
Section F—Sheep

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Schedule of Sheep Events

Wednesday, July 29

Check breeding sheep papers	Noon-8 p.m.
Exhibitor meeting	6:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 30

Wild & Wooly Event AND Sheep Painting	9 a.m.
Master shepherd interviews	1 p.m.
Meeting of leadline and costume participants, descriptions due	4 p.m.
Trimming and shearing demonstration and contest	6 p.m.
Weigh market lambs	7:30 p.m.

Friday, July 31

Market lamb show	6 p.m.
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Saturday, August 1

Breeding sheep show	8 a.m.
Costume and leadline competition	5 p.m.

Sunday, August 2

Showmanship Classic	12:30 p.m.
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General Sheep Rules:

- A. It is the exhibitor's and their family's responsibility to comply with the general health and eligibility rules. Special emphasis will be placed on sore-mouth, club lamb fungus and foot-rot. Any sheep, in the opinion of the superintendents, that exhibits these ailments, detected at any time before final placing in the show, will be barred from show and dismissed from the fairgrounds. Exhibitors may have a veterinarian view, at their own expense, any animal for a binding decision on any feared ailment. However, an exhibitor may not delay a show pending a veterinarian inspection. Any exhibitor, who fails to have any suspected ailment examined by a veterinarian by show time, waives any right to object to the superintendent's decision at a later time. A county veterinarian will be available during check-in and weigh-in.
- B. Exhibitors are allowed to show up to 4 lambs in the market lamb division and 12 animals (no more than 6 may be of the same breed) in the breeding sheep division.
- C. Some classes list more than one class number. Please make all entries in the **first class number listed**. Split classes will be posted before the show.

- D. Exhibitors may participate in both the market lamb and breeding sheep showmanship contests if they exhibited sheep in those respective divisions. Previous first place winners must move up to the next age group, however, prior winners of the 14 and over age group may show in that class again. Entry may be made when making all other show entries or when checking into ring. All classes will show prior to champion selection. Winners of the age 14 and over age group in both divisions will be nominated for the Showmanship Classic. Additional participants will be selected from the oldest birth date of the second place individual from market lamb or breeding sheep showmanship.

Thursday, July 30, 1:00 p.m.

Master Shepherd Award

Superintendent Bryce Hoffman

Rules:

- A. All sheep exhibitors are automatically entered in the Master Shepherd contest.
- B. The judging will be based on the following:
 - 1. This contest has been originated to award the shepherd who is not only knowledgeable about their sheep project, but also displays the sportsmanship and attitude of a true champion. Contestants will be evaluated on the following criteria:
 - a. Thirty-five percent on an informal interview concerning knowledge of sheep project, approved health practices, and lessons learned from project.
 - b. Twenty-five percent on time spent in sheep barn.
 - c. Twenty-five percent for participation in all sheep activities.
 - d. Fifteen percent on showing presence, assistance to other exhibitors, and assistance to fair personnel.
 - e. All contestants assisting with fair set-up on July 25, 2009 will receive a 10% bonus in competition points.
- C. Interviews will be conducted on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. by a panel of three judges, in the Sheep Barn.
- D. A senior and junior division master shepherd will be selected. Division will be by age.

Awards donated by:

- (4H50) Senior Master Shepherd—Harms Show Lambs
- (4H25) Junior Master Shepherd—McElvain Law Office

4-Hers enrolled in livestock projects are also eligible to enter the Livestock Science class. See details on page 71.

**4-H Exhibit Release
4:30-6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 2**

Please see pages 15-17 for showcase details.

Thursday, July 30, 6 p.m.

Shearing and Trimming Contest

Rules:

The shearing and trimming contest is to prepare an animal to show during the 60 minutes provided. Participants are to bring their own sheep and it is to be washed prior to the contest. (Wool breeds that do not ordinarily exhibit washed, need only to be cleaned to the extent that the exhibitor would prepare for show.) Participants may either shear a lamb for market exhibition or may trim a sheep for breeding exhibition, but not both. There will be a demonstration one hour before the contest.

1288: Sheep Trimming: The sheep to be trimmed may be patch sheared provided it was done prior to June 15, 2009. The sheep may also be carded prior to the contest provided that the participant is the only individual carding the animal and all of the carding is done at the fair.

1289: Sheep Shearing: The participant may prepare the head and the legs of a sheep they intend to shear in the contest on the day of the contest provided that the participant does all of the work.

Awards donated by:

(4H125) Shearing Champion—Jim Davis Sheep Shearing

(4H125) Trimming Champion—Towanda 4-H

Wild & Woolly Event Including Sheep Painting!!!

Thursday, July 30, 9 a.m. Sheep Barn

Open to all 4-Hers and Cloverbuds!

Learn about sheep and have fun!

Imitate Monet or VanGogh with animal-safe paint on
this unique wool canvas!

Sponsored by:

The McLean County Quality Sheep Breeders Association

Friday, July 31, 6 p.m.

Market Lamb Showmanship Contest

Open to anyone showing sheep in market lamb show except previous first place winners in their individual age group. However prior winners of the 14 & older division may show in that class again. Entry may be made when making all other show entries or when checking into ring. All classes will show prior to selection of champions. Showmanship classic nominees will be the winners of classes 1293 and 1296, and the oldest second place winner from these classes.

