



FINNSHEEP *SHORT TALES*

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Chief Shepherd's Message

-- Leanne Hughes

I hope that everyone had a happy and successful lambing. It is always fun seeing how the crosses you planned last fall turned out! Now to get them growing and, hopefully sold.

There are not a lot of us breeding purebred finns. Most of us who do raise them can't imagine raising anything else. We raise them for a variety of reasons – fleece, productivity, and ease of handling, just to name a few. Then, just to make it interesting, you throw in the many colors that our breed comes in (and I think this year I have everyone of those colors in my flock.) After 27 years of raising finns, I still get surprises when I lamb! That's one of the reasons I stay with them.

The biggest challenge to us as breeders is to get more people interested in our product. Everyone has ideas on marketing and how we should promote the breed. I hope everyone brings their ideas to the Association Meeting in August. If you can't attend the meeting, let a board member, or other member, know so we can discuss them.

My thought has long been that perhaps we need to allow them to be shown so

we can get the youth involved. I see finns as a great multi-purpose breed. To prevent the problems that have plague other breeds when they show, I would suggest only showing lambs, and size would not matter – only the confirmation and other breed characteristics that we choose. I realize this subject has some controversy with it, and I will enjoy discussing it, as well as all your ideas, at our meeting.

Until August, have a great summer! May your lambs grow well.

Leanne

From the Editor – Grace Hatton

Tracy Sengupta deserves our thanks for her tireless efforts on behalf of the FBA. She was not only the editor of Short Tales, but also our FBA webmaster. Tracy is taking a break and enjoying lambing season without the pressure of the FBA tasks for a change. I have taken on the task of newsletter editor and also taken on the job of webmaster temporarily.

Much of this newsletter is taken up with the FBA constitution which has not been revised since 1987 and needs a little dusting off to bring it up to date. Please take a look at the proposed changes so we can vote on them on the annual meeting conference call in August.

CONFERENCE CALL INFO:

Toll free (US & Canada) : **(877)665-7154**

On Sunday, Aug. 23, 2009, no more than five minutes before **7:00 PM EASTERN TIME** dial the number above. **Then enter the conference code 8796354120 followed by #.**

When you are connected make sure others can hear you. If they cannot, hang up and repeat the process. The call is free from your house phone. If

you call from a cell phone, you would still be using minutes.

The above info will be on the FBA website (<http://www.finnsheep.org>) prior to the conference call.

In the following pages you will find the **LOGO CONTEST**.

Some of our members have felt for some time that the logo needed to be updated. You will find a post card in this newsletter where you can record your vote for which logo you like best. Or you can choose to keep the old logo. Please add your email address so that we can put your email address on the FBA contact-only list.

The FBA contact-only list is to get out important info to our members such as a reminder of how you can participate on the annual meeting conference call.

In the past several months I have heard from various sources that people like Finnsheep, but wish they did not have so many lambs. Finnsheep are the **ONLY** breed of sheep that has large litters AND high quality fleece AND a docile temperament. Finnsheep breeders have a breed standard <http://www.finnsheep.org/breed.standard.htm> and we need to live up to it.

Finnsheep are a tremendous gift that took centuries to develop. Finnsheep are the only breed that can be used to improve lambing percentages without destroying fleece quality. The Booroola gene is out there and it does improve lambing percentages, but it doesn't come with the co-adapted genetic package that Finnsheep come with - - good mothering traits, lambs that are vigorous at birth and low susceptibility to pregnancy toxemia (twin lamb disease).

Breeding Finnsheep is a serious commitment to future generations. We cannot know now what will come in the future. Just because wool is not important today to commercial shepherds, doesn't mean it would not be so in the future. If today's commercial shepherds all go with hair-sheep, eventually the commercial wool supply will dry up in our country which could lead to a turn around in wool demand because of its scarcity.

There are options open to those who love Finnsheep, but don't have the time for bottle raising

extra lambs. One breeder I know used to sell extra lambs at a few days old to folks who wanted to bottle raise them.

Breeder Profiles and Advertising

At the November 2006 FBA Meeting in Louisville, it was decided that we would feature a series of Breeder Profiles of our FBA members in ST. We also decided that we would use a photo and a quote from the breeder about why they like Finnsheep, in our magazine advertising. It was decided that first "dibs" would go to those members who had paid for a listing in the Breeders Directory. Photos used in FBA advertising must be pre-approved by the board.

If you are a member who would like to be featured in ST and our FBA ad campaign, you can contact Sandra at:

Sandra Wilford
Solace Farm
30119 N. Spotted Rd.
Deer Park WA 99006
509-276-7160
solacefarmfiber@yahoo.com



Purebred Finn ram – "Elvis"
Photo courtesy of Sandra Wilford

!!!!LOGO CONTEST!!!!



