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RECORD BREAKING OHIO DORSET SALE!

The 2015 Ohio Dorset Sale, held on March 20-21 at the Preble County Fairgrounds in Eaton, was a record breaking one for the Polled Dorset breed as the sale averaged a whooping \$1538.32 on 76 head sold. The Horned Dorsets also had one of their higher averages as 30 head averaged \$623.33. There were a lot of buyers on hand for the high quality set of sheep that were offered. Yes, numbers were down from prior years but the quality of the offering was exceptional and they were definitely in demand. Things look very bright for the upcoming Dorset breeding sheep consignment sales!

Congratulations to Lauden Acres of Dalmatia, PA on receiving the **Townsend Best** Polled Dorset Consignment award as they brought in a strong set having both of the selected Grand Champions. Congratulations also goes to Cassell **Horned Dorsets** as they had a strong set of fall lambs and were named the Best Horned Dorset consignor.

Several other breeders brought strong consignments and were rewarded with their animals



Grand Champion Polled Dorset Ram - Fall Yearling Lauden Acres, Dalmatia, PA



Grand Champion Polled Dorset Ewe - Fall Yrling Lauden Acres, Dalmatia, PA

bringing top dollar from the buyers. Twin Oaks Dorsets had high selling Polled Ram on a fall ram lamb purchased by McDaniel Ranch, Greenfield, IN for \$8250. The Champion Polled Ewe from Lauden Acres was top selling Polled Dorset ewe for \$5000 going to Johanna DeJoria of Newburg, OR. On the Horned side of things, top selling ram was the Champion Ram from Cassell that was purchased by Chad & Hannah Epley of Canal Winchester, OH for \$1000. High selling horned ewe was the Junior Champion futurity nominated ewe lamb from Cassell's that sold to Nikki Muir of IN. The Reserve Grand Champion ewe from

Grand Ch. Horned Dorset Ram - Late Fall Lamb Cassell Horned Dorsets, Wytheville, VA



Grand Champion Horned Dorset Ewe - Fall Yrling ALAM Livestock, Bluffton, OH

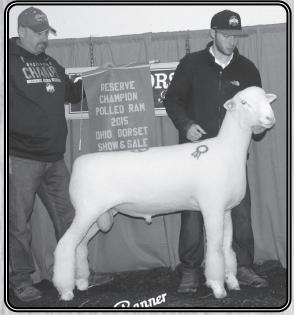
Galleher Farm also garnished top dollar as she sold for \$1100 to Dick Matlack, Mt. Gilead, OH.

A big thank you to all the breeders that nominated their ewe lambs for the Dorset ewe lamb futurity program as there were 46 ewe lambs nominated and almost half of them were bought by juniors for participation in the program!

A more complete sales results appear in the sales report section of this newsletter. A great sale all around!

Thanks...For Another GREAT Ohio Sale!

Thanks to all our bidders and buyers at the Ohio Dorset Show & Sale.
Our consignment averaged \$4,083!

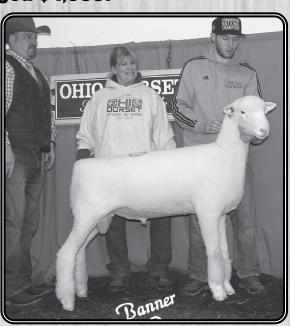


JUNIOR CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION RAM

Sold to Taylor Crouch, IL.

"LONG ISLAND ICED TEA" TOPPED THE ENTIRE SALE!

He sold to McDaniel Ranch, IN. Also, Thanks to Lobdell Dorsets, IL who was the contending bidder.





2nd EARLY FALL RAM LAMB

Sold to CJN Dorsets, IL. He is the twin brother to our Reserve Champion Ram.



2015 National Dorset Show & Sale



JUNIOR CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION EWE

Sold to Johanna DeJoria, OR.



2nd EARLY FALL EWE LAMB

Sold to Sid DeVries, IL.



Thanks to Jim Driscoll and Gordon Blankstein (both from Canada) for their purchases at the farm.

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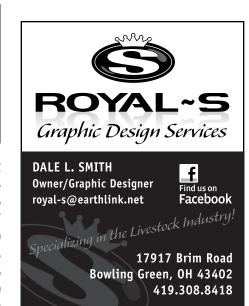
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DORSET CALENDAR

- **-May 23-24, 2015:** Great Lakes Sale, Wayne County Fairgrounds, Wooster, OH. Contact: Banner Sale Management Service (309)785-5058 or visit website: www.bannersheepmagazine.com
- -May 25, 2015: ENTRY DEADLINE for All-American Junior Show, featuring classes for both Polled, Horned Dorsets & Dorset Advantage, Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, MA. Contact: CDC Office (401)647-4676 or web site: www.allamericanjuniorshow.com
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- **-June 6, 2015:** Midwest Preview Show, Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, MO. Contact Kate Lambert (660)541-0468, email: midwestshow@hotmail.com
- **-June 13, 2015:** Great Lakes Regional Junior Dorset Show, Willoughby Sale Barn, Sheridan, IN. For more information contact: Sheila Sink sinksouthdowns@gmail.com or Mark lunghuhn mtiunghuhn@hotmail.com
- **-June 23-26, 2015:** National Dorset Sale held in conjunction with Midwest Stud Ram Sale, Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, MO. Schedule: Dorset Breeding Sheep, Dorset & Dorset Advantage Wether Sires & Dams show on Wednesday, June 24 and all sell on Friday, June 26. Contact: Heartland Livestock Services www.midwestramsale.com
- CDC Annual Breakfast Meeting & Hall of Fame Induction, Friday, June 26, 7:30 AM, Youth Dorm Cafeteria.
- **-July 3-5, 2015:** All-American Junior Sheep Show, Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, MA. Contact: CDC Office (401)647-4676 or web site: www.allamericanjuniorshow.com
- **-July 11, 2015:** North Central Regional Junior Dorset Show, Moultrie Douglas County Fair, Arthur, IL. Contact: Dick Reece, (217)268-4333, prfarms1481@yahoo.com
- **-July 11, 2015:** New England Used Sheep Equipment Auction & Private Treaty Pen Sale, BIG E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, MA. For entry information contact: Jessica Miniter (401)829-0095 or visit website: www.nesheep.org
- **-July 10-12, 2015:** New England Regional Junior Dorset Show, Northeast Youth Sheep Show, BIG E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, MA Featuring classes for Polled & Horned Dorsets and Dorset Advantage. Contact: Polled & DA: Rachael Gately (860)202-4490, Horned: Kelly Wright (603)835-2829 or visit website: www.nesheep.org
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- -September 18-23, 2015: Eastern States Exposition Meat Week Sheep Show with Polled, DA & Horned Dorset Shows, West Springfield, MA. Contact: www.bige.com
- **-September 27, 2015:** Great Plains Junior Regional Dorset Show, Tulsa State Fairgrounds, Tulsa, OK.Contact & entry information: www.tulsastatefair.com
- **-October 3, 2015:** Keystone All Breed Bred Ewe Spectacular, Keystone International Livestock Expo., Harrisburg, PA. Contact: PA Sheep & Wool Growers (814)932-9000, www.pasheep.com
- **-October 10-11, 2015:** Delaware Junior Livestock Exposition, Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE. Polled & Horned Dorset classes offered. Contact: Delaware Livestock Exposition, website: www.delawarelivestockexpo.com
- **-October 16-17, 2015:** New York Bred Ewe Sale, Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY. For further information contact: Banner Sale Service (309)785-5058 or visit website: www.bannersheepmagazine.com
- **-November 13-20, 2015:** North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY. Entry info and live show streaming: <u>www.livestockexpo.org</u>

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LETTER FROM CDC PRESIDENT JOHNNIE JOHNSON

Hello everyone,

Well I hope everyone survived the winter and lambing. I know that most east of the Rockies had either one of the coldest winters or more snow than what you knew what to do with. Here in California we are still struggling with a drought. If anyone can invent a way of transporting all the abundance of snow to California, you will be able to purchase any sheep in America.

It looks like 2015 might be the year of the Dorset. With the outstanding showing and sale at Ohio and with some of the online sales doing so well, and the National upcoming in Sedalia, the future looks well for our Breed. I would like to congratulate all of the consigners and buyers at Ohio for making the Ohio Dorset Sale the highest average ever in the history of the Ohio Dorset Sale for the Polled Dorsets. It's an exciting time for our Breed!

