



Romney Ramblings

October 7, 2022

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear fellow Romney breeders,

It is fall, and for some people that will mean agricultural fairs for others it will mean fiber festivals and for many of us, it will mean the breeding season is upon us. Lately, I have been spending time with more breeders who are raising their Romneys primarily for meat and fiber – some of them have shared their late-season breeding approach, which is based on their meat sales markets. I'm looking forward to learning more about their approaches and the ways they gauge the timing for their markets and sales.

In late August, District 4 Director Sue Kalina, and her amazing national show team, put on one heck of a show, sale, and annual meeting. THANK YOU SUE AND TEAM!!

Anyone who was able to join us for the national show and sale at the Oregon State Fair in Salem, Oregon got to see some really beautiful, high-quality Romneys and gorgeous fleeces – both on and off the sheep, enjoy some very friendly hospitality, meet lots of District 4 and District 5 members, and watch an excellent and fun Romney show. Judge Tor Sorenson did a great job judging both the white Romney show, and the natural-colored Romney show; and was particularly helpful to ARBA youth members, imparting some of his sheep-showing wisdom and pointers to our young members in the ring. The fleece show was as impressive as the sheep show, with some gorgeous fleeces – Doug Montgomery from Oregon judged the fleece show.

At our annual meeting, we said goodbye and a heartfelt thank you to our retiring board members, and welcomed new board members to the 2022-2023 board.

Carol Pasheilich – District 5 Director, Amy Miller – District 2 Director, Emma Morton – At-Large Director, and Betsy McPherson – District 6 Director all retired from the board. We will miss all of them and their tremendous contributions to the board. Thank you Carol, Amy, Emma, and Betsy!

Joining the board are Scarlet Lamphier—District 2 Director, Jeff Stump—District 6 Director, Tracy Haslem—District 5 Director and Stephanie Booren—At-Large Director. Welcome to the board Scarlet, Jeff, Tracy, and Stephanie!

At the board's next meeting later this month, board members will be renewing their committee assignments, and/or signing up for new committees. ARBA committees are open to all ARBA members; and if you are interested in joining any committees, please reach out to the committee chair of that committee; you can find a listing in the "About ARBA" section of our website. We value member input and would love to have you join a committee!

Lin and Al Schwider were presented with honorary lifetime membership at our annual meeting for their many years of excellence in raising and promoting Romney sheep. Their daughter, Amy Wolf, received the lifetime membership plaque on their behalf, and shared some fond thoughts about her parents and their work with Romneys. Congratulations and thank you Lin and Al!

Wishing you and your flocks a good breeding season, and looking forward to seeing many of you at upcoming fiber festivals –

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Mentoring Program

Mentors are available to assist breeders with questions, discuss upcoming events, chat sheep and help promote the membership. ARBA members have signed up as mentors, and this list is posted on the website.

Welcome to our New Members:

As always, the board is no further than a phone call or email away.

Tracy Haslem
Russell Howard Jennings
Denali Bosco
Jennifer Ferschweiler
Austin Bennett
Joseph Benete, Jr.
Addison Booren
Cindy K. Bright
Briayna Heide
Jayden Heide
Bronwyn Wolfe
Kingston Rincher
Carolyn Scobie
Diesel and Katy Hitt
Kimberly Thiessen
Meridith Foley
Ana Mickelson

Romney Ramblings

The Romney Ramblings is the newsletter of the American Romney Breeders Association. The purpose of the Ramblings is to provide sheep industry news, highlight the efforts of ARBA, announce events and activities, provide an outlet for promotion of your sheep and wool products and recognize the accomplishments of the membership.

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ARBA on Instagram ARBA now has an Instagram account for sharing events and news about the association. Its handle is: @americanromney.

ARBA Website The ARBA website, americanromney.org, has information to assist with many of your association and production needs. You can advertise your products and animals, read about management tools, review animal health needs, locate members in your region, read minutes of the board meetings and keep up to date with news submitted by your directors and district representatives.

Rambling Roads: District Director Reports

District 1: Marianne DiTaranto:

Note to District 1 Members: Kindly contact Marianne DiTaranto at windingwicksandwool@gmail.com, with any District 1 news, photos, high points, show results, fiber accomplishments and any shepherd related announcements that you would like to see published in the Ramblings.

Fall is Here!

