home of Mr & Mrs Simpson's Whitedale Flock of Jacob sheep at **10:30 am** in the grounds of:

**Burton Constable Hall, Skirlaugh, East Yorkshire, HU11 4LN**

"We bought our first Jacob sheep in 2009 at the Skipton Show and Sale, with never a thought that we would get to the number we have today (just over 200). They were bought to keep down the grass in our small paddocks. In the spring of 2010 we had the opportunity to rent six acres of grassland near home, but we would need a few more sheep. After asking members of the JSS we were told of some people in Kirkby Stephen who had bought some good stock at the 2009 sales to start a flock for their son, but due to family circumstances the flock was for sale, 19 ewes with lambs which we bought in May. We now had 25 ewes from established flocks. Since then we have continued to buy more sheep and several rams (some champions) which have produced good stock to join the flock.

We have started having our wool processed into knitting yarn and fabric for cushions and throws. We would like to move forward into larger quantities so that we can be more competitive.

We also have a herd of angora goats to give us mohair to blend with the Jacob wool.

The open day is to be held at Burton Constable Hall which is a fine Elizabethan mansion (700 years old) and is open to the public during the summer.

The parkland woods and lake extend to about 300 acres. We graze around 60 acres adjacent to the east and south of the hall."

## **On the day:**

Tea & Coffee on arrival in the riding school.

See the flock of Jacobs

Jacob x Blue-faced Leicester lambs

Stock rams penned with some progeny.

Hog roast lunch (our own Gloucester old spot pig)

Sheep racing

Chance to walk around the grounds and the stable block.

Anyone also interested in viewing the house, there is a special rate for JSS members on the day of £6 per adult and £3 per child.

There is also a café and gift shop next to where we will meet.

For those requiring accommodation there is a Premier Inn approximately 15 minutes away, opposite 'The Deep' in Hull, phone 08715278534.

There is also Burton Constable holiday park, either caravan, tent or lodges, contact no. 01964 562508

Or B & B @ Burton Lodge, Brandsburton, phone 01964 542847

Please complete the tear off slip below and return with a cheque made payable to

**“JSS Northern Region”** no later than **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** to:

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**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate below how many will be attending and whether you will be having lunch or not.

<b>Event:</b> Northern Region Open Day 2015 hosted by Mr & Mrs Simpson	<b>Number of Adults</b>	<b>Number of Children</b>	<b>Total cost</b>
<b>Open Day</b> (including lunch and access to the grounds) <b>Adults £7.50 Children £4</b>			
<b>Open Day</b> (not including lunch, but with access to the grounds) <b>Adults £4.00 Children £2</b>			