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Chief Shepherd's Message

Walter R. Threlfall, DVM, MS, PHD, DACT

Falling Tree Ranch

Powel, Ohio

Greetings Fellow Shepherds!

This has been a very unusual year weather-wise here in central Ohio and much of the mid-west. We have had spotty "heavy" rains since the end of April. Our hay fields have been "flooded" which delayed haying until July 11. Much of the alfalfa hay died due to too much water or other weather factors. Fortunately, we baled some excellent grass hay. We are thankful for that because when we priced hay, it was expensive!

Lambing is now completed for the year except for those breeders using the Finn's out of season breeding capabilities. Hopefully all your lambs are growing well and the "best" you have ever had. Watch closely for signs of parasitism which can bring a good lamb down quickly during the summer months.

When selling your Finnsheep remember that commercial breeders may be looking for Finn rams to increase their flock's lambing percentage, the characteristic that precipitated the importation of Finns to the United States in the 1970's. This trait, prolificacy, along with temperament, fleece quality and color are all reasons to own Finnsheep and we should inform as many shepherds as possible of the benefits Finns bring to a flock.

When selecting a ram for your own flock choose one with characteristics which improve your flock. The old saying that the ram is 50% of the flock is accurate. It is also wise to isolate all animals added to your flock for at least 30 days to determine if they are carrying any communicable diseases. This gives you time to do tests for diseases such as Ovine Progressive Pneumonia and others which would be a problem to your flock if present in purchased sheep.

Now a topic for thought is "Where to have our Annual Meeting next year?". At the May meeting it was decided to move the Annual Meeting for 2020 to a new location and determine if we could incorporate some continuing education for our membership. We are attempting to make our Annual Meeting more interactive and more than a business meeting. If you are aware of seminars in your area or elsewhere relevant to shepherds, please contact me so that I might contact them for details. Also, if you have ANY ideas to improve our Association or our Finnsheep, please contact me via phone : 614- 581-6602 or email: wrtdvm@gmail.com

Continue being a shepherd. People as well as sheep need our guidance and support. Thank you for supporting our sometimes flawed but wonderful sheep and association. We are all human and to do nothing wrong would indicate we are doing nothing! Enjoy the remainder of your summer.

Walt

IN THIS ISSUE:		<h2 style="text-align: center;">Where and When Should the 2020 Meeting Be?</h2> <p>The date and location of the 2020 annual meeting of the FBA were not determined. It was suggested that an educational venue might be of more interest to members than a sheep sale or fiber show. Many states and county extension offices offer excellent shepherding workshops. Do you have one to suggest? What about a “phone only” meeting in January? (what about a cruise...with sheep? in January?..just kidding). Please share your idea with a board member. See page 4 for contact information</p>
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FINNSHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

2019 Annual Meeting May 25, 2019 Wooster, Ohio

Attendance: In person : Walt Threlfall, President; Grant Blackburn, Siri Swanson, Rheinhold Kruger; Via phone: Elizabeth Kinne Gossner, Kerry Mower, Joanna Bullock, Mary O'Malley

Addition to Agenda:

Elizabeth brought up her recent correspondence with The Livestock Conservancy, an organization that seeks to “To protect endangered livestock and poultry breeds from extinction”.

She became aware of this group via Facebook and was concerned that they had not included Finns in their program. She contacted them and learned that they estimate the number Finnsheep globally to be higher and consider them to be a novelty here in the U.S. She will pursue this further with them. This is another avenue to promote the Finnsheep breed.

Minutes from last meeting were approved ... Grant motions to approve; Elizabeth seconds

Treasurer’s report: Grant passed copies of the report he received from Jeff Ebert out at the meeting and will send one to Mary for addition to next Short Tales.

Of note: Income was down from the previous year: 2018-9 \$12,495 compared to \$16,683 in 2017-8. It seems that Finnsheep registrations were down about \$1000 and directory listings were also down. There was an additional \$1000 spent on advertising. An increase in copying and postage for printing (Short Tales). The cost of support staff (Associated Registries) was about the same.

