SHEEP SHOWS

SHEEP SUPERINTENDENT
Debra Hopkins
North Scituate, RI

JUDGES
Week 1 Dustin Cruit, Taylorville, IL
Dale Davis, Cardington, OH

Week 2 Brian Schermerhorn, NY Mills, MN
Jake Reister, Washougal, WA

ARRIVAL
Week 1
Monday, September 10, 2018 Noon – 10pm
Tuesday, September 11, 2018 8am – 10pm
Wednesday, September 12, 2018 8am – 10pm
Thursday, September 13, 2018 8am – 9pm
Week 2
Wednesday, September 19, 2018
10pm – midnight
Thursday, September 20, 2018 8am – 9pm

SHOW

Friday, September 14
9am Cheviot Show
12 Noon Working Sheep Dog Demo
1:30 pm Horned Dorset Show

Saturday, September 15
8am Polled Dorset & Dorset Advantage Show
12 Noon Lead Line
2pm National Northeast Regional Dorper Show
6pm-9pm Weigh-in & Scan Market Lambs
7pm Junior Showmanship

Sunday, September 16
8am National Eastern Regional Southdown Show
12:30 pm Market Lamb Show
2:30pm Northeast Regional Shropshire Show

Monday, September 17
8:30am Hampshire Show
12:30pm Working Sheep Dog Demo
2:00pm Oxford Show
6pm Working Sheep Dog Demo

Tuesday, September 18
8:30am Suffolk Show
12:30pm Working Sheep Dog Demo
1:30pm AOB Meat Show
4pm Supreme Champion Selections
6pm Working Sheep Dog Demo

Wednesday, September 19
10am Working Sheep Dog Demo
11am Exhibitors' Meeting

Thursday, September 20
12 noon Working Sheep Dog Demo
6pm Working Sheep Dog Demo

Friday, September 21
9am Fleece Show Judging
9am Rambouillet Show
12 Noon Working Sheep Dog Demo
1:30pm Eastern Regional Natural Colored Fine & Medium Show

Saturday, September 22
8am Northeast Regional Tunis Show
12 Noon Lead Line
1:30pm Northeast Regional Lincoln Show
7pm Junior Showmanship
pm Working Sheep Dog Demo (Mallary North)

Sunday, September 23
8am National Regional Border Leicester Show
1pm Spinning Bee
3pm Northeast Regional Katahdin Show
7pm Working Dog Demo

Monday, September 24
8:30am Northeast Regional Romney Show
1:30pm Shetland Show
4:30pm AOB Wool Show

Tuesday, September 25
8:30am Columbia Show
10:30am Corriedale Show
1:30pm Regional Cotswold Show
4pm Supreme Champion Selections

Wednesday, September 26
11am Exhibitors' Meeting

RELEASE
Market Lambs: Sunday, Sept. 16, 2018 3pm
Week 1 Wed., Sept. 19, 2018 Noon - 6pm
Week 2 Wed., Sept. 26, 2018 Noon - 6pm

ENTRIES CLOSE AUGUST 15

Late entries close August 31 and entry fee is double the standard fee.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Read General Rules. All entries and awards within this show will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations published in this Premium Book and the following Special Rules.

2. Original registration certificates or Faxed Registration Certificates From Breed Association Offices ONLY WILL BE ACCEPTED and must be available at any time when animals are on the grounds. Sheep entered must be registered (except market lambs) or be in the process of being registered to the exhibitor before August 15. No leased animals will be allowed. **Official entry form must be completely filled out and submitted by an exhibitor for each animal he/she intends to show.** Entry forms may be obtained from the Agriculture department as a paper copy and via our website. Breed Class numbers must be inserted on entry application form. Requests from universities to deduct entry fees from premiums will be honored when such request appears on the entry form. Exhibitors need to enter single classes only and will automatically be entered in applicable group classes. Sheep to be shown in any group class must be owned identically. Updated Show Ring Books will be provided at the time of show so registration papers will need to be checked in a timely manner.

3. Eligibility. ALL ANIMALS will be shown in their respective breed classes according to their date of birth. Substitutions are allowed at paper check-in time, additional entries are not. Breed classes for entry purpose are listed in this Premium Book. Sheep exhibitors may show no more than three breeds. Exhibitors can earn up to three premiums in individual classes and one premium in any group class. Lambs born after January 1 must have all their lamb's teeth. Lambs born after September 1, shown in senior classes, may have dropped the first pair of lamb's teeth and may have their first pair of permanent teeth in, but not up even with their lamb's teeth. Yearlings cannot have more than four pair of permanent teeth in use. Sheep should be in show condition, properly handled and presented when shown. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in disqualification of the exhibitor and/or his/her breed shown at this fair. Animals must be shown in single classes to be eligible for group classes. All breed champions are required to show for Supreme Champion selections. Please see respective breeds for lamb class break dates and maximum number of head shown. Classes with an exceptional large number of entries may be re-split at the discretion of the sheep superintendent.

