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Welcome New Members

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..... Davis, CA
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..... Ringgold, GA
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Topville Acres - Jeremy Yoder Topeka, IN
Townsend Family Katahdins - Stetson &
Courtney Townsend Lewis, IN
Anna Johnson Underwood, IN
Kinder Farms - Adam Kinder Greenfield, IN
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..... Janesville, IA
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..... Garden Grove, IA

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Sunderman Villisca, IA
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Lancaster Pomona, MO
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Director's Corner

Robert Walker, KHSI President

The older I get the more I enjoy history. I hated it in school, thought it was boring. Now I find myself watching documentaries and reading old magazines and books. One of the things I have started doing the last couple of years is reading the old Hairald magazines we have online. Not sure if anyone has older ones that KHSI has online, but they start in 2002. How ironic is it that Alan Culham collaborated on an article together in that Spring issue with Jim Morgan on NSIP selection in sheep using Alan's experience with Suffolks. 20 years later it is just as relevant if not more than ever!

Also reading some issues I came across something I feel is perfect timing to bring up again. Dave Coplen

quoted Mark Dennis, so anytime those 2 old timers speak, we should listen. Not sure which part is from which one, but both will get credit in my story.

"As Katahdin breeders we owe our customers much more than just a sale. If we want to create a climate that fosters repeat business and good word of mouth advertising, we owe them service both before and after the sale. Particularly with first time Katahdin buyers we need to take the time to explain to them how registration and recordation works. Katahdin breeders need to be sure to fill out the paperwork and mail it to the registry (note: the KHSI Board strongly recommends that all sellers pay for and mail in the registration and transfer forms). Things that look simple and routine to us can be complex and mysterious to first timers. Sellers need to try to make sure that our customers know what they are getting into. No one has been done any favors when sheep get sold into a train wreck. Even though the customer may be responsible, the sellers frequently get blamed. Help your customers make good choices

before the sale and be prepared to offer them advice and consultation after the sale. What is at stake, fairly or unfairly, is your reputation and the breed's reputation.

As Katahdin breeders we owe our breed and our customers honesty. We know that all lambs that hit the ground should not be sold as registered breeding stock even if they are registerable. No one benefits when sub-par genetics are perpetuated. My motto is, "We eat our mistakes." Eat yours or send them to the meat market but please don't let them be sold and bred as Katahdins.

As Katahdin breeders we owe our sheep decent nutrition, care and living conditions. Katahdins are an easy-care breed but they still need attention. It truly is the eye of the shepherd that fattens the flock. Spending a little time with your flock every day lets you head off problems before they occur. With minimal service from us, they will serve us with healthy lambs for years.

As KHSI members we owe our association service. Everyone needs to take "their turn in the barrel" and serve on a committee or run for the Board or work at a booth or host the annual meeting. New ideas from interested members are what keeps KHSI moving forward. Your energy has made Katahdins "The Breed Whose Time Has Come." Our goal must be to make sure that the Katahdin's time is not just that fifteen minutes of fame that Andy Warhol spoke about. We don't want to be a flash in the pan. We want to be a long-time player in the sheep business. That takes dedicated members willing to put out the effort to keep KHSI moving. That takes your service."

Wow! I think those 2 had a crystal ball as 20 years later everything in that writing is still true. I am in sales for my real job, and nothing is more valuable than honesty and repeat business. The more you help those who buy from you the more they will keep buying from you. It will create a lifetime friendship and be built on honesty and respect. So as these new lambs hit the ground and you start to sell them to your buyers take the advice from those two old timers and make it an experience your customers will enjoy.

2022 Katahdin Hairald Display Ad Prices & Publication Schedule

Ad Size	Member Sheep Ads Cost - Color Ad	Commercial Advertisers Cost - Color Ad
full page.....	\$250	\$330
1/2 page	\$130	\$175
1/4 page	\$70	\$90
1/8 page (business card)	\$45	\$55

2022 Hairald Publication Schedule

	Summer	Fall
Display Ad commitment due (inc. ad size)	May 4	Sep. 19
Articles deadline	May 10	Sep. 26
Display Ad content due to Xpressions	May 13	Sep. 28
Classified Ads due to Operations.....	May 13	Sep. 28
Mailing Date (Bulk Mail)	Jun. 20.....	Oct. 28

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I hope everyone is either through a successful lambing or like me waiting for a April/May lambing. I am enjoying the spring lambing versus the dark/wet/cold/blah blah blah of winter lambing. So refreshing to see the lambs doing what they are supposed to do on pasture.

Also remember we will have 2 spots on the Board to elect at the upcoming meeting in August, so reach out to myself or Alan and let us know if you are interested in serving YOUR association.

See you guys this summer at events and sales!

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I discovered this article that was timely in describing the challenges and opportunities for breed associations. While it is referring to beef cattle I believe it can be applied to sheep, and more specifically to Katahdins!

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Taking the Bull by the Horns

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Lee Pitts - Editor



As the announcer for Western Video Market for 20 years I was on the auction block when we sold 400,000 plus cattle yearly. During that time I got to observe first-hand the demand for different breeds of cattle, how much more buyers would pay for long-weaned calves and the premium buyers were willing to pay for what we called "program cattle." One thing that sticks out most in my memory is the demand we saw for Red Angus sired calves, especially heifers. Every time we had a good consignment of Red Angus heifer calves, a bidding war ensued.

This observation was confirmed by data collected by the Red Angus Association that showed over a ten year period, Red Angus sired heifers commanded \$66 a head more than females of other breeds.

Why am I telling you all this? My

purpose is to show that the Red Angus breed is currently doing very well and they'd be one of the last breed associations I'd expect to take what some might perceive to be a risky gamble with their bright future.

THE PERIL AND THE PROMISE

It seemed last fall that the cattle business barely yawned when the Red Angus Association became the first, and only, beef breed to accept gene-edited animals into their registry. Gene-edited animals ARE NOT genetically modified organisms, or GMOs. The difference between GMO's and gene-edited animals is that with a GMO, genetic material from other species or plants is introduced into an animal's DNA. The result is a plant or animal that could never be found in nature. Think of it as a dachshund

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Gene-editing is something entirely different. It enables the use of genes already native to the plant or animal that could be introduced via conventional crossbreeding. Imagine replacing the gene for hair length in a Scotch Highland cow with a gene from a short haired Senepol. The short haired Scotch Highland could occur naturally through traditional reproduction processes, but it would take years and many generations. Gene-editing could do it with just one "edit." Gene-editing can also take the horns off an animal with one gene edit by using the cell's natural DNA repair functions to replace the horned gene with a naturally occurring polled gene. Gene-editing just speeds up the cross-breeding that occurs. I think of it as crossbreeding on steroids... only without the steroids. And the meat and dairy products from an animal developed using gene-editing are no different from their non-edited equivalents.

The problem is your average consumer doesn't know the difference and tends to lump GMO's and gene-edited animals together. This is the risk that the Red Angus breed is taking.

So why are they taking such a gamble? According to Tom Brink, CEO of the Red Angus Association, and a man with lots of credibility and experience in all phases of the cattle business, "It's foundational thinking. The Red Angus breed has been pro-science since 1954 when it all started. One of the seven core principles of the Red Angus breed is crossbreeding and basically, gene-editing is crossbreeding. Paraphrasing our partner in this venture Tad Sonstegard, Ph.D., 'We've been gene-editing for hundreds and hundreds of years, only now we call it crossbreeding.'"

Brink continues, "In considering the future, we see an opportunity to accelerate the Red Angus breed's genetic progress by selectively allowing gene-edited animals into our population. The technology has been proven to be both safe and effective, and for traits such as the slick hair coat and black to red, there is a chance to speed up the introduction of useful, naturally-occurring genes and genetic

combinations that would take many generations to accomplish through traditional breeding efforts."

HIGH NOON

When I asked Brink if there was much disagreement on the Red Angus Board when the subject of gene-editing was raised he replied, "Not really. Our Board did a really good job. We're going slow and being very careful with it. So far there have only been two 'edits.. One known as SLICK isolated the gene from Senepol cattle for hair and the other gene that has been edited turns Black Angus cattle into Red Angus. Both edits," says Brink, "were natural edits that could occur with crossbreeding over multiple generations."

Why would the Red Angus breed want more cattle with the SLICK gene? Because a sizeable percentage of the cattle raised in the U.S. are in the warmer climes of the south. Also, there's a big demand for Red Angus cattle overseas, but it's mostly in tropical places where the SLICK gene would be very desirable.

Brink told the Digest about an interesting informal study they did that probably wouldn't pass muster for a Doctoral candidate's thesis but was very common-sensical and interesting. They mounted a red and a black hide on plywood and then placed them both in the sun. At high noon they took one of those temperature guns we're all now familiar with thanks to COVID and took the temperature of both hides side-by-side. They had other breeders do the same thing in other locations on a random basis. What they found was that the red hide was consistently ten to eleven degrees cooler on average than the black hide.

Think what turning a black animal into a red would do for an Angus steer in a feedlot in the Texas panhandle on a 110 degree day. If with just one gene edit you could produce a red Angus instead of a black one, therefore making the animal more comfortable, and probably better performing as a result, why wouldn't you do it? Especially when you consider that all the other outstanding traits associated with Black Angus would be retained. The Holstein breed has adopted gene-edit-

ing, but so far the Red Angus breed is the only beef breed to do so.

Pretty gutsy, don't you think? Especially for a breed that has so much to lose.

Brink said the Red Angus that were gene-edited will carry a code internally in their data base and he expects some Red Angus breeders will choose not to use the tool.

PRECISION BREEDING

The Red Angus Association has a partner in this process: Acceligen, whose CEO, Dr. Tad Sonstegard, is also a Red Angus breeder. Acceligen was founded in 2014 and quickly became a recognized global leader in the development, deployment and commercialization of gene-editing, which they prefer to call "precision breeding." Which certainly sounds more consumer friendly. Acceligen is a wholly owned subsidiary of Recombinetics Inc., and in the past has received large contributions from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation whose primary work deals with feeding a rapidly growing population. Acceligen has also received numerous grants from different agencies within the USDA.

Acceligen has already bred animals that express a trait known for better tolerance to tropical and sub-tropical heat. Black-to-red gene edits have also been made on multiple calves. According to Acceligen, "Animal breeders have to take several generations to select for a desired, naturally occurring trait, until it is consistently reproduced in every breeding. Precision breeding allows us to use the same naturally occurring traits in a single generation, thus expediting the process."

CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITIES

Acceligen has been very busy in the few years it's been in the gene-editing business. Here are just some of the projects they've been involved with so far:

- Two laboratories at the USDA-ARS Meat Animal Research Center collaborate with Acceligen through separate funded cooperative research agreements to characterize traits for resistance to Bovine Viral

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Diarrhea Virus and Castration-Free in swine.