Motion to approve: Mary; Second: Kerry

FBA 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes, continued

Old Business

Meeting with IFR: A representative from the IFR had been invited to discuss moving the IFR registrations to the FBA. It had been suggested by an IFR representative that IFR Finns could be classified as "American purebred Finn" as opposed to distinguish them for the FBA "Purebred Finnsheep". Deb Olschefski, a long term IFR member and former FBA member was contacted but no response was received. Discussion is now closed

What is the Best Way to Promote the Finnsheep Breed?

The Katahdin breed is currently enjoying great popularity. What are they doing that we are not?

Facebook: Elizabeth has had great success marketing through Facebook. Finnsheep in America is an active facebook group.

Magazines: **The Shepherd**, **SHEEP!** and **THE BANNER** all accept articles and are really happy to get them, especially with pictures.

Trade Newspapers like **The Lancaster Farmer** also will run articles

Attract young people: Rheinhold Krueger suggested working with local 4-H groups. Making sure there are brochures at Fairs.

Train Sheep Dogs: local sheep dog clubs might be interested in Finns as they flock together well and have other desirable traits for training Border Collies. Kerry will check into this (?)

Attend Shows: attendance at Great Lakes show appears to be down as it was at Maryland Sheep and Wool. Siri noted that taking her Finns to shows has been a great way to promote the breed and attract interest and attention. Kerry commented that there was a Finn x Rambouillet at a Fiber show he attend that was a spectacular animal. Would it make sense to get in the Eaton Show? (Consider asking Greg who is buying at these shows.....)

University of Kentucky has a pretty big sheep program. Could they be interested?

Challenges: It can be hard to motivate people to write about their experience raising Finns (or sheep in general). Some of the popularity of Katahdins may relate to no shearing and their supposed parasite resistance. However, parasites are really a management issue which is why some people dry lot their lambs until they are 6 months old.

What is the biggest responsibility of this board to our members? Are we meeting it?

breed promotion and registrations

Election of Officers:

Grant retires. Cody Manspile and Mary Tucker are elected to the board.

Location, date and time of 2020 meeting: Undetermined.

Consider pairing the meeting with a sheep seminar rather than a Sheep Show. University of Kentucky and Penn State were mentioned as they offer educational seminars. There is usually one in December here in Maryland, either on lambing or parasites.

Consider having a phone only meeting in January which might get more of the membership to participate.

Congratulations New Board Members!

At the May meeting Mary Tucker and Cody Manspile were elected to the FBA Board of Directors. Mary brings many years of raising Finns and previous FBA board experience to the table. Cody, breeds sheep as well as cattle and has experience as an auctioneer! Members of the board are always happy to hear your comments. Please feel free to contact them via email or phone. See the contact information below.

Grant Blackburn has officially retired from the FBA. We thank him for his many years of service as treasurer.

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CULLING

By Grant Blackburn

“To cull or not to cull? That is the question. Whether it is better to have substandard masqueraders roaming the pastures or healthy, fine marketable specimens reflecting the breed standard. This is the essence of serious culling.

What is culling? By definition it is the process of separating the good from the bad. What is good and bad in sheep? Some will say all sheep are good and others will say all sheep are bad. Is it all in the eye of the beholder? Some believe so while others take a puritanical approach to the breed standard.

AIM: To provide a guide to achieve Finnsheep breed conformity and uniformity across the nation.

Breed Standard

What is a breed standard? A breed standard for whatever breed of animal whether it be sheep, cattle, horses or pigs is the specification that defines the breed of that particular animal. Some breed standards such as thoroughbred horses are very technical with precise weight and size measurements. Some require formal confirmation of the genetic make up of the animal. A breed standard or specification has legal definitions and may be cited in court cases over contractual grievances relating to the transfer (selling /buying) of registered purebred animals.

The Finnsheep Breeders Association (FBA) has the national responsibility of maintaining the breed standard for Finnsheep and the registration of Finnsheep in the USA. There is no established process by which any registered Finnsheep in the USA are examined for compliance with the breed standard. The responsibility for conformity to the breed to standard rests with the breeder. In the past, situations have occurred where sub-standard animals, some with serious health problems, have been registered and sold or transferred to new owners. This irresponsible approach to breed conformity produces extremely negative attitudes towards the breed as whole and potential legal grievances for the individuals involved.