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Select your choice, add your email address, print your name and mail the postcard. Winning logo will be in the next Short Tales.

FBA Profit & Loss

Accrual Basis January 1, 2008 through January 26, 2009

Jan 1, '08 - Jan 26, 09

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income:

Annual Dues

2008 775.00

2009 100.00

Total Annual Dues 875.00

Breeders Directory Income

2008 690.00

2009 90.00

Breeders Directory Income - Other 30.00

Total Breeders Directory Income 810.00

Flock Prefix Income 270.00

Income (other- dup certs etc) 197.10

Membership Income 420.00

Miscellaneous Income 1,507.05

Registrations:

Finn Pedigrees 1,776.00

Non-purebred 76.00

Pedigree o/12mth 516.00

Transfers 460.00

Total Registrations 2,828.00

Total Income 6,907.15

Expense

Advertising:

Web-page 95.76

Advertising - Other 1,848.50

Total Advertising 1,944.26

Contract Labor 1,442.31

Miscellaneous 105.25

Postage and Delivery 173.94

Printing and Reproduction 229.58

Reconciliation Discrepancies 3.00

Subscriptions 25.00

Supplies

Office 117.15

Total Supplies 117.15

Total Expense 4,040.49

Net Ordinary Income 2,866.66

Other Income/Expense

Other Expense

Other Expenses 29.00

Total Other Expense 29.00

Net Other Income -29.00

Net Income 2,837.66

Total assets as of Jan 26, 09 \$10,457.36

Finns registered by FBA members
in 2008

USDA MARC 87
Eldorado Farms 37
Triple L 23
House Mountain 20
Stillmeadow 17
Amy Cook 13
Marvin Blair 12
Dale Amendt 12
Firefly Fields 12
Palfrey Farm 9
The Wee Croft 8
Gale Woods Farm Park 8
Solace Farm 8
Hatton Finnsheep 6
Whitney Family 6
Stoe Creek Farm 5
Mormon Trail Farm 5
Lighthouse Farm 5
Harlequin Farm 5
Willow Creek Finnsheep 4
Audrey Jaggars 4
The Crawford Sheep Ranch 4
Jeff & Deana Swanson 4
Debra Crawford 2
Harry & Linda Beam 2
Connie Santos 1
JT & Julie Korkow 1
Santa Maria Farm 1
Hut on the Hill 1

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FBA CONSTITUTION

Article IV Section 1

Proposed change to put this in the constitution.

In 2002 The board voted that annual dues do not need to be paid by breeders registering 50 or more animals in that year.

Article V Section 1

Proposed amendment that would add the words in capital letters:

A director must be a lifetime member of the association
AND KEEP CURRENT WITH ANNUAL DUES.

Article V Section 4

Proposed amendment to strike the text below because the FBA cannot do this:

The board of directors shall prepare or have prepared an annual report summarizing the performance record of all sheep registered each year. This report shall be made on a flock basis showing the average and range of values and the number of individuals registered in the flock on which the report is based.

Section 1 b

Proposed amendment to delete info about ear tags because it is not being done.

No certificate of registry shall be issued and in lieu thereof the Association shall issue certificates of recordation with ear tags for the animals.

Proposed change to make transfer fees from foreign countries the same as US transfers.

Article IV Section 1. In 1992 the Board voted to allow transfers of registrations from Canadian or other foreign registrations to our Association for \$1.

Finnsheep Breeders Association Constitution

Article I. NAME

The name of this Association shall be: Finnsheep Breeders Association

Article II. CHARACTER AND EXISTENCE

This Association shall be a non-profit livestock breeders corporation and shall have perpetual existence unless dissolved by due process of law.

Article III. GENERAL PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this Association shall be to engage in any lawful activities for which a non-profit corporation may be formed pursuant to the Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation Act specifically including but not limited to the following:

- a) To register and maintain pedigree identification of Finnish Landrace, hereinafter called Finnsheep, ewes and rams.
- b) To register and maintain pedigree identification of first cross and backcross progeny having one purebred (Class 1) Finnsheep parent.
- c) To record lambing performance of registered ewes and encourage use of performance records for further improvement of Finnsheep.
- d) To encourage and support breeding research to discover how Finnsheep can be used most effectively in cross-breeding to improve efficiency of commercial lamb production.
- e) To continuously improve and promote Finnsheep in the interests of more profitable sheep enterprises.

Article IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. There shall be two categories of membership.

