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It’s time to renew your membership and directory listing!!
Chief Shepherd’s Message: 

December 2014

The cold is settling in for this winter. Does anyone else worry that their flock is catching a chill and we must heat the barn? Of course I don’t heat the barn, but I am sure if I could afford it I would! To be honest our hearty Finnsheep can handle just about anything nature throws at them. As long as they have a place to get out of the wind and snow, they remain pretty happy.

If you missed our annual meeting you missed a lot. Planning has begun for the 2015 annual business meeting which will be held in Ohio in May. I, for one, am very excited to have a Midwestern meeting. I do hope you will all plan to attend. More highlights from the 2014 meeting are in this newsletter and information about the upcoming meeting will be in the next newsletter.

Do you attend an event in your area where you could promote Finnsheep? The FBA can provide you with brochures for your display. See page 7 of this newsletter for other ideas.

We also seek membership input. We will be planning a mid-year telephone conference to discuss new ideas and what the membership would like to see happen. This will be an open forum for all members to participate and not as formal as the annual meeting. We need to hear from our members!

I started this message contemplating the cold winter ahead of us and I will end it with the same. Last winter, when the temperature was below freezing for so long, and I would hit the edge of depression, I kept reminding myself, the longer it remained that cold, the more parasites met their maker! Around here we had a wonderful almost parasite free summer. Only once did I see a few girls that needed treating. I stayed on top of them. It was awesome! So when you get down and need the sunshine, Make your own lemonade and click off how many dead little pests are going down!

Happy shepherding,
Fran Smith
Chief Shepherd

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Guest editor’s note:
I have created a yahoo account specifically for sending SHORT TALES and other FBA related information. Please add Maryfinnsheepbreeder@yahoo.com to your contact list so my emails will not go to “spam”. You may contact me at that email or my personal email: johnandmaryomalley@yahoo.com

DON’T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR FBA MEMBERSHIP AND DIRECTORY LISTING for 2015!!!
Welcome New Members!!
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Summary of 2014 Finnsheep Breeders Association Meeting

The 2014 Finnsheepbreeders Association Meeting took place via teleconference on Sunday, October 26, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by President and Chief Shepherd, Fran Smith. In attendance, in addition to Fran were Mary Tucker, Naomi Smith, Elizabeth Kinne Gossner, Amy Cook, Ann Marie Elkin and Tim B of Eldorado Farms, (later to be replaced by Terrie Godfrey), and Mary O’Malley.

The first item of discussion was the FBA web site. It was noted that some corrections have been made, for ex: the Kansas address is now on the registration forms. There was discussion about the inability to do transfers “on-line”. A transfer can be done at the time an animal is registered on-line, but currently it is not possible to transfer an animal to another owner on-line after the initial registration. Further investigation of this possibility is needed.

Locations for the 2015 Annual Business meeting were proposed. Discussion ensued about the advisability of having the annual business meeting in different regions of the country. It was agreed that the ability to meet face to face is good for the organization, and that different venues for the meeting may entice people from other areas of the country to attend. The Great Lakes Fiber Show, which is held in Wooster, Ohio over Memorial Day weekend, was suggested in addition to those that had been proposed prior to the meeting. The Ohio location could attract members from the Midwest. Tim and Terrie Godfrey have attended this show and sold fleeces there. Naomi Smith has attended this festival and is the Eastern Representative for the Mid-States Wool Producers Board. She will attempt to gather more information at the next board meeting coming up and and share this with the FBA. Naomi motioned to have the 2015 Annual Business Meeting at the Great Lakes Fiber Show and Elizabeth seconded the motion. All present voted in favor of this motion. Terrie and Tim, Naomi and Mary Tucker formed a committee to gather information about the Festival and organize the meeting, with teleconference there.

The option of holding a mid-year open forum teleconference was discussed. The objective of this meeting would be information gathering, general discussion and support. An open forum could encourage sharing and collegiality among the membership. We all have a lot to learn from each other. This meeting would be approximately 6 months after the annual business meeting.
Breed promotion was discussed. It is important to promote the total Finn and not just individual traits, like the fiber. Articles in the FBA newsletter, The Banner and other magazines, can help increase awareness of the unique and desirable Finnsheep traits. Naomi noted that her August Ad in The Banner resulted in the sale of her sheep and Mary Tucker’s sheep to a man in Nevada at the New York Sheep and Wool Festival in October. The idea of having more Short Tales for distribution was discussed. Could we consider mailing at least one Short Tales to every member each year? The expense of this was discussed. Mary O’ noted printing each Short Tales cost $4.50 and Mary Tucker noted the additional expense of mailing. Fran suggested encouraging members to do breed displays at local festivals and events, and also suggested having the FBA sponsor a webinar.

