

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018 NAILE SCHEDULE AND EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

The Dorsets will once again be showcased at the upcoming National Dorset Shows during the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY. Just got the entries and there will have been a total of 579 head of Dorsets entered in the National Open & Junior Breeding Sheep Shows for the week.

Following is a schedule of specific Dorset events:

-Junior Breeding Sheep Showmanship: Friday, Nov 9th, 10:00 AM, Mona Lisa Estes judging.

-Junior Market Lamb Showmanship: Friday, Nov. 9th, 4:00 PM, TBA on the judge.

-Lead Classes: Friday, Nov. 9th, 5:00 PM

-National Junior Dorset Shows: Saturday, Nov. 11th, 8:00 AM, Polled Dorsets, Horned Dorsets, & Dorset Advantage, Ring Two, Jeremy Bradford judging
-Junior Show Dorset Market Lamb Show: Saturday, Nov, 12th 8:00 AM, Jimmy Davis judging

-National Junior Dorset Association Annual Meeting & Pizza Party: Saturday, Nov. 10th, 6:30 PM, Meeting Room C105. Futurity results announced.

-National Open Dorset Shows: Wednesday, Nov. 14th, 8:00 AM, Polleds first followed by Horneds. John Mrozinski will be judging the Polled Dorsets and Aaron Crome will be judging the Horned Dorsets.

Don't forget that in the Junior Dorset Shows: Breeding Sheep Showmanship will be Friday at 10:00 AM. You need to pre-enter the showmanship show. If you did it online the cost was \$5.00, if you do it at the show entry fee will be \$10.00. The entry fees will be put into jackpot premiums and awards. The classes will be divided by age and all breeds will show together. Please make sure you review the special rules in the Dorset section of the premium book for both the open and junior shows as they will be adhered to.

The Junior Shows features a separate Dorset Advantage show. Also, there have been specific wether sire and dam classes added to the junior shows. **The CDC slick shearing policy will be adhered to as it appears in the premium book. "Slick Shorn presented sheep are to carry a uniform length of wool**

growth that was shorn 7 days prior to show, with the ONLY exception being on the poll, front legs below the knees and rear legs below the hocks." There is to be no additional belly or flank wool left on the animals.

Saturday evening, after the Junior Dorset Shows the National Junior Dorset Association Annual Meeting & Pizza Party get together for the Juniors at 6:30 PM in Room C105. This is a great event as the futurity and scholarship awards are presented, first year Dorset showmen show momentos are hand out and the NDJA annual meeting and elections are held. It is our one opportunity to gather all the Dorset juniors and their families together to recognize our junior Dorset breeders and get to know each other so please make plans to attend, nevermind the free pizza and drinks. This year West Coast Dorset breeder Linda Mastin has generously donated funding for the food. Thank you Linda for your support of our juniors!

For open show exhibitors: In addition to sending in your entries and entry fees to the NAILE when entering the show, please don't forget to send in the matching \$10.00 per individual entry in the Open Polled and Horned Dorset shows directly to the CDC Office. This enables the CDC to provide matching funds and to guarantee at least \$10.00 per individual entry in premiums. **These matching funds need to be sent to the CDC office ASAP if you haven't done so yet.** Please note that junior show sheep do not have to send in matching funds unless they are staying on to be shown in the open shows.

We have three types of Dorsets being shown and there will be three Premier Exhibitor banners presented: Fitted, Slick Shorn and Wether Type. Group classes are still shown together but groups can be made up of different divisional types BUT per NAILE rules, in the event of a tie for a premier exhibitor banner, the flock class is the tie breaker, should this happen with a Dorset divisional premier, only flocks that completely represent their division will count towards a tie breaker. Exhibitors are solely responsible for determining what to show in their flock and are solely responsible for how it would affect them in the event that are in a tie.

For those of you unable to attend the shows in person, all shows can be viewed live streamed by going to the North American International Livestock Show website.

Looking forward to seeing every one in Louisville this year and to another great set of National Dorset Shows!

CDC TO PROVIDE LAMBPLAN ID ON REGISTRATION PAPERS

With the newly revised searchable performance database now available on the NSIP web site, the CDC will provide a spot on the registration papers for the Lambplan ID number so breeders can go directly to the NSIP website to get the most up to date performance data on that animal and its parents.

The ID number will take the place of the current EBV Performance Date chart that is currently on the registration certificates. The computer program is getting updated and new papers printed to provide space for these numbers breeders will be providing us. These are long numbers, similar to VIN numbers on a motor vehicle so, we will ask breeders to just provide an excel spreadsheet with those numbers matching up to your private eartag identification on the animals you are registering.

Breeders have been asking for us to do this and now that NSIP has updated their data processing and implemented the Lambplan program, the CDC felt now is the time to provide opportunity for our breeders to get the new ID# actually on the registration papers of NSIP enrolled animals so interested parties can get the most recent data to assist them in their decision making in their breeding programs and making potential purchases of breeding stock.

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