Also, the National Sale for both polled and horned Dorsets, and Dorset Advantage will be at the Midwest Stud Ram Sale from June 26-28, 2015. The Dorset Advantage registry had an excellent first year. The CDC registered 119 head for 46 different breeders, and transferred 65 head. Many of the Dorset Advantage were purchased. Last year Deb Hopkins met with the NAILE Sheep Committee Chairman Mike Hancock in the pursuit of getting the updated CDC classes in our National Shows at NAILE. Deb presented a written proposal as well as discussed where the Dorset breed is at and the need for these class offerings in our national events. The CDC proposes to add a Dorset Advantage class and a couple of wether dam classes. This would not add any extra cost to NAILE and little cost to the association, because we subtracted a few classes that had very low numbers. So, we are making the same proposals for this year's NAILE and if we are denied again, the CDC would then consider moving our National Junior Show to the All-American, because we feel that our National Junior Show should include all of our Junior exhibitors who own Dorsets and want to show them. The Continental Dorset Club has always been a proactive association in terms of trying to create an fair environment for all of its members.

Good luck to everyone this year with your 2015 lamb crops.

Sincerely, Johnnie Johnson, CDC President

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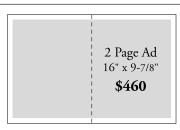
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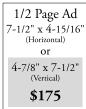
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2015 NATIONAL DORSET SALE TO BE HELD IN SEDALIA AT THE MIDWEST STUD RAM SALE

The 2015 National Polled Dorset, Horned Dorset and Dorset Advantage sale will be held this year in conjunction with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale at the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, Missouri. Dates for the actual sale events are June 24-26, 2015. The Polled Dorset Breeding Sheep, Horned Dorset Breeding Sheep, the Dorset Wether Sires and Dams and Dorset Advantage Sheep will all be included in this national event as the wether breeding stock is registered at this sale along with Dorset Advantage.

Following is a schedule of all the National Sale activities:

- -Wednesday, June 24th, 8 AM: Polled & Horned Dorset Breeding Sheep Show judged by Mark Johnson; Dorset Wether Sires & Dams and Dorset Advantage follow immediately judged by Kelly Bruns.
- -Thursday, June 24th, 7 PM: CDC Board of Directors Meeting, State Fair Best Western
- -Friday, June 26th 7:30 AM: CDC Annual Membership Meeting & Breakfast, Youth Dorm Cafeteria, Fairgrounds
- -Friday, June 26th about 3 PM:(following the Hampshire & Suffolk Breeding Sheep Sale) Dorset Breeding Sheep. The Dorset Wethers Sires & Dams and Dorset Advantage will sell later in the day after the Southdown & Shropshire Sales.

During the sale show there will be classes in the breeding sheep show for Best Headed Dorsets. Ewephoric Dorsets, Big Sandy, Texas has generously donated these awards for the National Dorset Sale. Polled and Horned Dorset Rams and Ewes will be picked for these prestigious honors.

The Continental Dorset Club Annual Meeting and Breakfast will be held Friday, June 26, 2015 at 7:30 AM in the Youth Dorm Cafeteria (same building as last time) Missouri State Fairgrounds. No reservations are needed, come as you are. The Missouri Dorset Breeders Association will be hosting the event for the Dorset Breeders and breakfast will be compliments of them. Thank-you to the Missouri Dorset Breeders for doing this for the annual meeting, which will be held immediately following breakfast.

During the CDC Annual Meeting the final member of the 2015 Dorset Hall of Fame class will be inducted. This very special person will be joining Warren Squires and Dick Kuzemchak, who were inducted earlier this year at the Ohio Dorset Sale. Please be on hand for this special recognition.

The National Junior Dorset Association will also be holding a fund raising silent auction as a very special hand made wool afghan has been donated by Sharpsville Sheep Company for the scholarship fund. Please be on hand for this special auction. There will be 1% deducted from the Dorset sheep sales that will also go into this fund. Thank-you in advance for support for this very worthwhile cause as many Dorset youth are benefiting from this special scholarship program.

The National Sale is a designated futurity sale and there should be a lot of quality ewe lambs nominated for the program for junior buyers to look over. Please remember as consignors to nominate your ewe lambs. There are divisions for polled, horned and Dorset Advantage ewe lambs.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Sedalia and having a successful 2015 National Dorset Sale!

CDC BOARD WINTER TELE-CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Johnnie Johnson at 7:30 PM EST on Wednesday, February 11, 2015. Directors on-line were: Casey Sidwell, Mark lunghuhn, Coulter Passwaters, Dick Reece and Mike Wright. CDC Exec/ Sec/Treas. Deb Hopkins was also on-line to take minutes.

-Ewe Grant Committee Report: The winners were Stephen Campbell, PA and Jenna Elits, IL. Casey Sidwell reported that there were 20 applications. Discussion followed and Casev will come up with a new application to bring to the Sedalia board meeting for approval. She also suggested a teleconference after reading of applications of the selection committee for award selection purposes, and possibly increase the number of grants to be given since the grants are very popular and there are several very deserving juniors applying. The 2015-2016 budgets will be approved in Sedalia so the increase in number awarded will be evaluated at that time. -Dorset Hall of Fame: After much discus-

sion the Coulter Passwaters moved to induct Warren Squires, Dick Kuzemchak and another person in 2015. Mike Wright seconded. Motion carried. Deb will contact winners and their families to see which site, Sedalia or Ohio, would be best for their special presentations though we

would like to honor them all at Sedalia if possible but certainly understand if it is not possible for all of the inductees.

-2015 Great Lakes & New England Director Elections: Mike Wright reported that the New England nominating committee has only been able to come up with one candidate, himself for the position as he will re-run. Mark lunghuhn reported that the Great Lakes committee also only has one official candidate and possibly another. Deb will go with what the committees have for candidates and get ballots out in early March. It was noted that since nominating committees are having such a hard time getting nominees that the CDC By-laws need to be addressed. Casey Sidwell moved to strike the words, "consisting of not less than three (3) and not more than six (6) names.", so the new sentence would read, "The Nominating Committees are to prepare a slate of nominees." Dick Reece seconded the motion. Motion carried. Deb will publicize the by-law change in the 2015 Spring Dorset Connection with the announcement of the annual membership meeting in Sedalia.

-CDC Registry Program: Deb Hopkins reported that the sale of the program to the Southdown Association has been completed and the transition of data into the program went quite well. Frank Tiffany and Deb have been working with the Southdown office to get set-up and trained to the program. Payment for the program is on the way and the contract signed with the Southdown association for the sale of the program to them with terms and conditions. Deb is researching the terms and conditions for other smaller breed associations to provide registry service for them. She is still working on the proposal and will get finalized and sent out to the board members for approval before approaching the breeds that have requested such serv-

-National Sheep Association Support: Deb Hopkins reported that she has talked with Stan Poe about the direction NSA is going and what they are looking for as far as breed support is concerned. They would like to have a CDC Board member to serve on their board along with two Dorset breeders, have Dorset breeders provide assistance in running shows when shows are held in their area of the country and to sponsor Dorset classes financially on a per show basis. Thinking of starting with a Dorset ram lamb, Dorset yearling ewe and Dorset ewe lamb class per show, and hopefully build form there for future shows. After discussion Coulter Passwaters moved to provide support of \$300 per show in 2015, with the option to

CDC BY-LAW CHANGE PROPOSAL

At the upcoming annual membership meeting to be held, Friday, June 26th at the Missouri State Fairgrounds Dorm Cafeteria at 7:30 AM, the following by-law proposal will be presented for voting:

Article III - Directors, Section 3 "The Nominating Committees are to prepare a slate of nominees of not less than three (3) and not more than (6) names." It will be proposed to delete the italicized words to read: "The Nominating Committees are to prepare a slate of nominees."

re-evaluate on a yearly basis and payment will be made to NSA upon receipt of an invoice for each show's sponsorship. Casev Sidwell seconded. Motion carried. Casey Sidwell would be the CDC board representative to the NSA Board.