The membership present voted on the candidates for the FBA Board of Directors. The biographies of Terrie Godfrey and Deb Kirsch, which were presented in the recent Short Tales, (Volume 83, April-Sept 2014), were reviewed. Terrie and Deb were elected to the Board of Directors by a unanimous vote. It was noted that the recent departure of Callie Welch left an additional seat vacant on the Board. The proposal that Naomi Smith be elected to this seat was met with enthusiasm. The FBA and the Board of Directors will benefit from the experience and perspectives of Naomi Smith, Terrie Godfrey and Deb Kirsch.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Mark your calendar now for the 2015 annual business meeting of the Finnsheep Breeders Association to be held over Memorial Day weekend at the Great Lakes Fiber Show in Wooster, Ohio. More information about the meeting will be forthcoming. You can find out about the Great Lakes Fiber Show at their website: www.greatlakesfibershow.com
NEW ZEALAND FARMER BREEDS SUCCESS WITH FINNSHEEP

Andy Ramsden has been involved with sheep his whole life. Raised on a sheep and beef farm in the southern Hake’s Bay of New Zealand, the shepherd currently lives in Wanaka, New Zealand with his wife and son.

Ramsden first incorporated a Finnsheep ram into his flock of Romney ewes and was impressed with the increase in lambing percentages. He then added Texel sheep to the mix to augment hardiness and carcass attributes. The resulting cross of Romney, Finn and Texel is the “Highlander”, which means “high production on the land”.

Ramsden has continued to study and experiment crossing Finnsheep with other breeds. In addition to the Highlander he has a “composite” sheep with equal parts Romney, Perendale, Texel and Finn.

For Ramsden, Finnsheep have been a successful component of improving sheep production and maintaining quality wool on a commercial scale.

Thank you to Grant Blackburn for sharing this article. The article has been adapted from Diane Bishops article “innovative Approach Pays Off For Sheep Breeder” in the New Zealand Farmer. For the complete article go to: www.stuff.co.nz/business

SHARE YOUR SUCCESS AND/OR YOUR CHALLENGES!!

What about you? Have you had success with your endeavor? Have you faced challenges that you have overcome? Share your story. Other shepherds can benefit from your experience. Whether you have been raising Finnsheep for a few months or many years, you have something of interest to offer.

Send your contributions or ideas for SHORT TALES to

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SHOWCASE FINNSHEEP with a BREED DISPLAY AT YOUR LOCAL FIBER FESTIVAL OR FAIR
by Mary O’Malley

Have you considered sharing your enthusiasm for Finnsheep at a nearby fiber festival or fair? The FBA has been well represented at the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival in May and at the New York Sheep and Wool Festival in October. These festivals have breed display barns where visitors can view and learn about many different breeds of purebred sheep. Representatives of the breeds bring a couple of sheep for the display and educational materials. They spend the weekend sharing information, answering questions, and listening to people who visit their display.

Popular items for the educational display include samples of raw as well as washed and carded wool in a variety of colors. Crafted items such as spun wool, knit or crocheted hats and scarves, felted bags, pillows, and mittens help festival goers realize the great potential of Finn wool. A few years ago I created a display board featuring a map which highlights the location of Finnsheep breeders across the country, as well as some pictures of my own Finnsheep. The display board is black trifold foam board (from Staples or Office Depot). It is light which makes for easy transport; however, this can be a disadvantage if your display is located in a windy area. Strategically placed duct tape can be used to anchor the board.

The FBA can provide you with brochures to distribute to the public. These brochures, which provide basic information as well as the website address, can be viewed on the Finnsheep_breeder yahoo group page.
FINNSHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
Profit & Loss
November 23, 2013 through November 24, 2014

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FINNSHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
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| Total Equity              | 22,117.14  |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY| 22,117.14  |
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Purebred Finnsheep and Crossbred Finnsheep (Finn x Suffolk and Finn x Corridale)

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Purebred Finnsheep and Crossbred Finnsheep

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Purebred White Finnheep& Crossbred Finn-sheep Finn x Dorset x Ile de France) Foot rot free, OPP flock test negative

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www.thecountingsheepfarm.com
Registered Breeding stock, freezer lambs, fleeces and roving. Call, email or check us out on Facebook!

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Twin Brook Farms is located in rural Waseca County, Minnesota. Registered breeding stock is available and weaned lambs are ready to go in July

Tim Reese, Gale Woods  
Farm Park  
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Minnetrista, MN 55364  
463.694.2002  
treese@threeriversparkdistrict.org  
www.galewoodsfarm.org
Flock Prefix: TRP Flock ID: MN43  
SFCP Enrolled status since 2005 Purebred Finnsheep, Crossbred Corriedale and Icelandic. Gale Woods is an educational farm. Products include wool, yarn, Pasture raised lamb, beef, poultry hogs and a vegetable CSA

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www.littleredoakfarm.blogspot.com
SFCP enrolled in 2006 Flock ID: MN62 Purebred Finnsheep & Shetlands in white, black, gray, brown, Badger and Piebald. We sell breeding stock, unregistered stock, raw wool

Missouri

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