- Animal breeders at Hypor of Hendrix Genetics have partnered with Acceligen to develop and study castration-free swine.
- The USDA Dairy Forage Center has partnered with Acceligen through a funded cooperative research agreement to develop traits for tick resistance.
- Scientists at University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences in Vienna are collaborating under a commercial contract to produce heat tolerant (SLICK) dual purpose cattle for farmers in South America and Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Scientists at the University of Florida - Department of Animal Sciences and the Semex Alliance have partnered with Acceligen to develop heat tolerant cattle.
- Acceligen has contract research agreements with the University of Nebraska and Iowa State University to develop complete development of traits for swine reproduc-

tive and respiratory syndrome virus resistance in swine.

- They have teamed up with Fazendas do Basa, Kheiron (Argentina) and Trans Ova Genetics to generate dairy animals that will generate significant and sustainable production gains for African dairy production systems.
- They are collaborating with the Semex Alliance and Kheiron to introduce the bovine polled trait into elite genetic lines of dairy animals.
- Acceligen received the \$3.68 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to develop a suite of traits from their discovery pipeline into dairy animals with high genetic merit for production and durability.

THE BIG QUESTION

The big question facing Red Angus breeders is will the American consumer make the distinction between GMO's, which many consumers don't like, and gene-edited animals? If so, will they therefore buy gene-edited

meat and milk?

I searched long and hard for studies that would help answer this question. One not very encouraging survey of U.S. and French consumers, reported that respondents felt that gene edited foods should be treated as GMO-based foods.

The most thorough study we found was done in Brazil and was called, "Gene Editing for Improved Animal Welfare and Production Traits in Cattle: Will This Technology Be Embraced or Rejected by the Public?"

The Brazilian study was more positive and concluded, "Consumers tend to accept gene-editing more than genetically modified foods. Many in the scientific community present it as a promising tool to contribute to the sustainability of animal agriculture. Some respondents acknowledged the potential for gene-editing to help tackle animal production, health and welfare challenges. The acceptability of gene-editing in cattle was increased by perceptions of benefits for animal

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Country Oak Ranch is going into the sunset due to old age of the Shepherd.

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welfare. However, it was reduced when the perceptions of risks and benefits were viewed as unevenly or unfairly distributed among consumers, corporations, different types of farmers, and the animals.”

According to the Brazilian study, “Using gene-editing to improve muscle tissue growth was viewed as less acceptable compared to using gene-editing to reduce heat stress or to produce hornless cattle. Support declined when the application was perceived to harm animal welfare, to be profit motivated, or to reinforce the status quo of intensive livestock systems.”

One example of gene-editing the Brazilian study found to be very positive was inserting the heat tolerance gene (SLICK) commonly found in Senepol cattle into the genome of Holstein cattle.

A BRAVE NEW WORLD

Gene-editing could help the livestock business out with some of its more problematic practices. For example, castration. Animal rightists have long said that animals should be

sedated before being castrated. Piglet castration without pain medication is a practice being closely examined around the world because of cruelty concerns. For example, in France, carrying out castration without anesthesia was banned starting January 1. The National Hog Farmer magazine reported in 2020 that, “It’s been just over two years since a group of gene-edited piglets was born in the U.S. This signified a large step forward in the attempt to commercially produce pigs that never reach adolescence, with males that therefore do not need physical castration to prevent boar taint in their meat.”

Acceligen is also helping animal breeders to select for traits that improve disease resistance. “That means animals are less likely to become ill and therefore require less medical intervention. Healthier animals improves the welfare of animals. For example, Bovine Tuberculosis is caused by *Mycobacterium Bovis* which is known to be transmitted to humans by consuming unpasteurized milk, to name one pathway of infection. Reducing

the potential for this organism to be contracted by the animals will also positively affect the transmission rates to humans.”

The Brazilians discovered that one danger in educating consumers how gene-editing could improve the lives of animals is that

when people become aware of the practices and reasons behind their use in the animal industry, new questions emerge about why animals are treated as they are in the first place. “It is well established that the lay public has little knowledge about production practices; thus, trying to justify gene-editing on the basis of some practices that are apparently very positive, such as the end of routine painful procedures like dehorning and castration or diseases in animals, comes with the risk of revealing to the public the conditions under which farm animals are being raised and may increase concerns.”

The Food and Drug Administration is now looking into gene-editing and Brink is, “Hoping for simple regulatory approval sometime in the first half of this year.” He’s anticipating that meat will not have to carry a label indicating gene-editing was involved in its production.

We’re living in exciting times as the technology revolution continues to turn entire industries upside down. Now it’s our turn. Who knows, someday we might see Black Angus breeders using the red gene to turn their black cattle red without giving up any attributes of the most prominent breed in America: Black Angus. One thing is for sure, it’s a Brave New World we’re living in. Like it or not, the beef industry will change more in the next ten years than it did in the previous century.

I don’t offer an opinion as to whether Red Angus breeders have made a good bet with gene-editing or not, but I do know one thing for sure... the future has never belonged to the faint of heart.



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NSIP Trendlines

In the last edition of the Hairald, Michelle Canfield provided a look into her NSIP data with an article based around the Maternal Weaning Weight (MWWT) trend of her flock. MWWT is one of the many Genomic-Enhanced Estimated Breeding Values (GEBVs) that NSIP provides for an animal, based on data submitted for that animal and animals related to it. Other GEBVs commonly used by Katahdin breeders include Birth Weight (BWT), Weaning Weight (WWT), Post-Weaning Weight (PWWT), Fecal Egg Counts (WFEC & PFEC), Post-Weaning Eye Muscle Depth (PEMD), Number Lambs Born (NLB), and Number Lambs Weaned (NLW). In the reports that producers receive back from NSIP, there are genetic trend graphs showing the progress of the producer's average compared to the national average of the entire Katahdin database. We also get updated GEBVs for each individual animal, giving a view of how the overall flock is trending as well as how each individual benchmarks against this.

Jan and I started participating in NSIP in early 2017, though we entered

data collected back to 2013. We had acquired 2 rams that were enrolled in NSIP which we used for our 2017 lambing, so this helped us get more accurate data for our initial reports. I mention "accurate", as the "E" in GEBV is for Estimated, so each GEBV has some margin of error in its prediction. NSIP provides accuracy estimates for each trait and each animal, reflecting the amount of data informing the GEBV. The higher the accuracy for a GEBV, the more likely the animal and its progeny is to perform at the predicted level. It's also important to emphasize that GEBVs represent an animal's genetic potential, and the environment and other circumstances may or may not be conducive to help it reach its potential.

Since Michelle discussed the MWWT for her flock, I thought I would share our WWT and PWWT trends. The numbers on the left of the graph are in kilograms. 1 kilogram is equal to 2.2 pounds. The graph does not show the actual weight of the animals, but it shows the genetic potential compared to a historical baseline. In 2018 we were about average with the

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Katahdin Breeders

Katahdin average in NSIP. By selecting rams with higher WWT in 2018, we were able to increase our weaning weights. We retained some of the ewe lambs from 2018 and continue to be selective with our ram choices and we continue to increase our WWT & PWWT. We are glad that we are above the breed average in NSIP, but we are mostly appreciative that the average genetic potential of our WWT has increased 1.5 kg (3.3 lbs.) from 2016 to 2021; and our average PWWT has increased almost 3 kg (6.6 lbs) from 2017 to 2021.

Notice that we were underperforming the average for Katahdins until 2018. Had we not begun selecting rams with strong EBVs for growth, it is likely that we would have continued to progress at that slower pace we showed pre-2017. Had we not joined NSIP, we would lack GEBV data guiding which ewes to keep as replacements, which would limit our rate of improvement to only the benefit NSIP rams could offer.

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100	1.34	2.43	5.49	9.58	-1.78	1.68	-99.94	-100	0	0.4	0.36	-99	9.61	0	0.77	141.98
99	0.67	1.67	3.59	6.67	-1.19	1.24	-93.72	-98.72	0	0.27	0.26	-99	6.29	0	0.55	129.06
98	0.6	1.5	3.36	6.18	-1.02	1.05	-90.92	-96.92	0	0.24	0.23	-99	5.8	0	0.49	127.36
97	0.57	1.42	3.21	5.88	-0.95	0.89	-88.12	-94.98	0	0.22	0.22	-99	5.44	0	0.45	126.13
96	0.54	1.35	3.08	5.67	-0.87	0.79	-85.22	-93.12	0	0.21	0.21	-99	5.21	0	0.41	125.36
95	0.52	1.3	3	5.52	-0.78	0.7	-83.43	-91.45	0	0.2	0.2	-99	5	0	0.4	124.68
90	0.45	1.1	2.7	4.88	-0.56	0.49	-75.62	-85.13	0	0.17	0.18	-99	4.28	0	0.33	122.24
85	0.4	0.98	2.46	4.38	-0.38	0.34	-68.86	-78.48	0	0.15	0.16	-99	3.77	0	0.29	120.59
80	0.36	0.89	2.28	4.03	-0.25	0.22	-62.31	-72.45	0	0.13	0.15	-99	3.37	0	0.25	119.2
75	0.33	0.81	2.12	3.72	-0.14	0.14	-56.02	-66.07	0	0.12	0.14	-99	3.05	0	0.21	118.05
70	0.3	0.73	1.99	3.46	-0.05	0.06	-50.53	-59.15	0	0.11	0.13	-99	2.76	0	0.18	117.01
60	0.25	0.57	1.74	2.96	0.08	0	-41.29	-45.02	0	0.09	0.11	-99	2.16	0	0.13	115.06
50	0.2	0.44	1.49	2.5	0.22	0	-31.57	-31.06	0	0.07	0.1	-99	1.57	0	0.07	113.31
40	0.16	0.27	1.24	2.05	0.36	-0.01	-21.84	-17.74	0	0.06	0.08	-99	0.85	0	0.01	111.52
30	0.11	0.04	0.97	1.57	0.49	-0.18	-10.76	-4.52	0	0.04	0.07	-99	0	0	0	109.64
20	0.05	0	0.66	0.99	0.65	-0.34	0	8.28	0	0.01	0.05	-99	0	0	-0.05	107.3
10	-0.03	0	0.21	0.21	0.91	-0.62	17.14	36.87	0	-0.01	0.02	-99	0	0	-0.15	103.78
0	-0.45	-0.85	-1.72	-4.12	3.37	-2.01	210.82	331.1	0	-0.15	-0.11	-99	-4.87	0	-0.53	91.64
Units	kg	kg	kg	kg	mm	mm	%	%	cm	%	%		kg	kg	kg	
Number of Lambs	6680	6680	6680	6680	1874	1874	3671	3671	0	6464	6464	6680	6680	0	6680	6577

Category	Count
Total Katahdin Records	99145
2021-2022 Born Lambs	7134
2021-2022 Lambs with Linkages	7030
2021-2022 Born Ram Lambs	3398
2021-2022 Born Ewe Lambs	3736

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Larry E. Mead Obituary

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Longtime Boone County civic leader and former member of the Missouri House of Representatives, Larry Edward Mead, 83, died Tuesday, January 11, 2022 in Columbia, Missouri.

