



# FINNSHEEP *SHORT TALES*

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## Chief Shepherd's Message

-- Leanne Hughes

Hi! I am looking forward to serving as your "Chief Shepherd" for the next couple of years.

For those of you who do not know me, I have raised Finnsheep in southeast Washington State since 1982, when I purchased 3 animals from Ladd Mitchell, one of the original importers of the breed. (Someone told me "you need Finns to bring up your productivity".) When he retired a couple of years later, I went back and bought his entire flock. I have had as many as 180 pure and crossbred ewes, and have crossbred them to many different breeds of sheep.

I have raised only purebreds for the last 16 years or so. I think the purebred Finn is just about perfect – a nice carcass, beautiful fleece, good mothers, extremely fertile, out of season breeders, and very easy to handle. There are very few breeds that come in the wide range of colors that our breed does. They are the perfect 'small farm breed' and I think that describes most of us.

The biggest problem I see facing us as an organization is our small number of members, and the fact that we are spread all over the US. We need to not only promote ourselves, but also each other if we cannot provide what a buyer is looking for.

We need to continue to get the word out that one doesn't need to look any further than the Finnsheep for the perfect all-around sheep!

## From the Short Tales Editor

-- Tracy Sengupta

I am sorry this newsletter is a little late. The goal was to get it in the mail in October, but because of some family problems, I was not able to do so. However, next year we should be back on schedule! So watch for your Short Tales in January, April and September.

Since we are almost Thanksgiving time, I have been giving a lot of thought to all that raising Finnsheep gives us. In addition to the obvious benefits of beautiful, soft wool and delicious meat, they give us:

- ❖ A lifestyle that most people only dream of
- ❖ Daily doses of fresh air
- ❖ A regular fitness routine
- ❖ Seeing the change of seasons
- ❖ Experiencing the magic of new life
- ❖ A connection to the land
- ❖ Preserving traditions of the past
- ❖ Developing a watchful eye for when things are about to go wrong
- ❖ An understanding of quaint sayings like, "The hay is in the barn," meaning that everything is all done. And we know what a relief that really is!
- ❖ Learning not to "sweat the small stuff"
- ❖ The unbridled joy of lambs bouncing around a pasture
- ❖ The peaceful rhythm of cud chewing when all your sheep are fed

I wish you and your family a Blessed Thanksgiving.

## Finnsheep in the Show Ring Raise Awareness of the Breed

-- Heidi Trimbur



One of the main goals of any business is to create new markets for its products – in this case, Finnsheep and their wool.

As Finnsheep are of the finest temperament of any sheep breed and are smaller in stature, they are a natural fit for women and children. Our son certainly thins so and he selected two of our Finn ewes, Ginger and Lily, to show at the Kutztown Fair in Kutztown, PA.

After a week of showing, Ginger and Lily ended up winning Champion and Reserve Champion (respectively) in their division and we were happy with the results.

However, what we were most excited about was the reception of our Finnsheep. The traffic through our display area was constant and the interest very high. By week's end, we had only one brochure left and my family and I were becoming hoarse from talking so much! We spent a lot of time connecting with potential customers and listening to what they had to say – their most common remarks are as follows:

- 1) "What incredible wool!" This, by far, was the most stated remark.
- 2) "What calm, friendly sheep" Our Finns came right over for a scratch behind the ears while many of the other breeds stayed in the back of their pen areas.
- 3) "I had no idea that this breed existed" This presented the perfect opportunity to introduce Finnsheep and all their wonderful characteristics and attributes. Interest was high!

Since the conclusion of the Fair, we have had in increased interest in our Finn fleeces and our buyer list for our 2009 lamb crop has grown considerably. Most of our new customers are either small family farmers and crafters or Hobby farmers indicating a sizeable market in which Finnsheep are a natural and desirable fit.

### **A Handy Hand-Spinning Tip from Grace Hatton:**

This is a question that customers ask all the time. So even if you don't spin yourself, as a producer, it is useful to know.

In order to get a rough estimate of how much (washed) wool you will need for a garment, weigh a similar commercially produced garment and add  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$ . The additional  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  is because handspun yarns weigh more since commercial yarns have air spun into them.

For example, if a commercially produced hat weighs 3.5 oz, you would need 4.6 oz of washed wool to make a similar hat.

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## Dues are due by January 7th!!!

**Now** is the time to pay your dues and submit your Breeders Directory listing for 2009. (Do so before you get busy with the holidays!)

The FBA Breeders Directory is one of the best deals you can find for your advertising dollar. It allows you to have a presence on the web even if you don't have your own website. The internet is one of the first places that most buyers look for places to buy their flock.