The cool crisp air, shortened days, abundance of mums and sweet smell of freshly pressed cider, are indicators for New England Romney breeders to finalize winter preparations while monitoring breeding flocks and getting ready to participate and enjoy the fall festivals and fairs. Whether you raise Romneys for their lustrous wool, delicious meat or to show, there are certain early fall endeavors to consider. Breeding continues for late spring lambs, fall shearing is underway and maintenance of the nutrient fading mature, end of season pasture are a few of the tasks to be tended to. Not to be missed, the never ending job of fence mending, painting or fence installation are also excellent projects to tackle once the temperatures drop into the 50s and 60s. The pleasant weather and vibrant colors of the season help to make any undertaking feel rewarding.

Show results:

Congratulations to all of the hardworking District 1 Romney breeders and supporters promoting Romney sheep by exhibiting quality animals in New England and across the country. Here are a few results leading up to the Eastern States Exposition which will be reported on in the next article:

During the first weekend in August, Teresa and Catherine Hromis won Champion Natural Colored Romney Ram, Champion White Romney Ewe and Champion Natural Colored Romney Ewe at the Indiana Youth Sheep Expo.

Over Labor Day Weekend, at Woodstock Fair in Connecticut, Megan Higgins won Champion Romney Ewe and Supreme Junior Ewe. Emma Rodgers had Champion Romney Ram and Reserve Champion Ewe.

Emma Rodgers also won Champion Romney Ram and Ewe at the Brooklyn Fair in Connecticut. Megan Higgins judged the juniors at the same fair.

Penny Kemp from Connecticut won Best Fleece with her ewe Tapioca, in the Longwool show at the New Jersey Sheep and Wool Show.



District 2: Scarlet Lamphier

The big news in our district is the New York Sheep and Wool Festival being held October 15 and 16. This festival is often referred to simply as "Rhinebeck".

The Romney sheep breed is always very well represented at the Wool show. We attend every year, selling Romney fleeces at the Fleece Sale. If you haven't attended, you should consider adding this special event to your calendar next year!

If there is any news happening in District 2 that you would like published in the next issue of the Ramblings, please let me know.

District 3: Penny Swearingen



NEEDLE FELTED PUPS
100% ROMNEY WOOL
ARTWORK PROVIDED BY [MAKENZIE VANKLOMPENBERG](#)
Bloomington, Michigan

It amazes me the Talent and Diversity of the Romney Breeders in our Group. It is great to see what everyone has shared over the past 3 months with the Fiber Festivals, Fleece shows, Sheep Shows and spectacular finished items! Here in the Midwest temperatures went from 84 to 62 degrees in just a matter of hours. The full fleeced Romneys are liking the cool down and the Rams are energetically working off all those extra pounds they gained over the past few months. Activities in this District have shifted as well with the end of the last county fair in Hillsdale MI on Oct 1st, conclusion of all the State Fairs and end to the warm vacation months. The Fiber Festivals are still going strong however through the first of November. We also have a few headed to New York Sheep & Wool Festival and the NAILE (North American International Livestock Expo). Hoping all safe Travels, Success and great times!.

Now, how do we at 3L&S manage breeding groups? Stud rams are selected for specific pieces that they can provide to move our flock closer to our ideal. This could be for wool, leg conformation, productiveness, or Dam's mothering. Ewes are grouped with them according to what I want to fix on the ewe. Note: Clean whites are segregated at the very beginning of the season and kept separate with clean white rams for the entire fall.

Just a snapshot of the past 3 months and what Romney Folks in District 3 have accomplished when they ventured off of the Farm:

Iowa State Fair: Supreme Fleece- Oak Creek Farm (Melissa Wubben- IA)

Michigan Fiber Festival:

Supreme Fleece- Oak Creek Farm (Melissa Wubben- IA)

Supreme Ewe- Cheryl Dunlap (OH)

Supreme Ram- Makenzie VanKlomburg (MI)

Showmanship Champs- Intermediate- Sadie Bonygne (MI)

Beginning Showmanship- Josie Bonygne (MI)

Supreme Costume- Bonygne Bunch- Sadie, Josie, Lincoln & Elsie

Michigan State Fair- Supreme Wool Breed Ram- EC Plank

Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival- Supreme Wool Breed Ewe in both Open & Junior Show- Ainsley Porter

National Romney Fleece Show- Supreme Champion Fleece

Congrats to ALL!!!!