Mr. Mead was born March 1, 1938, to Ralph and Marie (McFarland) Mead in Avon, Illinois. Larry grew up in rural Illinois, where he was active in 4-H projects, and as a teen and college student raised and exhibited Corriedale and Suffolk sheep. He earned a bachelor's in agriculture from Western Illinois University in 1961, with minors in journalism and business administration.

Upon graduation, Larry moved to Columbia to join the staff of "Sheep Breeder Magazine", which became the premier publication the Purebred Sheep Industry. Larry's initial role at the magazine was to reestablish a sheep sale that had been canceled a year earlier due

to insufficient entries. Under Larry's direction, the struggling one-day sale quickly became the largest annual individual sheep how and sale in the world, evolving into a week-long sale and held in Sedalia, MO, and known as the Midwest Ram Stud Sale.



The influential sheep sale became noted for "high selling" Suffolk and Hampshire rams to breeders throughout the country, bringing prices of \$25,000 to more than \$90,000 each, as well as record ewe sales for more than \$56,000! Larry managed the show and sale for more than 51 years. Many breed sales records for price were established at the Midwest Stud Ram Sale.

Larry later purchased "Sheep Breeder Magazine" from Perry and Helen Ewing. He managed numerous other sheep sales for the magazine,

served as an announcer for the North American Sheep Shows for more 25 years, served as a consultant to Canadian government, played a major role in organizing the first World Sheep and Wool Congress in Canada, and became known as a driving force in the United States Sheep Industry.

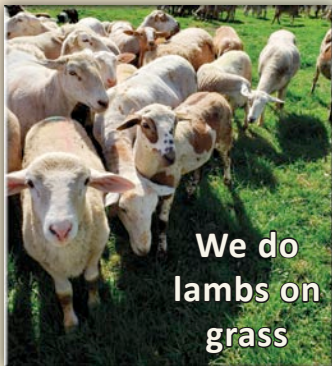
In 2013 Larry Mead was honored by the National Pedigreed Livestock Council with a "Lifetime Achievement Award" for his pivotal role and major impact on the industry. In 2015, he was honored by sheep industry breeders and supporters who gathered in Sedalia to again honor him for his prominent role in promoting and growing the Purebred Sheep Industry and its people. Larry loved to be involved with the "Make It With Wool" contests and always did the MC job at the American Sheep Industry Conventions. Larry also won the First Campender Award by the American Sheep Industry Council for his service to the entire sheep industry.

Breeders described Larry as "knowing everyone in the industry", "inter-

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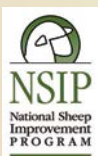


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Throughout his life, Larry Mead was also involved as a civic leader in

Columbia and Boone County, with leadership roles in Jaycees and Rotary. He served as a Boone County Commissioner in the early 70s and went on to serve for five terms representing the Columbia area as a member of the Missouri House of Representatives. One of Larry's first political campaigns developed the slogan "We Need Mead!" and that slogan followed him throughout his political career.

Although he was juggling being a

State Representative, volunteering with local and political organization, publishing the premier sheep magazine, and managing more than 50 sheep sales per year, Larry enjoyed serving the state. In an interview with the Missouri Historical Society, he said "Serving

in the Legislature is just the greatest educational experience you'll ever get. You'll learn all about all kinds of things that you never ever expected to be discussing." He said he enjoyed the educational experience as well as the camaraderie with other members and the public.

Larry was a family-oriented man who spent a lot of his free time with his family, often involving them in sheep industry travel and events. Larry was married to the love of his life, Kathleen C (Phillips) Mead for more than 60 years. Kathy and Larry had two children, Stuart B. Mead of Utah and Angela M. (Jamie) McGeorge of Columbia. All survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by his younger brother, Bud Mead.

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From the Vet

Reduce Stress to Prevent Health Issues

David S. Redwine, DVM

One of the many things that I remember from my college days is that everyone seemed to get sick on exam week. Lack of rest, proper diet, and the immense pressure to perform always took its toll on me and my classmates. Looking back, we were a walking science project, demonstrating how the effect of various forms of stress, both mental and physical, led to reduced levels of immunity, and

the resulting variety of viral and bacterial diseases. We see this scenario play out in the livestock industry all the time, forming the framework for large numbers of deaths, chronic illness, and financial losses. This article will look at what causes stress to your sheep flocks, how it affects them, and how you can reduce these conditions to prevent disease and death.

Without diving deeply into the science of stress and immunity, I will simply say that when your sheep undergo periods of stress, their bodies release a hormone called cortisol, which, among other things, reduces the immune response to disease. An overwhelming majority of disease cases can be linked to some underlying stress situation. Pneumonia, coccidiosis, and parasitism are the most common problems noted during stressful condition, although many other problems may occur. Cases may be isolated, or affect large numbers of the group. A keen eye to detect early symptoms may reduce the long term damage. Let's look at the types and specific causes of stress in sheep.

The first major group of stress factors are social stressors. As we know,

sheep love to be in groups, and are most comfortable there. But they also need their personal space to function. Therefore, crowding lambs into small pens or lots for extended periods plays havoc on the immune system, and increases incidence of disease. Giving sheep room to spread out and rest comfortably reduces anxiety and related problems. Isolation is another type of social stress that encourages sickness. One sheep by itself often becomes frantic and may run into walls or simply collapse in a nervous breakdown. Introducing one or more sheep into the pen will usually calm the first, and reduce future problems. Mixing sheep from different flocks also creates a stressful environment, and lowers immunity. Calmly introducing sheep to each other over time, with adequate space, will pay dividends in flock health. Weaning is another common social event that degrades the immune system and creates conditions for disease. Transportation commonly occurs at weaning, and adds to the overall stress level. Weaning lambs for several days with

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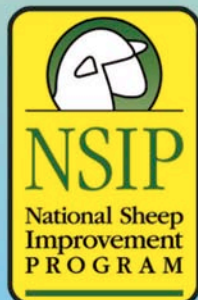
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Physical factors also play an important role in stress levels. Extreme heat and cold play a profound effect on immunity, making the importance of shelter during winter, and shade during summer a primary focus. Often food intake, and rumination (digestion) is decreased during extreme climate conditions, which also lowers the ability to fight off disease. Poor sanitation, manure, and mud also create conditions that are likely to cause disease. Clean, well-bedded barns and loafing areas encourage comfortable resting and increased health. The presence of roughage such as high quality pasture or blade hay encour-


ages sheep to eat, keeps the rumen working, and reduces diarrhea. Keeping the digestive system calm and functioning during periods of stress is extremely important. Probiotics may be helpful here to add healthy bacterial back into the digestive tract.

Gradual dietary changes, with high roughage and low grain portions will help reduce incidence. Offering your sheep clean areas to eat and rest, clean, fresh water and shade and shelter from harsh environmental conditions will help. Don't wean, haul, or work sheep on extremely hot or cold days if possible. The success of your operation depends on the production of healthy sheep. Attention to reducing the stress factors discussed here will prevent reduction of immunity and occurrence of disease, and in turn, and increase in your profitability and happiness.

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Within 40 minutes are three lakes made by the Army Corp of Engineers. Depending on your direction of travel, you may pass near or through Nashville and the Grand Ole Opry, Memphis and its music tradition of Blues and Rock and Roll or Great Smoky National Park.

No matter which direction you are driving, you will pass by numerous excellent state parks and many Civil War Battlefields. Fifteen minutes from the cluster of motels is Burgess Falls State Park, located on the Falling Water River. It is a day-use park, noted for its natural beauty and four water-

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falls that cascade down from over 250 feet in elevation. The last of these falls is the most spectacular, plunging more than 130 feet into the gorge. The area was originally populated by Native Americans of the Cherokee, Creek and Chickasaw tribes.

Your choice of culture, history and nature awaits your interest. Likewise, 15 minutes from the Expo site is Cummins Falls. Cummins Falls State Park is an idyllic, but rugged, 211-acre day-use park located nine miles north of Cookeville on the Blackburn Fork State Scenic River on the Eastern Highland Rim. The area has been a scenic spot and swimming hole for local residents for more than 100 years. Cummins Falls is Tennessee's eighth largest waterfall in volume of water and is 75 feet high.

Cookeville has all the popular chain restaurants and some famous local ones like Crawdaddy's, Char's, Ralph's Donuts, Lazy Cow Ice Cream and Cream City Ice Cream. If you know or have met me, you can tell I highly recommend all of them!

The closest large airport is 70 miles to the west on the east side of Nashville. Knoxville and Chattanooga,

Tennessee also have airports and are 100 and 110 miles respectively from Cookeville.


Very important that you make your reservations as soon as possible and mentions "Katahdin Sheep" or "sheep expo". They will hold them up til 3 weeks before Expo. You can always cancel your reservation if needed later. Be sure to call each hotel directly for rates not through online website. The first 3 are all right together so easy for everyone to meet up.

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South Central Katahdin Association (SCKA) Online Sale May 25, Annual Gathering June 3-4

Before we discuss our annual gathering, let me remind you of the Online Sale May 25th. Everything you need to know about the sale is on our SCKA website - <https://hair-sheep.com> Pick out your best lamb and or equipment and expect great results.

Let's talk about our upcoming 22nd Annual SCKA Gathering. Here is the tentative schedule of activities:

FRIDAY JUNE 3RD

Arrival of members and visitors with/without sheep for private treaty sale

3 PM - Presentation by Ely Valdez on Solar Panel Farming.

5 PM - Katahdin Sausage PO-Boys with the trimmings (we'll have enough for all members and visitors)

7 PM - Virtual Training by Howard Covington on Hair Sheep Coat Inspection Training. (Once you pass, you'll be able to inspect your own flock)

SATURDAY JUNE 4TH

8 AM - Continental Breakfast with Coffee at the barn

9 AM - Presentation by Dr. David Redwine. Dr. Redwine always keeps us engaged with his past experiences and personal experiences.

11 AM - Presentation by Dr. Layla Rios de Alvarez from Mississippi State University. She is a goat and sheep specialist and wants to provide us with information about what the members are most interested in. Please let me know as soon as possible what you'd like her to speak on.

12:30 PM - Catered lunch and great Katahdin Fellowship.

2 PM - SCKA meeting after lunch.

We've been shut in too long and need to break out and have a time of sharing of ideas and management styles with each other. Don't forget to bring your chairs and get ready for door prizes. We'd like several breeders to bring something from their operation for the door prizes. If you'd like to contribute, please email me your information.

Thank Ewe in advance to Alan Culham from KHSI Operations will be in attendance also and always has great information and/or updates readily available. Before I close, I want to strongly encourage you to visit our SCKA website again. It's updated every month and has great information and an up to date Classified section.

