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Greetings from the frozen tundra of Southeast Oregon! As I write this, snow is falling (a welcome event, since we have had a dry winter) and predicted to continue off and on for the next week. We start lambing our AI ewes March 3rd, as well as two groups of home bred ewes for peer group comparison on Lambplan. Hope we don’t need barns, because we don’t have enough space for everyone. Dorpers are tough though and we have lambed in the snow before--rather snow than cold rain.

Your ADSBS Board of Directors met in San Antonio the beginning of February for 8-10 hours, and accomplished a great deal of work. As of today, we are completing the hiring of our youth coordinator, which should be done by publication date. We have approved our operating budgets for 2018, as well as beginning work on our update to the 5 and 10-year strategic plan. Several bylaw updates were approved and will be presented at the annual general meeting for confirmation by the membership, as well as an update on our ADSBS finances. We will have a lamb dinner in conjunction with the annual general meeting and are working on a speaker.

A position on tail docking was also agreed upon at the board meeting. The consensus was to recommend we follow the docking guidelines in the Dorper in the New Century South African manual. The admonition to judges is they MAY discriminate for a complete lack of a tail, however they will not lower a placing based on a longer dock or a complete tail. There will be no RULE at this time, but the judge at his discretion may lower a sheep’s placing for excessive (no tail) docking. This is only for ADSBS sanctioned shows with an ADSBS judge.

In closing, your board put in a great deal of time in the last year and I want to thank everyone, previous and current members, for their dedication to move the ADSBS forward into bigger and better things in the future. I feel we had a great meeting and with the face-to-face input, had a better understanding of each member’s feelings on topics. We plan to have this same type meeting in the future at budget time.
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By the time you are reading this, lambing season is in full swing, and I hope it goes well for all our members. It’s exciting to find each new set of lambs as we try to improve with every generation in this breeding business. Now is the time we see if our mating decisions were wise ones!

I am pleased to announce that the American Dorper Sheep Breeders Society has hired a part-time youth program coordinator. Dan Shell has joined the ADSBS staff, and will be working with our youth committee and eventually a board of youth officers to create a broad spectrum of youth activities for the membership. Dan hails from Midland, Ohio, and is a certified Dorper judge. He and his family breed Hampshires, Natural Coloreds, and Southdowns, and he is a vocational agriculture teacher by trade. He will be retiring at the end of the school year, and we are excited that he will bring his enthusiasm for our breeds and his record of accomplishments with youth to ADSBS. Dan can be reached at shellhampshites@hotmail.com.

Our online registry system is fully operational as you get ready to register this year’s crop. Please review the instructions for the online system, appearing on page 19. You will need to get a password from Ronda, and make sure your 2018 dues are paid, and you’ll be ready to go online to register animals where you already own both parents. The system will be further updated later this year to include membership renewals, transfers of ownership and other transactions. The ADSBS Board of Directors voted to eliminate the $2 shipping and handling fees for transactions submitted online.

Speaking of shipping and handling fees, the fee for mailed in registry work will increase from $2 to $3 on April 1, due to continual increases in postal fees. Please include the correct amount in your submitted work, and remember: it’s free if you use the online system!

The 2018 ADSBS Annual General Membership (AGM) meeting will be held on Friday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Stephens County Fair & Expo Center in Duncan, Oklahoma. The same venue is hosting the National Show on Friday afternoon and National Sale on Saturday afternoon. The AGM is an opportunity for you to voice your ideas and concerns to the ADSBS members and leadership. The ADSBS Board of Directors will be presenting an update to the ADSBS Bylaws for a vote. These bylaw changes will be posted on www.dorper.org by mid-March, so you can review the proposed changes before the meeting.

If you are coming for the weekend, flights into either Oklahoma City (1 hour away), Lawton, OK (20 minutes away, or Dallas-Ft Worth Airport (2.5 hours) can get you there! There are plenty of motels in Duncan, but they fill up fast. We encourage you to book yours today: Holiday Inn Express, Hampton Inn, Days Inn, Quality Inn, Duncan Inn, and others are available.

