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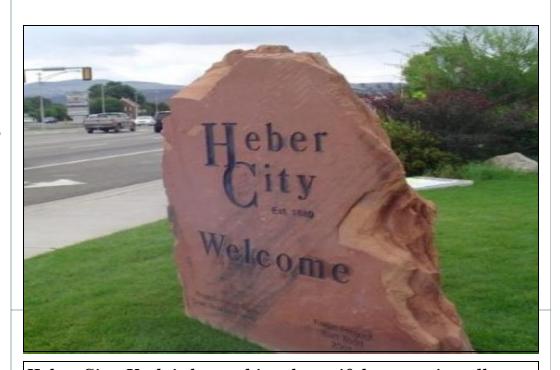
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2014 NATIONAL SHOW & SALE JULY 14-19, 2014 HEBER CITY, UTAH



Heber City, Utah is located in a beautiful mountain valley just a short drive from the Wasatch Front. The area offers outstanding year-round activities including golf, fly fishing, and water sports. The summer offers temperatures that are normally cool and pleasant. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

www.gohebervalley.com

RAMBOUILLET — THE DUAL PURPOSE BREED

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Summertime! Yesterday, we were at 103 degrees in Lubbock. Fortunately we have actually had some rain recently. Most areas in the Texas Panhandle received between 4 and 6 inches 2 weeks ago. It is amazing how guickly things green up and start growing with a little moisture. It is the time of year that crops have been planted, lambs weaned, and time to start putting up hay. The sheep market remains high and I hope each of you have a good crop of lambs to sell this year. is a little more than a month away from our National Show & Sale in Heber City, Utah. Robbie has done a good job of advertising and organizing things for the July sale. Please encourage people you know to come and buy sheep at the sale. It is an excellent opportunity to evaluate and purchase sheep from many breeders from different parts of the country. There are sheep suited for everyone and every environment available at the sale. Our National Sale is a great opportunity to purchase stud rams, ewes to show or start a flock with if you are just now getting into the Rambouillet business. If you need information on the sale or need to place phone bids, contact me or Robbie and we can give you a hand. We can also help you line up transportation if you need a ride home for your sheep. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in July and hope you are having a great summer.



NUMBERS FROM THE REGISTRY OFFICE AS OF 5/31/14

REGISTRATIONS: 610

TRANSFERS: 139

ASSOCIATION DUES:76

MEMBERSHIPS: 15

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING TO THE RAMBOUILLET BREED!

Darci Bultje, South Dakota
Bobby & Heidi Hood, Illinois
Jackson Luedtke, Wisconsin
Kalivo A. Eisel, Utah
Morgan Stapleton, California

Secretary's Notes Robbie G. Eckhoff

Greetings from the office of the ARSBA! Time is flying by and the 2014 National Show & Sale is just days away. Entries are looking good, and we hope that all of you will be a part of a great week of activities in beautiful Heber City, Utah.

We anticipate another outstanding National Junior Show, which is a key to our continued success as a breed. It is essential that we build a base of new, young members who are excited about putting together a flock of Registered Rambouillet sheep. These young people are the start of the foundation for the future, and they are some of our biggest advocates in the promotion of our great breed. In addition, this group is

also one of the single most important factors in keeping the American Sheep Industry moving forward and helping to grow the finewool sheep segment of the industry over the next decade.

In addition to the National Junior Show, our youth have the opportunity to compete in the Annual Poster Contest as well as the Sheep Skillathon. Both of the activities are designed to help our Junior Exhibitors broaden their knowledge of both the breed and the industry.

On Friday, July 18, we will be having our committee meetings. These meetings are the other crucial aspect of our great organization. As I have stated before, we can't move forward without a goal and vision in mind. These meetings are essential in helping determine where we are at and where we want to be. I have been in contact with ASI, State Association executives, and producers to work on getting our "game plan" together. We have to produce a product that best fits our customer, and work to have the greatest advantage that we can. We have some great opportunities as we move forward in the American Sheep Industry. I encourage all of you to work hard in continuing to promote and produce

REGISTERED RAMBOUILLET SHEEP!

SHEEP DRESS UP CONTEST FOLLOWING THE KNOWLEDGE BOWL

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS:

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ATTENTION JUNIORS

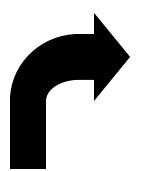
DON'T FORGET ABOUT:

ANNUAL POSTER CONTEST!

KNOWLEDGE BOWL

JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP

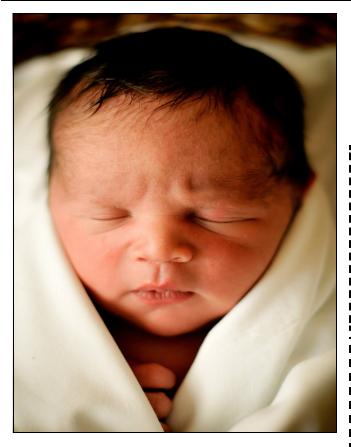
APPLICATIONS



DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR UNIQUE AUCTION ITEM FOR THE JUNIOR AUCTION

STORK REPORT!