Class 1291: Ages 8-10

Class 1292: Ages 11-13

Class 1293: Ages 14 & Over

Showmanship Plaques donated by:

(4H20) Ages 8-10—Avanti's Italian Restaurant

(4H20) Ages 11-13—In Honor of Evar Hanell

(4H20) Ages 14 & older—James Walker

Project Sign Activity

All exhibitors are encouraged to identify their sheep project and educate the public on sheep with a project poster.

- A. The poster must be made by the exhibitor in the 2008-2009 4-H year.
- B. The poster must identify the exhibitor's flock and must include project knowledge. It will be judged on the following 3 categories:
 - a. Effectiveness of identifying exhibitor's flock
 - b. Demonstration of sheep project knowledge
 - c. Creativity, individuality and age appropriateness
- C. Entry occurs by posting the sign at the exhibitor's pen at the completion of check-in on July 29, 2009.
- D. Posters may not exhibit corporate sponsorship, logos, etc. (i.e. feed company logos, equipment brands, etc.).
- E. A \$15 award will be given in two age groups: Jr Ages 8-12 and Sr Ages 13+

All 4-H plaques will be awarded to McLean County 4-H premium-eligible members only. In the event a non-4-H entry places higher than a 4-H entry, the 4-H member will be awarded the plaque and be recognized as the plaque winner.

Please see pages 15-17 for showcase details.

Friday, July 31, 6 p.m.

Market Lamb Show

Rules:

- A. All market lambs must have been born on or after January 1, 2009.
- B. Market lambs must show ownership before June 1, 2009. A legible ear tag or tattoo is required in all lambs.
- C. Market lambs may be ewe or wether lambs, but not rams.
- D. All lambs will be weighed by 8 p.m., Thursday evening, July 30, 2009. All exhibitors must present completed entry card at weigh-in. Lambs will be weighed without blankets and must be slick-sheared ready for show.
- E. Lambs will be shown in the classes of white face, black face, or Southdowns. (Speckled or brockled faced lambs are black face).
- F. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show up to two pair of lambs. An exhibitor may only exhibit one pair per division (black face, white face, southdown, or mixed.) A pair class entry form will be required to show. Entry form will be available at the weigh in table.
- G. A market lamb will only be allowed to show in one pair class.
- H. Show order will be Black face, White face, Southdown

Class-Single Lambs	Class-Pair of Two Lambs
1201, 1202, 1203. Southdowns	1209, 1210. Southdowns
1204, 1205, 1206. Black Face	1211. Black Face
1207, 1208. White Face	1212. White Face
	1213. Mixed Pairs

Champion Plaques donated by:

- (4H50) Champion Market Southdown-MillerDowns
- (4H50) Champion Market Black Face-Asgrow Seeds
- (4H50) Champion Market White Face-Bloomington Farm & Fleet
- (4H25) Champion Market Southdown Pair-Rosette
- (4H25) Champion Market Black Face Pair-Rosette
- (4H25) Champion Market White Face Pair-Rosette
- (4H25) Champion Market Mixed Pair-Rosette
- (4H300) Grand Champion Market Lamb-Jerry Hoffman Family
Traveling Trophy sponsored by Harms Show Lambs
- (4H100) Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb-Bloomington Meats
- (4H100) Grand Champion Pen of Two Lambs-Harms Show Lambs
- (4H50) Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Two Lambs-Rosette

Market Lamb Traveling Trophy

Any **one** exhibitor winning Grand Champion Market Lamb three years in a row may choose to retire the current traveling trophy or return it the following year. If the decision is reached to retire the traveling trophy, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to replace it.

Please see pages 15-17 for showcase details.

Saturday, August 1, 8 a.m.

Breeding Sheep Showmanship Contest

Open to anyone showing sheep in breeding sheep show except previous first place winners in their individual age group. However, prior winner of 14 and over may show in that class again. Entry may be made when making all other show entries or when checking into ring. All classes will show prior to champion selection. Showmanship classic nominees will be the winners of classes 1293 and 1296, and the oldest second place winner from these classes.

Class 1294: Ages 8-10

Class 1295: Ages 11-13

Class 1296: Ages 14 & Over

Showmanship Plaques donated by:

(4H20) Age 8-10—Witzig Hampshires

(4H20) Age 11-13—Earlybird Grain & Fertilizer

(4H20) Age 14 & Over—Four Season Farm - Mohr Oxfords

Saturday, August 1, 8 a.m.

