

LAMB & WOOL

A Newsletter For The Iowa Sheep Industry / February - 2006

Extension Hosts Clinics Around State

By RANDY MUDGETT- Managing Editor Farm News

SCRANTON — David Wolf spends a lot of time in the lambing barn this time of the year while his 100-head of ewes come into lambing. On January 16, he shared his operation with the public and Iowa State University Extension during three lambing workshop.

Wolf's Suffolk, Dorset and cross-bred sheep operation is largely labor intensive, as most operations tend to be during lambing season. Producers simply spend many of their waking hours in the barns, watching and caring for their newborn lambs during this crucial time of the year.

"If I was a sheep, I'd love to live here," said Dan Morrical, Extension sheep specialist. "The barn is insulated in the ceiling and the south is open to clearly defined large pens built on a dirt floor. This is an excellent environment for raising lambs."

Wolf, who farms near Scranton, allowed Extension to host the meeting in his barn for the first time this year. The idea of the workshop was to attract other producers who have questions on their operations and about specific questions on the lambing procedure.

Dennis DeWitt, Extension livestock specialist, said Wolf's lambing barn lends itself to an efficient, busy time of the year for the producer. "I like how David has the operation set up so small pens can be set up near the main pens, giving the ewe and the lambs time together during the crucial first three days of a lamb's life."

Several questions did come up during the meeting on the most desirable type of building to own and operate that is most effective and efficient for the producer. Morrical said he does not like cement floors when it comes to raising sheep. Instead, a hard-packed dirt floor that receives sufficient bedding is more desirable for a sheep operation.

"I am always one who is impatient as I have a hard time waiting for nature to take its course," Wolf said. "As soon as I see a ewe getting ready to give birth I like to pull the lamb, get it cleaned myself, get it on its feet and make sure it sucks right away. Many would say nature will take care of that for you, but when you are raising show sheep, it is tough to sit back and wait for nature."

Recognizing birthing problems is almost second nature to producers who spend many January hours in the lambing barn. Wolf, who used to manage a 300-head flock and now has 100-head of ewes, said there are times when you have 20 ewes lambing at the same time, so time really goes fast

in the barn.

Morrical said sheep operations should closely monitor feed intake to help ewes through gestation and birthing. A thin ewe or an extra heavy ewe can tend to have problems at lambing time. "I am always concerned with the diet of ewes near lambing," Morrical said. "Hay should be restricted and thin ewes should be given extra feed."

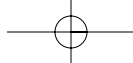
One of the most important tips for all sheep producers is to be ready for lambing season. Barns should be dry, well ventilated with adequate room to set up lambing pens. Often the case is lambing comes during an extremely cold time of the year,

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David Wolf, a Scranton area sheep producer, draws colostrum from a Suffolk ewe shortly after she birthed a lamb. The lamb was given its initial milk via a feeding tube put directly into the lamb's stomach.

Picture compliments of Farm News/Randy Mudgett.



ShortCLIPS by Dan Morrical



How is Your Lamb Crop?

During the last several weeks I have been at several meetings and also been contacted by phone on disappointing lambing rates. One simple answer is to remember that last fall was normal weather so it was hot. This heat stress on ewes probably has created later lambings by an estrous cycle or two. Heat stress on rams may have reduced lambs born per ewe lambing. Rams impact lambing rates due to mating less often since research indicates that if ewes are mated at least three times during estrus (heat) maximum fertilization occurs. So if it is too hot and rams only get ewes mated once or twice then reduced lambing rates may occur. In most cases rams are not challenged relative to their ability to settle ewes until we get rams to ewe ratios over 100 (i.e. 100 ewes/ram).

Lower lambing rates are also due to ewes breeding early. In many situations producers must lamb a portion of the ewe flock early to get all the ewes through the lambing facility. To enhance drop rate of the early lambing group, producers should breed the older ewes (3-6 years old) for early lambs. Because these ewes are more prolific this counteracts the negative impacts of breeding and lambing early. In sheep production class, Dr. Youngs indicated early breeding is costing a 20 to 40 percent reduction in drop rate. Peak ovulation rate and thus maximum lambing rate probably does not occur until the third or

fourth estrus once ewes start cycling in late July early August. Using teaser rams to get ewes cycling 20 to 40 days earlier would result in 10-20% more lambs born per ewe lambing.

