

**CONTINENTAL DORSET CLUB  
2007 ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2007  
HOLIDAY INN HOLIDOME, RICHMOND, INDIANA**

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 PM by President Tom Diel. Directors Larry Hunter, Melanie Barkley, Mike Galleher, Mike Reynolds and Frank Tiffany were in attendance. Director-elect John Monahan also joined the meeting. CDC Exec. Sec./Treas. Deb Hopkins was present. Tom Diel commended the group for their efforts in the past few months and welcomed new director John Monahan who will be replacing retiring director Mike Reynolds from the Western Region as of September 1, 2007.

**Secretary Minutes:** Deb Hopkins presented in writing the minutes from the 2006 CDC Fall-Teleconference Meeting held December 7, 2006. Larry Hunter moved to accept the minutes as written. Mike Galleher seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Deb Hopkins presented the financial report for the fiscal 2006-2007 year to date as of March 9, 2007. Total income is \$33,247.91, total expenses is \$58,634.23 for a current net cash loss of \$25,386.32. Account balances - Checking Account: \$6,253.69; Savings Account: \$5,942.55; CDC I: \$22,529.00; Downsborough Savings: \$756.54; Junior Association \$8,450.89 for total cash assets of \$43,932.67. Mike Reynolds moved to accept the treasurer's report. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion passed. Deb Hopkins also presented a proposed budget for 2007-2008 for the board to review as it goes through the meeting. Deb Hopkins also presented the accountants annual report for the 2005-2006 fiscal year for the director's records.

**CDC Stats:** Deb Hopkins presented the 2006-2007 statistics to date. As of March 8, 2007, 2332 head have been registered and 1169 head have been transferred. The registrations are up 94 head from the same period last year and the transfers are down 179 head from last year.

**Correspondence:** Emails from many breeders were received by the board prior to this meeting. A letter from Louisville judge Tom Brown had been received and responded to. A letter from the New England Sale Committee requesting to remain on the National Sale rotation was received as well as a proposal for a new breeder excellence program from Marlene Bell. All of this correspondence will be discussed further under the specific topic.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**-Dorset Futurity:** Melanie Barkley and Mike Galleher presented the 2007 Futurity Budget. Melanie Barkley brought up the possibility of adding West Virginia to the list of sales. Deb will update futurity rules and regulations to include the West Virginia Sale. Larry Hunter will be responsible for tattooing at Illinois, Cornbelt and Sedalia; Mike Reynolds for Reno; Melanie Barkley for Eastern Stud and West Virginia; Frank for New England and Deb Hopkins at Ohio.

**-Breed Standard:** Tom Diel reported that the committee has received a Dorset Excellence Program Proposal from Marlene Bell. Mike Reynolds moved to support the concept of the Dorset Excellence Program and to appoint a committee to present a final proposal to the board in July for approval in December. Larry Hunter seconded the motion. Motion carried. Tom Diel appointed Marlene Bell, Mike Galleher to the committee. Any other interested parties are also more than welcomed and to see Tom for appointment. The board discussed the current Ohio Breed Standard inspections. After going through the process this morning, taking in all the comments and emails of breeders, and in the best interest of the Dorset breed to continue making strides in the education of the Dorset breed standard, and to access where the breed stands today, the board took the following action. Mike Reynolds moved to rescind the decision to publish the data collected at the National Sale breed type inspections by individual lot numbers. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried. Mike Reynolds moved to compile and present data in a statistical compilation report to the members at the annual meeting. Frank Tiffany seconded. Motion carried. Deb Hopkins, Becky Peterson and Tom Diel will get data recorded and compiled into a presentable report for the membership tomorrow. Frank Tiffany moved to continue with the expanded breed standard inspections at the National Shows in Louisville and Nationals Sales to compile data and report to the membership and to also let the judge know at these events of any teeth or testicle soundness issues. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried. Certified judges list: Mike Galleher moved to accept Kenny Urban and Roger Snyder names to the list. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion carried. Tom Brown's name will be removed from the list at his own request. The board discussed the issue of selecting judges when their judging experience is not known by all. Mike Reynolds moved that with future certified judge applications to include a judging resume to be filled out by applicants and to try to compile resumes for current names on the list. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried.