4. Premier Breeder and Exhibitor. Premier Exhibitor Award will be presented to the exhibitor winning the most money in one breed. In case of a tie, higher placing in the Exhibitor's Flock will determine the winner. Premier Breeder Award will be presented to the breeder winning the most points on, not to exceed six animals in the open single classes exhibited by him and by other exhibitors. The point system for determining Premier Breeder shall be as follows:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

In case of a tie, points from the seventh sheep will be used, and so on until the tie is broken.

5. Group Class Definitions. Exhibitor's Flock to consist of one ram, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs, to be owned by one exhibitor; Breeder's Flock to consist of one ram, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by one exhibitor; Get-of-Sire to consist of four animals, both sexes to be represented, the get of one ram, owned by one exhibitor.

6. Exhibitors' Meeting. A post show exhibitors' meeting for the first show will be held at 11am Wednesday, September 19, and the second show at 11am Wednesday, September 26. Exhibitors present will be permitted one vote per farm in the election of one of their number to be nominated to serve on the Eastern States Exposition Agriculture Advisory Board.

7. Penning. A space has been provided on the entry form for exhibitors to request the amount of penning wanted and with whom. Management will try to the best of their ability to honor these requests to the satisfaction of the exhibitor but cannot guarantee it. A penning chart and pen tags will be posted. **ONLY SHEEP ENTERED IN THE SHOW WILL BE ASSIGNED PENNING IN THE BARN.**

8. Additional Junior Premiums being offered for all breed shows. The Big E will be offering Junior exhibitors additional premiums for single classes in all breed shows as follows: 1st:$15, 2nd:$12, 3rd:$10, 4th & Lower:$8. Group classes are exempt. Separate Junior Show Grand & Reserve Champions will be selected and presented with Rosettes. The Junior Show will be judged simultaneously with the Open Show, the junior premium winners will be awarded with additional ribbons and announced. It should be noted that Junior Exhibitors will still be eligible for Open Show premiums and awards, including premier exhibitor and breeder, as long as all animals are owned by that Junior Exhibitor identically. All other Open Sheep Show rules apply.

In order to receive the Junior Premiums the following stipulations must be met:
-The animal must be owned in the individual Junior name or in a youth partnership. No family, farm names or partnerships with adults allowed. Sheep entered must be registered in the Junior exhibitor's name or be in the process of being registered to the Junior exhibitor before August 15. No leased animals will be allowed.
-The Junior exhibitor can't be older than 21 years of age as of January 1, 2018. Please make sure to check the Junior exhibitor box on the entry form.
- There will only be 2 people allowed per animal in the show ring and one of those must be the Junior exhibitor who is present show day and actively participating in showing their animals in the show ring at all times.

9. NEW FOR 2018: Junior Showmanship Classes will be offered Saturday, Sept. 15 at 7pm and Saturday, Sept. 22 at 7pm. No entry fees required and the animals used must already be entered in The Big E Open Sheep Show. The winner of each class will receive an award sponsored by Eastern States Exposition. Classes for the following age breaks will be offered: Junior-11 years and younger; Intermediate–12 years to 15 years; Senior–16 years to 21 years. Junior age to be determined as of January 1 and is open to all Juniors.

Sheep Awards - All Breeds Eligible
Supreme Champion Awards Week I and Week II
Offered by
Donald Chase, West Springfield, MA

Supreme Champion Fleece Award – Week II
Offered by
Greenwood Hill Farm, Hubbardston, MA

SHEPHERD'S AWARD, The Woolam Family, South Windsor, CT, provides a shepherd's cane, bearing a suitably engraved brass plate, to the Outstanding Shepherd each week. The award is made in recognition of those qualities of cooperation and good sportsmanship essential to a well-managed livestock exhibit, and it is intended that recipient will have exemplified these characteristics to a high degree of proficiency and excellence.

First Week: **In Memory of Don Grant**

Second Week: **In Memory of Dan Korngiebel**

OPEN SHOW DISPLAY AWARDS

The Big E and co-sponsor, *Banner Sheep Magazine*, are pleased to offer a special recognition award program to Open Sheep exhibitors which excel in presenting an attractive, educational display within their pen space. This competition will be offered in both Week I and Week II. Each display should be directed at educating fairgoers on their breed of sheep and by-products of wool, as well as showcasing their breeding program and operation. All breeds shall compete together within this program. Display must fit within pen and tack space. ***Additional pen space must be requested at time of entry.***
Awards shall be as follows:

Best Marketing Program Overall	$100 & Rosette
2nd Place	$ 75 & Rosette
3rd Place	$ 50 & Rosette
4th Place	$ 25 & Rosette
Best Signage Program	$ 25 & Rosette
Best Program Directed at General Ppublic	$ 25 & Rosette
Most Creative	$ 25 & Rosette
Best Southdown	$ 50 & Rosette
Best Dorper	$ 50 & Rosette
Best Border Leicester	$ 50 & Rosette