Additional inputs to increase lambing rates with early lambing groups is flushing and teasing which should increase drop rates by .15 to .30 lambs per ewe. Another means to increase the drop rate for early lambing is to cross breed with prolific genetics since crossbred ewes also have higher drops and extended breeding seasons. Secondly, the crossbred lambs have higher lamb survival. Lastly, flocks that are using dry lot housing during breeding should evaluate the selenium and vitamin E levels of the flushing and breeding diets. Generally, when ewes are consuming green grass their intakes are way above requirements. This may or may not be the case for dry lot operations.

Commercial flocks must have high lambing rates to be profitable. Although not easy to accomplish a 200% drop rate should be our goal. This level of lambing allows over 1.5 lambs to be marketed per ewe per year which should equate to greater than \$50.00 per ewe profit levels.

Lamb Market Woes

Just when I thought it was safe to get really gung-ho on sheep because the market was so strong, the bottom falls out on heavies. Well for any of us selling lambs, we think the market is

terrible. Well, yes, the market is lower than we would like, especially if you bought high priced feeder lambs. But for many of us, we remember lambs bringing below \$40 per cwt within the last 10 years. Lower market prices currently will only impact Iowa ewe flocks if the lower prices continue into summer. My crystal ball is just not that clear on what summer prices will be. However, if feedlot operators hold a lot of lambs for later sales the supply may be really messed up. I am optimistic this will be a short term blip in the market. As one studies the weekly lamb market summary dated January 20, it is noted that live weights are almost 11 pounds above 2005 levels. Additionally we have slaughtered 3% more lambs in 2006 than 2005. So lamb meat production has jumped over 15% in the first three weeks of 2006. Now the year is really young and long term trends should not be based on the first three weeks of 2006. Interestingly, Monday, January 23, 2006 market report showed some strength on heavy lambs above 140 pound live weight. Carcass prices on 65 and down are still in the \$190 per cwt range which would equate to \$95.00 cwt live weight basis. Hopefully the lamb market will re-stabilize to the high prices we have enjoyed over the last three years. Only time will tell.

CLINICS *Continued from page 1* meaning producers should have a system to warm lambs if necessary in the event hypothermia sets in. DeWitt recommends that producers build a small system called "a hot box," so lambs can be warmed quickly and readily returned to its mother.

"I really like the 'hot box' idea and it is simple to build," DeWitt said. "One of the best sources of heat that can be best controlled is a hair dryer, but if you put more than one lamb in the box, make sure you mark it and return it to the right mother."

Morrical said sheep often reject the wrong lamb, making it difficult to

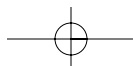
graft a newborn to a ewe that may have lost their young. And, as far as production feeding methods go, producers should look at feeding corn, soybean meal and corn stalks, rather than feeding expensive alfalfa to sheep.

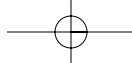
DeWitt said in his own operation, he will not feed expensive hay while corn stalks deliver the needed feedstuff for sheep at a fraction of the cost.

Wolf demonstrated a couple of his own production methods to attendees of the workshop, methods he uses for his lambs that are largely market and show-worthy lambs. Wolf said he double bands his lamb's tails,

tags them promptly within a few days of birth and then once the lambs are ready, the mother and its lamb(s) are returned to the open pen site in three to five days.

"A lot of producers also have jobs in town, so they end up spending a lot of their free time in January in the lambing barn," Morrical said. "For most of us, we know that ewes will have their lambs around feeding times and for those of us that work off farm, we like to see them born between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. Now, all we have to do is convince the sheep of that notion, too."





Iowa Sheep & Wool Promotion Board Meets

The Iowa Sheep and Wool Promotion Board met Thursday, January 12, 2006 at the Farm Bureau Building, West Des Moines, Iowa. Those present: Dave Hofland; Jerry Sorensen; Tom Cory; James Koss; Jon McFadden; Les Vander Linden; Dan Morrical, ISU Extension; Marsha Spykerman, ISIA Executive Director, Harold Hommes, IA Dept. of Agriculture and Jean Van Houweling, ISWPB Executive Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chairman Jon McFadden.

Motion Made, Seconded and Approved (MMSA) to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2005 meeting as written.