Until Next Month,
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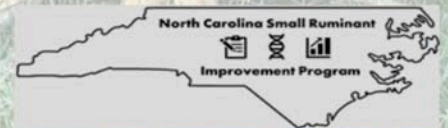
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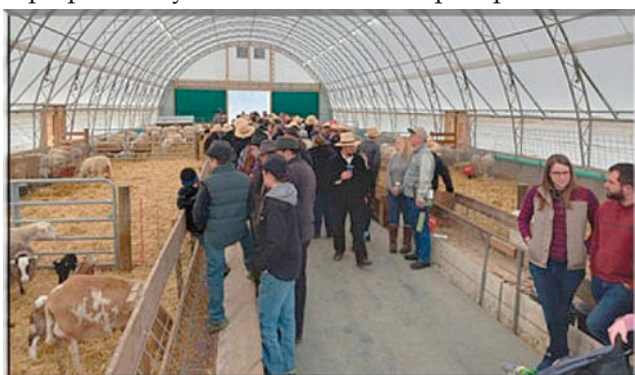
Matt & Katie Nolt
of Glenbrook Farms - Leola, PA

On Feb 12, 2022, Matt & Katie Nolt of Glenbrook Farms held their first sheep field day.

With a mailing of a simple postcard and ads run in the Lancaster Farming weekly newspaper, they were overwhelmed with more than 300 people wandering the lambing facilities and asking questions... of anyone there who looked like they knew about sheep, as Matt & Katie were constantly kept quite busy. The interest in sheep,

and Katahdins in particular, was very high. There were many dairy farmers there who are looking for alternative income sources.

Matt is a well-respected member of KHSI and NSIP, and is a sought after resource for many people looking to learn more about starting and growing their flocks. Matt will be selling his ewe lamb crop through an online auction later in the summer, which is a new practice for him. He is also beginning a consulting service to help share his experiences related to best practices and sheep nutrition, for both beginning and established sheep farmers. At the current cost of a starter flock or replacement ewes, the cost of investing in a good consultant is well worth it. From Matt's experience, we can see that the demand for quality sheep, and a resource of how to manage them, is at an all-time high.



Annual Meeting
June 9 & 10, 2022

Drs. Stewart and Gifford are hosting us for our annual meeting and educational field days, in Laramie, Wyoming on June 9th and 10th. One day will most likely be at the Animals Science Building on the main campus and the other will be at the Laramie Research and Extension Center, 5 miles west of town. Dr. Stewart and Dr. Gifford have an interactive, research based, program put together that will focus on attributes of lamb quality and flavor, in addition to some production and management content. There will be no host hotel and attendees can book their own using whatever app they usually use. We will let everyone know where the board will be staying and as usual we will invite everyone to a dutch treat evening meal. Plans for the catered noon lunches are being made and will be in the April newsletter.

Babette Fief
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SHOW SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 12 - Cattle Pavilion - 10:00 a.m.
(RING 2) - Judge: Evan Snyder, PA
Order: Katahdins will follow Cheviots, Montadales, Tunis
Katahdin Show - Approx. 1:00 PM

SALE SCHEDULE

Friday, May 13 - Swine Building - 10:00 a.m.
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Focus on Ewe-th: Dr. Leroy Boyd Memorial Youth Katahdin Show

The Dr LeRoy Boyd Memorial youth Katahdin show will be held at the Midwest Sale on Monday, June 13 at 9 am. This will be the 12th year for this youth show held to honor Dr Boyd.

Dr. LeRoy Boyd was a Katahdin breeder, and retired professor for Mississippi State University. He was often seen at the Midwest sale holding educational events for the youth, teaching about feeding, management, conformation and his sessions always drew a crowd of participants. Dr. Boyd passed unexpectedly in January of 2011. Howard Brown from Oklahoma was the driving force behind the creation of this memorial show and the first show was held in June of 2011.

The youth show was originally held after the sale, and is now held the day before the show of the sale sheep.

Educational events and an annual pizza party are held on Sunday evening before the youth show. We have had several youth that have shown here for their first time and we help them with showing and handling skills.

This is one of the youth activities that KHSI helps sponsor. South Central Katahdin association also provides T shirts for each exhibitor, and MOKATS sponsors additional awards. There are also several breeders that help support this youth show.

Our breed has shown tremendous growth at the Midwest sale in youth entries and also in total consignments. The first Katahdins were sold at Midwest in 2003 and 11 head posted an average of \$286 and were .23% of the sale gross. We have continued to expand since this first sale.

Many families schedule their vacation so they can attend this annual

event. The junior show has classes for fall and spring ram lambs, yearling ewes and fall and spring ewe lambs. Entry forms are available at the sale website (www.midwest-sale.com).

There is also PeeWee showmanship for youth under 8 and some years this class has been quite large. Youth may show family owned sheep that are consigned to the sale, or they can bring their own Katahdins to exhibit. Animals in the junior show are not required to be consigned in the sale.

All youth under 21 are eligible to participate and are only required to be youth members of KHSI. Riley Donkers will serve as judge for all the junior shows at the Midwest Sale. Any questions about this event can also be directed to beckyshultz@msn.com, or 573.239.7553.

KHSI Membership Made Donations to Support Youth Activities

67 KHSI members have donated a total of \$3,908 to support this year's KHSI Youth Activities. These include the following:

- All American Junior Sheep Show
- Katahdin Youth Sheep Show
- KHSI Youth Scholarship fund

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2022 All-American Junior Show at the Big E Fairgrounds July 4th weekend

The 2022 All-American Junior Sheep Show is going to be held at the BIG E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, MA from June 30-July 3, 2022. This will be the third time the All American has visited New England and we are looking forward to bringing the show back to where we play the 3-On-3 Basketball Tournament at the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame. It is a special evening for the whole family as not only do we host the tourney there but the museum is open exclusively to the AAJS Families for their browsing pleasure on Friday night! It has been recently re-worked so there are a lot of new exhibits. Another important activity is the following weekend at the exact same venue, another premier junior breeding sheep show will be held. It is the Northeast Youth Sheep Show and runs from July 8th-10th. Sheep can remain in the facility and arrangements are being made for some special activities for the stay-over families between the shows, or you can go off on your own as there are plenty of activities in New England to check out! You can truly make it a "Showcation" and enjoy attending two premier junior shows in one trip!

The All-American is the premier and largest junior breeding sheep show in the country. The breeds participating this year are: Polled Dorsets-Fitted & Slick Shorn, Horned Dorsets, Dorset Advantage, Hampshires-Fitted & Slick Shorn, Southdowns, Border Leicesters-White & Natural Colored, Cheviots, Cotswolds, Shropshires, Oxford, Montadales, Romneys-White & Natural Colored, Shetlands, Lincolns-White & Natural Colored, Natural Coloreds, Targhees, Texels, Tunis, Dorpers, White Dorpers, Columbias, Corriedales, Katahdins, Merinos, Babydoll Southdowns and Suffolks-Fitted & Slick Shorn. Polled Dorsets, Hampshires and Suffolks will have two completely separate shows for Fitted and Slick Shorns, while Lincolns, Romneys and Border Leicesters are going to feature two separate breeds shows for the white and natural colored. Judges for this year's event will be Dustin Cruik, IL; Troy Longenecker, PA; and Nick Miniter, CT. The National Junior Southdown Show,

National Junior Tunis Show and National Junior Suffolk Show will be held in conjunction with the All American Junior show this year. Thank you to all of the National Breed Associations and their breeders for their continued special sponsorship of this show!

If you have never attended an All-American Junior Show please make plans to attend this very special event! It is much more than just a sheep show, as there are several activities for the whole family. The show features a lamb camp for the young sheep owners, a 3-on-3 basketball tourney for the exhibitors, a sheep skill-a-thon competition with several participation awards being sponsored, a sheep judging contest, free complimentary food service for exhibitors and their families, individual and team showmanship competitions, wool show, promotional contests for exhibitors that also features an adult age photo division, a college scholarship program for older exhibitors, a thank-you note writing booth where participation awards are given away, a fun virtual shearing contest, and a lead line and dress-a-sheep competition, plus much more!

New to the show this year will be the Supreme Champion Ram and Ewe drive on Sunday afternoon after the breed show are completed and prior to the closing ceremonies. The AAJS is planning some very special awards for our winners! Also, new is the implementation of a minimum age limit of 4 years old by January 1st for a junior exhibitor to enter the breeding sheep or market lamb classes. Younger exhibitors are still more than welcomed to participate in the showmanship classes, the lead line and dress-a-sheep contests, attend lamb camp, assist older exhibitors in the breeding sheep show rings and participant in all of the promotional contests and other fun activities associated with the show.

The All American extended the show schedule by a half day three years ago and will continue to do so this year as it worked out very well for all of the attendees and staff. Sheep need to arrive by Thursday, June 30th at noon as all check-in will take place



on Thursday. Activities actually start Thursday afternoon with the Judging Contest, Fitting Demos, Lamb Camp and Leadline & Dress-A-Sheep Contests. Hood Ice Cream will be sponsoring the Ice Cream Treats for everyone.

The Opening Ceremonies will kick things off on Friday morning, July 1st followed by Showmanship Classes and some Breed Shows. On Friday night there will be the ever popular 3 on 3 three basketball tourney and the Harry & Mary Blome pizza party. The site for this year's basketball tournament will be at the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame starting at 6:30 PM so; we will host the pizza party at the fairgrounds starting at 5:30 PM. There will be a family Chicken BBQ on Saturday night with the fun activity Ag Olympics taking place for all, with prizes given out. Come and enjoy the family fun!

2022 ALL AMERICAN HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION

WEST SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
Hotels with Group Rates:

- La Quinta by Wyndham (30 rooms)
100 Congress St
Springfield, MA 01104
413-781-0900
 - Standard Rooms at \$95.00 (non-smoking, double queens), pet friendly, free breakfast, indoor pool, 2.5 miles to fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show, cutoff date for group rate 6/15/2022

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- Sheraton Springfield Monarch Place Hotel (10 rooms)
One Monarch Place,
Springfield, MA 01144
413-781-1010
 - Standard Rooms at \$129.00 (non-smoking, double queens), indoor pool, pet friendly, parking height restrictions apply, 2.0 miles to the fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show 2022, cutoff date for group rate 5/31/2022
- Candlewood Suites (25 rooms)
572 Riverdale St
W. Springfield, MA 01089
413-739-1122
 - Standard Rooms at \$129.00 (non-smoking, double queens), indoor pool, full kitchen with fridge, microwave, dishwasher, coffee maker, 2 burner stovetop, dishes, pots, pans, utensils, 2.7 miles to fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show, cutoff date for group rate 5/31/2022
- Hampton Inn (25 rooms)
1011 Riverdale St
W. Springfield, MA 01089
413-732-1300
 - Standard Rooms at \$129.00 (non-smoking, double queens), free breakfast, outdoor pool, pet friendly, 3.4 miles to fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show, cutoff date for group rate 5/31/2022
- Hilton Garden Inn Springfield (15 rooms)
800 Hall of Fame Avenue
Springfield, MA 01105
413-886-8000
 - Standard Rooms at \$135.00 (non-smoking, double queens), indoor pool, located right next to Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, 2.0 miles to the fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show 2022, cutoff date, 5/31/2022
- Residence Inn by Marriott (25 rooms)
64 Border Way
W. Springfield, MA 01089
413-732-9543
 - Standard Rooms at \$159.00 (non-smoking, single queen with sofa bed & king beds suites), pet friendly, oven, dishwasher, microwave, stove, utensils, pots/pans, toaster, free breakfast, 5.8 miles to fairgrounds
 - Group Name: All American Junior Sheep Show, cutoff date for group rate 5/30/2022

Camping:

- BIG E Fairgrounds (actual show site):
 - Camping rate is \$25.00 per night. Campground is located right next to the sheep barn. Campground includes electricity, sewer and water. Showers are available in the sheep barn. No reservations required, pay at the entrance gate when you arrive at fairgrounds.