Michigan Fiber Festival- Champion Showmanship- Supreme Ram – Supreme Costume



Supreme Fleece- Iowa- ARBA Nat- Michigan FF



Supreme Wool Ewe
Wisconsin S&W

Supreme Wool
MI State Fair



PARADE OF SUPREME

Editors Note: - Congratulations to Penny Swearingen for winning Supreme Fleece at the National Show!!!

District 4: Sue Kalina:

What a great National Show at the Oregon State Fair! I want to thank committee members JoAnn Mast, Karen Nichols, Stephanie Booren, Charlene Carlisle, Emma Rogers and Scott Culver. Also, Anne Nichols for IT. Spectacular team members. A full report is included in the Ramblings but thank you all for the time put into meetings to make a smooth National Show for open class, youth show, wool show, sale, board meetings and annual meeting. It was super to have President Anne, VP Charlene and Secretary Georgina in person for the shows and meetings. It was just a very fun event, with beautiful awards and Romney's also winning Supreme awards with Anne Nichols winning Supreme Ram with her natural colored yearling ram and Kalina Family winning the Gold Bell Supreme Young Flock with their white Romney lambs. Go Romneys! (Quote from Morris Culver)

Next on the calendar is the Oregon Flock & Fiber Festival in October. And fall lambing is just around the corner or possibly already here depending on publishing time! Here we go again!

The Oregon Romney Breeders Assn will be back on task with a December meeting and planning the ARBA Regional Show for 2023.

Happy fall lambing and hopefully rain to make green grass soon!

District 6: Jeff Stump

As we transition to the fall season, I hope the cooler weather has everyone ready to break out the wool clothes and blankets! Its exiting to see the dominance of Romney fleeces at wool shows across the country. Promotion of wool in general is critical to sheep production and especially important to a dual-purpose breed such as ours. Great work to all the exhibitors who take the time and effort to promote Romney fleeces at all of these events.

I would like to thank you, the membership for giving me the opportunity to represent District 6 on the ARBA board. My life in the livestock business started with sheep and although the majority of my time and efforts were spent in the beef cattle business I have always cared deeply for sheep and the sheep business. It is so nice to be a part of the Romney family. I look forward to using my experience with livestock to help see our breed excel in the sheep industry. I look forward to seeing many of you this fall as I am planning to be in Louisville. Please look me up with my family, our farm name is Quail Meadow Farms. I will look forward to a visit!

Vice President: Charlene Carlisle

How do I set up breeding groups?

Setting up breeding groups is always a little tricky around here. Usually we have lamb pen (divided up into rams and ewes), brood ewes, yearling ewes and a mature ram pen, making feeding and management fairly easy and then breeding season rolls in upon us. Then suddenly there are a lot of different pens to feed. If you happen to have more than one breed, then that will also require separate penning.

Life used to be simple with just Romneys, now that grand daughters are involved, we also have Borders and Lincolns so they are separated out with their respective rams. Then we get to the Romneys and pull out all the Natural Colored ewes and place in pen with NC Ram. Then the bigger brood ewe group gets broken down by pedigree and sires, this group will get split up into 2 or 3 groups with the best ram able to provide what we feel that group might be lacking. If I have some ewes that could stand heavier bone, then they go with the heavier boned ram, if they need size, then they might go with the biggest ram. The yearling ewes will usually be in with a yearling ram as they are on the same feed and then tend to not lose as much weight. Then I will have my favorite ram that I will put in with a few hand picked ewes that I know from previous years use will give me some of my best replacement ewes.

After 2 - 3 cycles, the rams will get pulled out and switched. After a few more cycles and the ewes have been all marked, we will put all the brood group back together with usually a white, black factored ram. He will serve to cover any ewe not bred yet.

What a relief when all groups are returned to our normalcy. The time between finishing up breeding but not yet lambing is a good time to catch up and take a deep breath because shortly lambing will be upon us!

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CHANGES

Changes may be made to your registration through **Friday, December 30, 2022** by entering your name and confirmation number into the system.

After that date, no changes will be provided.

No refunds provided.

DEADLINES

Earlybird Discount Ends: Friday, December 16, 2022

Registration Closes: Friday, December 30, 2022

Registrations after Friday, December 30, 2022 must be done on-site.

THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE WANTS TO KNOW:

Is there something you would like the directors to answer in a future issue of the Ramblings? Just reach out to your director, the president or the editor of the Ramblings to submit your questions.

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The Education Committee has been pleased to provide the series on Wool and “What value it can bring to your Flock!” We hope it has been of value and interest to you.

The Education Committee serving you:

Tammy Feehan, Melissa Wubben, Anne McIntyre-Lahner, guest appearance Emma Rogers & Penny Swearingen (Chair).

We are now going to Transition to “Testing”. What types of testing for Romney producers are out there and what value it can bring to your flock. This will be provided over the course of multiple Ramblings, covering multiple topics such as testing Soils, Feed, ater, Blood (Codon, OPP, Mineral Balances) etc.

Following in line with where we have been, Micron Testing of your Romney’s Fleeces. Melissa Wubben of Oak Creek Farms will be providing our article.



Micron Testing of Your Romney Fleeces: by Melissa Wubben

The ARBA breed standard, a tool used to establish the ideal Romney, holds that the average fiber diameter (AFD) for an American Romney fleece should be 29 to 38 microns, a range placing the majority of these Romney fleeces in the long wool class, with the finer end reaching into the medium wool class. Breeders are encouraged to use the breed standard AFD as a measurable descriptor which can direct breeding and selection choices for stock improvement and consistency. For wool growers, it is beneficial to know their wool product in developing niche markets. Fiber artists and wool processors will want information about wool coarseness for determining suitability for their end products. Additionally, wool produced for the commercial market will be more desirable when there is consistency of grade across the entire flock’s wool product.

The American wool industry has historically graded wool in one of several ways. One of the older systems of wool grading is the “American” or “Blood” system, in which wool was classed by the percentage of fine wool sheep in the animal

producing the fleece in question. The spinning count system (also referred to as the British or Bradford system) classes wool based on the hanks of yarn that can be spun from one pound of scoured wool. In this system, a higher number indicates a finer fleece. Variables in processing and spinning can influence this measure. The micron count system, developed in the United States in the late 1960s, is now the most broadly used system for wool grading by major wool producing countries around the world. It is an objective measurement of the actual diameter of wool fibers by a machine, taken under magnification. One micron is equal to 1/25,400 of an inch.

When utilizing micron testing, results are reported as an average fiber diameter, or AFD. This number is useful because it reflects the average measurement of all of the fibers in the sample provided for measurement, usually a 2 inch by 2 inch chunk pulled from a fleece. This sample can be taken from any part of the fleece, but the sampler should consider what

information is to be gained, based on the sample location. Sampling from the prime fleece, what would be located on the animal’s mid-side, will be a good reflection on the overall wool product. To gain insight into the consistency of wool across the animal, a producer may want to test samples from the shoulder (usually a finer portion of wool), the side, and/or the britch (generally the coarsest wool on the animal). These values, all taken from one animal, can then be compared to each other and used as one measure of consistency of the fleece product. Micron testing can also yield more information regarding variability, as will be discussed in a future article.



Support our youth members - win great prizes!

American Romney Breeders are currently sponsoring a fundraiser to support two National Romney Junior Shows, the All American Jr Sheep Show and the North American International Livestock Show. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go directly to these shows. We will be raffling three items.

The first is an original piece of art work done specifically for this occasion and donated by artist, Bridget Brown. The painting is stunning. It depicts three Romneys in full fleece on an oak slab with hanger attached. Bridget is a fiber artist who spins, felts and weaves with a background in fine art. She combines her passion for art with her love of sheep and wool and creates stunning art. Bridget has experience with a variety of breeds of sheep and other fiber animals and has built a fiber mill on her farm, located in Summit Point, WV. For more information on Bridget please check out her website www.headspringfibermill.com and her Etsy Shop, Bridget's Farm Cart.



The second item is a quilt made specifically for the All American Jr Sheep Show, and donated by Rosemary Acker of Maple Shade, NJ. She is a long-time quilter and friend that knows the importance of youth and agriculture. One side is a star pattern rich in red, white and blue and the other side is a crazy, quirky sheep pattern. The quilt can be used as a wall hanging or on your bed, it's beautiful and fun for kids or adults.