Casey & Kristan Earl would like to announce the birth of their son, Mr. Allen McCoy Earl. He arrived on 4/2/14 and was 8 lbs 12 oz, and was 21.5 inches long. He was welcomed home by his siblings Macy Jo and Chance.



Thanks to our Utah Breeders for all the hard work, time, and dedication in putting together all the details for the 2014 National Show & Sale.

JUNIOR PRESIDENT NOTES

Hey Y'all,

I am counting down the days until I get to see each of y'alls bright and shining faces! I hope this past year has gone well for all of you, and I hope school treated you well! I enjoyed my first year of college, it's been a great experience so far! I'm sure you all have a busy summer planned, and I hope that part of those plans include coming to Utah! I've got some pretty cool ideas for Junior Day Running through my mind! I can't wait to see all the great sheep y'all bring, and I look forward to hanging out with each and every one of you.

Be safe and see you soon!

Leah Bauer

CONGRATULATIONS

MR. ANDREW SCHAFER

ON YOUR GRADUATION FROM FORT LEWIS COLLEGE WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION—AG BUSINESS

VEIT RAMBOUILLET

Isabel, South Dakota

High Indexing Ram at the 2013-14 Dakota Ram Test

Test #8 with an Index Score of 133.71.

For more information visit:

www.ag.ndsu.edu/hettingerREC/Ram-Test

AgriLife ram test sale sees top indexing animal headed to Ballinger

While top dollar ram heads to Utah

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SAN ANGELO – The top indexing ram of the 2013-2014 Texas A&M Ram Performance Test didn't have far to go to his new home while others traveled several states away, a test official said.

"The high indexing ram was TAES 8989, bred by Texas A&M AgriLife Research at Sonora," said Dr. Dan Waldron, AgriLife Research geneticist, the test's coordinator. "He sold to Hugh Edmondson of Ballinger for \$1,000."

The high selling ram was TAES 8998, another AgriLife Research bred ram who sold to Tracy Stamatakis of Magna, Utah, for \$2,000. Stamatakis bought three rams total, as did Edmondson, making them the sale's volume buyers. Stamatakis was also the volume buyer at last year's sale.

The average price of \$911.53 per head for the 13 head sold through this year's auction, held at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at San Angelo, was down from last year's lofty average of \$1,175, Waldron said.

"Several buyers bought superior rams at bargain prices this year," Waldron said. "If this year's high lamb prices continue to hold, these rams should produce profitable lamb crops for their buyers as the rams offered will produce off-spring that will produce higher value fleeces and greater growth rates than will many of their contemporaries."

The ram test has been conducted by AgriLife Research at the Sonora station since 1948, but was moved to the San Angelo site last year, Waldron said.

The high indexing ram sold at the March 21 sale earned a Register of Merit Index of 140.35 and a test index ratio score of 114.2. The ram completed the test weighing 283 pounds and produced 12.3 pounds of clean uniformly fine wool that measured mostly 22 microns throughout the fleece, according to test results.

Robbie Eckhoff, executive secretary of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association, presented Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, superintendent of the Sonora station, the breeder of the top ram, with a certificate of merit showing the animal met the association's performance requirements during the test.

Waldron said 62 Rambouillet rams from seven flocks completed the test.

"The rams on the test come from some of the world's top flocks in terms of rate-of-gain and desirable-fleece characteristics," Waldron said. "The test's main purpose is to identify and document superior rams to be used for flock improvement, so some breeders retain their animals for their own use rather than offering them for sale."

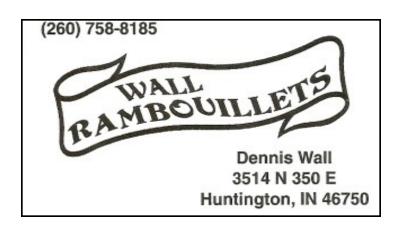
The 140-day test is traditionally followed by an educational field day and sale conducted in cooperation with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

For more information on the Annual Ram Performance Test, pictures of the top indexing and selling animals and a complete listing of test and sale results, go to: http://sanangelo.tamu.edu/performance-tests/ram-performance-test/ or go to http://sanangelo.tamu.edu and click on the "performance tests" link



Jim & Teena Lynn, L3 Rambouillet of Edgemont, South Dakota. High Indexing Ram, 2013-14 University of Wyoming Ram Test. For more information concerning the University of Wyoming Ram Test please visit:

www.uwyo.edu/ram-test/



IT'S A PARTY

The faculty and staff of the
Texas A&M University System
would like to invite you to
attend a retirement party
for Dr. Frank Craddock
August 9, 2014

San Angelo Fairgrounds

Dr. Craddock is going to retire and his colleagues and friends would like for you to come and celebrate his retirement as well as roast the "OLD GOAT"

Tickets are \$25/person

Please send your reservation and ticket payment to:

7887 US Hwy 87 N

San Angelo, TX 76901

For more information:

Myra Marsh

325-653-4576

A. RICHARD OSMOND

REGISTERED RAMBOUILLET SHEEP

COALVILLE, UTAH (435) 336-2227

2014 National Show and Sale Schedule

Wasatch County Events Center

Heber City, Utah

Monday - July 14, 2014	Arrival after 1:00 pm Mountain Time ONLY
Tuesday – July 15, 2014	9:00 AM Begin Checking in all Junior & Sale She

Wednesday – July 16, 2014 9:00 AM National Junior Show – Pizza Party for Youth

Junior Knowledge Bowl following Pizza Party

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Sheep Dress Up Contest for the Youth

1:00 PM Vet Inspection and Paint Branding

9:00 AM 2014 National Rambouillet Show Thursday – July 17, 2014

Friday – July 18, 2014 8:00 AM Find Magic Answers for Future of Rambouillet Association in Meetings.

