Join us for the FBA Business Meeting, May 23, 2015 at the Great Lakes Fiber Show
Chief Shepherd’s Message

March! Yes, it is March, though I cannot tell by the view from my window. The snow covered fields suggest mid-January, yet the meteorologist forecasts warmer temperatures and sunny skies. I’m sure my ewes (and rams) will be happy.

So much excitement surrounding our 2015 Finnsheep Breeders Association Meeting, May 23, at the Great Lakes Fiber Festival. Will you be attending? Did you know The Banner Sheep Magazine will sponsor a sheep sale at the Festival? For more information contact The Banner at 309-785-5058 or sales.banner@sybertech.net

For our 2016 FBA annual business meeting we are hoping to head farther west and are considering the Michigan Fiber Festival or the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival. What are your thoughts?

Are you ready to donate your time to the FBA? During the annual meeting we will be electing new officers. Serving on the Board is a great way to promote and preserve our wonderful Finnsheep. If you are interested, please contact me, or another board member.

I will be looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the upcoming meeting. In the meantime, may your lambing be smooth sailing!!!

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What about you? Share your experiences with your fellow-Finnsheep Shepherds! Submit to SHORT TALES!!! Send articles, thoughts and/or photos to:
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Editor’s note:
I have created a yahoo account specifically for sending SHORT TALES and other FBA related information. Please add
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Come and attend Annual FBA Business Meeting!
Date: Saturday, May 23, 2015, 7 pm
Location: Wooster, Ohio Best Western,

Agenda for the Finnsheep Breeders Association 2015 Annual Business Meeting

Opening and Welcome
Roll call of Members
Secretary Report
Treasury Report

Old Business: 1. Board members often get calls regarding Finnsheep and sheep in general. How can we increase our ability to provide correct information? In the past, it was proposed that we purchase materials like The Coat of Many Colors. Should we create a list of websites that we consistently refer to? Should we purchase materials like the book, The Coat of Many Colors for Board Members to reference?

2. Ways to continue to promote awareness about OPP and the OPP organization.

New Business: 1. Nominations and Vote for Board of Directors
2. Providing a grace period for membership renewal
3. Site/date for next FBA meeting
4. Open Floor: Any ideas, thoughts, or concerns you would like to bring up for discussion

If you cannot attend the meeting in person, please join us via the telephone! The call-in procedure for phone or cell phone will be as follows:

Dial: 1-800-582-3014  After the prompt enter the Participant Pass Code: 031097008#  Be sure to add the # sign or you will not be added. You will hear a tone as you are added to the teleconference. Please be considerate of listeners and try to keep background noise minimum

Call for FBA Director Nominations!!

Finnsheep Breeder Director Openings

Interested in becoming more involved in the Finnsheep Breeders Association? Consider joining the Board of Directors. The Board was established to conduct the business of the association. In recent years, members of the Board have worked to update to the Finnsheep.org website as well as the implementation of on-line registration. The promotion of Finnsheep is a primary concern and often a topic of discussion at meetings.

Any FBA member in good standing can run for the board or nominate someone for the board. If you are new to the organization or to Finnsheep but would still like to run, please contact any board member. They would be glad to nominate you! Know someone you think would be great on the board? Ask them if they would like to run and then nominate them.

Election of board members will take place at the May 2015 meeting. If you are interested in being on the Board, please consider sending a short biographical sketch of yourself to Mary O’Malley at MaryFinnsheepbreeder@yahoo.com. It will
Prized by handspinners, purebred Finnsheep grow some of the most luxurious soft wools and are a source of creative inspiration throughout the year. The transition from raw fleece to pristinely clean fiber can be accomplished in several ways. For processing in bulk there are carding mills which will efficiently clean and combine large volumes of fleece into a well-blended presentation. However, for those who prefer to remain connected to individual fleeces, hand processing may be the better choice. Basic “scouring” is quite simple. As fleece grows and during shearing it is helpful to prevent contamination from burdock, hay chaff, etc. For cleaning, first skirt the fleece (remove undesirable areas such as manure, 2nd cuts, & VM), then divide into smaller sections which will conveniently fit into soaking pots.

Fill a vessel with very hot water and then add about 1/3 cup of liquid dishwashing detergent (ex: Dawn or Joy). Stir. Gently place raw fleece into the vessel and push beneath the surface. You may crowd the fleece for this first soaking which will help retain heat. Cover if possible and allow to soak without stirring for about an hour. While still warm prepare 2-3 pots of clear rinse water. They should approximate the temperature of the soaking bath to avoid shocking the wool. Next, simply take a handful of damp wool from the initial bath, squeeze out, and swoosh through clear water. Repeat this step with each successive rinse vessel. If lock tips are muddy they can be manipulated gently in the rinse process. Renew rinse waters as needed. When the entire amount of fleece is rinsed it can be placed into a top loading washing machine which has a spin only cycle to further drain out the water. Hang the wet wool on a clothesline or drying rack and if the day is sunny with a breeze, you may have beautiful dry fleece which is ready to use in a couple of hours.
This hands-on approach has the advantage of retaining individual lock character as well as color definition in patterned fleeces. An awareness of the individual sheep providing its wool can be a certain pleasure as we spin the precious fiber into our yarns.

Whether the preference is for glistening white wool or any one of the natural colors that our Finnsheep have to offer, this simple approach to washing fleeces gives us the ultimate creative opportunity.
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Consider joining the Board of Directors. Volunteering on the Board is a great way to meet people who share your enthusiasm for Finnsheep. Telephone and computer have allowed us to work together from our homes to promote Finnsheep. See page 3 for details.

DON’T FORGET OUR BUSINESS MEETING. Saturday May 23, 2015 at 7 PM in person at the Best Western in WOOSTER, OHIO or via TELEPHONE (details also on page 3 of this issue).
Welcome New Members!!

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Finnsheep Breeders’ Association

Membership and Breeder Directory Form

Instructions: Print, Complete and mail this form and your payment to:

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Farm Name: __________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Street Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________________________________ State: __________ Zip: ______________

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Please Check All That Apply:

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_____ Scrapie Flock ID (if participant): __________________ ( ) Export ( ) Select ( ) Pending ( ) Enrolled ( ) Certified

The FBA encourages breeders to participate in the Scrapie program; however, participation is not required to become a FBA Member.

Short Tales, the newsletter of the FBA is free to FBA members. To advertise in Short Tales, contact the FBA secretary.

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_____ Short Tale Newsletter requested in hard copy via US Postal Mail.

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Total Amount Due: $ __________________ (Make check to: Finnsheep Breeders’ Association)

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I/we agree to be governed by the rules, regulations, constitution and by-laws of the Association as amended from time to time, and to keep written records of breeding, exact birth dates and litter sizes 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: __________________________
Finnsheep Breeders’ Association

Finnsheep breeders are now found across many States producing purebred and crossbred Finnsheep. Breeders look to the Finnsheep Breeders’ Association, Inc. to provide record keeping of registrations and transfers of the breed. Since the 1971 inception of the Finnsheep Breeders’ Association, Inc. the organization has drawn on the expertise of leading research authorities to enhance the Finnsheep breed and provide leadership in promoting the Finnsheep qualities and characteristics.

Mission Statement

The American Finnsheep Breeders’ Association:

* Provides a national pedigree breed recording system for Finnsheep
* Maintains the Finnsheep breed standard for the USA. Promotes animal health within the breed and nationally
* Fosters and promotes the proliferation and marketing of Finnsheep within the national sheep industry and abroad
* Is a national focal point for Finnsheep Breeders
* Disseminates timely information to members on all matters relating to the breed