The third item is a gift box full of fun and interesting items but the most exciting is a set of hand made cards and a diz. The gift box was donated by Chris Richard of Celestial Farms located in Jefferson, Oregon, in the heart of the Willamette Valley. Their farm is multi-dimensional and are makers of fiber tools and so much more. The box includes soaps, creams, essential oil insect repellent bar, soap saving exfoliating bag, moisturizing salve, bath milk, and it smells so delicious when you open the shipping box. He can be found on FB under Celestial Farms or on Instagram as CF Mercantile.

Raffle tickets will be sold by ARBA board members and anyone else who would like to help our cause and support our youth shows. Social media (FB & Instagram) and website will carry information. Anyone interested in selling or buying tickets can contact any board member or Charlene Carlisle at c.carlisle@LittleHoovesRomneys.com, via FB or Instagram, or text 609-760-0399. We will be selling tickets now and throughout the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY. The drawing will be held at NAILE, November 15, 2022. Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Please share our excitement for these three generous donations and support our youth by either buying or selling raffle tickets. Without financial support our youth might not be able to continue to experience these shows. Thanks in advance.

Youth Committee (Charlene Carlisle, Emma Rogers, Amy Miller, Willis Plank and Stacy Schmoll)

ARBA Juniors: by Charlene Carlisle

The Romney Juniors have been very busy this summer showing all over the country and they are really shaking the sheep world up with their achievements, Supreme Awards have been secured by Juniors, not just in Jr shows but in the Open Shows as well, on the West Coast, as well as the East. Some of our Romney online sales have been trending higher, market prices have dipped recently but overall have been very good this year, fleeces, pelts and fiber product sales have been brisk. I think it's been a good year and a lot of that has to do with our youth and their promotion of our breed. So once again, you guys are the best of us and the organization. I may say this too much, but it's the truth, and it needs to be said out loud and repeated often...you are our future and we are proud of you. The Romneys have made great strides in recent years, so keep up the good work.

Romney Futurity Program received nominations so make sure you return your forms in a timely fashion after shows to qualify for monetary rewards. The Raffle is still in progress and the proceeds are used to cover costs for the All American Jr Show and NAILE's Jr show. The drawing will be held at NAILE. Sales have been slower this year so reach out and sell or buy some tickets.

Please submit photos to me or post directly to ARBA's Jr FB page so we can see what is happening with you. It can be pics of anything that you might be doing, even if it isn't directly related to sheep...after all, it is OK to have a life outside of sheep. If anyone has any suggestions on Junior activities, please let us know. The first Sunday in February, we will restart our Sunday Selfies!

North American International Livestock Exposition 2022: by Charlene Carlisle

Hoping everyone is making plans to attend the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) with their Romneys in tow. It is held in Louisville, KY and runs from November 1st thru the 17th, 2022. What a fun show with so much to do. If you have never been before, then this should be the year to start and if you've been previously, then you already know the excitement that comes with the green shavings. NAILE is the largest all-breed purebred livestock exposition in the nation, with nearly 30,000 entries and more than 140 competitions spanning 17 days and 10 different species. There is nothing like it! The shopping venue is all under one roof, offering everything from western wear, home décor, boots, livestock supplies, to trucks and trailers. There is also a fleece show and entries can be mailed if you are unable to deliver in person. Entries are due October 10th, 2022. The networking between breeders, friends, youth and adults and the comradery that exists, makes you realize that agriculture, teamwork, and dedication keeps this world running. Hope to see you there! Realize Results with Romneys.



ARBA National Romney Show and Sale 2022

Oregon State Fair – Final Report

An outstanding show and sale is in the books for 2022. It is no small feat to undertake a national show when your breed has multi-colors, doubling all the efforts. Committee was Chair Sue Kalina, JoAnn Mast, Karen Nichols, Stephanie Booren, Scott Culver, VP Charlene Carlisle and Director Emma Rogers. Also, Anne Nichols for IT support. Eight months of work went into planning the open show, junior show, wool show-open and junior, sale, board meetings and annual meeting.

Huge thank you to the 25 sponsors that made the show beautiful with all the awards given, please see the pictures. And especially Oregon State Fair Ag Superintendent Jodi Rametes for many, many hours of planning and OSF for sponsoring all the ribbons and champion neck ribbons. OSF also paid for all the Board members hotel rooms. Just a great cooperation between ARBA and OSF.