**- Production Dorset Committee:** Melanie Barkley read a letter from the committee stating that they have been surveying the Dorset production sector to find ways to promote their product. They requested the backing of the CDC to pursue alternative marketing strategies. The board asked Melanie to respond to the committee of their continued support and to let the CDC know how they can be of help and also to inform them of the possibility of a production oriented sale at Sedalia.

**-Newsletter and Website:** Deb gave the financial report on the Winter 2007 Issue, which generated the most net income to date. Gross income was \$5519.50 and expenses were \$4198.16 for a net income on the issue of \$1321.34. Melanie Barkley moved to buy the Quark Express Program for the newsletter. Mike Galleher seconded. Motion carried. Frank Tiffany reported that he has been working on the on-line registration process and it is ready to be posted on the website. He is going to look at possibly putting a calculation process in. Deb and Frank are also working on getting the breeders

directory updated on the website that will be more current than every two years. Frank is also working on a program to supply pedigrees to members for online research purposes. Mike Reynolds moved to have the CDC purchase the domain name dorsets.org. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion carried. Deb Hopkins will get the name purchased.

**-All-American Junior Show:** Deb Hopkins reported that the 2007 All-American Junior Show will be July 6-8, 2007 at Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI. The Dorset exhibitors and their families will once again have a lunch on Saturday and Mike Galleher will conduct the breed standard education program. Deb would also like to thank Superior Farms and the Galleher Family for donating ewe lambs this year for the show. Deb will also send around a class sponsorship list during the annual meeting as we need to come up with almost \$2000 for the polled and horned show sponsorship. Mark Chapman and Kent Spilde were the first choices to judge the show.

**-National Junior Association:** Deb Hopkins reported that the Junior Association has an account balance of \$8,450.69. They will need to conduct another fund raiser in the near future to keep replenishing the scholarship fund as they are getting great participation in the program and are awarding two \$1000 scholarships per year. They are planning on having an informal meeting at the All-American and their Annual Meeting in Louisville in November.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**-2007-2008 Breeder Directory:** Banner Publishing is doing the directory for the CDC. They will be soliciting ads here at Ohio and have advertised in the newsletter. Deb also requested that members get all changes in contact information into the CDC office by the end of April.

**-Insurance Lawsuit:** Tom Diel had nothing to report different at this time.

**-Registry Program Update:** Melanie Barkley reported that she is ready to get the registry program into the CDC computer. We will need to purchase the program that the registry program is written in for the CDC and Deb will meet with her in May to get the data transferred into the new program on the CDC computer.

**-2007 Regional Junior Shows:** Sites and dates for the 2007 Regional Junior Dorset Shows are as follows: North Central-Iowa Junior Sheep Extravaganza June 10; New England-Northeast Youth Sheep Show July 20-22; Western-California State Fair August 15-19; Eastern-Harrisonburg, VA August 18; Great Plains-Tulsa State Fair September 29-30. Mike Galleher reported that the Great Lakes Show has just been finalized. It will be June 9<sup>th</sup> at Greenfield, IN held in conjunction with the Hancock County Showdown.

**-By-Law Change Revision:** Tom Diel presented the arbitration clause from the American Southdown Association for consideration. Larry Hunter moved to use the Southdown model for the development of the CDC arbitration clause with the final draft being presented at the next board meeting for approval to be brought forth before the membership at the 2008 annual meeting. Mike Galleher seconded. Motion carried.