The CD was renewed on November 7, 2005 in the amount of \$12,576.41 for ten months at interest rate of 3.92. In October the Iowa Sheep Industry Association returned unused funds of \$790.01 from proposals #464, #482 & #490. MMSA to approve treasurer's report as presented.

Funding requests approved were: #492, ISU Extension Dickinson County, "Managing the Large Sheep Flock for More Profit"; #493, ISU Extension Dickinson County, "Lambing Time Workshops in the Lambing Barn"; #493, ISU "Winter Sheep ICN Series"; #495, Iowa 4-H Foundation, 4-H Performance Lamb and 4-H Sheep Show, August 13-15 at the Iowa State Fair; #496, Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Advancement scholarships; and #497, Iowa Sheep Industry Association "Upper Elementary Sheep Education Newspaper".

Employee contract was reviewed. Salary and mileage remain the same as last year. MMSA to approve contract.

Marsha gave report on her activities from November to January. Some of her activities have been: updating the Service Providers Directory, planning for the Sheep Festival which will be at Adel, June 10-11, 2006. Several activities are being planned including: educational seminars, shearing demonstrations, cooking contest,

sheepdog trial and training demonstrations etc. Marsha has also been working on a new upper elementary educational newspaper.

The tabled motion on plaques/Iowa State Fair bricks for retiring board members was reviewed. Presenting a certificate of appreciation for service was also discussed. MMSA that the Board shall give a certificate of appreciation for service when member's term has expired. Marsha has the software on her computer to design the certificate and she will prepare a certificate for Mark Loutsch, Gary Erickson and Tom Cory.

The 2006 candidate election terms expiring are CR District #2, Gary Erickson and CR District #5, Tom Cory. CR District #3, Bill Dohrmann, is eligible to run for a second term.

Next meeting will be April 13, 2006 at Farm Bureau in West Des Moines..

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Jean Van Houweling - Executive Secretary

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Service Providers Directory is included as a "Pull-Out" section of this newsletter. **Please retain your copy because no extras have been published.** Updates to this directory will be made on our Website at www.iowasheep.com. A printed version of the directory is may be requested by calling the ISIA office at 712-736-2109.

COMMERCIAL BREEDING STOCK FOR SALE

Ram Lambs: One black and nine purebred Dorset. They are brothers to two rams on the WIU Ram Test. All are tested. Three are RR, two are QQ and the rest are QR. They are Huntrods breeding and meat type rams. One of the rams at the WIU Ram Test had a 3.7 loin and the other had a 3.48 loin. Calvin Enfield, PO Box 121, Collins, IA 50055, 641-385-2557, Email: cenfield@iowatelecom.net.

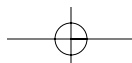
Registered young bred ewes, QR and RR. Will lamb in February. Some bred ewe lambs to lamb in March. All sired by and/or bred to Kimm rams. Paul Eness, ENESS SUFFOLKS, Dayton, IA. (515) 291-3106 or (515) 547-2302 eness@LVCTA.com.

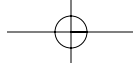
Dorset rams lambs for sale. Mid and late February rams for sale. These future studs will add size and substance to your flock. Lines from some of the top Dorset breeders in the country include, Wolkow, Bel-Mar, Pointer, and Dew Drop Farms. Bob and Lila Maher, MHW Farms, 4283 HWY 117 North, Colfax, IA 50054, (515) 674-4217, Email: bnlmaher@aol.com.

Dorper and White Dorper and crossbred rams \$375 and up. Crane Creek Dorpers and White Dorpers www.netins.net/showcase/sam/ccd.htm, S.A. Mitcham, 3061 160th Street, Sumner, Iowa 50674, 563-578-5665 or email: sam@netins.net.

Five commercial type yearling Suffolk Rams - bred for fast growth and carcass quality. All five sired by RR/NN Kimm rams. Four of the five can be registered if desired. \$225 apiece. Seth Wengert, Clemons, IA, 641-750-1655 (C) or 641-477-8367 (H).

*Note: This is a free listing for ISIA members. ISIA members are encouraged to submit breeding stock for sale along with name and contact information (address, phone, email) to the ISIA office at 5771 230th St., Sibley, IA 51249, (712) 736-2109 or iasheep@iowatelecom.net.