Sedalia: Deb Hopkins presented the new

schedule for Sedalia to finalize the times

-2015 National CDC Meetings in

for the annual meetings. It was decided to have the Annual Board of Director's meeting on Wednesday evening, 7:00 pm at the Best Western. Deb will contact hotel and also arrange for a land line telephone for tele-conference as a couple of the directors will not be able to attend Sedalia in person. Friday morning at 7:30 AM will be the Annual Membership Meeting & Breakfast in the dorm cafeteria. Deb will get together with sale management and the Missouri Dorset Breeders to finalize plans. -Dorset Advantage Registry: Deb Hopkins reported that there have been inguiries as to why rams are not registered and with Sedalia offering Dorset Advantage Ram classes in the sale, is it time to register them? After much discussion, Casey Sidwell moved to register Dorset Advantage Rams. Mike Wright seconded. Motion passed with a 3-2 vote. Expansion of Dorset Advantage ram classes in shows was not addressed at this time, the CDC is still trying to get the ewe classes in.

-2015 NAILE Shows: The board directed Deb Hopkins to re-present the class changes proposals to them. If they are not accepted this year, the board will discuss action to remove the National Junior Show from NAILE at Sedalia and re-position with the All American in 2016. Deb reported that judge's ballots have been sent out to the NAILE exhibitors and will present judges to the NAILE once they are received back. -2015 Regional Junior Shows: Mark lunghuhn reported that the 2015 Great

Lakes Junior Show will be held June 13th at 4 pm at Willoughby's after the Southdown Show and that Sheila Sink is coordinating the event.

-Breeders Survey: Each member of the board stated their opinions on doing such a breed survey among breeders, which would include the question of going to all slick shearing, and were concerned with validity due to percentage of non-responses that have occurred in the past. Much discussion occurred and it was decided to address further at Sedalia board meeting. It was noted that such a survey would be informational only, non-binding for board action and would be done to get a pulse on all Dorset breeders opinions.

-Secretary Travel: Deb Hopkins requested board preference on her travel to Ohio Dorset Sale, with it not being the National Sale this year and low entry numbers, as she has already made travel plans. The board still wants Deb to go to Ohio and the NAILE sheep committee meeting, and will re-evaluate her travel budget at the Sedalia board meeting.

Mike Wright moved to adjourn the meeting. Dick Reece seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 PM.

Respectively submitted. Debra Hopkins CDC Exec. Sec. | Treas.

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DORSET COMMERCIAL CONNECTION

Have You Reviewed Your Sheep **Records Lately?**

by Melanie Barkley, Extension Educator Penn State University

Record keeping is certainly not one of my favorite tasks related to raising sheep, but it certainly is necessary. In order to have a good handle on some of your production practices, you need to review your records on a regular basis. This includes not only financial records

Adjusting weaning weights allows producers to fairly compare one lamb to the number of another. Adjustments take into account lambs produced sex of lamb, ewe age, and birth type compared to the plus how the lamb was raised.

for filing taxes, but your production records for evaluating the sheep flock.

One of the most important indicators of profitability in a sheep operation is the lambing percentage. There are a couple figures to consider with the lambing percentage. First, start with

number of ewes

that lambed. Then, look at the number of live lambs at birth as well as the live lambs a month after lambing and the number of live lambs at weaning. Compare this to the number of ewes that lambed to calculate some percentages.

Set a goal to wean a 200% lamb crop, an average of twins, every year. Yes, we sometimes have those years that you would like to forget about, but we certainly want to have our ewes producing twins on a regular basis in order to maintain profitability. You might also want to take a closer look at the death loss. A good goal is for the lamb death loss to be 5% or less. Good mothering ability, good nutrition so that lambs are healthy and vigorous at birth, and good nutrition to support high quality and quantity of colostrum and milk are all important for producing lambs that are more likely to survive to weaning age.

Weaning weight records are very good evaluation tools. Adjust the weights so that you can make a fair comparison between lambs born as single, twins and triplets as well as factor in differences in the sex of the lamb and the age of the ewe. Keep in mind that the highest weaning weights may not necessarily translate into profitability! Why not you ask? Consider the frame size of

those lambs and their ability to thrive on pasture. Most production type operations focus on pasture as their main, if not sole source, of nutrition for both mature ewes and replacement ewe lambs. Each operation needs to consider what size ewe best meets the nutritional resources on the farm as well as the markets where those sheep are sold. I encourage each producer to set a production benchmark for adjusted weaning weight. Producers can go a step further and set a benchmark for adjusted post weaning weight also. This will help account for both ewe milk production as well as genetic growth potential in the lamb. As you set your goal, consider what your goals are for your operation. What is your target age and weight when you market your lambs? What is an acceptable weaning weight range for your lambs? As you select more for a benchmark, lambs should become more uniform in size and weight.

What other records should you evaluate? Annual cost per ewe can help you achieve a reasonable maintenance cost per sheep or it could also help you evaluate the need to maintain the same number of ewes or expand to spread the fixed costs across more ewes. Maybe you need to consider efficiencies in feeding sheep. Should you own and maintain hay making equipment or would it be more economical to buy all your hay? Perhaps labor is a factor and you should consider custom harvesters to make all your hay.

Each sheep operation has a unique set of circumstances that make that operation profitable. So, start by taking a serious look at your records to determine where you could improve production or become more efficient. As you develop your record keeping system, remember that it should be both easy to use as well as easily accessible. Records can be hand written or computer generated. The key is to collect useful information that will help you make profitable decisions in the future.



Setting benchmarks for a range of preferred adjusted weaning weights can help a producer make replacement ewe lamb selection decisions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW ENGLAND & GREAT LAKES CDC **DIRECTOR ELECTION** RESULTS

This spring the CDC held director elections in the New England & Great Lakes Regions. New England Director Mike Wright ran for his second term unopposed, and will be serving the New England Region for three more years.

Great Lakes current director Mark lunghuhn retired after his first term and Michael Pope of Greenfield, IN ran unopposed for the directorship. Michael will be taking over the Great Lakes directorial duties starting this September. Congratulations to Michael and thank-you Mark for your years of service to the CDC.

Due to the fact that nominating committee had very difficult times getting members to run for these directorships is concerning, hence the proposal to the CDC by-laws. It is extremely important for breeders to be active in decision making policy of the CDC. Your involvement is imperative to a successful breed organization.

ANNOUNCING SUMMER/FALL **CDC OFFICE CLOSINGS**

The CDC Office remains committed to providing the best service to our breeders on registration work but due to budget constraints we have cut back on outside help in the CDC office. We will still be able to provide you with timely service but there are times when I will be out of the office in this busy upcoming sale and show season. Please make note of these times and plan accordingly:

-June 23-27, 2015 - National Dorset Sale & Annual Meetings, Sedalia, MO

-July 2-5, 2015- All-American Junior Show, West Springfield, MA

-July 9-12, 2015 - New England Sale & New England Regional Jr. Dorset Show

-August 6-17, 2015 - Secretary's Vacation -August 21-23, 2015 - Eastern Regional

Jr. Dorset Show, Newport, TN

-September 14-30, 2015 - Eastern States Exposition Sheep Show (I do take the CDC Office with me to this event so registration work can be completed. Emergency contact information will be left on the CDC phone.)

It will be another busy summer so PLEASE do not wait until the last minute to get your registration work com-

pleted. To assist in rush work the CDC has online registration procedures and now accept credit card payment to shorten processing time. Looking forward to hearing from all the Dorset breeders this year and getting your work done in a timely manner.

REMINDER TO **PRODUCTION BREEDERS:** PERFORMANCE DATA REGISTRY AVAILABLE

With the new development of the CDC's own registry program EBV's can now be printed on registration papers. All a breeder needs to do is submit the EBV report you received back from NSIP in excel format. The CDC is able to input this data into the program and it will print out on the registration program. The CDC is providing the service of putting the original data on your papers at no additional charge to encourage our production oriented breeders to add this performance information to their registration papers, and to make this information available to their buyers.

The EBV's that will be printed on the registration papers are: Birth Weight, Wean Weight, Maternal Wean Weight, Post Weaning Weight, Yearling Weight, Post Weaning Fat Depth, Post Weaning Eye Muscle Depth, Number of Lambs Born, and Number of Lambs Weaned.