As a nation we can make roads, cars and hamburgers that conform to an expected standard wherever you go across the USA. Why not Finnsheep? How does the FBA, a seed stock producer's organization, assure breed conformity nationwide? The answer is education. The following has been produced as a guide to breed conformity and is meant to be a ready reference for breeders. It is not exhaustive and considered an evolutionary reference.

The Finnsheep Breed Standard

Health: The paramount consideration in breed conformity is animal health. Animals are unhealthy for two reasons: poor genetics/culling and irresponsible animal husbandry.

Genetics: A number of sheep diseases such as OPP are known to be passed from one generation to the next. OPP for example is passed to the lamb through the mother's milk. How do you know if your flock has diseases? Normally, blood tests will determine whether or not the animal is free of many diseases. Consult your vet for more information on blood testing.

Animal Husbandry: Sheep, like any other animal including humans, need tending. This includes good food, water and mineral salt. Regular vaccinations and deworming, shearing and routine hoof maintenance are necessary for maintenance of healthy fit sheep. Diseases such as foot rot and tick infestation are easily prevented through good animal husbandry practices. Providing good sanitary conditions, keeping the flock from standing in mud, trimming hooves regularly and treating for parasites are part of an essential regular health maintenance regime. It is imperative that any seed stock flock producer follow a serious health maintenance plan.

PROLIFACY:

The Finnsheep Breed Standards assigns some 60-70% of the standards significance to prolific characteristics. The standard is rather specific about the registration of ewes and rams. The breed standard is not hard and fast in this regard as exceptional circumstances could exist where for example a ram single is registerable. Unusual circumstances such as the introduction of new genetics via Artificial Insemination (AI) may have a lower than normal yield yet the offspring is necessary to extend/modify a flock's gene pool.

The general guidance is that any deviation from breed standard must be noted on the registration certificate. Thus is very important when selling the animal and imperative to the furtherance of the breed. Potential buyers must know what they are buying.

Objectives of Culling:

Because the Finnsheep is a versatile sheep, culling of the flock must have an objective. While health, prolificacy and structure considerations are paramount, a breeder may wish the flock to conform to breed standard with a bias, such as, in wool production or milk production. The chosen attributes the producer is culling for should be of lesser consideration than health and prolificacy.

What has developed is a model which prioritizes the elements that need to be considered when culling seed stock. The conformity model is divided into three parts:

Culling Model

Must Have - no deviation

Excellent health

Should Have - some flexibility

Prolific characteristics per the breed standard

Firm physical structure per the breed standard

Could/May Have - options

Fine wool (wool bias)

Good milker (milk bias)

Good Muscling (fat lamb bias)

Any combination of the above

From the above model, there are several options/combinations a breeder may want to pursue and further sub-set of considerations. The final selection is determined by the market that the breeder wants to target. Once a breeder establishes a target market, it is time to assess the registerable flock for suitability in terms of the breed standard.

Summary:

In summary, it is essential to consider culling the most important aspect of breeding seed stock. Inappropriate culling can lead to diseases that could enter the food chain. Culling is a form of preventative animal health. Poorly selected breeding stock only make the breed unmarketable. Good specimens conforming to breed standards are essential to the successful marketing and proliferation of the Finnsheep breed. **Remember, if in doubt throw it out!**

The above model is suggested as a guide. It is intended to be useful to breeders at all levels. If you have suggestions that would enhance the model, they would be appreciated. Feedback of any nature is always appreciated.

CONCLUSION

If Finnsheep breeders adhere to the model, breed conformity within Finnsheep flocks will be seen across the USA. If common conformity is achieved, this can only benefit the FBA membership as a whole and ensure uniformity of the Finnsheep entering markets across the USA and elsewhere.

FINNSHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

Profit & Loss

June 1, 2018 through May 22, 2019

FBA BALANCE SHEET

As of May 22, 2019

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Editor's Note: The FBA does *not* have a payroll!!! This was an error that will be corrected. In addition, I'm pretty sure that some of the expenses listed under printing and reproduction were meant to be under postage and delivery. These issues are not resolved, but will be. M O'M

Finnsheep Breeders Association Directory

**Join this list for \$30 per year,
your listing will appear on the website and in the Short Tales Directory**

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