Breeding Sheep Show

Rules

- A. A lamb is any sheep born on or after September 1, 2008.
- B. All breeding show sheep must be owned by July 1, 2009.
- C. Purebred animals **must have registration papers** presented to the superintendents prior to 8 p.m., Wednesday evening. Each animal must have papers registered in a recognized association with the exhibitor's name as the owner. Exhibit must be owned by July 1, 2009. Tags or tattoos as required by the association, should match tag or tattoo in the sheep's ear and the form of identification must be permanently attached to the animal.
- D. No commercial rams are eligible to be shown. A commercial ewe may be crossbred or straightbred, but not registered and **not eligible for registration**. Animals shown in the pair of commercial lambs class must both be ewes. All wether style show together, not by breed. Both champions will compete for overall champion. Individual wether style sheep that show in sheep classes cannot show in the market competition and vice versa.
- E. The eight breeds with the most sheep exhibited in them will be given individual breed classes the following year.
- F. Each exhibitor may show only two entries in each single class and one pair of lambs per breed.
- G. Breeds show in this order: Shropshire, AOB, Columbia, Oxford, Hampshire, Dorset, Cheviot, Southdown, Wether Style, Cotswold/Lincoln, Commercial. Show order is subject to change, but will be posted.

Please see pages 15-17 for showcase details.

BREED	Yearling Ewe	Ewe Lamb	Ram Lamb	Pair of Lambs (ewes, rams, or both)
Cheviot	1220	1232, 1233	1256	1267
Columbia	1221	1234, 1235	1257	1268
Dorset	1222	1236, 1237	1258	1269
Cotswold/Lincoln	1223	1238, 1239	1259	1270
Hampshire	1224	1240, 1241	1260	1271
Oxford	1225	1242, 1243	1261	1272
Shropshire	1226	1244, 1245	1262	1273
Southdown	1227, 1228	1246, 1247 1248, 1249	1263, 1264	1274, 1275
AOB	1229	1250, 1251	1265	1276
Wether Dam/Sire	1230	1252, 1253	1266	1277
Commercial	1231	1254, 1255		1278

Champion Plaques donated by:

- (4H50) Champion Commercial Ewe-Brian Basting
- (4H50) Champion Dorset Ewe-Dr. Jon Quinton
- (4H50) Champion All Other Breeds Ewe -Timeless Clovers 4-H Alumni Association
- (4H50) Champion Columbia Ewe-Steve & Kim Myers
- (4H50) Champion Oxford Ewe-Prairie Central CoOp, Inc.
- (4H50) Champion Hampshire Ewe-Bloomington Farm & Fleet
- (4H50) Champion Shropshire Ewe-Mike & Jeanine Schertz
- (4H50) Champion Cheviot Ewe-Timeless Clovers 4-H Alumni Association
- (4H50) Champion Southdown Ewe-McElvain Sheep Farm
- (4H50) Champion Wether Style Ewe-Bloomington Farm & Fleet
- (4H50) Champion Cotswold/Lincoln Ewe-Gillis Cotswolds
- (4H150) Grand Champion Pair Of Lambs-Ron Hofbauer
- (4H50) Reserve Grand Champion Pair Of Lambs-Rosette
- (4H300) Grand Champion Ram-McLean County Farm Bureau
- (4H100) Reserve Grand Champion Ram-Evergreen FS, Inc.
- (4H300) Grand Champion Ewe-MillerDowns
- Carmen Barker Memorial Traveling Trophy—Presented to Grand Champion Ewe
- (4H150) Reserve Grand Champion Ewe-LeRoy 4-H Club

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Saturday, August 1, 5 p.m.

Leadline and Costume Class

All contestants must check-in Thursday evening at 4 p.m.

Superintendents Anne Crider, Cynthia Honegger, Jill Mohr

Rules:

1. **All participants must enter by July 1 under the class numbers listed below.**
2. All contestants must attend a meeting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 30.
3. Description forms of costume/leadline must be given to superintendent by 4 p.m. Thursday, July 30.
4. Entries will be open to any 4-Her and are not limited to sheep and clothing projects. 4-Hers will be responsible for getting sheep to be shown, either owned or borrowed from sheep exhibited at the fair. Sheep must be yearling ewes, wether, or ewe lambs, fitted and trained to show at halter.
5. No costume or outfit may be exhibited in both Leadline and Costume classes in the same year.
6. The object of leadline is to present a class of well groomed sheep led by 4-Hers clad in fashionable and becoming wool garments.
7. Leadline garments must be wool or a blend of not less than 50 percent wool. Garment can be purchased or made. If the garment contains less than 50 percent wool, the score for that section will not be included in the total points. Contestants will be penalized for not meeting the requirements. Decorations on sheep are encouraged.
8. Leadline placing based on the garment, showmanship, and poise. A general knowledge question about sheep and/or wool will be asked. Class winners will receive a **(4-H20)**.
9. Costume class is open to any 4-Her and not limited to sheep exhibitors. The costume class will be judged on attractiveness, originality, theme, and manner in which sheep and sheep products are used in the theme. A live sheep must be part of the presentation. Theme should promote wool and lambs. Class winners will receive a **(4-H20)**.

Class:

Leadline: 1281. Jr. Ages 8-10	Costume: 1284. Jr. Ages 8-10
1282. Int. Ages 11-13	1285. Int. Ages 11-13
1283. Sr. Ages 14 & over	1286. Sr. Ages 14 & over

Plaques donated by:

Junior Leadline—Sheepface Creativeworks
Intermediate Leadline—MillerDowns
Senior Leadline—Todd Ashbrook

Fair entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, July 1 or delivered to the Extension Office by 5 p.m. July 1.