Please take advantage of this new service to get your performance numbers linked with your registered animals.



Kirsten Root-Reese presents the Ohio **Dorset Association 2015 Scholarship** Winner Cole Saylor of Belle Center with his award at the recent Ohio Dorset Sale. Congratulations, Cole!

DORSET ADVANTAGE RAMS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRY

It was approved at the most recent CDC Board meeting to register Dorset Advantage rams with the upcoming National Sale in Sedalia offering a specific division for Dorset Advantage sheep.

The CDC remains committed to incorporate classes for the Dorset Advantage sheep into shows at national levels and encourage interested breeders to do so at their regional and local shows. The CDC will work on getting advantage ram classes established in the future.

Ohio Sale Highlights...



Reserve Grand Champion Early Fall Ram Lamb Sold to Tiffany Slater, Sharon Springs, NY.

Thanks to Our Other Sale & Farm Buyers:

Barry & Pete Trotter, IN

Paul Meyers, OH

Wayne & Pat Shannon, OH

Chad Epley, OH Jim Skinner, OH

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3rd Place Early Fall Ewe Lamb Sold to Houfe Dorsets, Milton, WI. Visitors Are Always Welcomed!

We have entered an **exceptional** set of lambs at the National Sale in Sedalia!

3647 Havensport Road - Carroll, Ohio 43112 - Home: 740/756-4125 Email: kroot53@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS, cont.

WARREN BRANNON

Warren Brannon of Freeville, NY passed from this earth January 22, 2014. Dr Brannon was predeceased by his wife, Marion, who was his 65 year companion and rock. He leaves behind loving siblings Dorothy Lawton, Neva Hunt and Homer Brannon; children Nancy Norlander, Larry Brannon, Dennis Brannon and Ken Brannon; 13 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.

Warren grew up in America's breadbasket and toiled as a young man with his hands helping to raise the family's food. Graduating from North Loup High School (Nebraska), he enrolled at Kearney State Teachers College for one year. He responded to the US Army's call just months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. His three year duty included primarily the far western Aleutian Islands and India.

Returning home from the war in 1945, Warren disembarked from the troop carrier at New York Harbor and returned to Lincoln, NE where he married Marion. He continued his education and earned his Bachelor's degree in Agriculture at the University of Nebraska then earning graduate degrees (Masters – Agriculture; PhD – Animal Breeding & Genetics) from Cornell University. After a brief assignment in Burns, Oregon, he returned to Cornell and began his life's work with the Cooperative Extension Service of New York State.

During his twenty years with the Extension Service, Dr Brannon focused on the sheep industry through production of robust lamb meat, wool growth and the development of meat and wool markets. His laboratory was a 200 acre family sheep farm near Ithaca. And his family extended to the various New York State shepherds and 4-H families who looked forward to Dr Brannon's visits, bringing new practical approaches to housing and feeding market lambs. He often returned from his journeys with gifts of produce, apples, grapes, maple syrup and even eggs and honey.

After retirement at the youthful age of 57, he continued farming and assisting son Larry at Owasco Meat Company. He served on the NYS Beef Council and NYS Association of Meat Processers until retiring yet again in 2011, but this time at the age of 88.

Warren's avocation included twenty years on Dryden, NY school board overseeing the explosive growth of that system in the 1960's and 70's. Meetings with school officials, parents and even bus drivers were often conducted at the kitchen

table.

Warren enjoyed playing trombone and singing in gospel quartets and shared that gift with his family. His musical legacy lives on with his children and heirs. Church worship, fellowship and administration were also important. A faithful servant, he attended regularly and contributed to his extended church family through local lay leadership as well as serving several terms for the General Conference of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination.

The family is grateful that Dad is finally free of the frustrations of dementia. They appreciate those choosing to donate on Warren's behalf and encourage a memorial gift to the SDB Missionary Society, 19 Hillside Ave, Ashaway, RI 02804. www.SDBmissions.org

NEW ENGLAND PRIVATE TREATY SALE & USED EQUIPMENT AUCTION

The New England Sheep & Wool Growers Association hosting a venue for sheep breeders to participate in a private treaty sale the weekend of the Northeast Youth Sheep Show. All exchanges will be considered private treaty between the consignor and the breeder, there will be no sale guarantee offered by the NES&WGA. A veterinarian will be on site to assist any consignor if needed, as well as to write health papers for sheep that are sold. Sheep must be in pens by 7:00pm Friday, July 10, 2015. All sales may start at 9:00am and must be complete by 2:00pm (or 1/2 hour after the end of the used equipment auction) on Saturday, July 11. 2015. The entry fee is \$10/head. Sale sheep will be penned centrally in Mallary Arena, BIG E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, MA. As always, the consignor must be a member of the NES&WGA, dues are \$10/year. There is no pre-entry form, however we do ask that if you are consigning you let Jess and Emmie know before Monday July 6, 2015, so that we may set up the sale area. A verbal commitment or email will do! We will post any information and photos of your consignment online, just email: jhminiter@gmail.com.

Pure-bred or cross-bred sheep any age as well as boer goats, in good health and condition; rams, ewes or wethers will be accepted. Registrations are not necessary, however if you are hoping to sell to a youth that will be exhibiting the animal in the Northeast Youth Sheep Show the following day, then the animal will have to have a registration paper. The transfer portion of the registration should be filled out to the buyer and signed by the consignor. We ask that all animals be properly presented and are shorn or fitted within 7 days of the sale. All animals must be positively identified with an eartag approved by the USDA (scrapie tags) and accompanied by an approved interstate health certificate. All animals must be healthy, sound and have a good condition score.

-Used Equipment Auction:

The New England Used Equipment Auction will take place starting at 10:00 am on Saturday, July 11, 2015 with Bill Mac-Cauley auctioneering. We will be auctioning any sheep related equipment or supplies, no crafts please! There is no entry fee for equipment, however consignors must be a NES&WGA member and there is a commission of 12% on the sale price withheld from settlement checks. Equipment will be accepted all day Thursday, July 9, 2015 and until 6:00pm on Friday, July 10, 2015. The sale committee reserves the right to sift any item and to group small items from a single consignor.

CDC APPROVES SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL SHEEP ASSOCIATION

The CDC voted to support the junior shows sponsored by the National Sheep Association. The National Sheep Association is a new promotional sheep organization being formed to promote and sponsor registered purebred and crossbred slick shorn junior breeding sheep shows. They are planning on starting off with a couple of shows in 2015 and then building to more shows in the future.

To be supportive of the purebred registered Dorset classes and possible Dorset Advantage classes, the CDC voted to assist them in sponsoring the Dorset breed awards at the cost of \$300 per show. The concept behind these junior shows would be to support registered stock versus just classifying for a breed show to help maintain papers and recorded pedigrees on the purebred Dorset sheep being shown in the slick shorn presentation.

The CDC also has appointed CDC director Casey Sidwell to the NSA board to represent the CDC and Dorset breeders. Other Dorset breeders are also appointed. Looking forward to supporting this new organization by providing support to the Dorset classes in their junior shows.

CDC 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT & STATS

To the right is the most recent annual financial report of the CDC. This is the annual cash flow of the CDC based on income taken in and expenses paid out, for members information. Usually this is just reported at the Annual Meeting but it is important that this data gets distributed to all CDC members so breeders will be informed of the financial situation of their breed association.

The CDC board is very fiscally minded and with the recent transfer rate increase it is the hopes that this will relieve the ever increasing cost of doing business so the CDC can effectively continue to promote the Dorset breed and support our breeders, both adults and juniors, with programming and services, no matter what kind of Dorsets they raise and produce.

Below please find the most recent CDC top 15 states in registrations and the top 10 breeders. The CDC registered 5,402 (down 863 head from the previous year) and transferred 2,997 head (down just 35 head from the previous year). The CDC did registered 119 Dorset Advantage ewes & wethers and of those 65 head were transferred.

A couple things to note is the change of the top states in the Dorset breed, as there is a shift to more central Midwest, and the breeders with higher numbers are heavy in wether and production producers as the Dorset breed presence remains strong in the commercial sheep industry. A great thing for the future of the breed.