Category 1. Voting membership. Owners of flocks of registered Finnsheep of the duly authorized agents or representatives of such owners shall be entitled to membership. Such membership shall be entitled to vote in relation to the number of animals registered annually from said flock. The number of votes entitled to said flock shall be determined by the annual number of sheep registered as follows.

- 1 vote for 0 to 60 registered
- 2 votes for 51 to 100 registered
- 3 votes for 101 to 500 registered
- 4 votes for 501 to 1000 registered
- 5 votes for 1001 and over registered

The "annual number of sheep registered" shall be designated as the number of Finnsheep registered by the flock owner for the preceding calendar year prior to the year the vote is cast. For purposes of establishing the number of registrations the secretary shall publish as of January 1 each year, the total number of registrations made by each flock owner for the preceding year.

Category II. Persons may become associate (non-voting) members on application to the association and payment of the associate membership fee. Acceptance of membership in this association shall bind the member to abide by this constitution.

Section 2. Revocation of membership

Any member of this association who is charged by another member with violating the articles of this constitution, by-laws or rules and regulations adopted by the association shall be liable to revocation of his membership and expulsion from the association. In the event a member is so charged he shall receive a written notice of the violation so charged, signed by the President or Secretary of the Association and she shall be given an opportunity to be heard by the board of directors on the said charge. If after such hearing a majority of the board of directors shall decide that said charge is valid the results of such hearing shall be presented to the membership at the next regular or any special meeting to decide whether such membership should be revoked. A 2/3 majority vote of Category 1 Membership present and voting shall be required to revoke such membership in the Association. The board of directors is authorized and may decide by a 2/3 majority vote of the directors to suspend any registration or transfer of registration by such member until such charges are brought before the membership for vote. The privileges of registrations and transfers of registration by nonmembers shall be subject to the ruling of the Board of Directors in matters relating to such charges.

A person whose membership has been revoked may be reinstated by the 2/3 recommendation of the Board of Directors and subsequent approval by a 2/3 majority vote of the Category I membership present in person or by proxy at the next annual meeting.

Section 3. Proxy Voting

Any member who wishes to vote at any regular or special meeting on any issue or for any individual for an elective office may do so by expressing his wishes in writing, properly witnessed and signed. A member may also designate his proxy vote in the same way to be exercised by the board of directors at their discretion.

Section 4. Membership Fees and Annual Dues

The Board of Directors shall be authorized to set membership fees.

Section 5. Personal Liability of Members

The members of the Corporation shall not be subject to any personal liability for corporate obligations.

Article V. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors elected by the membership. The board shall consist of six (6) directors, each elected for a three (3) year term of office except that during the first two (2) years of its existence the terms of directors shall be limited to the extent necessary so that in subsequent years two (2) directors shall be elected each year. A director may not serve more than two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms. A director must be a lifetime member of the association whose election to the Board of Directors shall be by a majority of votes cast by the membership.

Section 2. The officers of the association shall be a President and Vice President. They shall be elected for a one-year term of office by and from the board of directors. The duties of the President shall be to preside over all meetings of the members and directors and other duties usually performed for such associations. The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President of the President is unable to act.

Section 3. The board of directors shall appoint a Secretary-Treasurer whose duties shall be to manage the affairs of the association as determined by the board of directors. The Secretary-Treasurer may or may not be a member of the association. The board of directors shall be authorized to determine the appropriate remuneration for the Secretary-Treasurer and any other employees of the association. The Secretary-Treasurer shall record the minutes of regular and special meetings of the association.

Section 4. The board of directors is established to conduct the business of the association. They shall be authorized to implement procedures for registration, recording of pedigrees, issuing certificates of registration and transfer of registrations within the framework of this constitution. They shall also be authorized to determine and set fees not specifically designated by these articles.

The board of directors shall prepare or have prepared at their direction a report each year summarizing the activities of the association. This report shall include a

summary of activities related to achievement of the objectives as outlined in Article III.

The board of directors shall prepare or have prepared an annual report summarizing the performance record of all sheep registered each year. This report shall at least include the litter size in which registered individuals are born and the litter size of the sire(s) and dam. This report shall be made on a flock basis showing the average and range of values and the number of individuals registered in the flock on which the report is based. The board of directors shall prepare or have prepared at their direction an annual financial report of the association.

Section 5. Meetings of board of directors

A meeting of the board of directors shall be called at the discretion of the President or any three (3) members of the board. Notice of said meeting shall be given in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer to each board member at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the meeting together with agenda of said meeting. The written notice and agenda provision of this section may be dispensed with by unanimous agreement of the board of directors.