The ADSBS Youth Show at Duncan has several new twists this year! Check these out on pages 12-14 and plan to participate! There will be a similar youth show in Cookeville, Tennessee in July in conjunction with the Southern States Show & Sale.

Finally, the ADSBS has re-instituted an American typing and inspection program to be used when South African inspectors are visiting flocks in the USA. I’m aware that Ash Phillips will be coming in May, and Pieter VanSchaulkwyk in September, so check out page 7 for details on this program.

Best wishes for successful lambing, and I hope to see you in April.
The American Dorper Sheep Breeders Society (ADSBS) Board of Directors has reestablished a procedure for Typing Inspections of member flocks when South African Inspectors are making flock visits in the United States. During 2018 we are aware that both Ash Phillips and Pieter Van Schalkwyk will be making such visits.

The South African inspectors will carry ADSBS Typing ear tags (blue for Type 1, red for Type 2, and White for Type 3), as well as the typing inspection form that MUST be signed and submitted to the ADSBS Registrar. The program is available ONLY to ADSBS members in good standing. Ear tags will be billed at a cost of $2 each, and the member will also be billed $2 per head to have the registration certificate reissued with the typing information included on the certificate.

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The FAMACHA® System For Management of Barber Pole Worms In Sheep

By Adriano F. Vatta

Introduction

The FAMACHA® system is a technique used in small ruminants to assess the level of anemia resulting from infection with Haemonchus contortus, the barber's pole worm. The system allows a decision to be made with regard to anthelmintic treatment on an individual animal basis as opposed to treating all the animals in the herd or flock, and application of the method leads to a large reduction in anthelmintic use when compared with conventional drenching approaches. It is a method of 'targeted selective treatment' which refers to the identification and treatment of those individuals that truly require it while leaving the rest untreated (Besier, 2008). The system was developed in South Africa (Malan et al., 2001) to provide an alternative approach to the common practice of frequent drenching of sheep, which has been associated with the widespread emergence of anthelmintic resistance. The system has since been adopted for use worldwide, including in the United States, where anthelmintic resistance in small ruminants is common and widespread (Mortensen et al., 2003; Howell et al., 2008).

Haemonchus contortus is an abomasal parasite that follows a direct nematode life cycle. It is a voracious blood-sucker, and the main effect on the host is anemia, which can be evaluated clinically by examining the mucous membranes of the host. Named for its originator, the FAffa MAian CHArt (FAMACHA®) system consists of a card with five color categories which is compared with the color of the conjunctival mucous membranes of the sheep or goat. The animal is classified into one of the five color categories, from I (non-anemic) to 5 (severely anemic). A decision to treat the animal or not is then made based on the FAMACHA® score, the age and production status of the animal, and general recommendations for the climatic region.

The use of a selective treatment strategy is founded on the concept that parasites are not equally distributed in host populations (Barger, 1985). Twenty to 30% of animals harbor most of the worms and are responsible for most of the eggs deposited in the feces on pasture. If this group of animals can be identified and treated, this will greatly reduce the daily pasture contamination. In the case of haemonchosis, FAMACHA® score has been shown to be negatively correlated with packed cell volume (higher score, lower packed cell volume) and positively correlated with fecal egg count (Kaplan et al., 2004). In practice, this means that the system may be used as an effective tool to identify those animals that are clinically most affected by the parasitism, or less 'resilient'. It should be noted, however, that the system has been validated in small ruminants for the control of H contortus infection only.