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4)Illinois	443	3)TIE-Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA (Production) 6-	1
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7)Virginia	302	4)USMARC, Clay Center, NE (Production) 6	3
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9)Oklahoma	203	6)Brian & Melanie Barkley, Manns Choice, PA (Production) 54	
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2015 ALL-AMERICAN JUNIOR SHOW AT **BIG E FAIRGROUNDS**

The 2015 All-American Junior Show has been set for July 3rd-5th at the BIG E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, MA. Dorset breeding sheep & "Dorset Advantage" ewes and market lambs will be shown Sunday, July 5th. The "Dorset Advantage" breeding classes will be first. then the Horned Dorsets sheep followed by the Polled Dorsets. Judges for this year's All-American are Kyle Thayer and Nick Miniter

The 2015 All-American will feature slick shorn classes for breeding sheep and classes for Dorset Wether Sire & Dams in both the polled and horned shows. Dorset and "Dorset Advantage" market lambs will need to be registered beforehand with the CDC to be shown at the All American.

The special highlight with this show is that the 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will be held at the Naismith Basket ball Hall of Fame Friday night. The kids play right on thier courts and family members can visit the hall exhibits at no addition charge. Also, featured this year will be 50% discounted pricing to visit Six Flags New England Amusement Park just 10 minutes from the fairgrounds. There will be an ice cream social on Friday, the free Harry & Mary Blome Pizza Party Friday night, free exhibitor breakfast vouchers during the weekend, and a complimentary chicken BBQ and fun night on Saturday night.

Following is a schedule of the 2015 events:

Tuesday, June 30th:

9:00 AM - Barns open-exhibitors and sheep may move in

Thursday, July 2nd:

10:00 AM - Welcome Table Volunteers available for questions & pick up welcome bags

3:00 - 5:00 PM - Early Pick-up for Exhibitor T-Shirts & Information Packets

3:00 - 8:00 PM - Sheep Health Inspections Friday, July 3rd:

7:30 AM - Welcome Table Volunteers

available for questions & pick up welcome packets

8:00 AM - Announcements

8:00 AM - Pick-Up Exhibitor T-Shirts & Receive Information Packets

8:30 AM - Check-in papers, fleeces and promotional items.

9:00 AM - Skill-a-thon open to contestants 10:00 AM - Judging Contest Begins and

Market Lambs Weighed & Classified 12:00 Noon - All-American Lamb Camp 1:00 PM - Ice Cream Social 2:00 PM - Opening Announcements &

Group Photo

2:30 PM - Showmanship Classes

4:00 PM- Skill-a-thon closes for the day

6:00 PM - Blome Pizza Party

7:00 PM - 3-on-3 Basketball Tourney Saturday, July 5th:

8:00 AM - Red Ring: Judge Kyle Thayer -Southdown Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -Shropshire Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -Dorper Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs

8:00 AM - Blue Ring: Judge Nick Miniter -Oxford Breeding Sheep & Mkt

-Romney Breeding Sheep & Best Fleece -Shetland Breeding Sheep & Best Fleece

-Border Leicester Breeding Sheep & Best

-Montadale Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -Lincoln Breeding Sheep & Best Fleece -Cotswold Breeding Sheep & Best Fleece

-Natural Colored Breeding Sheep, Mkt. Lamb & Best Fleece

-Tunis Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -8:00 AM - Skill-a-thon opens to contest-

-8:00 AM-4:00 PM - Thank-you card writing Booth opens

11:00 AM National Junior Dorset Association Meeting & BBQ

12:00 Noon All-American Lamb Camp 3:00 PM Skill-a-thon closes for the day 7:00 PM -Fun Night & New England Chicken BBQ at the barn 7:30 PM- Adult Showmanship Fundraiser Challenge

Sunday, July 6th:

7:00 AM - Exhibitor & Family Breakfast 8:00 AM - Red Ring Judge Kyle Thayer -Corriedale Breeding Sheep & Best Fleece -Horned Dorset Breeding Sheep & Mkt -Polled Dorset Breeding Sheep & Mkt

8:00 AM - Blue Ring Judge Nick Miniter

-"Dorset Advantage" Sheep & Mkt Lambs -Cheviot Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -Hampshire Breeding Sheep & Mkt Lambs -8:00 AM-1:00 PM - Thank-you card writing Booth opens

-Immediately Following - 3-on-3 Basketball Final Game and Lamb Camp Graduation -Closing Ceremonies - Announcements of awards and raffle drawing, sheep released after closing ceremonies.

All exhibitors who showed in the All-American within the last two years should of been mailed a premium book. Entries are also available at:

www.allamericanjuniorshow.com

Entries close May 25th but the All American does accept late entries for an extra fee.

Accommodations:

There are three hotels in the area that have room blocks for the All American. Please check out the show's website for detailed information. Camping is available at the BIG E Fairgrounds. Cost is \$15.00 per night for electric (20 & 30 amp service), water & sewage payable upon your arrival. Special rates for 50 amp service apply.

The CDC would like to thank Purple Ribbon Farm, Arcola, IL and Cassell Horned Dorsets, Wytheville, VA for their donations of ewe lambs sold this spring to go towards the All American Dorset Shows.

Breeders also signed up to sponsor classes at the upcoming All-American. Thank-you also goes to the following class sponsors: Poynter Sheep Farm, The Kuykendall's, Dave & Kathie Harmann, Spilde Dorsets, Pine Ridge Dorsets, Pope Dorsets, Verhaeghe Dorsets, Slacks Dorsets, Nichols Dorsets. Twin Oaks Dorsets, Evan Snyder, Myers Polled Dorsets, Crome Dorsets, Lobdell Dorsets, Ram & Ewe Farm, Shepherd's View Farm, Riverwood Farms, Sid DeVries, McDaniel Ranch, McCarthy Dorsets, Heath Reynolds, Jason McCord Family, Patoka Valley, Cassell Horned Dorsets, Sink/Padgett Horned Dorsets, Ewephoric Dorsets, Galleher Farms, Houfe Dorsets, Kim Root & Family, Schwartz Horned Dorsets, Squires Horned Dorsets, Battle Run Farms, Monica Ebert, ALAM Livestock, Spring Hill Farm-Wright & Grace Family, Sidwell Show Sheep and Linda Mastin. Thanks to all of you and the special donations, a total of \$2,680 has been raised to date for the 2015 Dorset Shows at the All American!

All-American Raffle tickets are still available for the \$1000 Cash Prize, Sydell Hydraulic Lift Trimming Stand and Kindle Fire HD 7. If you haven't returned your tickets yet from your registration work please do so or if you want some tickets contact the CDC Office.

The All American is having benefit auctions at the Big Ohio May Sales and Midwest Stud Ram Sale Sales. Big ticket items have been donated to be sold at these events to benefit the All American. Kalmbach Feeds, Banner Magazine, Novel Show Designs have already donated items for these special auctions. Honor Show Chows and Weaver Livestock Supply are on board as major show sponsors for

We are all looking forward to a great Dorset Show at this year's All American and going back to New England!

2015 REGIONAL JUNIOR SHOWS

Great Lakes Regional Jr. Show June 13, 2015

Willoughby Sale Barn Sheridan. IN

Entry information contact:
Mark lunghuhn (812)385-2555
Sheila Sink (765)960-5045
entry form: dorsets.homestead.com

New England Regional Jr. Show July 10-12, 2015

held in conjunction with the Northeast Youth Sheep Show

BIG E Fairgrounds

West Springfield, MA

Entry information contact:
Polled: Rachael Gately(860)202-4490
Horned: Kelly Wright (603)357-5608
website: nesheep.org

North Central Regional Jr. Show July 11, 2015

held in conjunction with the Moultrie Douglas County Fair Moultrie Douglas County Fairgrounds Arthur, Illinois

Entry information contact:
Dick Reece (217)254-4333
email: prfarms1481@yahoo.com

Eastern Regional Jr. Show August 21-22, 2015

held in conjunction with the Cocke County Fair Cocke County Fairgrounds Newport, TN

Entry information contact:
Coulter Passwaters (302)542-6061
website: www.cockecountyfair.com

Western Regional Jr. Show August 22, 2015

held in conjunction with the Oregon State Fair Oregon State Fairgrounds

Salem. OR

Entry information contact:

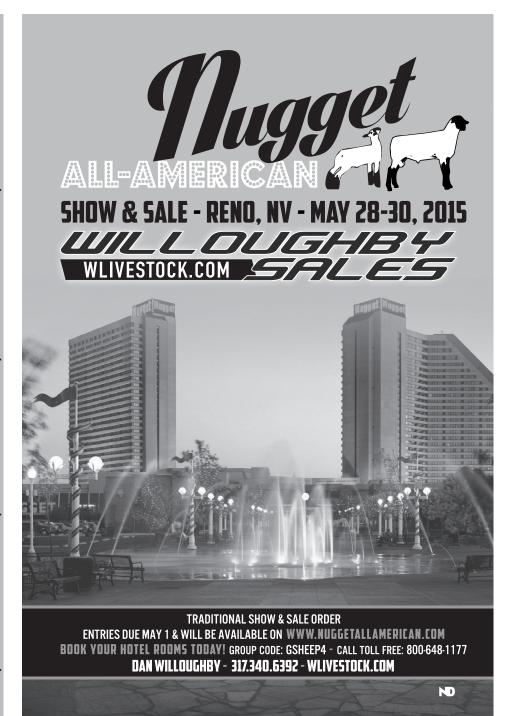
Oregon State Fair website: oregonstatefair.org

Great Plains Regional Jr. Show September 27, 2015

held in conjunction with the Tulsa State Fair

Tulsa, OK

Entry information contact: Casey Sidwell (970)302-9451 website: www.tulsastatefair.com



REGIONAL JUNIOR SHOW ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Following are the eligibility requirements for the Regional Junior Dorset Shows for your information:

- Exhibitor must be a current member of the CDC whether in the youth enrollment program or as a lifetime member.
- 2) Exhibitor needs to be 21 years old or younger as of January 1st of the current year. There is no lower age limit but the exhibitor must be able to lead and/or control the head of his/her animal in the show ring.
 - 3) Exhibitor must be present to

show their own animals unless physically impaired. The junior owner will need to be at the head of the animal controlling it in the show ring, unless of course they have more than one entry in a class in which case another junior exhibitor showing their second animal is acceptable.

- 4) Sheep must be registered in the youth's name. Youth partnerships are acceptable except for futurity animals which must be in the individual youth owner's name ONLY. Farm names or family" ownerships are not acceptable.
- 5) Exhibitor can show at an unlimited number of regional junior shows per continued on page 14

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year, the CDC does prefer they at least show at the regional show in which they reside if possible.

7) EWE FUTURITY PROGRAM:

Your futurity ewe can earn double points at a regional junior show for the futurity ewe program. If you show at more than one regional show only your top point total will be doubled.

Regional junior shows are sometimes held in conjunction with existing shows so there definitely may be other show specific rules and regulations that apply. Please be aware of these additional requirements when making out your entries to these special shows.

In 2015 the Great Lakes, New England, North Central, Great Plains and Eastern Regional Junior Shows will feature Dorset Advantage classes. The Great Lakes, New England & Western Regional Shows will feature separate Horned Dorset classes. It should also be noted that the New England Regional Show has been moved up a week to be right after the All American Junior Show in the same location to entice junior breeders to stay for two major junior breeding sheep shows.

2015 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AVAILABLE ON-LINE

The National Junior Dorset Association annually presents up to three \$1000 scholarships. To qualify, a student must be completing at least half of his or her college or technical school studies the year in which the application is made or be enrolled in graduate school.

These awards are available to current and previous members of the Continental Dorset Club Youth Enrollment Program or current lifetime members of the Continental Dorset Club. Applicants may be majoring or specializing in any type of field as these awards are not limited to agricultural majors.

The application must be postmarked **September 1, 2015**. Two letters of recommendation must be enclosed with the application. The individual completing the recommendation may return it to you in a sealed envelope, which has been signed over the flap. Send applications to:

Continental Dorset Club, Inc. Junior Dorset Assoc. Scholarship P.O. Box 506 North Scituate, RI 02857-0506



NATIONAL JUNIOR DORSET ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT TYLER MYERS

Wow how time flies! It's hard to believe that May is here. Hopefully everyone has survived the long winter and lambing season. Here in Ohio the temperatures are beginning to rise and the grass is beginning to grow. Once spring has arrived you know show and sale season is soon to follow. Congratulations to all of the winners and consigners who marketed their genetics at the Ohio Dorset Show & Sale, the Illinois Dorset Show & Sale, Premier 10 & Midwest Elite. If you haven't purchased your next champion ewe or ram don't worry because you still have several more sales before show season is in full swing. Speaking of sales don't forget to mark your calendars June 22-27 to join us in Sedalia, Missouri for the National Dorset Show & Sale. Juniors be sure to check the CDC website or contact Deb to find out if the ewes you purchased are eligible to compete in the futurity program. The futurity program is an awesome program that not only benefits the breeders but the junior exhibitors as well.

Show season is almost here and I hope everyone is as excited as I am for it! Whether it be your county fair, state fair, regional show or the All American Jr. Show pack your sheep and go! These shows are great places to make friends that last a lifetime, enjoy great food, win prizes and oh yeah show your sheep! All joking aside I personally want to invite you to the All American Jr. Show. This year the All American will be held in West Springfield, Massachusetts July 2-5. There will be so many things for you to do in a short amount of time. Numerous contests, showmanship, 3-on-3 basketball tournament and so much more! Summer will come and go and memories will be made, then NAILE will be here before we know it. I wish you all the best of luck this summer and look for-Tyler Myers, NJDA President

ward to seeing you!

NATIONAL JUNIOR DORSET ASSOCIATION 2015 FUNDRAISERS

Sharpsville Sheep Company-Rick & Donna Grimme horned dorset breeders from Sharpsville, IN have donated a 100% horned dorset wool hand made afghan to be silent auctioned off with proceeds to goes to the National Junior Dorset Association. The silent auction will be held at the National Dorset Sale in Sedalia, MO. If you are not going to be able to attend in person but want to bid on the afghan, your bids can be texted to Deb Hopkin's cell phone at 401-829-1360. Bidding will close on Friday, June 26th at 8:00 AM CST during the CDC Annual Breakfast meeting.



The Larry Mrozinski Family of Indiana has also donated approximately 200 units of semen from their horned dorset stud rams to be sold with all proceeds going to the National Junior Dorset Association. The Mrozinski Family sold their horned dorset flock last year but still have several units of frozen semen on their stud rams. The exact information on the rams that semen will be available for sale will be posted on the CDC website and facebook page. Pedigrees, availability and cost will all be posted. Semen will be stored for free until purchasers are ready for its use. Thank-vou to both of these families for their generous donations!

The National Junior Dorset Association will be once again be hosting a fund raiser at the upcoming All American in New England. It will take place Saturday evening, July 4th and will be held in conjunction with the complimentary BBQ for all the exhibitors and their families. This will be a fund raiser for participating breeds junior associations. Participants can be nominated up to five times and of course can buy out at an additional cost. There will be individual and team showmanship classes available. Participants will designate which breed they are participating for. Come and join in on the fun and raise money for the Dorset juniors!