**-A.I. and E.T. Policy:** After much discussion about the current policy in place and the ever increasing problem of getting DNA mappings done and the fact that control over AI and ET mating is more structured than natural mating, Mike Reynolds moved to eliminate the current A.I and E.T. DNA testing policy. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion carried. Deb Hopkins did request that she will be putting a new column on the registration forms to identify type of mating as the CDC still needs to know what kind of mating occurred and needs to continue to identify these mating in such manner on their registration certificates.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**-2008 Regional Junior Show Potential Sites:** Tentative regional show sites for 2008:

Great Lakes – Ohio State Fair

New England - Northeast Youth Sheep Show in July

North Central – open at this time

West – unknown at this time, possibly Oregon State Fair

East – Delaware site

Great Plains - Tulsa State Fair in early October/late September

**-2007 NAILE National Dorset Shows:** Deb Hopkins reported that she recently attended the Sheep Committee meeting in Louisville. Pen assigning was well received on the most part and will be done again. The first choice for judges this year's show are Polled-Greg Smith and Horned-Kyle Thayer. We still do not know what day the Dorsets will be showing in the open show but it will probably not be Monday.

**-2008 CDC Director Elections:** The Eastern and North Central Regions will be electing directors next winter. Both current directors, Larry Hunter and Melanie Barkley, are eligible for re-election as they are both on their first terms. Nominating committees will need to be made known to the office for announcement in the 2007 Fall newsletter.

**-2008 Annual Meeting & National Sale:** The national sale for both polled & horned will be held in conjunction with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale in Sedalia, Missouri June 25-28, 2008 at the Missouri State Fairgrounds. Deb Hopkins and Larry Hunter will get in contact with the Missouri Dorset Breeders to make arrangements for a national meeting time and site. Judge suggestions were as follows: Jeff Repasky, Jeremy Etzler, and Brad Angus. Deb Hopkins will send these names to sale management. The Dorset breeding sheep will be showing Wednesday and selling Friday. The wether type sheep will show Thursday and sell Saturday. Slick shorn classes will once again be offered as it was the last time the National was at Sedalia. Larry Hunter moved that all National Sales offer slick shorn classes. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried. Discussion on future sales was held. Melanie Barkley moved to have the 2009 National Sale in Reno. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion carried. Mike Galleher is going to approach Ohio to see what their feelings are not having the

National every third year as it does cause some problems with rotation of other interested sales. Mike will report at the December meeting.

**At this time the board went into executive session to discuss secretary's salary.**

**-Secretary's Salary:** Mike Reynolds moved to retain the secretary and increase her salary at 5%. Larry Hunter seconded. Motion carried.

**-Election of 2007-2008 Officers:** Larry Hunter nominated Tom Diel for President. Melanie Barkley seconded the nomination. Mike Reynolds nominated Melanie Barkley for President. Frank Tiffany seconded. Tom Diel declined the nomination at this time. Larry Hunter moved to have the secretary cast one ballot for Melanie Barkley. Frank Tiffany seconded. Melanie Barkley was elected President. Melanie Barkley nominated Larry Hunter for Vice President. Frank Tiffany seconded. Frank Tiffany moved the secretary cast one ballot for Larry Hunter. Melanie Barkley seconded. Larry Hunter was elected Vice President.

**-Budget:** Mike Gallaher moved to accept the 2007-2008 Budget as presented in writing with corrections in secretary's salary. Mike Reynolds seconded. Motion carried.

Frank Tiffany moved to recess the meeting and reconvene after the annual meeting. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried. Meeting recessed at 7:20 PM.

Meeting reconvened at 7:42 PM Friday, March 16, 2007. President Tom Diel asked for any comments and suggestions. It was agreed to publish the inspection report in the upcoming newsletter and to have the CDC buy a measuring device for future inspections. The names of Larry Mrozinski and John Conway were given for Louisville inspectors.

Larry Hunter moved to adjourn the meeting. Melanie Barkley seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7: 58 PM.