The FBA Breeders Directory runs from January – December each year.

\$25 dues for continuing member **or**  
\$35 dues for new member **plus**  
\$30 Breeders Directory listing for the 2009 calendar year.

The Breeders Directory lists all the contact info. for your farm plus 20 more words for your own description. You can even include photos of your flock!

**Finnsheep Breeders' Association  
General Meeting – August 24, 2008  
Teleconference**

Present at phone conference were members Paul Hunter, Tracy Sengupta, Leanne Hughes, Grace Hatton, Cindy Smith and visitor Deb Hilliard from NY state. (We also had Joe and Naomi Smith, but did not know they were there as we could not hear them.)

The previous minutes were read. Tracy moved to accept the minutes. Cindy 2nd. Approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read. Tracy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Cindy 2nd. Approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Need of an Editor for the Newsletter. It was suggested that we could send it via email to any that would prefer to receive it that way. Question regarding where the archives are and if we could add them to the website. The Secretary holds the archives. There are some of them already on the website. Tracy will continue as Editor while working to incorporate Clark BreDahl into the position. Tracy will add the new newsletters and leave the ones there that are already in the archives. No new archives will be added at this time. Tracy motioned to approve, Paul 2nd, approved.

Budget was discussed. We currently advertise in the Shepherd, Sheep and the Banner. Grace suggested Spin-off (later findings were that this magazine's advertising expense was above our budget). Continue current advertising and approve others one by one. Cindy motioned to accept, Grace 2nd, approved.

Deb asked if we considered advertising at Maryland or New York Festivals. Paul commented that these were more regional than national. However, if we were to hold a meeting there, we would advertise.

Flock Donation. Suggested it stay as National not regional. Naomi to donate 3 ewe lambs and Paul 1 ram lamb. Only for new people, after 2 years the winner will donate an animal to keep this going. Looking at FFA and 4H. Looking at the ages of 11 or 12 to 18 or 19 (per age cutoff levels of FFA and 4H.) Paul to continue pursuing this.

Tracy mentioned we have about 35 active members in the FBA.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Grace will contact the American Livestock Breed Conservatory to see if Finnsheep can now be registered with them. Also requested we become active in the sheep color genetic yahoo list. No motions were made....however Grace will follow up with the ALBC.

Tracy to talk to Oklahoma State University about updating their website's information regarding Finnsheep details.

Grace suggested we donate pictures free of copyright for Wikipedia. (In full fleece.)

Meeting for 2009 was then discussed. Choices of a teleconference, in person, or both for 2009. Agreed that with distance and gas prices, we would hold another teleconference in 2009. Tracy motioned to approve, Grace 2nd, approved. Date of August 23, 2009 @ 7 p.m.eastern time. Paul motioned to approve, Tracy 2nd, approved.

Suggestion for FBA Announce only list. Tracy explained how this would work. Tracy/Cindy will start the List (they will be the ones to add anything to it). It will be listed in the Newsletter and on the Website. Grace said she will list it on her yahoo site for Finnsheep. Paul motioned to accept, Leanne 2nds, approved.

Discussed if Cindy Smith would continue as Secretary. She agreed. Discussed if Grant would continue as Treasurer and he agreed. Tracy and Clark Briddol will be the Editors of the Newsletter. Newsletter will continue to go out to all individuals with any activity for the past two years in January. May and September will only go out to those who are current for their annual dues.

Nomination for two Director Positions that are open. Paul Hunter not eligible. Clark Briddol and Grace Hatton were nominated and approved.

Paul motions to adjourn the meeting, Tracy 2nd, approved.

#### BOARD MEETING

Present are Paul Hunter (to begin until new President is chosen) Leanne Hughes, Tracy Sengupta, Cindy Smith and Grace Hatton.

Tracy nominates Leanne Hughes as President. Leanne accepts and it is approved.

Tracy agrees to continue as Vice President and webmaster.

Cindy requests the FBA to purchase an AT&T go phone to be used for incoming and outgoing calls for the FBA Secretary. Tracy motions to accept, Leanne 2nds, approved.

Discussed if Grant was the only person who could sign checks. Tracy to check on this.

Grant will give Tracy the Treasurers info for newsletter.

Asked where the Display is. Grant is currently the "Keeper." Ask if he wishes to continue as such. If a member wants to use the display, it is on a first come, first served basis. A deposit of \$50 is required and will be refunded when display is returned. Time limit of two weeks to be returned. Can renew one time IF nobody else has need of it at the time. Cindy motions to accept, Tracy 2nds, approved.