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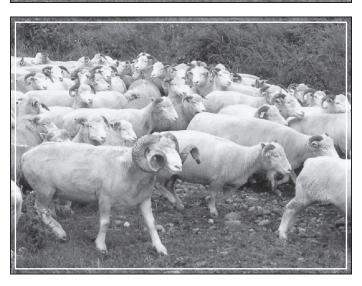
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2015 DORSET SPRING SALES RESULTS



Res. Grand & Junior Champion Polled Ram Early Fall Ram Lamb Twin Oaks Dorsets, Belle Center, OH



Reserve Senior Champion Polled Ram Spring Yearling Ram Spilde Dorsets, Stoughton, WI



Reserve Junior Champion Polled Ram Late Fall Ram Lamb Verhaeghe Dorsets, Argos, IN

OHIO DORSET SHOW & SALE - POLLED DORSETS March 19-20, 2015 - Eaton, OH

Townsend Best Polled Dorset Consignment Award Lauden Acres, Dalmatia, PA

- -Fall Yearling Rams: (3 head avg. \$1233.33):
- 1) *Grand & Senior Champion:* Lauden Acres to Ethan Hodel, Maroa, IL \$2900
- 2)Woodland Dorsets to Sunny Valley Farm-Brian & Cerrita Reed, Manheim, PA \$500
- -Spring Yearling Ram: (1 head avg. \$1000):
- 1) Senior Reserve Champion: Spilde Dorsets to 3 ADH Farm, Mount Jackson, VA \$1000
- -Slick Shorn Yearling Ram: (1 head avg. \$700):
- 1) Verhaeghe Dorsets to Robert L. Glover, Jewett, OH \$700
- -Early Fall Ram Lambs:(7 head avg. \$2657.14):
- 1) Reserve Grand & Junior Champion: Twin Oaks Dorsets to Taylor Crouch, Maroa, IL \$3750
- 2)Twin Oaks Dorsets to CJN Dorsets, Emington, IL \$2500
- 3)Lauden Acres to Aldrich Brothers, DeSmet, SD \$1200
- 4)Lauden Acres to Woodlyn Acres Farm, Dalton, OH \$1300
- 5) Wolkow to Kyle, Kurt & Kaden Gutormson, Brookings, SD \$1000
- 6)Twin Oaks Dorsets to McDaniel Ranch, Greenfield, IN \$8250
- -Late Fall Ram Lambs: (4 head avg. \$1512.50):
- 1) Reserve Junior Champion: Verhaeghe Dorsets to Sunny Valley Farm-Brian & Cerrita Reed, Manheim, PA \$3250
- 2)Pope Dorsets to Dover Genetics, Piper City, IL \$1100
- 3)Trail Run Dorsets to Cameron Allison, Hemlock, NY \$800
- 4)McCarthy Dorsets to Brent McCoy, Albion, IN \$900
- -Fall Yearling Ewes: (10 head avg. \$1745.00):
- 1) *Grand & Senior Champion:* Lauden Acres to Johanna DeJoria, Newburg, OR \$5000

2)Lauden Acres to Dover Genetics, Piper City, IL \$2100
3)Egan Dorsets to Jake & Jarrod Broehm, Brillion, WI \$2800
4)Lauden Acres to Kylie Schakel, Atlanta, IN \$1850
5)Spilde Dorsets to Jake & Jarrod Broehm, Brillion, WI \$2000
6)Pine Ridge Dorsets to Dennis Loenser, Geneseo, IL \$800
7)Spilde Dorsets to Cordray Dorsets, Belvidere, IL \$1200
8)Lauden Acres to Jared Cole, Ulster, PA \$900

- -Spring Yearling Ewes (18 head avg. \$1413.89):
- 1) Reserve Senior Champion: Wolkow Dorsets to Thomas Vandeventer, Arcola, IL \$2700
- 2)Lauden Acres to Glenn Stunkel, Jr, Tuscarora, MD \$4300 3)Spilde Dorsets to Jake & Jarrod Broehm, Brillion, WI \$1600 4)Nichols Dorsets to Dennis Loenser, Geneseo, IL \$2100
- 5)Spilde Dorsets to Jake & Jarrod Broehm, Brillion, WI \$2200
- 6)Egan Dorsets to Kayleigh Verhaeghe, Argos, IN \$1000
- 7)Wolkow Dorsets to Olivia Waggoner, East Berlin, PA \$2200
- 8)Trail Run Dorsets to Kodi & Kamron Paulus, Casstown, OH\$800 9)Spilde Dorsets to Glenn Stunkel, Jr., Tuscarora, MD \$1750
- 10)Spilde Dorsets to Glerin Sturker, 31., Tuscardia, MD \$1730
- 11)Trail Run to Kodi & Kamron Paulus, Casstown, OH \$1000 12)Fruechte Family Dorsets to Brent McCoy, Albion, IN \$500
- -Early Fall Ewe Lambs (25 head avg. \$1324.00):
- 1) Reserve Grand & Junior Champion: Twin Oaks Dorsets to Johanna DeJoria, Newburg, OR \$4500
- **2)** Junior Reserve Champion: Crome Dorsets to Olivia Waggoner, East Berlin, PA \$4700
- 3)Twin Oaks Dorsets to Sidney DeVries, Freeport, IL \$4000 4)Lauden Acres to Povnter Sheep Farm, Paris, IL \$1500
- 5)Narrow Lanes Dorsets to Kyle, Kurt & Kaden Gutormson, Brookings, SD \$1300
- 6)Crome Dorsets to Olivia Waggoner, East Berlin, PA \$2250



Res. Grand & Junior Champion Polled Ewe Early Fall Ewe Lamb Twin Oaks Dorsets, Belle Center, OH



Reserve Senior Champion Polled Ewe Spring Yearling Ewe Wolkow Dorsets, DeSmet, SD



Reserve Junior Champion Polled Ewe Early Fall Ewe Lamb Crome Dorsets, Marshall, IL



Res. Grand & Res. Jr. Champ. Horned Ram Early Fall Ram Lamb Root Horned Dorsets, Carroll, OH



Senior Champion Horned Ram Fall Yearling Ram Johnston Acres, Grove City, PA



Reserve Senior Champion Horned Ram Spring Yearling Ram ALAM Livestock, Bluffton, OH

7)Spilde Dorsets to Evan Syme, South Windsor, CT \$2400 8)Trail Run Dorsets to Kodi & Kamron Paulus, Casstown, OH\$1300 9)McCarthy Dorsets to Cameron Allison, Hemlock, NY \$700 10)McDaniel Ranch to CJN Dorsets, Emington, IL \$1300 11)McDaniel Ranch to Austin & Tyler Wright, Greencastle, IN\$1500

12)Twin Oaks to Sidney & Brittani DeVries, Freeport, IL \$1500 13)Crome Dorsets to Stephen Campbell, Blairsville, PA \$1500 14)Wolkow Dorsets to Dennis Loenser, Geneseo, IL \$900 15)Spilde Dorsets to Mclayn Musick, Camp Point, IL \$1400

-Late Fall Ewe Lambs (7 head avg. \$950.00):

1)McCarthy Dorsets to Whelan & Wyatt Carson, Perry, OK \$800 2)Verhaeghe Dorsets to Haley Webb, Rogersville, TN \$1600 3)Ram & Ewe Farm to Daniel Loux, Cummington, MA \$550 4)McDaniel Ranch to Woodlyn Acres Farm, Dalton, OH \$1250 5)Ram & Ewe Farm to Wooly Ridge Farm, Pleasant Plain, OH\$650 6)Verhaeghe Dorsets to Woodlyn Acres Farm, Dalton, OH \$1100

76 Polled Dorsets Grossed \$116,950 Avg. \$1,538.82 (RECORD SALE AVERAGE)

HORNED DORSETS:

Townsend Best Horned Dorset Consignment Award Cassell Horned Dorsets, Wytheville, VA

-Fall Yearling Ram (1 head avg. \$300): 1)Senior Champion:
Johnston Acres to Feiner Side Farm, Prairie DuSac, WI \$300
-Spring Yearling Ram (1 head avg. \$400): 1)Res.Senior Champion: ALAM Livestock to Luke Maley, Waynesburg, PA \$400
-Early Fall Ram Lambs (3 head avg. \$516.67): 1) Reserve
Grand & Reserve Junior Champion: Root Horned Dorsets to
Tiffany Slater, Sharon Springs, NY \$800
2)Old Chester Farm to Luke Maley, Waynesburg, PA \$375
3)Galleher Dorsets to Tim & Stacey Gadsby, Minerva, OH \$375
-Late Fall Ram Lambs (1 head avg. \$1000): 1)Grand & Junior

-Late Fall Ram Lambs (1 head avg. \$1000): 1) Grand & Junio. Champion: Cassell Horned Dorsets to Chad & Hannah Epley, Canal Winchester, OH \$1000

-Fall Yearling Ewes (3 head avg \$541.67): 1) Grand & Senior

Champ.: ALAM Livestock to Wayne R. Shannon, Amanda, OH\$600 2) Houfe Dorsets to Patoka Valley Sheep, Princeton, IN \$650 3) Johnston Acres to Houfe Dorsets, Milton, WI \$375 Spring Yearling Fives (2 head avg. \$550):

-Spring Yearling Ewes (2 head avg. \$550): 1)Houfe Dorsets to Wayne R. Shannon, Amanda, OH \$500