Judging of Crossroads Sheep

Banquet, Awards & Junior Auction

Saturday — July 19, 2014 Pancake Breakfast at the Fairgrounds

9:00 AM National Sale - AM - Crossroads Sale PM

Open Show Judge – Glen Erickson Junior Show Judge - Victoria Carroll

Please visit the association website at www.rambouilletsheep.org frequently for any last minute updates and changes. You may also check the association Facebook page as well as follow the association on Twitter for any information concerning the week's activities.

Due to some contamination of the sand at the fairgrounds last year, we ask that all consignors and exhibitors to please feed all hay in large feeders or tubs. We must bed on either the shavings that will be purchased from the facility or directly on the sand. Any pen deemed as contaminated due to hay or straw will have a clean up fee associated with it.

Please review all health requirements and regulations prior to traveling into the State of Utah.

STATE OF UTAH HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

- 1. All sheep imported must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and an import permit.
- 2. No sheep exhibiting clinical signs of blue tongue may enter the State of Utah.
- 3. Sheep must be thoroughly examined for evidence of foot rot and verified that they are free of foot rot.
- 4. Sheep entering Utah must comply with federal Scrapie Identification Requirements as listed in 9 CRF 79, which is incorporated by reference.
- 5. Sheep from Scrapie infected, exposed, quarantined, or source flocks may not be permitted to enter the state unless an official post-exposure flock eradication and control plan has been implemented.
- 6. Breeding rams six months of age or older shall test negative for Brucella ovis within 30 days of entry or originate from a certified brucellosis free flock.
 - A. Rams entering Utah for exhibition purposes only and returning immediately to their home state are exempt from the testing requirement.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE REFER TO RULE R58-1, SECTION 8, ADMISSION AND INSPECTION OF LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND OTHER ANIMALS.

Please contact the following for more information or entry permits:

www.utah.gov

agriculture@utah.gov

(801) 538-7100

(801) 538-7164

(801) 870-0500

(435) 528-5368

SCHOLARSHIP

ARE DUE!!!!

SEE WEBSITE FOR APPLICATION AND DETAILS

APPLICATIONS

2013/2014 FUTURITY UPDATE AS OF 5/31/14

Exhibitor	ID	Breeder	Show 1	Show 2	Show 3	Show 4	Show 5	Show 6	Show 7	Show 8
Clay Allison	n 1312	Ram-Lin	15	15	5	10	10	15	15	
Clay Tate	607	Chapmai	n 8	7	9	15				
Ian Forbes										
Mcgivney	13-3103	Richins	10	20						
Jay Crumle	y 13-31	4 Joslin	3	10	8	9	10	7		
	830	Osmond	4	10	8	9	8	8		
Caleb Kott	150	Fried	10	5	9	10	10	4		
	2807	Benz	8							
Tamra Kott	9461	Boyer	15	15	10	15				
	2804	Benz	10							
	108	Schafer	5	20						

ANDREW SCHAFER RAMBOUILLETS

PROVEN FEMALE FLOCK REDUCTION SALE

OFFERING APPROXIMATELY 30 QUALITY FEMALES

DUE TO THE FACT THAT I WILL BE ENTERING GRADUATE SCHOOL THIS FALL 9 HOURS AWAY FROM THE FLOCK, I MUST REDUCE MY NUMBERS

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POSSIBLE DELIVERY

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WE WOULD LIKE THE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING TO THE RAMBOUILLET BREED!

Blake Ketterling, Wyoming

Jarell Ketterling, Wyoming

Katherina Ketterling, Wyoming

Hailey Crumley, Texas

Joshua Crumley, Texas

Jay Crumley, Texas

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Memberships (January 1 to December 31)

Senior Membership Dues prior to April 15: \$25.00

Senior Membership Dues after April 16: \$30.00

Junior Dues (19 & under) prior to April 15: \$15.00

Junior Dues (19 & under) after April 16: \$20.00

Membership Reinstatement: \$10.00

Juniors must be a member to qualify for scholarships or to exhibit in the National Junior Show.

Registration Fees:

1-25 head: \$6.50 per animal

26-49 head: \$6.00 per animal

50-100 head: \$5.50 per animal

Over 100 head: \$3.50 per animal

All Transfers: \$5.50 per animal

Rush orders: **DOUBLE FEES**

Next Day Fed Ex: \$17.50

Next Day UPS: \$40.00

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NATIONAL JUNIOR SHOW RESULTS

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