Entries close: MAY 25th, 2022.

There will be a higher entry fee for any late entries submitted after the deadline date and post entries at the show. Check out the All-American Website: www.allamericanjuniorshow.com for entry and further information.

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April 30, 2022

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SCKA Annual Gathering held in Vicksburg, Mississippi at the Silver Creek Equestrian Center

****June 9-10, 2022**

Rocky Mountain Katahdin Association Annual Meeting. Animal Science Building – University of Wyoming Campus – Laramie, WY.

July 9, 2022

EAPK Annual Symposium and Sale at the Ron Ramsey Agricultural Center in Blountville, TN.

****August 4-6, 2022**

Katahdin Expo and Sale - Hyder Burks-Ag Pavilion – Cookeville, TN

Sept. 17, 2022

University of Florida Ram Test Sale and Educational Program – Gainesville, FL

2022 Hairald Publication Dates

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Educational Events Calendar

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Headlines, Dates and Notes

ATTENTION

All events listed on this page have not been canceled at the time of printing. Please check websites or call for the latest information on status of events

Katahdin Sale Roundup

May 12-14, 2022 – Ohio Showcase Katahdin Sale, - Darke Co. Fairgrounds, Greenville, OH

****May 25, 2022** – SCKA Internet Sale. Deadline to register sheep and equipment for sale May 1st 2022; deadline for pictures is May 16th 2022. Send to mike@integritylivestock-sales.com.

June 7, 2022 – Missouri Katahdin Association "Online" Sale - integritylivestocksales.com

June 13 - 18, 2022 – Midwest Stud Ram Sale. Sedalia, Missouri. 8 AM. Missouri State Fairgrounds.

July 9, 2022 – 2022 EAPK Annual Symposium and Sale at the Ron Ramsey Agricultural Center in Blountville, TN.

****August 6, 2021** – KHSI Expo Sale – Hyder Burks-Ag Pavilion – Cookeville, TN

August 20, 2022 – 1st Annual Coalfield Hair Sheep Sale held at the Coalfield Agricultural Center, Clintwood Va. 24228 More info at <http://dickenson.ext.vt.edu> Facebook: Coalfield Sheep Association

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April 30, 2022 – KHSI Youth Scholarship Application Deadline

****June 13, 2022** - Leroy Boyd Junior Youth Katahdin Show. Sedalia, Missouri. 8 AM. Missouri State Fairgrounds. More details in 2022 Katahdin Hairalds.

****June 30 - July 3, 2022** - All-American Junior Show – West Springfield, MA

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"Nosey-Roseys" 2019 KHSI Photo Contest
- Mandy Fletcher, Abingon, Virginia

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THE 3RD INTERNATIONAL KATAHDIN CONGRESS A SUCCESS

By Ely Valdez – San Antonio, TX

The 3rd International Congress started on Thursday, February 24 with delegates of Panamá, Mexico, USA and Puerto Rico. This magnificent event held place in Zapotlanejo, in the State of Jalisco in Mexico, from February 24 to 27.

Our hosts were the Katahdin Association of Mexico and the Congress was part of a huge event called OVICAM, which gathered not only Katahdins, but also Dorpers, Damaras, Pelifolk, Barbados Blackbellies and Pelibueys. Along with the sheep there were several pens of Boer Goats and dairy goat breeds making the event one of the biggest ones in the country specially dedicated to small ruminants. It was great to be again with fellow Katahdin breeders from different parts of South America and the Caribbean, their hospitality and camaraderie is beyond words.

The three-day event started on February 24 with presentations through the entire day. On Friday 25 participants of the congress took a tour to three different farms nearby the

congress. And on the last day of the Congress there was Katahdin show with over 250 animals entering the show arena.

The topics and presenters included:

- A) Juan Pedro Rodríguez Gutiérrez (MX) speaking on "ABC of Sheep Production, advice from a shepherd to a shepherd",
- B) Dr Manuel Delgado Estrella (MX) "Health Management Practices in Sheep",
- C) Dr Brenda Anahy Contreras Alonso (MX) "From Nutrition to Meat and Milk Production: Understanding the Importance of Ruminal Function",
- D) Sandra Carillo Guzmán (MX) "Transformation of the Katahdin Lamb Meat in Mexico"
- E) M.S Ricardo Zapater (PR) "Development of the Katahdin Breed and Sheep Production in Puerto Rico"

In the evening there was a Round Table with all the International Katahdin breeders assisting the Congress. The main themes were production systems, management, market and

discussing new ideas or concepts in sheep productions. It was open for all the

attendees to ask freely to all the producers and it turned to be a nice talk. The breeders at the round table were, Alfonso Esquivias (MX), Ahmed s.m Darabuawad (Panamá), Ricardo Zapater (Puerto Rico), Dr. Franklin Quiñones (MX) and Ely Valdez (USA).

On Friday, we started the tour, visiting the Katahdin breeder Ricardo Zuñiga from Katahdin Arandas at his new ranch, where we saw a great part of his flock and enjoyed also the tequila he produces. After that we went to visit the Alfonso and Julieta Esquivias farm named La Estancia. There we saw how his lambs had been raised in an elevated system using plastic slats similar to hog production and the ewe flock was viewed on pastures where they stay until lambing. The sight of



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March 31, 2022

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	JANUARY #	FEBRUARY #	MARCH #	YTD #
Katahdin Registrations				
2022 Katahdin Registration	532	747	857	2136
2021 Katahdin Registration	1447	635	749	2831
2020 Katahdin Registration	527	478	309	1314
2019 Katahdin Registration	480	488	456	1424
2018 Katahdin Registration	1383	824	560	2767
2017 Katahdin Registration	498	395	414	1307
Katahdin Transfers				
2022 Katahdin Transfers	237	216	416	869
2021 Katahdin Transfers	504	265	438	1207
2020 Katahdin Transfers	403	259	146	808
2019 Katahdin Transfers	301	472	272	1045
2018 Katahdin Transfers	637	386	216	1239
2017 Katahdin Transfers	192	156	220	568

2022 Paid Membership: 1586

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SCKA - In Memory of Howard Brown
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Russell & Pam Schmidt
Seven Peaks - Landyn Cutshaw
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the agave fields around the farm was one of the most astounding I have ever seen. After a nice lunch where breeders shared opinions and views related to Katahdins, we visited the last ranch, Genética VR. Here Gerardo Vazquez, along with his wife Alondra and their children, are raising some great Katahdins. We visited through



Trophy presented to the Grand Champion Ram by Mr Ely Valdez representing South Central Katahdin Association

all their pens and saw the nice consignments they had ready for their upcoming auction at their ranch. It was great to see a diversity of Katahdins and management practices in these farms. It should be mentioned that the majority of Katahdin Breed-

ers are from the State of Jalisco, so a lot of great farms are within a short travel time.

Saturday was the last day of the Congress, on that day when we arrived at the Expo everybody was busy finishing and preparing to the show all their Katahdins. A lot of movement of people was seen at the pens as 250 sheep were getting ready for the big day. The show was divided in 8 groups for rams, as well as for ewes. Before the competition started a minute of silence took place because of the passing of Juan Manuel Cotera, a respected young sheep producer from Costa Rica who was going to be the judge that day. The show lasted for 7 hours and it was astounding to see the quality of animals being shown on that day. There is no doubt that the Katahdin is the Supreme Breed. For the



show the Judge selected was Juan Bernardo Mojica, and as auxiliary judge Ricardo Zapater from Puerto Rico was also in the arena along with Luis Ernesto from Mexico.

To finish I would to give a big thank to my friend Ing. Alfonso Esquivias, Secretary of the UNO and organizer of this 3rd International Katahdin Congress and OVICAM along with Juan Pedro Rodríguez President of Katahdin Mexico for the invitation to this

great event. If something can be said is that the hospitality of these breeders is beyond words. We are already looking forward to see all of our International Katahdin friends soon.



KHSI sponsored trophies

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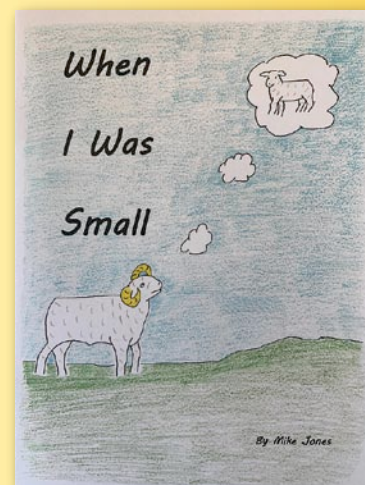
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Relationships among intramammary health, udder and teat characteristics, and productivity of extensively managed ewes



By Tom Murphy - U.S. Meat Animal Research Center - Clay Center, NE

Contributors: Whit Stewart - University of Wyoming, Bret Taylor - U.S. Sheep Experiment Station, Bledar Bisha - University of Wyoming, Carl Yeoman - Montana State University, Megan Van Emon - Montana State University, and Ryan Knuth - Montana State University

Mastitis is an inflammation of the mammary tissue typically in response to a bacterial infection. Signs of clinical mastitis include immense udder swelling, fever, and secretion of abnormal milk. In sheep, clinical infection is associated with increased risk of ewe and lamb mortality and is estimated to account for 7% of all ewes culled each year in the U.S. However, ewes with subclinical mastitis (SCM) have no observable signs of infection and, because of this, the prevalence and economic impact of SCM are not well understood. Milk was sampled from clinically healthy ewes at Montana State University and the USDA U.S. Sheep Experiment Station. Bacteria which have the potential to cause mastitis were present in 36% of milk samples. Morphometric traits of the udder were not found useful for predicting SCM. Somatic cell count (SCC) in milk, an indication of immune response, was negatively associated

with weight of lamb weaned. Ewes with elevated SCC were expected to wean 5 to 8 kg less lamb than healthy ewes, which equates to a lost revenue of \$19 to \$32 per ewe.

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KHSI Board Meeting December 16, 2021

President Robert Walker called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM EST.

Board members present: Robert Walker, Howard Covington, Karen Kenagy, Cindy DeOrnellis, Mandy Fletcher and Dan Turner. Alan Culham was also present.

Robert asked the board to review the minutes of November 18, 2021. Howard moved to approve the minutes and Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Alan presented the treasurer's report which also included the year-to-date profit & loss and the balance sheet. Dan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Howard seconded the motion and treasurer's report was approved 7-0. Alan also provided the October registration and membership report - and we're at least 25% ahead in each over last year. Howard explained how incoming funds were swept from the checking account and into the investment account, while leaving enough funds to meet obligations. Cindy moved to approve treasurer's report. Howard seconded

the motion and motion passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS

NSIIP Grant - Dan

NSIIP has been invoiced for the costs associated with "throwing the switch" to establish gEBV's. The grant funds will be used to pay the invoice. Another group of TSU's have been sent to Australia and 2022 collection dates have been set. There's a delay in processing the data due to climatic disasters that have occurred in Australia. There may be a need to hire someone to continue working with the hair index.