DISPLAY SCORECARD

Display 20%
Clearly demonstrates its purpose, message and/or image while focusing on cleanliness
Effective use of display materials 20%
Paper, wood, metal, plastic, plant material, etc., must meet current fire code standards
Use of color and signage 20%
Graphics and signage to create impact and storyline
Special effects 5%
Movement, sound, audio visual, participatory element
Effective use of handout materials 20%
Flyers, pamphlets, business cards, recipes, children's materials
Craftmanship 15%
Is well constructed, balanced and has an overall finished, artistic and visual appeal
TOTAL 100%

The Dr. Donald M. Kinsman Lamb Virtual Carcass Show

Sunday, September 16, 2018
Judging – 12:30 PM
Weigh-in and Scanning, Saturday, September 15 - 6pm-9pm
Release Sunday, September 16, 3 pm
Judge – Dustin Cruit, Taylorville, IL

Lambs may arrive until 8pm Saturday night if arriving with only Market Lambs. Breed and registration number of sire must be on the entry form for breed awards.
Live Market Lambs. Ewes and wethers will be divided into equal divisions by weight. All entries should be entered in Class 3900 by weight before being judged on the hoof and will remain in the same class division for the Virtual Carcass Show. **ENTRIES FOR THIS SHOW ARE LIMITED TO TWO ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR.**
Lambs must be clean and weigh a minimum of 80 lbs. and a maximum of 180 lbs. Lambs under or over the prescribed weight will be disqualified. Lambs shall have no coverings of any kind and must be dry at weighing. The committee reserves the right to test the animals for drug residue if they feel it is necessary. To make a quality show, the committee reserves the right to disqualify lambs at weigh-in for lack of conditioning. Any intact males, including cryptorchids, will be disqualified from the contest.
ALL MARKET LAMBS MUST BE COMPLETELY SLICK SHORN WITHIN SEVEN DAYS OF THE SHOW.
There will be no unethical or inhumane treatment of lambs. Organic bedding is required, and no muzzles or icing of lambs will be allowed. All lambs must have clean, fresh water available to drink at all times. All lambs for this contest will be penned by the exhibitor in designated pens. Please see Sheep Show Superintendent, Debra Hopkins, for penning upon arrival.
In addition to the Champion, Reserve Champion, Highly Commended and Commended, there will be a Sweepstakes Winner in each class division (lightweight, middleweight, heavyweight) determined by the highest score of total points obtained in both hoof and virtual carcass classes.

Each division will be limited to 30 lambs per class or where the judge feels the quality ends. All superintendents' decisions on class splits are final. This will be enforced.

The Big E offers the three Live Market Lamb Classes and the three Virtual Carcass classes with the following premiums:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
$40	35	30	26	23	21	19	18	17	16	14	14	14	14	14	14

AWARDS

NEW ENGLAND SHEEP & WOOL GROWERS ASSOC. offers $25 to the Virtual Carcass Lamb having the largest loin eye, provided it has a minimum of 2.75 sq. inches. In case of a tie, the lamb placing highest will be awarded.

NEW ENGLAND SHEEP & WOOL GROWERS ASSOC. offers $25 to each Sweepstakes winner in each weight division.

NORTHEAST DORSET ASSOC. offers $10 to the highest placing Dorset in the virtual carcass classes if it places in the top five of the class. Please include sire's registration number on entry blank.

NEW ENGLAND HAMPSHIRE SHEEP ASSOC. offers $25 to the highest placing Hampshire exhibited placing in the top five in both the virtual and live classes. Please enter registration number on the entry form.

EASTERN TEXELS, Ron Luginbuhl, Ellington, Conn., offers $300 to Grand Champion Virtual Carcass, $200 to Reserve Grand Champion Virtual Carcass, $100 to Highly Commended Carcass and $50 to the Commended Carcass. Lambs must be sired by a purebred Texel whose genetics have originated from EASTERN TEXELS. Please include sire's registration number on entry form.

THE NORTHEAST SUFFOLK SHEEP ASSN. offers $25 to the highest placing Suffolk sired market lamb in each virtual carcass class. Please include sire's registration number on entry blank.

THE NORTHEAST SOUTHDOWN ASSN. offers $25 to the highest placing Southdown in each live market lamb and virtual carcass class. Please include sire's registration number on entry blank.

THE RHOADES FAMILY, Washington, N.H., offers $50 to the Champion Virtual Carcass if sired by a Columbia Ram.

AMERICAN DORPER SHEEP BREEDERS SOCIETY will award a $100 premium to both the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lambs if sired by a Dorper or White Dorper ram, and the exhibitor provides a suitable photograph for promotion purposes.

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