Development And Validation Of The FAMACHA® System

The first experiment, which led to the development of the actual FAMACHA® card, was conducted on a sheep farm near Badplaas, South Africa, in a climatic zone characterized by hot, wet summers and mild winters (Malan et al., 2001). Haemonchus contortus was the predominant gastrointestinal parasite on the farm and the parasite population was highly resistant to multiple anthelmintics with only levamisole and morantel remaining effective. Furthermore, the sheep were maintained on irrigated pastures. Researchers, in collaboration with the producer, decided to test the possibility of grading the color of the ocular mucous membranes of the sheep as an indication of the extent to which animals were affected by H. contortus infection. From March to July 1991, routine drenching was stopped. There were 388 sheep examined at weekly intervals and classified as red (subsequently designated FAMACHA® score 1), red-pink (2), pink (3), pink-white (4) or white (5). If the animal's mucous membranes were white or pink-white, or if the animal had submandibular edema ('bottle jaw'), its packed cell volume was determined, and if this was <15%, the sheep was treated with levamisole. In this manner, drenching was reduced by 90% compared with previous practices. Seventy per cent of the animals did not require drenching, 20% required one drench, 7% required two drenches, 2% required three drenches, and 1% required four drenches. The percentages of sheep requiring one or more drenches were higher in lactating and pregnant animals when compared with "dry" animals. Following this study, the chart itself was developed and tested further.

The first studies with the FAMACHA® system in goats were conducted in indigenous goats in South Africa (Vatta et al., 2001, 2002). Animals were scored with the card every 2-

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4 weeks during the late spring, summer, and early fall periods of 1998/1999 and 1999/2000, and blood samples for packed cell volume were collected. Goats were treated if scored as 4 or 5. Tests for sensitivity and specificity were applied to the data. Sensitivity is defined as the proportion of diseased individuals that test positive (Smith, 1995), or, in the case of the FAMACHA© system, the proportion of anemic animals (packed cell volume <19%) that are correctly identified as being anemic. Specificity is defined as the proportion of disease-free individuals that test negative, or, in the case of the FAMACHA© system, the proportion of non-anemic animals that are categorized as such. The data indicated that the sensitivity of the system was between 23.0% and 28.4%, and the specificity between 90.4% and 91.3%, when the packed cell volume cut-off for an anemic animal was considered to be <19%. However, when the animals scored as 3s, 4s, and 5s (as opposed to only 4s and 5s) were considered anemic and included in the analyses, the sensitivity improved to between 75.7% and 85.1%, but the specificity decreased to between 52.0% and 55.3%.

The FAMACHA© system was subsequently validated in the United States by members of the American Consortium for Small Ruminant Parasite Control. Kaplan et al. (2004) determined the sensitivity of the system was 92.2% for sheep and 93.9% for goats when animals with packed cell volumes: S19% and FAMACHA© scores of 3, 4, and 5 were considered anemic. The corresponding values for specificity were 59.2% and 35.5%. This was based on data from Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Florida, and the Virgin Islands, and the scoring was done by scientists. However, Burke et al. (2007), applying the same cut-offs, found that the values for sensitivity in the hands of producers in Georgia, Louisiana, Florida, and Puerto Rico were 59.2% and 66.3% for sheep and goats, respectively. The specificities were 68.8% and 64.5%, respectively. Mahieu et al. (2007) determined a sensitivity of 63.4% and a specificity of 71.3% for goats in Guadeloupe, French West Indies, when the scoring was done jointly by two technicians.

The FAMACHA© system has been further tested and/or adopted in several other countries, including Brazil (sheep: Molento et al., 2009; sheep and goats: Sotomaior et al., 2012; goats: Vilela et al., 2012), Morocco (sheep: Ouzir et al., 2011), Kenya (goats: Ejlertsen et al., 2006), Italy (sheep: Di Loria et al., 2009; Cringoli et al., 2009), and Switzerland (goats: Scheurle et al., 2010).