Tracy moves to adjourn the meeting, Grace 2nds, approved.

*This article about our new board member, Clark BreDahl previously appeared in ST Vol 50 in May of 2002. Thanks to Grace Hatton for sending it. Perhaps in our next issue, Clark can give us an update on how his Finn flock is doing today...*

## How Clark BreDahl Used Finnsheep to Repopulate After OPP

Clark gave us permission to use parts of his column, Dispatch from Mormon Trail Farm, in the Feb 2002 issue of The Shepherd.

We made a decision a few years ago to eliminate it (OPP) as one of the variables in our operation. To the best of our knowledge we have done so, and the results have met all our expectations.

We started over with a meager seven ewes three years ago and turned 50 in with the rams this fall. That was one of the reasons we chose to repopulate with purebred Finn ewes: when it comes to reproduction, they begin throwing exponential numbers in a hurry!

Is it cost effective to eliminate OPP? Dozens of producers across the country who have undertaken such an effort individually would say, yes! In our own situation, going from 20 percent forced lamb orphanings with OPP to zero percent without seems very cost effective.

**Finnsheep Registrations  
January – October 2008**  
 Purebred registrations: 232  
 Transfers of ownership: 102  
 Plus few crossbred registrations



Photo: Leanne Hughes, Triple L Finnsheep

### SHORT TALES ADVERTISING RATES AND PROCEDURES

<b>Rates for One Issue of ST Plus a 4 month run on the FBA website:</b>
<b>Classified</b> per word: members \$0.10 nonmembers \$0.15
<b>Display: Business card</b> members \$5.00 nonmembers \$7.50
<b>¼ Page:</b> (approx. 3.5" by 5") members \$10.00 nonmembers \$15.00
<b>½ Page:</b> (approx. 3.5" by 10" or 7" by 5") members \$20.00 nonmembers \$30.00
<b>Full Page</b> (approx. 7" by 10") members \$40.00 nonmembers \$60.00
Advance payment on all ads required

Send your ad copy to [tracy@fireflyfields.com](mailto:tracy@fireflyfields.com)  
 Please put "**ST Classified**" in the subject line  
 or send your hard copy and fee to  
 Tracy Sengupta, 4110 W. Plymouth Church  
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**Counting Words:** Phone numbers count as one word. Each number and two letter initial count as one word. For example "I. M. Wright" is two words, and "P. O. Box 999" is three words. Hyphenated words, (e.g.: Jones-Smythe) count as separate words.



**Finnsheep Breeders Association  
Breeders Directory**

**California**

**Zeneta Mary Crawford**

The Crawford Sheep Ranch  
P.O. Box 1314  
Yreka, CA 96097  
530-905-3005  
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[www.clancrawford.us/crawfordsheep ranch](http://www.clancrawford.us/crawfordsheep ranch)

Purebred Finnsheep, Finn x Columbia, Finn x Romney  
Flock Prefix: CSR  
SFCP Enrolled Status since 2005; Flock# CA 14231.  
At the Crawford Sheep Ranch, we raise quality Finns and sell fleeces and lambs.

**Colorado**

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Purebred Finnsheep and Crossbred Finn/Dorset  
Commercially processed batts. Spinning fleeces, both black & white  
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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn x Shetland  
Flock Prefix: RRF  
Enrolled Status; Mandatory Scrapie Program since 2002; Flock# IN 88035.  
Breeding Stock, Finn Shetland Crosses, Yarn Rovings & Fleeces, Angora Goats, Angora Rabbits & Llamas.

**Iowa**

**Dale L. Amendt**

6815 Waterman Blvd  
Sutherland, IA 51058  
712-446-3489

Purebred Finnsheep  
Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn X Suffolk, Finn X Corriedale)

**Marvin Blair**

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Purebred Finnsheep  
Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn X Hamp & Finn Dorset)

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Purebred Finnsheep  
Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn x Dorset)  
Flock Prefix: MTF

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**The Sokol Family**

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SFCP: Enrolled status; Flock# MA19  
Purebred Finnsheep: white, black piebald. Enrolled in Voluntary Scrapie Program, MA19. Also raise Nubian dairy goats and llamas.

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Minnetrissa, MN 55364  
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[www.galewoodsfarm.org](http://www.galewoodsfarm.org)

Purebred Finnsheep, Finn X Clun Forest, Finn X  
Border Leicester  
Flock Prefix: TRP  
SFCP Enrolled Status since 2005; Flock# MN 43  
Gale Woods is an educational farm. Products  
include wool & yarn; and pasture-raised lamb, beef,  
poultry and hogs; and a vegetable CSA.