Northwest Iowa Sheep Producers' Annual Meeting

Pete's Steakhouse, Hartley was the setting for the Northwest Iowa Sheep Producers (NWISP) annual meeting and banquet. Kenny Petersen has a reputation for cooking great pork dishes but this evening was special as he prepared leg of lamb for 74 people in attendance. The meal was superb and the leg, which NWISP purchased from Iowa Lamb in Hawarden, was no less than mouth watering!

Following the meal, guest speaker Dr. Jeff Held, South Dakota State University Extension Sheep Specialist, discussed research on the use of soy hulls and other non-traditional feeds for sheep. He explained that alternative feed stuffs should be looked at as opportunities and that 10 years ago our opportunities for feed stuffs were limited mostly to corn and hay.

In 2005 Dr. Held participated in a study on the effect of corn or soybean hull diets supplemented with dried distillers grain with solubles (DDGS) on finishing lamb performance and carcass merit. Dr. Held felt fortunate to

be able to collect the data at Iowa Lamb in Hawarden not only because of its proximity to SDSU but because of the cooperation. Held commented, "Simply, the lambs ate, grew and it was safe." The results of the taste test and carcass quality (back fat, body wall thickness, ribeye, hot carcass weight and yield grade) showed no difference between the corn/DDGS diet and the soybean hull/DDGS diet.

During the presentation Dr. Held pointed out that using these alternative feeds will not always be the lowest cost feed. As commodity prices fluctuate, producers need to compare the cost of different rations and use the one that will serve their purpose at the lowest cost. The beauty of having the alternative feeds is that we can move from higher cost rations to lower cost as the prices change or lock in prices during the year. He concluded by saying that he feels these opportunities will continue to grow for feeding both ewes and lambs.

During the NWISP annual meet-

ing, officers for 2006-2007 were elected; Julie Hofland, President, Tim Lohafer, Vice President and Lori Arends, Secretary-Treasurer. Marsha Spykerman gave the Iowa Sheep Industry Association update and reminders about upcoming meetings in the area. Ed and Arlene Meerdink were thanked for all of the work they do at the booth at the Clay County Fair. Dennis Wolf was thanked for sending out the quarterly newsletter to NWISP members; Wes Moser has agreed to assume that responsibility during the next year. Thank you to all business who donated door prizes for the meeting.

Following the meeting, Jerry Sorensen and Dan Fedders from Fort Dodge Animal Health gave a short presentation about Cydectin, a new wormer, and answered questions.



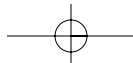
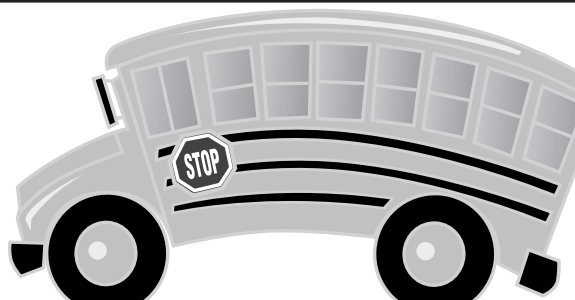
Dr. Jeff Held, South Dakota State University Sheep Extension Specialist, discussed the use of soy hulls and other non-traditional feeds for sheep at the Northwest Iowa Sheep Producers Annual meeting in January.

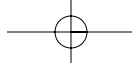


This decorative garden accessory, crafted by Tim Lohafer of Hinton, was one of the door prizes given at the Northwest Iowa Sheep Producers annual meeting.

Interest In A Sheep Tour?

Would you like to participate in a sheep tour during summer or fall of 2006? Bob Kimm, Dysart, Iowa is considering putting together a tour of sheep facilities and/or operations that would be educational and of interest to producers. If you have any interest and would like to be made aware of developments please contact Bob Kimm, 1636 W Ave, Dysart, IA 52224, 319-476-3875, bbkimm@netins.net or the ISIA office at 712-736-2109 or iasheep@iowatelecom.net.





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The following is a list of self-submitted names of people who offer services benefiting producers in the state of Iowa. Service providers are listed in no particular order within each category. We hope this directory gives you names and resources to use within your flock. Updates to this directory will be made on our web site at www.iowasheep.com.