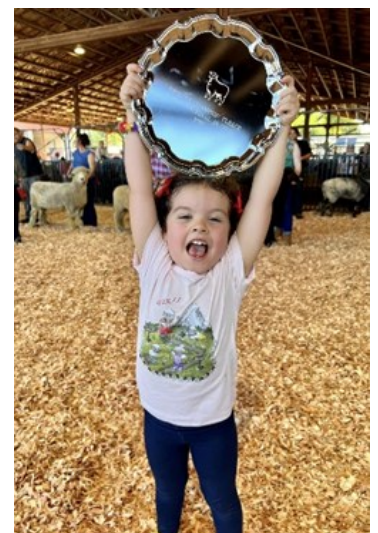
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Annual Meeting was held at the RAM Restaurant and Brewery. Food, fun, meeting and raffles were the order of the gathering. New Board members Stephanie Booren (At-Large) and Tracy Haslem (District 5) joined in person and many Board members by Zoom. President Anne installed the new Board members Stephanie, Tracy, Jeff Stump (District 6) and Scarlet Lamphier (District 2), welcome aboard. Charlene presented "Awesome" awards to juniors Anne Nichols and Denali Bosco for their help in the ring and mentoring young juniors. Raffle yielded about \$350 to be used for junior activities, 50% to host district and 50% split between 5 districts.

The national sale was sponsored by ARBA and while it was not a huge sale, there were happy sellers and buyers. Animals were sold into Oregon, Washington and Kansas. Thank you to Anderson Farms for the reasonable priced transportation to Kansas. Also, a new event was selling fleeces live in the auction. While the fleeces did not sell in the live portion, two were sold in the silent auction. Gotta start somewhere and it's great that a couple fleeces did sell.

Exhibitors in the events included Kalina Family, Addison Booren, Silver Creek Lambscapes, Anne Nichols, Southern Oregon Romneys, Bentley Brodniak, Jennifer Ferschweiler, Denali Bosco, Addison Wolff, and Austin Bennett.

As Chair of this event, I just want to give a Humongous THANK YOU to everyone that helped put this show and sale together. It truly went off without a hitch and brought more members to the association. It was AWESOME!



Anne Nichols with Res Champion NC Ewe and showing why she received the "Awesome" award for mentoring.

Bentley with Junior Champion Fleece Award and Addison with Junior Reserve Champion Fleece Award.

2022 ARBA National Show & Sale Results – Oregon State Fair

Open Class	White Romneys	Natural Colored Romneys
1 st Young Flock	Kalina Family	Silver Creek Lambscapes
1 st Wool Young Flock	Kalina Family	Silver Creek Lambscapes
1 st Get of Sire	Silver Creek Lambscapes	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Champion Ram	Kalina Family	Anne Nichols
Res. Champion Ram	Silver Creek Lambscapes	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Champion Ewe	Silver Creek Lambscapes	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Res. Champion Ewe	Southern Oregon Romneys	Anne Nichols
Best Fleece on Sheep	Southern Oregon Romneys	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Premier Breeder	Silver Creek Lambscapes	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Junior Show		
Champion Ewe	Anne Nichols	Austin Bennett
Res. Champion Ewe	Bentley Brodniak	Anne Nichols
Best Fleece on Sheep	Addison Wolff	Bentley Brodniak
Showmanship (NC&White)		
Champion Jr Showman	Addison Wolff	
Res. CH Jr Showman	Jennifer Ferschweiler	
Champion Sr Showman	Anne Nichols	
Res. CH Sr Showman	Denali Bosco	
Wool Show		
Grand Champion	3L&S Farms	3L&S Farms
Champion Ram	Kalina Family	3L&S Farms
Res Champion Ram	Kalina Family	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Champion Ewe	3L&S Farms	3L&S Farms
Res Champion Ewe	Kalina Family	Silver Creek Lambscapes
Jr Champion	Addison Booren	Bentley Brodniak
Jr Res. Champion	Bentley Brodniak	-
OREGON STATE	SUPREME	WINNERS
Supreme Ram		Anne Nichols
Supreme Young Flock	Kalina Family	
Res Supreme Fleece		Bentley Brodniak
Sale Results		
Champion Ram	Kalina Family – Sold \$500	Anne Nichols – NS
Res Champion Ram	Southern Oregon -NS	-
Champion Ewe	Southern Oregon–Sold \$650	-
Res Champion Ewe	Kalina Family-Sold \$400	-
Champion Ram Fleece	Kalina Family-Sold \$40	3L&S Farms-NS
Champion Ewe Fleece	3L&S Farms-NS	3L&S Farms-Sold \$40
Ewe Lamb	Southern Oregon-Sold \$500	
Ewe Lamb	Kalina Family-Sold \$400	



Maria with Champion Ewe



Sue and Stephanie with Champion Ram



Always fun showing Romneys!