Detailed minutes of the proceedings of meetings of the board of directors shall be kept and made available to the members of the association upon request. A majority of three (3) members of the board of directors, including proxy vote, shall constitute a quorum for purposes of conducting a meeting.

Section 6. Resignation of President and Vice President

The Board of Directors shall be authorized to elect a President and Vice President if either or both of these officers resign. The Board of Directors shall be authorized to appoint a member to the Board of Directors to fill a vacancy created by resignation of another member. The term of the appointees shall be until the next regular or special meeting of the association.

Section 7. Compensation of Board of Directors

The board of Directors may receive expenses, but not per diem, while on official business of the association to attend meetings or other official activities.

ARTICLE VI. HEADQUARTERS AND PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The location of the Corporation's registered office in this state is Pipestone, Minnesota. The Board of Directors shall be authorized to change the principal office and place of business for maintaining the records of the Corporation, conducting the affairs of the Corporation and for other activities which are directly related to the objectives of the Corporation by resolution duly adopted.

ARTICLE VII. INCOME AND PROPERTY

Income and property of this association shall be used solely for furtherance of the objectives of the association as stated in this constitution.

ARTICLE VIII. ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings

An annual meeting of the members of the association shall be held for the election of directors and the transaction of any other business which may come before the association. The secretary shall notify the members 30 days in advance of the annual meeting of the date and location of the meeting. An agenda of business to be transacted shall also be sent to each member at the time notice is given of the annual meeting.

Section 2. Special Meetings

By a majority vote of the board of directors a special meeting of the members of the association may be called to transact business of the association. An agenda specifying the date, location and business to be considered must accompany the notice of the meeting. A notice of a special meeting must be given 14 days in advance.

Section 3. Quorum

The members present at any regular or special meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IX. REGISTRATION AND PEDIGREE RECORDATION

Section 1. There shall be two classes of Finnsheep registration:

- a) Class I. This class of registry shall include purebred Finnsheep imported directly from Finland or indirectly through breeding stock propagated in the Irish Republic, the United Kingdom, Canada or any other country which maybe be designated by the association. The certificate of registry issued for this class shall show the date of birth, identity of sire and dam, litter size in which the individual was born, including age of dam and parity at the time of birth and the litter size in which the sire and dam were born. An extended pedigree and production record will be available for an additional fee.

The registration of an animal in this class shall count as one registration for the purposes of determining voting rights.

- b) Class II This class of registry shall be for recording single cross and back cross progeny where one parent is a Class I Finnsheep. No certificate of registry shall be issued and in lieu thereof the Association shall issue certificates of recordation with ear tags for the animals. The recorded information shall show the date of birth, identity of sire(s) and dam, the litter size in which the individual was born, including age of dam and parity at the time of birth and the litter size in which the sire(s) and dam were born. Multiple sire matings are permitted. The recording of an animal in this class shall count as one half of one

Class I registration for purposes of determining voting rights.

Section 2. No restrictions on the use of artificial insemination or ova transplantation shall be imposed on sheep offered for registration, provided the pedigree identity supplied is in accordance with that required for sheep produced by natural matings. Sheep produced by either of both of these methods shall be appropriately identified in the records of the association. Any certificates of registration issued or transfer of ownership shall be appropriately identified.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular annual meeting of the Association by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the membership present or represented by proxy at the meeting. Notice of a proposed amendment shall be given to the Secretary-Treasurer forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting and such proposed amendment shall be included in the general notice calling such meeting.

ARTICLE XI. CAPITAL STOCK

The Corporation shall have no Capital Stock.

ARTICLE XII. INCORPORATORS

The incorporators of the Corporation and their post office addresses are as follows:

- Dwight Holaway, Rural Route 2, Pipestone, Minnesota.
- W. J. Boylan, University of Minnesota, Animal Science Department, St. Paul, Minnesota.
- John F. Redding, Box 1029, Asheboro, North Carolina.

This constitution was approved at an organizational meeting of Finnsheep breeders at Hastings, Nebraska, on June 29, 1971 and duly amended October 23, 1973 and October 6, 1976.

SHORT TALES ADVERTISING RATES AND PROCEDURES

Rates Per Issue:
Classified per word: members \$0.10 nonmembers \$0.15
Display: Business card members \$5.00 nonmembers \$7.50
¼ Page: (approx. 3.5" by 5") members \$10.00 nonmembers \$15.00

½ Page: (approx. 3.5" by 10" or 7" by 5")
members \$20.00
nonmembers \$30.00

Full Page (approx. 7" by 10")
members \$40.00
nonmembers \$60.00

Advance payment on all ads required

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 DIRECTORY

COLORADO

Janet Herman

Rock Ridge Ranch (est. 1874)

7054 S.Hwy. 83

Franktown, CO 80116

303-688-6812

cfherman@juno.com

Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn/Dorset)

Purebred Finnsheep and Crossbred Finn/Dorset

Commercially processed batts. Spinning fleeces, both black & white

Specializing in out of season lambing.