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Sid Greiner
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Mark Hoogendoorn
1542 Eagle Ave
Rock Rapids, IA 51246
712-472-2170

Alex Moser
503 Dove Ave
PO Box 84
Lester, IA 51242
712-261-1822

Duane Sprouse
Box 43
Keota, IA 52248
641-636-2115 or
614-636-3748
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(20 head or less)

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Wayne Rupiper
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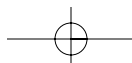
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batt or into yarn. We also
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John Petefish
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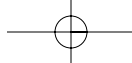
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Alternative Feeds for Sheep Diets

Dr. Jeffrey Held, SDSU Sheep Extension Specialist

Co-products from corn and soybean processing industries can be excellent sources of nutrients for livestock. With the growth of ethanol production from corn and increasing number of soybeans processed in the Upper Midwest livestock producers have many nutrient dense co-product feed resources readily available. In the Upper Midwest distillers dried grain with solubles (DDGS) derived from ethanol production and soybean hulls (SH) from soybean processing have created the greatest interest to sheep producers.

Interestingly these co-products are both high fiber-low starch content much like forages. Yet DDGS is classified as a protein feed and SH could be classified as an energy feedstuff. As often found with the co-product feed ingredients these have unique nutrient profiles and physical characteristics that require attention when formulating diets. They often can serve multiple roles in diet formulation, energy, protein or forage. Many producers are simply unfamiliar with the affect of DDGS or SH on diet palatability, level of performance, cost effectiveness and health status.

For sheep producers the key attraction to these feeds is cost effectiveness, animal performance and reducing labor. The key physical characteristic that offers diet formulation flexibility is the high fiber and low starch content. Both DDGS and SH are energy dense feeds that can safely replace a portion of traditional forage or grain in diets since the high fiber-low starch physical characteristics have low rumen acidosis potential. Cost per pound of nutrient will influence their inclusion into sheep diets. Yet economically DDGS is currently

best suited to serve as a protein feed since it competes most favorably with traditional protein feeds like soybean meal. Pelleted SH can be an economical source of forage or serve as an energy feedstuff substituting for corn or barley.

Using Soybean Hulls in Sheep Diets

Using pelleted SH for mature breeding ewes as a forage source has increased dramatically across the Upper Midwest during the past five years especially in drought stricken areas. Recommendations for SH use in ewe diets have been based on research at South Dakota State University sheep research unit where non-pregnant mature ewes were fed slightly above maintenance requirement by offering 4 pounds of pelleted soybean hulls and 1 pound of long-stemmed alfalfa hay daily. Ewes were fed this diet for 60 days with no ill health and ewe body weight change was a positive 0.1 lb per day. In beef and dairy cattle studies recommendations are to limit soybean hulls to 40% of dry matter intake due to concern for bloat.

Studies with growing lambs fed soy hull based diets have reported excellent growth performance and palatability. Soy hulls stimulate intake in lambs, studies demonstrate that intake increases linearly with higher levels of soy hulls. Although soy hulls is a high fiber feedstuff the rate and extent of fermentation in the rumen is rapid leading to increased rate of passage, these features contribute to increased feed intake. Growing lambs fed a diet containing 70% soy hulls had a reported dry matter intake equivalent to 4.5% of animal body weight. Compared to more traditional corn based diets the soy hulls diets trend toward a 0.5-1.0% of body weight

increase in diet intake.

Using DDGS in Sheep Diets

Ewe lactation studies using DDGS compared to soybean meal as a protein supplement show no difference in ewe body condition score or suckling lamb gain. A lactation study using DDGS to replace 2/3 of the grain (corn), equating to 25% of the diet, improved triplet reared lamb growth performance by 12% with no difference in single and twin reared lambs. Improved growth performance and feed efficiency has been shown in growing beef cattle studies when DDGS replaced dry rolled corn equivalent to 40% of the dry matter intake.

Studies using DDGS in lamb growing-finishing diets is scarce. The lack of DDGS research in growing-finishing diets could be related to current general lamb feeding practices. Lamb rations are generally offered ad-lib in self-feeders with maximum expected gain. Pelleted lamb protein supplements containing protein, minerals, vitamins and feed additives are commonly used to reduce feed ingredient sorting and refusal. However the high cost of commercially manufactured lamb protein supplements has created producer interest in inclusion of DDGS and other co-products into lamb diets. Since the level of crude protein in DDGS is approximately 40 percent lower than soybean meal (30 vs. 48% CP) the cost per unit of crude protein will need to favor DDGS to substitute for soybean meal in mixed lamb diets. Even when the economics favor DDGS the high inclusion rate adds considerably more phosphorus to the diet, creating greater diet formulation challenges.