Yearling Ewe Class, Tracy Haslem, Ringmaster, directing the exhibitors.



The crowd enjoying the show.



JoAnn and helper Karen, Res Champion Ewe



Jodi, Anne & Georgina



Secretary Georgina hard at work taking bidder info over the phone.



Scott and Tracy, discussing???



Sponsor List – Thank you!!!



Junior Show Champion Ewes plus Anne and Bentley



First place NC Young Flock



National Wool Show Display



Champions in NC Division

AND . . . **THE SUPREMES OF THE OREGON STATE FAIR**



Anne Nichols with her NC Romney Yearling Ram and Kalina Family with White Romney Young Flock.



This picture
was just:

“Too Good”
not to share!

Romney Show Results at the 2022 Eastern States Exposition

At 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 27 in Mallary Arena 2, the 2022 Romney Show began at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield Massachusetts. There were eight exhibitors with 35 entries. The participants were: Alexis Batz of Seaford, DE; Braden, Cadence and Megan Higgins, (juniors) from Coventry, CT; Catherine and Teresa Hromis, (juniors) of Chichester NH; Davey Peterson from Seaford, DE; and Emma Rodgers of Danielson, CT. Alex Wolf of Upper Sandusky, Ohio was the judge.

In Adult Leadline, Emma Rodgers took top honors overall and placed first in the adult class.

In Junior Leadline, Cadence Higgins was second in the Intermediate class wearing a beautiful black dress sewn by Cadence with felted details that Cadence crafted herself.

The Big E Fleece Show Supreme Champion was won by Teresa Hromis with a White Romney fleece.

In Showmanship, Teresa Hromis won Senior Showmanship and Catherine Hromis placed fifth. Cadence Higgins placed third in Intermediate Showmanship.

In the White Romney Ram classes the championship results are noted. The Open Show Grand Champion White Ram who was also the Open Show Junior Champion White Ram, Morton 0236 was exhibited by Emma Morton. The Open Show Reserve Grand Champion White Ram, the Open Show Reserve Junior White Ram and the Junior Show Champion, Winding Wicks 2212 was exhibited by Catherine Hromis.

In the White Romney Ewe Division the Open Show Senior Champion White Ewe was also the Open Show Reserve Grand Champion White Ewe and the Junior Show Reserve Champion White Ewe, Winding Wicks 2109 was exhibited by Catherine Hromis and the Open Show Reserve Senior Champion White Ewe, Morton 0221 was exhibited by Emma Morton. The Open Show Junior Champion White Ewe, who was also the Open Show Grand Champion White Ewe and the Junior Show Reserve Champion White Ewe, Winding Wicks 2201 was exhibited by Catherine Hromis and the Open Show Reserve Junior Champion, Winding Wicks 2206 was exhibited by David Peterson.

The White Best Fleece was won by Megan Higgins with Higgins 22150 and the White Best Headed was won by David Peterson with Winding Wicks 2206. The White Breeder's Flock and the White Exhibitor's Flock went to Catherine Hromis. Emma Rodgers was the White Premier Breeder and Exhibitor.

In the Natural Colored Show, the Open Show Grand Champion Natural Colored Ram, who was also the Open Show Junior Champion Natural Colored Ram and the Junior Show Natural Colored Ram, Higgins 22152 was shown by Cadence Higgins. The Reserve Junior Champion, Higgins 22162 was exhibited by Cadence Higgins. The Open Show Senior Champion Natural Colored Ram who was also the Open Show Reserve Grand Champion Natural Colored Ram and the Open Show Junior Reserve Champion, Winding Wicks 2129, went to Teresa Hromis.

In the Natural Colored Ewe Classes, the Open Show Grand Champion Natural Colored Ewe was also the Senior Champion, and the Junior Show Champion, Winding Wicks 2126 exhibited by Teresa Hromis. The Open Show Reserve Grand Champion, Reserve Senior Champion and Junior Show Reserve Champion, Winding Wicks 2113, was shown by Teresa Hromis.