Website Upgrade - Robert

Robert has spoken to Mike twice. The promotion committee will meet to gather ideas and submit feed back as the site is developed.

Breed Display Contest

KHSI received a \$100 award in recognition of our breed display at the NAILE. The funds will be put into the youth show fund.

Investment Account (see attachment) - Howard

The board reviewed the report.

Robert questioned if the fund managers moved our funds with or without KHSI input. Howard will request a letter identifying the process.

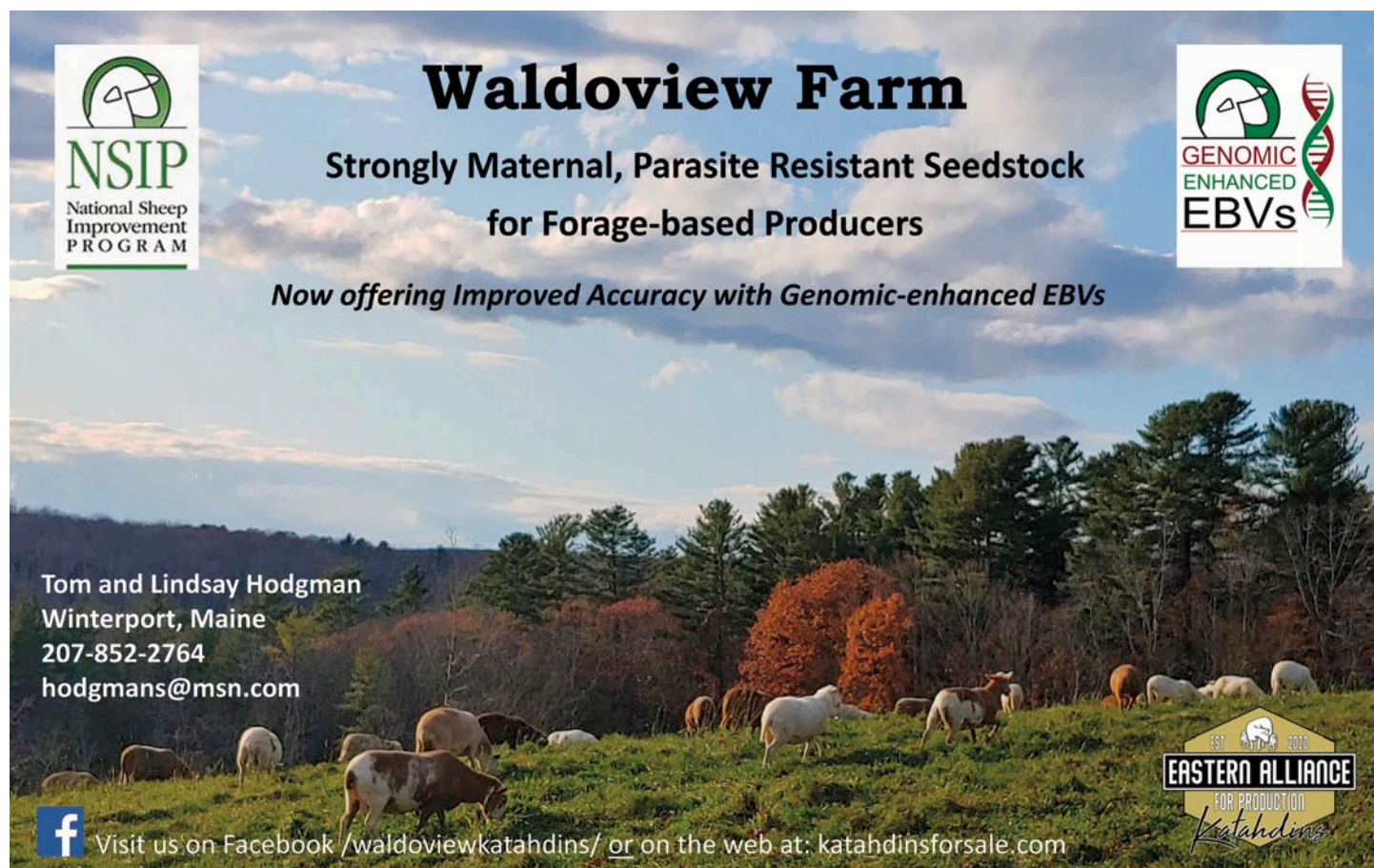
NEW BUSINESS

Hairald publishing - Alan

Gail Harding submitted a new contract for her work with the 2022 Hairald (see attachment). The new contract reflects the increased size of the issues and the additional hours needed to develop each issue. Howard moved to approve the contract and Cindy seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Gail questioned if the board planned to move forward with selling the back cover and center spread of each issue. She provided the dimensions for the back cover spot. Howard moved that an online auction be conducted to sell the back cover and each page of the center spread, for a total of 12 ad pages. Cindy seconded the motion and motion passed 6-0. The auction will be scheduled for mid-February.

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2022 Budget (attached) – Howard and Alan

The board reviewed the 2022 budget prepared by Alan and Howard. Cindy moved the board adopt the budget as presented. Dan seconded the motion and motion passed 6-0. The budget review prompted a discussion on the scholarship awards and if the amount should be adjusted, given the ever-increasing costs of higher education. Dan moved that KHSI offer 5 \$1,000 scholarships with the amount adjusted accordingly if there are fewer than 5 deserving recipients. Cindy seconded the motion and the board voted by roll call.

Dan-yes, Cindy-yes, Howard-no, Karen-yes and Mandy-no. Motion passed 3-2.

Howard moved the board go into closed session and Cindy seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 and Alan left the meeting. Discussion concerned Alan's performance and if a bonus were warranted. Cindy moved to return to open session and Howard seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 and board resumed open session.

Howard moved that Alan be awarded a \$2,000 end-of-year bonus for 2021. Cindy seconded the motion and motion passed 6-0.

Howard moved to adjourn and Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 and Robert adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM. Next meeting – January 20, 2022 @ 8:00 EST

Respectfully submitted,
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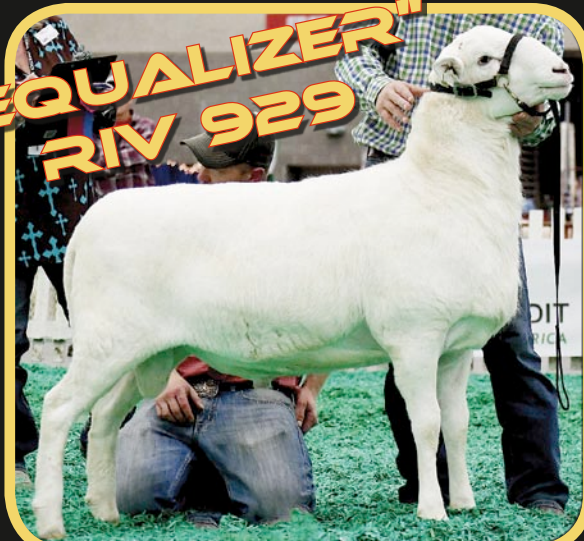
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Here's How I Do It: Water

By Dan Turner

No matter what else you do to expand your operation, water is a top priority, as one of the 3 Fs of raising sheep: feed, fencing & fresh water. I have always lived in Pennsylvania, where there are hot summers and cold winters. Both winter and summer provide unique challenges to provide adequate fresh water for livestock. The challenge in winter is obvious, as we must keep the water from a hard freeze. The challenge in the summer is to provide water that is cool enough to drink and a large enough quantity of it. The ideal solution for both of these conditions is to have water lines buried underground, unless you are raising sheep in a climate-controlled environment.

Being from PA, I have always known that waterlines can freeze unless they are buried at least 30" deep. Other climates can be more or less, but for this area, 30" works, though 36" is preferred. One of the first things that I did when I started raising sheep was to buy an old walk-behind Ditch Witch. I spent days & days wrestling that thing and hanging on when it

hit rocks and roots, but I could work when it fit my schedule without running to a rental store. Looking back on it, renting a heavy-duty, ride-on ditcher would have probably saved me a lot of time and hassle, but I didn't realize that until I rented one when my machine broke down. I'll rent from now on.

Digging trenches is always messy, and that is what probably keeps most of us from having water outlets everywhere that they should be. The cost is really not that crazy, as the 3/4" Hdpe black coil piping is about 50 cents per foot and the machine rental can be \$250-\$400/day. For the convenience of it, I think underground water is a bargain. Admittedly, there are other costs, such as the fittings to connect the piping, concrete and stone, and the waterer or hydrant out in the field. I also run 12-2 underground electrical wire in the trench so that I can hook up 250 watt heaters in the winter and also use it to run a power tool or a WiFi repeater in the middle of the field.

I have 3 different types of water supplies in the fields. At some places

I have the "Little Spring" automatic waterers from Miraco. These are the right height for sheep, which is important to have. I had bought some cattle waterers at an auction, but I have to use concrete blocks as steps for the smaller sheep to reach these. I also have the standard, frost-free hydrants, which are great for summer, but cannot be left on through the winter; and I have quick-connect points in the ground for tapping into during the summer grazing.

Where I have the automatic waterers, I brought the 3/4" plastic pipe up through 14" diameter drainage pipe that I had cut at 4' long and stood into a hole. (14" works OK, but the larger the pipe, the easier it is to get the water fittings connected inside this pipe) The reason for going 4' deep is to get down to where the earth is warm, so that warm air rises in the winter and helps keep the inside of the 14" pipe from freezing. By wrapping insulation around the top 30" of the outside of the 14" pipe, the inside stays warmer.

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I put a 3/4" ball valve on the 3/4" pipe. I use the style with a bleeder port so I can drain everything above it before it freezes. I put a concrete pad around the top of the 14" pipe so the waterer can be fastened to the concrete. This keeps everything level and keeps the area from becoming a mudhole. A 10' x 10' pad seems to work well. I put a little insulation between the waterer and the concrete, which seals any draft from getting into the inside piping. I buy a short, outdoor, 12 gauge, non-LED extension cord and cut it in half and then connect the female plug end to the underground wiring using water-tight connections. I found that the type with LEDs in the ends tend to short out and try to catch fire in the damp conditions, as do the muti-tap extension cords.

The frost-free hydrants are the easiest to install, as they can be set inside of a thin trench without digging a large hole. There is a 3/4", 90 degree adapter fitting made specifically for the bottom of hydrants. This is generally made in stainless steel with a flat surface on the bottom. I position the hydrant so it can be attached to one the fence posts and put a weather-proof outlet there if I am running electric to that area. This can be useful for winter watering, where you fill a trough every day or so and want to have a heater in it.