INDIANA

David & Pam Hoover

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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

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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)

Clark BreDahl

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Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn x Dorset)
Flock Prefix: MTF

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MASSACHUSETTS

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Willow Tree Farm
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Boxford, MA 01921
978-887-5884
Purebred Finnsheep, 7/8 Crossbred Finnsheep.
White, black and Piebald.
Also purebred Toggenburg and Nubian Dairy Goats.

MINNESOTA

Tim Reese

Gale Woods Farm
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763-694-2002
treese@threeriversparkdistrict.org
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.

Gail Von Bargaen
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Purebred Finnsheep and Shetland sheep
Scrapie Flock Certif. Program enrolled in 2006, Flock #MN62
We sell breeding stock, unregistered stock or pets, raw wool and roving.

NEW YORK

Elizabeth Hale Kinne

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De Ruyter, New York 13052
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stillmeadowfinnsheep@frontiernet.net

www.rarefinn.com -- Coming soon!

SFCP Enrolled Status - Flock #NY69
Purebred Finnsheep since 1994. White & Natural Colors. Emphasis on maternal traits and high health management. SFCP # NY69. OPP test negative. 45 lambs due in April 2009.

Mary Scholefield

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Purebred Finnsheep
Finn X- TBA Annually
Selected for hardy, worm-resistant, friendly sheep;
Ideal for the small holder.
Black, White, Silver
Ultra-soft, Lustrous, or Primitive - Coated Fleeces

Mary and Herb Tucker

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585-928-1721
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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,
Hatton, and Misty Mountain lines.

OHIO

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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn / Dorset Crosses, Suffolks
SFCP Enrolled Status; Flock#OH20
Breeder of Finnsheep since 1989.
Cesarean derived-disease free flock. OPP test
negative entire adult flock since 1996.
White Finnsheep selected for commercial important
traits. 3 separate lines available for genetic diversity.
Finn/Dorset and Finn teaser rams also available.

OKLAHOMA

Cynthia Smith

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Purebred Finnsheep, Finn / Lincoln Crosses
Finnsheep breeding stock, white and color.
Lincoln/Finn crosses also available. Fleeces
available. OPP, Johnes and Footrot negative,
Scrapie Certification Program - Oklahoma 1926.
Breeding for maternal instincts, prolificacy, & wool
quality. Also raise Great Pyrenees LGD.

PENNSYLVANIA

Grace Hatton

Hatton Finnsheep
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<http://antique-spinning-wheels.blogspot.com>

Purebred Finnsheep
Since 1986. OPP negative tested; b.ovis negative
tested. Certified Scrapie Free Status - PA 43
Fully functioning antique spinning wheels and
accessories. <http://finnsheep.etsy.com>

Heidi Trimbur

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Purebred Finnsheep
Flock Prefix: TFO
Specializing in organic Finnsheep with high quality
colored/white fleeces, correct conformation and
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VIRGINIA

Joe and Naomi Smith

House Mountain Finnsheep
1765 Jacktown Rd.
Lexington, VA 24450
(540) 463-6062
Purebred Finnsheep

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.

WASHINGTON

Dan & Leanne Hughes

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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 Wilford

Solace Farm
30119 N. Spotted Rd.
Deer Park WA 99006
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solacefarmfiber@yahoo.com
<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
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Beloit, WI 53511
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tracy@fireflyfields.com
www.fireflyfields.com

Purebred Finnsheep
Flock Prefix: FF
SFCP Certified Status; Flock# WI 1990.
White, black & spotted. Authentic Finnish brown &
Kainu grey. Bred for health, maternal traits & lovely
wool. Whole flock tested negative for OPP &
Johnnes in 2005.

CANADA

Nicole Heath

Veliraf Farm
RR # 1
Conn, Ontario
N0G 1N0
Canada
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veliraf@sympatico.ca
<http://www.veliraf.com>
Purebred Finnsheep.
Flock Prefix- Veliraf.
Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification program-Flock
#50. White and coloured Finns, out of season
breeding. Fleece, rovings, batts, pelts, and naturally
raised lamb.
Vasectomized Finn teaser rams available.

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 7th** 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!)

Lifetime Membership Application for New Members

- 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 _____

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):

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.

Finnsheep Breeder
HC 65 Box 517
Hominy, OK 74035

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