The Natural Colored Best Fleece went to Cadence Higgins with Higgins 22152.

Best Headed Natural Colored Ewe was awarded to Teresa Hromis with Winding Wicks 2126.

Teresa Hromis won the Natural Colored Exhibitor's Flock and Natural Colored Breeder's Flock. Teresa was also the Natural Colored Premier Breeder and Exhibitor. Winding Wicks 2126 shown by Teresa Hromis was chosen as the Supreme Champion Ewe.

Congratulations to all of the Eastern States Expo Romney Exhibitors for maintaining and showing high quality Romneys. Your participation drives a successful show. Thank you to the following benefactors who donated the awards for the 2022 show: Southern Oregon Romneys, Coquille OR; The Rodgers Family, Chepachet RI; Little Hooves Romneys, Charlene Carlisle, Moorestown NJ; Birds of a Feather Farm, Coventry CT and the American Romney Breeders Association. Your continued support is appreciated.



More photos from **THE BIG E**



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National Show Rotation: New Committee to be determined in 2022

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Flock News: the human side of things

Please forward all the happy news to us at: patriciasanville@gmail.com We sure love to celebrate with you!



Amy Wolf, with Sue Kalina, accepting, on behalf of her parents, Al & Lin Schwider, the:

Lifetime Membership Award

Presented at the National American Romney Breeders Show held at the Oregon State Fair 2022. Congratulations to the Pine Farm.



Hazel Mae Harlow
Dreaming about meeting Nana and Papa

Congratulations to Scarlet and her husband Jeffrey on the birth of grandchild #8, Miss Hazel Mae Harlow!

Calendar of Events:		
EVENT	DATE	NOTES
Utah Ram Sale	Oct. 13	Utahramsale.org
Montana Wool Harvesting School	Oct. 13-16	Denise.hoepfner@montana.edu
Crutching, Wiggling & Catch Pen Dynamics Shearing Course	Oct. 14-16	Bit.ly/crutching2022
Eastern Alliance for Prod. Katahdins Field Day	Oct. 15	Fombell, PA—easternalliancekatahdins.com
NY State Sheep & Wool—Rhinebeck	Oct. 15-16	Dutchessfair.com
Texas A&M AgriLife LGD Field Day	Oct. 21	Bruce.boyd@ag.tamu.edu or call (254) 386-3919
Ozark Fiber Fling	Nov. 4-5	Steelville, MO—ozarkfiberfling.org
Washington State Sheep Producers Annual Meeting	Nov. 4-5	Spokane, WA—WSSP.org
The Fiber Festival of New England	Nov. 4-5	ThebigE.com/p/events/fiberfestival.com
Colorado Make it With Wool Contest	Nov. 5	Brighton, CO—gacundall@outlook.com (Gloria Cundall)
Montana Wool Growers Assoc. Annual Convention	Dec. 1-3	Billings, MT—mtsheep.org
Buckeye Shepherd's Symposium	Dec. 2-3	Wooster, OH—ohiosheep.org
Minnesota Lamb and Wool Producers Annual Conference	Dec. 9-10	kinneylamb@gmail.com
South Dakota State University Shearing School	Dec. 10-12	Kelly.froehlich@sdstate.edu or call (605) 688-5433
Wisconsin Shearing School	Dec. 15-16	toddtaylor@wisc.edu (Todd Taylor)
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Michigan Shepherds Weekend	Jan. 6-8	Lansing, MI—MIsheep.org/shepherds-weekend/
ASI Annual Convention	Jan. 18-21	Fort Worth, TX—sheepusa.org
Tennessee Sheep Producers Association Shearing School	Apr. 7-8	Murfreesboro, TN—shepherboy1@yahoo.com
Shepherd's Cross Sheep Shearing School	Apr. 13-15	Claremore, OK—Shepherdscross.com
National Dorper Show and Sale	Apr. 14-15	Duncan, OK—dorpersheep.org
50th Annual Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival	May 6-7	West Friendship, MD—sheepandwool.org

Please forward any missing show dates or any changes to the listed shows to the editor - the show schedule is always subject to changes due to state and federal guidelines. Check websites or social media for the most up to date information.

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