The third type of water connection is the in-ground, quick disconnect type. I use the Plasson style which I get from Kencove. Again, I like to use a ball valve just below the quick disconnect, which allows for servicing the connector without shutting down the entire water system. Strategically placed ball valves and underground curb stop valves can be used to isolate

specific sections of a watering system. The 3/4" water pipe comes up through a larger pipe, that again is about 4' into the earth, and capped with a proper pipe cap to keep critters from stepping into the hole. The Plasson disconnect is just below the top of the pipe and I like to shut off the ball valve before sliding the male adapter into the female port. This connection is really quite simple and inexpensive, and it has a replaceable seal in the female coupling half.

The automatic waterers are located in the central parts of our fields and the hydrants and quick disconnects are geared toward supplying water to the more remote areas of the fields. Ideally, I would like to have automatic waterers everywhere, but that is just not feasible. To get the water from the hydrants and in-ground connections I run 3/4" black coil pipe above ground, along the fence line, tucked under the grass. The best time to run this is in the winter. Each run of pipe may have several tees where I can connect my temporary waterers. I install brass tees with ball valves on the branch connection and a male garden hose adapter threaded into the ball valve. Wherever a water connection is located, I paint the tops of the nearest fence posts blue. This helps me to find the connections as they get grown over by the forage. I found that the water gets to a scalding hot temperature if I have it running through

a very long stretch of pipe that is not covered by forage. I use water hoses for some runs and I like to use the type made for drinking water. These are usually white, which helps keep the heat down. I like to use a trough at the end of the above ground pipe, which has a Jobe float valve with a 6' length of water hose permanently connected to it. The flexible water hose easily connects up to the black pipe, which is not very flexible. I use black troughs, but wish that I could find some white ones, as they gain a lot of heat in the summer. I like to put troughs in the shade where I can, or at least put them against a fence where I can get a small shade tarp over them. Providing cool water in the summer can be a difficult task. If possible, arrange for the automatic waterers fed by underground piping to be used on the hottest days, and make sure that the animal load is appropriate. I've seen ewes "stand guard" and form a blockade around a waterer, which meant that I needed more watering spots or less ewes in the group.


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I have 2 different water supply systems, as the house and barn are on opposite sides of the road, though thankfully it is a dead-end road. The house is on a well, but the barn is on a public water system. The surprising part of it is that the house water pressure is about 65 PSI and the public system is about 125 PSI. The high pressure on the barn side causes many issues and I plan to put in a pressure regulator this summer. High pressure can cause normal water valves to malfunction, so many manufacturers sell a "high pressure" kit, which generally has a smaller orifice for the shut-off. I found that garden hoses don't last if they are left under pressure in the sun, as thermal expansion causes the water pressure to rise to catastrophic levels as the heat compromises the hoses' pressure rating. Not knowing that a hose has blown or a valve has not closed gets very frustrating. I purchased the Flume water monitoring device last year, and it reports my water usage in real time to an app on my phone. By setting alarms, the app will notify

me when there are irregularities in the water flow rate, saving me hundreds of dollars in wasted water.

A bothersome fact that I recently discovered is that several of the 250 watt heaters from Tractor Supply are electrifying the water with 8 volts. This is fairly subtle and non-detectable unless I have a cut on my hand and stick it into the waterer and touch the fence or wet concrete with my other hand. I feel a sting at the cut of my hand and I used a volt meter to verify the issue. I do not know if I have a grounding issue in my barn electrical distribution, or if these heaters are to blame. I mention this so that others may consider checking their water

troughs with a volt meter, and taking care of any issues that are found. How devastating to find that a sheep can get shocked when it tries to drink.

If I can't use a heater in an area when the temperatures are going well below freezing, I will sometimes let a little water flow. In most cases, about ½ gallon per minute of flow is enough to keep a hose, valve and trough from freezing. I'm not a fan of wasting water, but I am also not a fan of having hoses freeze solid and end up transporting water in buckets. On my barn-side, the water costs 5 cents per 10 gallons, which equates to 15 cents per hour to let the water run in one trough (\$3.60/24 hours). It gets expensive and wasteful, but the sheep need water.

Other places that we use a good amount of water is in the barn during lambing. I have several Miraco fountains throughout the barn, but for the lambing jugs I use a water tube made of 8" SDR PVC piping that runs between 2 rows of lambing



PVC water piping in lambing

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jugs. The back panel of the jug has a hole cut in it to allow the ewe to reach through and drink from a hole cut in the PVC. I have a Jobe float in the one end and a cap with a garden hose drain in the other. If this is at the right height, I get hardly any contamination of the water, and none by feces. Before we started using the water tube, we used buckets like almost everyone else. This is a lot of work. At first we just sat the buckets in a front corner of the pen. This seemed to be a target for poop pellets. I learned to only fill the buckets half full, as a full bucket was sure to be pooped in within minutes. Those goofy, low-tech bucket holders are really a great idea. After 2 years of emptying too many buckets due to contamination, we bought and made some bucket holders that easily hook over our panel rails at a variety of heights. The key is that the buckets stay above the poop zone and waste a lot less water, saving a lot of time. We have a supply of the cheapo TSC buckets as well as some of the more expensive ones with built-in heaters that need plugged in, and a big supply

of bucket hangers.

Using the automatic waterers with underground piping is a great help, but it is not all maintenance free. The troughs still need monitored every day and routinely scrubbed and dumped especially in the summer. Check them for being frozen, over flowing, not filling, worms & bugs, algae, salt & mineral sediment from sheep lips, and poop. Some people use small chlorine tablets in perforated plastic bottles to keep algae from forming. The chlorine level can be regulated a bit by the number and size of holes in the bottle as well as the surface area of the chlorine tablet(s). Poke some holes, drop in chlorine tablet and sink it in the trough.

Fresh water is a critical part of a healthy environment for raising any animal. It doesn't have to be pristine, but it should always be at a cleanliness level that passes visual and smell tests. I don't know of any quick testing for water, but by using the Flume water meter, I can tell if the daily water consumption is where it should be. I can see the trends by day and by hour,

which allows me to see under-usage as well as over-usage. If there is under-usage, I look for too many animals to a water supply, contamination in the water trough, electrical current (from heater or electric fence too close), valve turned off, or any other reason that animals can't get to water. If there is over-usage, I look for a stuck float or a broken line or hose. Also, I have found that helpers need trained that when moving a trough with a float, the float always goes toward the downhill end of the trough. My rule is that the trough should always be watched the first time it is filled with an automatic float and you should never walk away from a running hose that is filling a trough – you may remember that it needs turned off after you go to bed. Utilize a float or a timer valve on the end of your hose if you don't stay with a running hose.


This is how I do it, and hopefully some of the information can help you to do things a bit better. Just because I do it this way does not make it right, or right for you, but hopefully you enjoy as I share my experiences.

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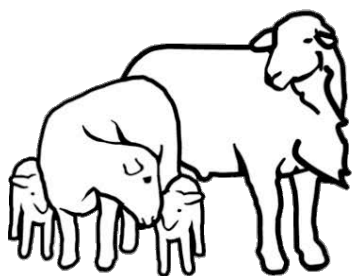


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- Contact the Registry with questions about registration and transfer procedures.
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KHSI Board Meeting January 20, 2022

President Robert Walker called the meeting to order at 8:07 PM EST.

Board members present: Robert Walker, Howard Covington, Larry Weeks, Cindy DeOrnellis and Dan Turner. Alan Culham was also present. Mandy Fletcher and Karen Kenagy were absent.

Robert asked the board to review the minutes of December 21, 2021. Dan moved to approve the minutes and Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Alan presented the treasurer's report which also included the year-to-date profit & loss, the balance sheet and 2021 summary. Cindy moved to approve the treasurer's report. Dan seconded the motion and treasurer's report was approved 5-0. Alan also provided the 2021 registration and membership report - and 2021 numbers are up in all areas: +18% registrations, +22% transfers and +12% paid memberships. Howard reported that the new investments are paying well and we will only be notified if a change in categories is recommended.

OLD BUSINESS

NSIIP Grant - Dan

NSIIP is still experiencing delays for information updates from Australia. Delays are due to major server outages and because the program has been inundated with entries from Australia after the program was offered free of charge to Australian producers. The NSIIP group will confer with Dr. Lewis on options for utilizing the \$15,000 remaining in the grant. One suggestion is to use the funds to help with formulation of a new index.

Website Upgrade - Robert

The EDJE team and KHSI representatives discussed options during a conference call. Website changes will be reviewed and decisions/suggestions forwarded to Mike and the EDJE team.

Hairald ads auction - Robert

The back page ad for each Hairald will be auctioned online by PL Auctions Live. Fee will be 10% if less than \$5000 and 8% if over \$5000. Auction date will be March 1 and first cover will be the spring issue.

Expo Committee - Cindy

Committee met and discussed topics and speakers for the 2022 Expo. Speakers will be contacted and confirmed. Ron Young is looking for a site in Ohio for 2023 and will have a proposal for review at the next committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

3rd Katahdin Congress in Mexico - Howard

KHSI was invited to send representatives and a judge. Due to traveling constraints and schedule conflicts, no one from the board will be attending. Ely Valdez and Ricardo Zapater are KHSI members and will be attending. Howard suggested KHSI sponsor awards for the event as a sign of our support of the Congress. He's working with Ely Valdez on pricing and procuring awards in Mexico. Cindy moved that KHSI allocate \$500 towards the Congress, with Howard and Ely determining best of use of

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KHSI Board Meeting February 17, 2022

President Robert Walker called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM EST.

Board members present: Robert Walker, Howard Covington, Mandy Fletcher, Karen Kenagy, Cindy DeOrnellis and Dan Turner. Alan Culham was also present. Larry Weeks was not present at the beginning of the meeting.

Robert asked the board to review the minutes of January 20, 2022. Howard moved to approve the minutes and Mandy seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Alan presented the treasurer's report which included the year-to-date profit & loss and the balance sheet. Cindy moved to approve the treasurer's report. Dan seconded the

motion and treasurer's report was approved 6-0. Alan also provided the registration and membership report.

Larry joined the meeting

OLD BUSINESS

NSIIP Grant - Dan

The NSIIP grant funds of \$15,000 are still unused. The committee suggested \$10/head for producers sampling older ewes to facilitate Dr. Lewis's new focus. The committee is working on a method to disburse the funds. They also suggested using the research funds budgeted by KHSI be used to encourage more sampling. Those funds may be paid directly to the producers.

Website Upgrade - Robert

No updates from Mike and the EDJE team.

Hairald ads auction - Robert

The auction will be advertised using email blasts and is set for March 1.

Winter Hairald - Alan

The winter Hairald has been mailed. March 13 is the deadline for the spring articles and ads. Howard requested the new members list on the inside front cover provide also provide the members' locations. Alan will request the additional info from the registry.

Expo Committee - Cindy

Speakers are being contacted. Another suggested topic was a presentation on the early days of genomics. Ron Young has compiled info on several sites in Ohio for 2023. The Expo committee will review and present a recommendation to the board.