*Respectively submitted,  
Debra Hopkins  
CDC Executive Sec./Treas.*

**CONTINENTAL DORSET CLUB  
2007 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
MARCH 16, 2007  
BRUNELL ARENA, PREBLE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, EATON, OHIO**

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Diel at 6:50 PM following the dinner in the Bruner Arena, Preble County Fairgrounds, Eaton, Ohio. Tom Diel introduced the current board of directors, director elect John Monahan and past CDC President in attendance Arden Shaffner.

Executive Sec/Treas. Deb Hopkins read the minutes from the 2006 Annual Membership Meeting that was held at the New England Sale in West Springfield, MA, on July 15, 2006. Billy MacCauley moved to accept the minutes as read. Wendy Van Wagner seconded. Motion Carried.

Deb Hopkins presented the financial report for the fiscal 2006-2007 year to date as of March 9, 2007. Total income is \$33,247.91, total expenses is \$58,634.23 for a current net cash loss of \$25,386.32. Account balances- Checking Account: \$6,253.69; Savings Account: \$5,942.55; CDC I: \$22,529.00; Downsborough Savings: \$756.54; Junior Association \$8,450.89 for total cash assets of \$43,932.67. John Hawkins moved to accept the treasurer report as presented. Mark Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Deb Hopkins presented the 2006-2007 statistics to date. As of March 8, 2007, 2332 head have been registered and 1169 head have been transferred. The registrations are up 94 head from the same period last year and the transfers are down 179 head from last year. Deb Hopkins also read the final stats for 2005-2006. There were 8311 head registered and 4113 head transferred. The top fifteen states in registrations were: 1)Pennsylvania-886 head; 2)Ohio-869; 3)Illinois-707; 4)Iowa-607; 5)Indiana-556; 6)Minnesota-524; 7)California-416; 8)Missouri-331; 9)Wisconsin-320; 10)Virginia-247; 11)Nebraska-229; 12)Oklahoma-198; 13)Michigan-189; 14)New York-166 and 15)South Dakota-158. The 2005-2006 top fifteen registrars were: 1)Penn State University, PA-148 head; 2)Paul R. Cassell, VA (Horned)-108; 3)Roger Huntrods & Sons, IA-105; 4)Lauden Acres, PA-73; 5-Tie)Spilde Brothers, WI-71; 5-Tie)Superior Farms, OK-71; 7)H.F. Sanford & Sons, MN -70; 8-Tie)Jeffrey A. Hunter, IN-69; 8-Tie)Martin Brothers, OH-69; 10)Ben. Laura, Peggy & Larry Daniels, IA- 65; 11-Tie)Riverwood Farms, OH-62; 11-Tie)Mithoefer Dorsets-62; 13)Brent Wastenev Sheep Farm, IA-61; 14)Sug & Bridget Fridley, MO (Horned)-59 and 15)U.S. Meat Animal Research Center, NE-58.

**Committee Reports:**

**-Futurity:** Melanie Barkley reported that there were 69 ewe lambs nominated for the futurity program out of 72 ewe lambs that are going to be offered for sale tomorrow. She thanked the breeders for all their support of the program.

**-Breed Standard Education/Certified Judges List:** Mike Reynolds reported on the expanded inspections that took place here at Ohio. The inspections included recording serious defects and highly objectionable traits along with

recognizing excellent Dorset breed character. Measurements were also taken on all yearlings-length and height. A report was handed out to the meeting attendees. The CDC intends to continue these expanded inspections to start a data base and to keep the membership informed on where the breed stands according to the breed standard. A report will be compiled and released to the membership for their information after each inspection that will continue at the National Shows and National Sales. Mike also announced that Kenny Urban and Roger Snyder have been added to the certified judges list, and encouraged members to nominate judges for the list.

**-Production Dorset Committee:** Larry Hunter read the letter received from the committee stating they are exploring alternative marketing and promotional strategies for the production style Dorset and that the CDC is still committing to working and supporting them in their endeavors.