Center of the Nation NSIP Sale

On July 8, 2006 sheep producers from across the nation, with National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP) records, will be offering breeding stock at the Center of the Nation NSIP Sale in Spencer, Iowa. It is proclaimed as the first sale in the nation with this kind of offering.

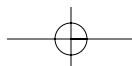
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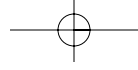
Progeny Differences (EPD's) are eligible, but the primary breeds involved will be Suffolk, Polypay, Targhee, Dorset, Hampshire and Katahdin. Each breeder may enter two rams and up to six ewe lambs and all sheep will be entered with the most recent NSIP information for their breed. All breeds will be slick shorn; there will be no fit-

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For more information contact Banner Management Service at 309-785-5058.

You may learn more about the National Sheep Improvement Program at www.nsip.org.





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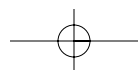
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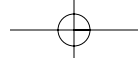


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 4** Mid-States Wool Growers annual meeting at Little Amana Holiday Inn. For more information contact Gary Erickson at: 1986 220th St, Humboldt, IA 50548, 515-332-1680 or gssheep@fbx.com.
- March 10** Entry deadline for the Illinois Ram Test. March 18 delivery date for 84 day test. April 8 delivery date for 63 day test. For more information contact Mark Hoge at 309-298-2537.
- March 15** Deadline for submitting funding requests to the Iowa Sheep and Wool Promotion Board to be reviewed at their April 13, 2006 meeting. For more information contact: Jean Van Houweling, Executive Secretary, PO Box 35633, Des Moines, IA 50315. Email j.vanhouweling@mchsi.com
- March 25** Greene County Annual Meeting and Banquet will be held at the Catholic Center, Jefferson, IA. For more information contact Steve Karber, 515-386-8216 or Randy Hedges, 515-386-4740.
- March 25** Lambs entered in Central Test in the 2006 National Lamb Show need to be delivered to the campus of South Dakota State University in Brookings, South Dakota from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. At the conclusion of the 63 day test, there will be an open house at the SDSU Livestock Arena on Saturday June 3, 2006. Travel may be arranged to save on costs to entrants. For more information and entry forms, contact Rob Zelinsky, SDSU Shepherd, 605-693-3808 or email: Robert.Zelinsky@sdstate.edu.
- April 8** Wisconsin Ram Test entry date for January lamb. Contact Nils Nelson at 608-876-6928
- April 13** Iowa Sheep and Wool Promotion Board meeting will be held at the Iowa Farm Bureau Conference Center in Des Moines.
- May 6** Kimm Suffolks 18th Annual Production Sale at home farm. See what we can offer your flock at: www.breedingsheepage.com/kimm. Bob Kimm, 1636 W Ave, Dysart, IA 52224, 319-476-3875, bbkimm@netins.net.
- May 6** Wisconsin Ram Test entry date for February lamb. Contact Nils Nelson at 608-876-6928
- June 3** Wisconsin Ram Test entry date for March lamb. Contact Nils Nelson at 608-876-6928
- June 10** Iowa Sheep Industry Association Annual Meeting, Adel, Iowa, will be held in conjunction with the second Annual Iowa Sheep & Wool Festival.
- June 10 - 11** Second Annual Iowa Sheep & Wool Festival, Adel, Iowa. Keep an eye on the ISIA web site at www.iowasheep.com for schedules and updates.
- July 8** Center of the Nation NSIP Sale, Clay County Fairgrounds, Spencer, Iowa. Any breeds with NSIP EPD's are eligible and each breeder may enter two rams and up to six ewe lambs. Entries due by May 1, 2006. For entry information contact: Banner Sale Management Service, PO Box 500, Cuba, IL 61429, 309-785-5058. Find the catalog in March at www.bannersheepmagazine.com.

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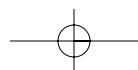
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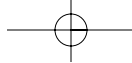
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