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[www.finnsheep.us](http://www.finnsheep.us)

Purebred Finns & Texel/Finn Crosses  
Flock prefix: JK  
Flock enrolled in VFSCP (MT30) , OPP tested, no  
history of footrot or Johnnes disease. Production of  
colored & white Finns with selection for prolificacy &  
size.

## New Jersey

### Carol Winchell

Stoe Creek Sheep  
52 Frank Smith Rd.  
Salem, NJ 08079  
856-935-0613  
[winchell@NALCO.COM](mailto:winchell@NALCO.COM)  
Please put Stoe Creek Sheep in subject line.

Purebred Finnsheep; Wenslydale X and Romney X

SFCP: Certified status; Flock# NJ 17  
Silver, black, brown and white. Six separate ram  
lines. Twelve years whole flock OPP negative. Bred  
for fleece, color and low multiples. Delivery available  
to Maryland and Rhinebeck shows.



photo: Jeff & Deanna Swanson  
Little Flock Farm

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### Jeff and Sherry Barber

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Purebred Finnsheep

### Amy Cook

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Chenango Forks, NY 13746  
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Purebred Finns  
SFCP Enrolled Status since 2002.  
White and colored Finnsheep. OPP Negative and  
Scrapie enrolled.  
Clean, soft fleeces. Natural and dyed roving.

### Elizabeth Hale Kinne

Stillmeadow Finnsheep  
5883 Randall Hill Rd.  
DeRuyter, NY 13052  
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[stillmeadowfinnsheep@frontiernet.net](mailto:stillmeadowfinnsheep@frontiernet.net)

SFCP Enrolled Status - Flock #NY69

Purebred Finnsheep  
Purebred Finnsheep since 1994. Genetically diverse  
white, natural colored solids and piebalds. OPP test  
Negative, CL and footrot free. Selected for  
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Purebred Finnsheep  
Finn x Dorset  
Flock Prefix: LHF

SFCP: Enrolled status since 2006; Flock# NY103  
Finn x Dorset – leaner meat carcass. Finn x  
Shetlands – less britch and additional softness.  
White, colored and pied with lines from Stillmeadow,  
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Purebred Finnsheep  
SFCP: Enrolled Status (since 2002); Flock#  
NC1250037  
Purebred Finns. Alpacas and Llamas.

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Purebred Finnsheep  
Flock Prefix: NC  
Full bred Finnsheep ewes & rams for breeding and  
lambs available for sale. Grazed on organic pasture.



Tracy Sengupta, Firefly Fields  
grey Finn ram-lamb

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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn / Dorset Crosses, Suffolks  
SFCP Enrolled Status; Flock#OH20

Breeder of Finnsheep since 1989. Cesarean  
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adult flock since 1996.  
White Finnsheep selected for commercial important  
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[www.eldoradofinns.com](http://www.eldoradofinns.com)

Purebred Finnsheep  
Flock Prefix: Eldorado  
SFCP Certified Status  
Small flock. Pasture raised. Easy Keepers. Nice  
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Purebred Finns: Black and white

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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn / Lincoln Crosses  
Finnsheep breeding stock, white and color.  
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Breeding for maternal instincts, prolificacy, & wool  
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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn / Shetland Crosses;  
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Flock Prefix: RIYS

Fiber Farm producing llama, mohair and sheep wool.

We have Shetlands, Icelandic and Finn. Also raise  
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Purebred Finnsheep  
SFCP Certified Status; Flock# PA43

Since 1986. OPP negative tested; b.ovis negative  
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Purebred Finnsheep, Shetland / Finn Crosses  
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Purebred Finnsheep

Stock Prefix: ARK

Natural purebred Finnsheep. OPP, Johnes test  
negative. Footrot, abccss, Bovis test free. Breeding  
stock for sale.



photo: Trimbur Finnsheep Organics

### Heidi Trimbur

Trimbur Finnsheep Organics

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Purebred Finnsheep

Flock Prefix: TFO

Specializing in organic Finnsheep with high quality  
colored/white fleeces, correct conformation and  
excellent herd health.

## Virginia

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House Mountain Finnsheep  
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540-463-6062

Purebred Finnsheep  
SFCP - enrolled since 1999; flock# VA 17.  
Farm established in 1985 in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Flock of 100 breeding ewes, mostly quads and quints. Bred for size, multiple births, mothering ability and structural correctness. Glen Avon and Root bloodlines. Also rams available for cross-breeding.