Katahdin Congress in Mexico - Howard

The board complimented and thanked Howard for his work on pro-

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funds. Larry seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

Youth Committee Chair - Alan

John Dyer is stepping down as chair and recommended the board accept Becky Shultz as new chair. Howard moved to appoint Becky as chair of the youth committee. Dan seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

Membership Expiration - Alan

Alan noted that unexpired memberships expire on December 31, even though many members send in dues around the first of the year. Due to automated registry updates, those members are no longer considered current members and have problems registering sheep and accessing the membership search. Alan has instructed the registry to maintain current memberships through the end of February, allowing time for renewals

to be processed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Howard asked about progress with getting new KHSI displays. Robert and the promotions committee will have them prior to the upcoming spring/summer events.

Next meeting - February 17, 2022 at 8:00 PM EST

Cindy moved to adjourn and Howard seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 and Robert adjourned the meeting at 9:07 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy DeOrnellis

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curing awards for the event. Ely Valdez will have some prepared remarks to deliver on behalf of KHSI.

NEW BUSINESS

Private sale ads on web page calendar – Howard & Alan

Howard questioned if listing online private sales would help promote the breed and encourage increased sales. KHSI has helped promote online consignment sales. Robert suggested KHSI offer to add such events to the calendar and assist with promotions with email blasts. The participants would have to be KHSI members and contact Alan with the information.

Robert also suggested creating a information form for the website.

Insurance – Howard

KHSI's present agent is located in Arkansas and has notified Howard that they cannot provide future coverage as the association is no longer based in Arkansas. KHSI has coverage for 2022, but will need to look at other options for 2023.

OTHER BUSINESS

Larry requested the summer Hairald dates be moved up to accommodate the EAPK sale. After some discussion, no changes were made to the publishing dates.

Dan noted the large attendance at several sheep events hosted by KHSI members or groups. He suggested KHSI help promote such activities.

Howard suggested purchasing KHSI novelty items that would appeal to youth – and distribute them at promotional and meeting events.

Next meeting – March 17, 2022 at 8:00 PM EST

Larry moved to adjourn and Howard seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0 and Robert adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy DeOrnellis

How do I volunteer for a committee?

How do I contact KHSI Registry? Operations?

This and so much more information is available to you in the KHSI Member's Guide, page 40.



**Thanks to the Purchasers
of the
“Hairald” Back Cover Advertising!**

- Spring 22 – Prairie Lane Farm - MO
- Summer 22 – Meinders Stock Farms - IA
 - Fall 22 – West Fork Farms - TN
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Katahdin Recipe Forum-Part 1

American Lamb Stuffed Jalapeño Poppers

Recipe provided by Two Purple Figs in partnership with the American Lamb Board (<https://www.americanlamb.com/recipes-2/american-lamb-stuffed-jalapeno-poppers>)

INGREDIENTS

LAMB

- 1 pound ground American Lamb
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 red onion, finely minced
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1½ teaspoon chilli powder (regular or spicy)
- 2 tablespoons cilantro

CREAM CHEESE FILLING

- 4 ounce cream cheese
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
- 2 scallions, chopped
- ¼ cup cilantro
- 1/8 teaspoon salt, pepper
- ¼ teaspoon chilli powder

JALAPEÑOS

- 10 large jalapeños, sliced in half lengthwise, seeds and membranes removed
- 1 cup cheddar cheese

TOPPINGS: (OPTIONAL)

- Avocado
- Tomatoes
- Sour cream
- Green onions
- Black olives sliced
- More cilantro

DIRECTIONS

1. Start by making the lamb mixture. Preheat a heavy skillet over medium high heat and add the oil. Start cooking the onions until they're soft. Add in the American lamb. Season the lamb with all the spice blend above and cook with onions over medium high heat. Cook for 5 minutes stirring frequently until the lamb is cooked. USDA recommends cooking ground lamb to 160°F. Turn off the heat and finish off with cilantro. Set aside.



2. In a large bowl, mix all the cream cheese filling ingredients and blend well.

3. Preheat the oven to 400°F.

4. Place the jalapeños on a baking sheet, cut side up. Fill each jalapeño half with a tablespoon of cream cheese mixture. Top that with a tablespoon of the lamb mixture. Finish off with more shredded cheddar cheese. Bake the jalapeño poppers for 16-20 minutes (depending on the size of your peppers)

Remove from the oven. Serve on a cutting board with your favorite toppings, or serve as is!



Katahdin Recipe Forum-Part 2

Rosemary Garlic American Lamb Chops with Creamy Parmesan Sauce

Recipe provided by Beautiful Eats & Things in partnership with the American Lamb Board (<https://www.american-lamb.com/recipes-2/rosemary-garlic-american-lamb-chops-with-creamy-parmesan-sauce>)

INGREDIENTS

- 8 American lamb loin chops
- ¼ cup fresh rosemary, chopped
- ¼ cup fresh parsley, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese
- 3 tablespoons oil
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1/3 cup milk
- Salt & pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

1. Combine the rosemary, parsley, garlic, and parmesan cheese in a small bowl and generously season the lamb with half of the herb mixture on both sides.
2. Heat oil in a cast iron skillet, over medium to medium-high heat. Place lamb in the oil and cook for 4 minutes until the bottom side is golden brown and seared. Flip the lamb over and cook for another 4 minutes, or until desired doneness is achieved. Remove lamb from the skillet and let the meat rest for about 5 minutes.
3. Reduce heat to low and add in the sour cream, milk, and the rest of the herb mixture. Stir until creamy and combined. Return the lamb back to the skillet and spoon the creamy sauce over each lamb chop.

Serve and enjoy!

Note: USDA recommends lamb be cooked to an internal temperature of 145°F with a 3 minute rest.



If you have a recipe that you and your family like, send it to KHSI Operations at info@katahdins.org or call 717-335-8280 ext 1.

We look forward to your recipes.

If your recipe is based on (or copied from) a published recipe, please provide the proper credit.

Classified Ads

Classified Sheep Ads are limited and FREE to paid members of the KHSI. "Sheep Wanted" ads are free for all. Ads will be placed for 60 days, after which they will be removed. Ads may be resubmitted. All items for sale will be listed on this page in the order in which they are received. All additions, corrections, deletions to ads already placed must be made through the KHSI Operations Office.

WANTED TO BUY

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Wanting 100 head to establish a Commercial Katahdin or Katahdin cross flock. Rolling Acres Farm - Lester Gingerich, Munfordville, Kentucky (270) 524-4897

3/18/2022 CENTRAL ILLINOIS

Looking for Semen from good quality Rams for domestic use here in the USA. Jacob Cluver - Bloomington, IL (714) 926-8094 jacob@agwic.com

3/17/2022 W COLORADO

Looking to purchase a breeding ram for our flock of Katahdin sheep. I am located in the Roaring Fork Valley but am willing to drive. I am also open to a trade, we still have our previous breeding ram he is healthy and we have never had any issues with fertility. The Farm Collaborative - Aspen, CO (703) 501-0661 branner@thefarmcollaborative.org

3/16/2022 CENTRAL MINNESOTA

Looking to purchase 20+ minimal maintenance pasture raised breeding ewes or ewe lambs. Rick Johnson - Mora, MN (612) 703-5098 bricker0@gmail.com

1/29/2022 CENTRAL WISCONSIN

Looking to purchase Hair Sheep for Mid-Sized Farm. I can purchase from a local livestock auction, however, I would rather know more about where the sheep came from. Interested in: Wilshire, Katahdin, Dorper, Romanov, American Blackbelly, Mouflan. Terra Growers - Madison, WI. (608) 509-5021

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3/21/2022 W OHIO

4 Katahdin ram lambs and 3 ewe lambs for sale. Most are scrapie genotype RR. Grass fed only operation. They are tame and easy to handle. Out of Misty Oak and Buckeye Acre genetics. Born January-March, will be weaned and ready to go April-June. Prices \$375-\$425. Pictures available upon request. I will also have two adult ewes for sale later this spring/summer. Heaven's Sunshine Acres - Rossburg, OH (937) 569-8895 RebekahAnna@icloud.com

3/16/2022 SW OHIO

Registered Katahdin Ram 3 yrs. old. Born 2-16-2019. Mostly Black with some white. \$350 Jim Wetzel, Arcanum, OH. Call or text 479-301-7184 or email: jimthehayman100@yahoo.com

3/7/2022 E KENTUCKY

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SHEEP FOR SALE

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2/22/2022 NW ARKANSAS

Ewe lambs and ram lambs born Feb/March 2022 for sale. Parasite resistant flock developed with the assistance of the University of Arkansas Parasitology Department for 10+ years. I have been a mixed animal veterinarian for 38 years, and have raised sheep for 35+ years. Ewe lambs and Ram lambs priced at \$600. If you are interested, please contact me early and a deposit will hold your lamb. Choice of lamb is dependent on date of deposit. Grass Fed in the Ozarks - Western Grove, Arkansas (870) 577-2287 thedrisrealin@gmail.com

2/21/2022 SE TENNESSEE

Registered Katahdin ram from NSIP enrolled flock. NSIP: 6401052019MZN359 Fall born in 2019, single birth, proven. We call him "Glen." I've kept all his daughters and now most of my flock is related to him so it's time to sell him and get some new genetics. We're sad to see him go. Has a great temperament, will come up to the fence if you have a bucket of treats but keeps a respectable distance when you're in the pasture. Easy to work with. \$800 Wild Rose Farm - Sparta, Tennessee (336) 402-5858 wildrosekatahdins@gmail.com

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SHEEP FOR SALE**2/21/2022 SE TENNESSEE**

Registered Katahdin ram lamb from NSIP enrolled flock. NSIP: 6402372021210010 Spring born in 2021, single birth. Has the same good temperament as his sire. Good looking ram lamb. \$400 Wild Rose Farm - Sparta, Tennessee (336) 402-5858 wildrosekatahdins@gmail.com

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RMKA		SCKA	NOTE: Pacific Coast Katahdin Sheep Association (PCKSA) is re-organizing. Contact Debra Blake, President, 503-467-8577 djkblake53@yahoo.com or Karen Kenagy 503-351-6978 krkenagy@hotmail.com Information about regional Katahdin groups is provided as a service. They are separate organizations from KHSI, provide great networking opportunities and require separate memberships.
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**Please watch for our consignments
at the following sales:**

- Midwest Stud Ram Sale, Sedalia, MO
- Katahdin Expo Sale at Cookeville, TN, August
- Online Katahdin sale with Integrity Livestock Sales
(<https://www.integritylivestocksales.com/>)
on Monday, June 6
- Eastern Alliance online sale
- NSIP sale online sale
- South Central online sale

*Transportation will be available to the Midwest
Sale in Sedalia and to Cookeville, TN*



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Selling Ewe at the 2021
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*She was owned by
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Gehring, and sold to
Rack of Lamb Corral.*

*She is sired by Hercules.
We will be offering more
offspring from this ram
at the sales this spring
and summer. He has an
impressive set of lambs
with tremendous growth.*

*Also watch for lambs
sired by Ole Red.*

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thanks for your continued
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