

Sheep Committee Meeting

March 11, 2008

Agenda: Prayer - Meal- Social - Meeting

Updates: Divisions - - - - I Large Wool Breeds
II Medium Wool Breeds
III Hair
IV Miniatures Multiple Groups per Class?

1. Meat Sheep Alliance Meeting on Saturday, March 29th at Carol Postley's house at Fairmeadow Farm in Ocala, Florida. Doug handed out a flyer on this conference. Guest Speaker: Dr. Maarten Drost. Topic: Lambing Time. Everyone is invited to attend this conference.
2. Premium Book Updates were reviewed so we can know the differences in old information and current information.
3. Review and Approval of February 19th Minutes of the Meeting.
4. Packets from Amy for Beth by Monday.
5. Field Day went well and was well attended.
6. Beth Moore motioned for minutes of Feb. 19th to be approved. Rex Lawson seconded that motion.
7. Discussion: Frames of animals are the way to classify animals because, for example, we don't want hair sheep to compete against wool sheep. Therefore adding the appropriate number of classes helps the competition to be fair. Doug explained how creating multiple groups in each class, as need dictates, will help kids show in the appropriate category.
8. Beth Moore told us about an announcer named Lisa _____ who does a lot of announcing for other fairs who offered to be an announcer for us. Beth will check into this some more and get back with Doug on this issue.
9. Peeweeps are defined as being under the age of 8 years old. They are not there as a 4-H person. The 4-H program does not allow Cloverbuds to show livestock. The sheep need to be registered in the open show and then go in the peewee show. They can show in both shows or in either one. Any peewee can show any animal that is already registered in some show.
10. Barn Schedule was distributed. Things were added and some deleted. Please check the schedule.
11. Monday Night, April 21st, 6:00 pm is the time we will convene at the Pavilion at CFF to assemble the pens.
12. "Breeds of Sheep" needs to be added to the schedule as well as the "Farm Class." Saturday at 7:00 pm .
13. Sheep Show Awards: This year we will have no chairs as awards. They cost \$80 each and unless we find sponsors, we will not be doing this. We still need a number of sponsors:
 - a. Market Show - Reserve Grand Champion Belt Buckle needed.
 - b. Market Showmanship-2nd and 3rd place trophy needed. They cost \$20 each and we need 6.
 - c. 4-H Champion Exhibitor Award: Sponsors needed. We need \$40. (\$20 x 2)
 - d. Shepherd's Awards - We need 6 shepherd crooks at \$10 each total: \$60. Creative Signs may be willing to provide these. Tony D. is checking into this.
 - e. Julie and Bret will contact Ralph Lengeman and ask for a donation of \$200 to cover the costs of some sponsorships. Julie will also ask Ender and Dr. Chapman for donations for Division 4. (\$200-\$500)

- f. Miniature Division 4: Need \$140 for Youth and \$140 for Open Show Awards. Embroidered Wool Throws and Embroidered Tool Bags.
 - g. We still need a few more Tractor Supply \$50 Gift Cards for awards.
14. Review of Show Coordinator duties. Doug handed out a detailed analysis of the entire responsibilities of each coordinator. He reviewed the process of making each show happen smoothly. Many questions were asked and each person now has a better understanding of exactly what it takes to make each show happen and how many people are required.
 15. Bret and Julie will find judges for the Lead Halter Show and the Mutton Masquerade. Bret will ask Kim Little, Holli Luther and Ona Pierce. Doug told everyone that he will have the rules for these shows on the Meyers Sheep Farm website this week.
 16. We need the contents for 15 judges baskets. Doug asked us to start collecting items for these baskets. _____ said she would call Andrew Moore to get honey and candy for these baskets.
 17. A poster will be made by Doug describing what kids need to do to win the Champion Exhibitor Award.
 18. Clip Boards will be located at the Administrative Table for all shows. If you need one for your show, check with the person at the Admin. Table.
 19. 2 Hours before any show is the most critical time! See the coordinator responsibilities to review this process.
 20. We need to find a "Ribbon Person" who has the responsibility of handing out the ribbons and keeping them organized for each show. Beth suggested a box be created that has divisions for each ribbon. Julie suggested that we have a box with the ribbons for each show. Beth is looking into this matter.
 21. All posters are due at registration. Education displays are to be put up by 10pm on the registration day.
 22. Doreen will recruit judges for the poster judging.
 23. James will provide a white marker board and markers for posting results. Results will be posted on this board after every show.
 24. 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: This is the 10 year anniversary of the Sheep Show at the Central Florida Fair. The discussion was how to celebrate this. Suggestions were:
 - a. Have a cake and a party after things are finished on Saturday night @9:30 pm. Beth Moore will ask Kathy Thwaites to make the sheep cake.
 - b. Invite the original 8 people who showed the first year. (1998?) Doug is looking into who these people are. He thinks that Amy may or may not have this information in her files at the Fair Office.
 - c. We need an MC for this event and Bret will provide the music and sound system.
 25. Beth suggested that since our theme is "Get Your Green On" then we should show the public that we are doing that by recycling the trophies instead of buying new ones. She told us that she thinks we can just get new engraved plates put on older trophies. There were several people in the room who had a number of trophies that we could use. The Committee unanimously agreed that this was something we could do to save money and be responsible to spend our dollars appropriately and show the public how the Sheep Show is "Getting Their Green On!"
 26. Doug asked all who were willing to bring their trophies to him by next week.
 27. Beth asked Tony D. if he could make a banner that says "Celebrating 10 Years of Sheep Shows at the Central Florida Fair" and he agreed. They are going to work on this project together.
 28. Julie Testerman moved to adjourn the meeting. Rex Lawson seconded that motion.