### Linda Witt

Linda and Leanna Witt  
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[www.MistyMountainFarm.com](http://www.MistyMountainFarm.com)

Purebred Finnsheep  
OPP free. Scrapie free. Scrapie Flock Certification Program - VA flock 26. Very prolific white and colored Finns. Handspinning, weaving and felting equipment and supplies. Fiberart classes. New! Guardian llamas!

## Washington

### Dan and Leanne Hughes

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OR [Leanne@TripleLFinnsheep.com](mailto:Leanne@TripleLFinnsheep.com)  
[www.TripleLfinnsheep.com](http://www.TripleLfinnsheep.com)

Purebred Finnsheep  
SFCP - Certified Status; flock# WA2252

Purebred finnsheep since 1982. Brown, fawn, black, gray, pied and white animals available. Unrelated bloodlines available. We breed for size, fleece, lambing ability, and milk production. Productivity records available from 1982. Fleeces available in the spring.

### Robert and Sandra Willford

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509-276-7160  
[solacefarmfiber@yahoo.com](mailto:solacefarmfiber@yahoo.com)  
[www.SolaceFarm.tk](http://www.SolaceFarm.tk)

Purebred Finnsheep; Shetland/Finn and Romanov/Finn Crosses.  
SFCP - Enrolled Status; flock# WA2167  
Quality fleeces, roving and handspun yarns.

## Wisconsin

### Tracy Sengupta

Firefly Fields Finnsheep  
4110 W. Plymouth Church Road  
Beloit, WI 53511  
608-361-1446  
[tracy@fireflyfields.com](mailto:tracy@fireflyfields.com)  
[www.fireflyfields.com](http://www.fireflyfields.com)

Purebred Finnsheep  
Flock Prefix: FF  
SFCP Certified Status; Flock# WI 1990.  
White and colored Finnsheep. Bred for health, maternal traits and lovely wool. Whole flock tested negative for OPP and Johnnes in 2005.

## Wyoming

### Mike Sims

Sims Livestock  
521 Almy Road #107  
Evanston, WY 82930  
920-307-789-2891

Crossbred Sheep: Finn x Targhee

Don't forget to sign the agreement, if you are new member.

Mail (along with a check or money order) to:  
**Finnsheep Breeders' Assn., 15603 173rd Street, Milo, IA 50166**

### Membership Services

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please check all that apply:

- New member - \$35
- Continuing member - \$25 (Annual Activity Fee)
- Listing in Breeders Directory - \$30
- Flock Prefix - **One time fee** of \$10 **per letter** -  
Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note:** Annual Dues are **payable by Jan 7<sup>th</sup>** of each year. For this fee, **members receive** the Short Tales Newsletter, Meeting Minutes and Annual Report and all other pertinent mailings from the FBA. Additionally, FBA members pay **half price for registration fees.** (Often times this discount on registrations will pay for your membership dues!)

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#### Lifetime Membership Application for New Members

Check:

- Purebred Breeder
- Commercial Producer
- Other

I / We agree to be governed by the rules, regulations, constitution, and bylaws of the association as amended from time to time, and to keep a written memorandum of breeding, exact birth dates, and litter size of Finnsheep, and further that I / we will furnish promptly any information concerning same at any time when requested to do so by the association.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Breeders Directory Listing

Annual Fee: \$30.00 - available to FBA members only.

The Breeders Directory is included with each issue of Short Tales in a given year from January 1st to December 31st. Your listing will also be included on the FBA Website. The directory is sent to people inquiring about the breed exhibited at fairs etc. with the Finnsheep Breed Display.

Please check:

- Purebred Finns  
 Crossbred FinnX - What crosses? \_\_\_\_\_

Your Website URL: \_\_\_\_\_

*As an organization, we encourage our members to participate in the USDA (Voluntary) Scrapie Flock Certification Program. This is value-add for our customers and will help us eradicate Scrapie in the Finnsheep breed.*

Do you participate in the SFCP?

Flock number: \_\_\_\_\_

- Certified  
 Enrolled -- Enrolled since (year): \_\_\_\_\_

Products and Other Information: 20 words (Over 20 words - \$1 extra per line to be included with Breeders Directory fees):

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### Flock Prefix

**One Time Fee** of \$10.00 **per letter**

A flock prefix enables exclusive use of your name or that of your farm or flock on registrations. You could use your last name, the full name of your farm, or some initials.

Please enter your chosen prefix here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Finnsheep Breeders' Association  
HC 65 Box 517  
Hominy, OK 74035**

**ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**