**-National Junior Dorset Association:** President Natalie Harmeyer presented a report on the junior association activities to the group. She reported on the upcoming All-American Junior Show, outlined the scholarship program and encouraged all that are eligible to apply and also to participate in the Dorset ewe lamb futurity program. She also announced the annual meeting of the National Junior Dorset Association will be held once again in Louisville Saturday evening before the National Junior Show and encouraged all to attend. New England Director Rachael Gately and North Central Director Sarah Bush were also present and introduced themselves to the group.

**-Newsletter/Website:** Deb Hopkins reported that the last Winter 2007 made a profit thanks to the breeders support and encouraged all to use this newsletter as a marketing tool for their breeding programs. Deb also asked for any related news articles to be submitted to the CDC office for publication in the newsletter. Frank Tiffany reported that the on-line registration form is ready to be published on the website. Also, that he is looking at updating the directory to also include e-mail addresses and to get those updates into the CDC office.

**-All-American Junior Show:** Melanie Barkley reported that the show is going to be held July 6-8, 2007 at the Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI. Melanie thanked Superior Farms and the Galleher Family for their ewe lamb donations and asked for breeder support tomorrow when they sold. She also thanked Tom Walsh for his monetary donation toward the Horned classes and asked for breeders to sign-up on the class sponsor list that was being passed around.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None brought up.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**-2007 Regional Junior Shows:** Larry Hunter and Deb Hopkins reported on the upcoming 2007 Regional Junior Show Sites:

- Great Lakes: Hancock County Showdown, Greenfield, IN June 9
- North Central - Iowa Junior Sheep Extravaganza, Adell, IA in June 10
- New England: Northeast Youth Sheep Show, West Springfield, MA July 20-22
- Eastern: Harrisonburg, VA August 18
- Western: California State Fair, Sacramento, CA August 15-19
- Great Plains: Tulsa State Fair, Tulsa, OK September 29-30

Deb Hopkins also announced that juniors can now show at more than one regional per year so prior permission to show out of region is no longer needed.

**-2007 NAILE National Dorset Shows:** Mike Reynolds reported that the National Dorset Shows have yet to be scheduled. Greg Smith is first choice for judging the Polled Dorsets and Kyle Thayer for the Horned Dorsets. The Polled Dorsets will be shown first at 8:00 AM followed by the Horned Dorsets. Breed type inspections will once again take place on Saturday prior to the show.

**-National Sale Rotation:** Mike Galleher reported that the 2008 National Dorset Sale, for both Polled and Horned Dorsets will be at the Midwest Stud Ram Sale, Sedalia, MO on June 25-28. The 2009 National Sale has been approved for Reno.

**-Board Meeting Announcements:** Tom Diel announced that the A.I. and E.T. DNA testing policy is no longer in effect. For 2007-2008 Melanie Barkley has been elected President and Larry Hunter Vice President. He conveyed that there is nothing new to report on the insurance company lawsuit. A committee has been appointed to further develop the Dorset Breeder Excellence Program. It was suggested by Ken Wagner to put it up on the CDC website to get breeder input. Tom also encouraged ad support of the 2007-2008 Dorset Breeders Directory and to see Greg Deakin to get your ads in. He also announced that the Eastern and North Central Regions will be holding director elections this upcoming winter and encouraged members to get involved.

**-Award Presentations:** Tom Diel and Mike Reynolds awarded the J.R. Henderson Traveling Plaques to the National Sale Champion Ram and Ewe. Champion Ram honors went to Spilde Brothers, Stoughton, WI and Champion Ewe honors to the Fitzpatrick Family, Wayland, NY. Mike Reynolds also awarded the Sire of the Year keeper plaque to Riverwood Farms-Eric Bruns on their stud ram "Boardwalk" Spilde 6944. Tom Diel presented a director appreciation plaque to retiring director Mike Reynolds.

Brain Barkley moved to adjourn the meeting. John Eaton seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

*Respectively submitted,  
Debra Hopkins  
CDC Executive Sec./Treas.*