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-Slick Shorn Yearling Ewes (2 head avg. \$750):

1) Reserve Grand & Reserve Senior Champion: Galleher Horned Dorsets to Dick Matlack, Mt. Gilead, OH \$1100

2)Battle Run Farms to Moeller Club Lambs, Wooster, OH \$400
-All American Ewe Lamb Donation: Cassell Horned Dorsets to

-Early Fall Ewe Lambs (7 head avg. \$664.29):

Tim & Stacey Gadsby, Minerva, OH \$500

1) Junior Champion: Cassell Horned Dorsets to Nikki Muir, Sheridan, IN \$1400

2) Reserve Junior Champion: Cassell Horned Dorsets to Sylvia Madeline Headings, Plain City, OH \$825

3)Root Horned Dorsets to Houfe Dorsets, Milton, WI \$650 4)Cassell Horned Dorsets to Jimmy Parker, Vinemont, AL \$525 5)Old Chester Farm to Wayne R. Shannon, Amanda, OH \$350

6)Houfe Dorsets to T.J. Baright, Salt Point, NY \$500 7)Old Chester Farm to Tim & Stacey Gadsby, Minerya, OH \$400

-Late Fall Ewe Lambs (5 head avg \$810.00):1)Cassell Horned Dorsets to Carolyn Schwartz, Spencerville, OH \$1100 2)Cassell Horned Dorsets to House Dorsets, Milton, WI \$700 3)Cassell Horned Dorsets to Austin & Tyler Wright, Greencastle,

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4)Houfe Dorsets to Morgan Inbody, Bluffton, OH \$700 5)Root Horned Dorsets to Pete Trotter, Columbus, IN \$550 -Slick Shorn Ewe Lambs (4 head avg. \$506.25):

1)Galleher Horned Dorsets to T.J. Baright, Salt Point, NY \$750 2)Battle Run Farms to Jimmy Parker, Vinemont, AL \$425 3)Old Chester Farm to Tiffany Slater, Sharon Springs, NY \$450

30 Horned Dorsets Grossed \$18,700.00 Averaging \$623.33



Res. Grand & Res. Sr. Champion Horned Ewe Slick Shorn Yearling Ewe Galleher Horned Dorsets, Mt. Gilead, OH



Junior Champion Horned Ewe Early Fall Ram Lamb Cassell Horned Dorsets, Wytheville, VA



Reserve Junior Champion Horned Ewe Early Fall Ewe Lamb Cassell Horned Dorsets, Wytheville, VA

2015 SPRING SALES RESULTS, cont.



Grand Champion Polled Ram Late Fall Ram Lamb Sarah Moore, Jerseyville, IL



Reserve Grand Champion Polled Ram Early Fall Ram Lamb Crouch Dorsets, Maroa, IL



Grand Champion Polled Ewe Spring Yearling Ewe Crouch Dorsets, Maroa, IL

ILLINOIS DORSET SHOW & SALE April 3-4, 2015 - Bloomington, IL

-Polled Dorsets:

- -Spring Yearling Ram (1 head avg. \$300):
- 1)Doty Dorsets, IL to Jacob Balding, Albion, IL \$300
- -Early Fall Ram Lambs (5 head avg. \$600):
- 1) Reserve Grand Champion: Crouch Dorsets, IL to Doty Dorsets, Lovington, IL \$1000
- 2)Lauden Acres, PA to Mclayn Musick, Camp Point, IL \$900 3)Lobdell Dorsets, IL to Sandra Bender, Rock City, IL \$300 4)Kendrick Dorsets, IL to Dennis Loenser, Geneseo,IL \$400
- -Late Fall Ram Lambs (2 head avg. \$675):
- 1) *Grand Champion:* Moore Dorsets, IL to Lawrence R. Candler, Vincennes, IN \$850
- 2)Pope Dorsets, IN to Allen Scheele, Stockton, IL \$500
- -Fall Yearling Ewes (5 head avg. \$590):1) Res. Grand Ch.: Lauden Acres, PA to Sarah Moore, Jerseyville, IL\$1000 2) Lauden Acres, PA to Kendrick Dorsets, Vermont, IL\$700

3)Quarter Mile Farm, IL to MHW Farms-Robert & Lila Maher, Colfax, IA \$450

4)Lauden Acres, PA to Kole Koenig, Edwardsville, IL \$500 -Spring Yearling Ewes (6 head avg. \$1225):1)*Grand Ch.:* Crouch Dorsets, IL to Michael Pope, Greenfield, IN \$3100 2)Sanford's Dorsets,MN to Piller Dorsets,Mendota,IL \$1700 3)Sanford's Dorsets,MN to Piller Dorsets,Mendota, IL\$1200 4)Lien Dorsets, WI to Kole Koenig, Edwardsville, IL \$400 5)Arndt Acres,MN toThomas Vandeventer,Camargo,IL\$500

6)Lien Dorsets, WI to Sarah Moore, Jerseyville, IL \$450

-Early Fall Ewe Lambs (7 head avg. \$614.29): 1)Crouch Dorsets, IL to Michael Myerscough, Champaign, IL \$850 2) Dover Genetics, IL to Thomas Vandeventer, Camargo, IL \$600

3)Thistledown,IN to Thomas Vandeventer, Camargo,IL\$800 4)Arndt Acres, MN to Tony Dupuis, Chebanse, IL \$400 5)Quarter Mile, IL to Shelby Heyen, Mason City, IL\$450 6)Lauden Acres, PA to Mclayn Musick, Camp Point, IL \$700 7)Thistledown, IN to Casey Lobdell, Darlington, WI \$500 -Late Fall Ewe Lambs (9 head avg. \$711.11): 1)Purple Ribbon Farm, IL to Trevor Torrance, Good Hope, IL \$1100 2)Crouch Dorsets,IL to Shelby Heyen, Mason City,IL \$1050 3)Thistledown Dorsets,IN to Alexandra Ruwe,Maroa,IL\$650 4)Fruechte Family,SD to Casey Lobdell, Darlington,WI\$500 5)Doty Dorsets, IL to Gabe Loenser, Geneseo, IL \$500 -Spring Ewe Lambs (2 head avg. \$525): 1)Lobdell Dorsets, IL to MHW Farms-Robert & Lila Maher,Colfax, IA\$550 2)Step Ahead Dorsets,IL to Tony Dupuis, Chebanse,IL\$500

37 Head Grossed \$26,700.00 Averaging \$721.62 Horned Dorsets:

-Fall Ram Lamb (1 head avg. \$250): 1) *Grand Champion:* Kendrick Dorsets, IL to Jacob Balding, Albion, IL \$250
-Yearling Ewe (1 head avg. \$450): 1) *Grand Champion:* Sharpsville Sheep Co., IN to Chris Quaka, Tonica, IL \$450
-Spring Ewe Lamb (1 head avg. \$275): 1) *Res. Gr. Ch.:* Kendrick Dorsets, IL to Sandra Sample, Annapolis, MO\$275

3 Head Grossed \$975.00 Averaging \$325.00



Reserve Grand Champion Polled Ewe Fall Yearling Ewe Lauden Acres, Dalmatia, PA



Grand Champion Horned Ewe Yearling Ewe Sharpsville Sheep Co., Sharpsville, IN



Grand Champion Horned Ram Fall Ram Lamb Kendrick Dorsets, Vermont, IL

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- 1st, 2nd and 4th Fall Yearling Ewes
- 3rd Even Early Fall Ewe Lamb (Narrow Lanes 942)
- 2nd Odd Early Fall Ewe Lamb

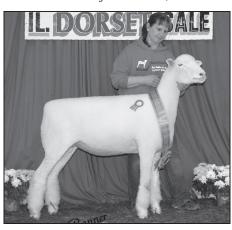
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Illinois DORSET SALE
LA 876 – Reserve Grand Champion
Fall Yearling Ewe
Sold to Sarah Moore, IL



OHIO DORSET SALE LA 891 – 1st Spring Yearling Ewe (Odd Number Class) Sold to Glen Stunkel, MD

Other Illinois Show Results:

- 2nd Early Fall Ram Lamb
- 2nd and 4th Fall Yearling Ewes
- 7th Early Fall Ewe Lamb

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