**Recommendations For Use**

Recommendations were developed for the use of the FAMACHA© system in the southern United States (Kaplan et al., 2004). Briefly, these include the following:

- Examine the animals at least every 2-3 weeks at the beginning of the expected period of Haemonchus challenge in climates where a seasonal incidence of infection occurs.
- During critical periods, examine the animals on a weekly basis.
- In adult animals, treat the 4s and 5s, but ensure that the flock or herd is in good body condition and good overall health.
- Specifically identify and treat animals that are unthrifty, anorexic, lagging behind the flock or herd, or have submandibular edema.
- If the flock or herd is not in good body condition and good overall health, treat the 3s as well.
- In lambs, kids, and periparturient animals, always treat the 3s.
- If 2.5-10% of the animals are anemic (4s and 5s), treat the 3s, 4s, and 5s, and change the pasture, if possible.
- Also treat the 3s when scores shift, indicating the outbreak of disease, for example, when a rapid downward trend in the 1s is seen, and there is a reciprocal increase in the 2s and 3s.

The recommendations that concern good husbandry, such as identifying unthrifti animals, are important because, while the FAMACHA© system has relatively good sensitivity in sheep and goats, there is a small possibility that anemic animals may be missed. The system must, therefore, be used in conjunction with other parasite control and good husbandry measures, including good grazing management, especially where non-Haemonchus infections occur. Currently, the system is increasingly being used within integrated parasite control programs (see, for example, Vatta et al., 2007; Miller et al., 2011; Spickett et al., 2012).

**Advantages And Concluding Remarks**

Use of a selective drenching approach will lead to reductions in anthelmintic treatment when compared with conventional drenching practices, and should slow down the development of anthelmintic resistance. This reduction in drenching was dramatically demonstrated in the Badplaas study (Malan et al., 2001). In the study by Mahieu et al. (2007), only 37.3% of the does scored according to FAMACHA© system required treatment. There were 0.57 doses administered per doe in the FAMACHA© group compared with 3 doses per doe in the controls.

Producers should be aware, however, that the benefits of reduced drenching may be somewhat offset by potential production losses. Van Wyk (2008) reported some production losses in two of three trials; in one of these, the losses were approximately 4.85 lb (2.2 kg) per sheep. On many farms, however, sparing use of remaining effective anthelmintic groups remains the only manner in which anthelmintic resistance may be managed into the future.

The FAMACHA© system may be used to identify animals that repeatedly require treatment, to enable culling of those animals. Heritability of FAMACHA© scores has been shown to be relatively good (Riley and Van Wyk, 2009), and Burke and Miller (2008) were able to identify a superior sire for parasite resistance/resilience through the use of FAMACHA© scores.

The FAMACHA© system also has the potential to be used, following validation, as a diagnostic tool for anemia in other livestock species. It has been tested in camelds (Williamson et al., 2009) infected with H. contortus, as well as in cattle infected with trypanosomes (Grace et al., 2007).

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3. Late Fall Ram Lamb (born Nov. 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2017)
5. Yearling Ewe (born Sept. 1, 2016 to Aug. 31, 2017)
7. Late Fall Ewe Lamb (born Nov. 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2017)
8. Winter Ewe Lamb (born Jan. 1, 2018 to Feb. 28, 2018)
9. Best Pair (one ram & one ewe, owned by same exhibitor, previously shown)

**SHOW RULES**

1. All exhibitors must be ADSBS individual members in good standing (2018 dues paid).
2. All sheep shown must be ADSBS registered in the name of the youth member (not family, farm or ranch).
3. There is no minimum age for exhibitors, but the youth exhibitor must show their animal by controlling the head. Another youth exhibitor may assist as heeler to set hind legs.
4. All animals must be properly washed and sheared.
5. Sheep may be shown with or without halters in all classes.
6. Entry fee is $3.00 per head. No entry fee for Showmanship and Best Pair classes.
7. Youth Show sheep should arrive and be penned no later than Friday evening, and must be checked in by 7:30 AM Saturday. Show will begin at 8:00 AM Saturday. All sheep must be removed from the Stephens County Fair & Expo Center by 10 AM Sunday.
8. All sheep brought to the Stephens County Fair & Expo Center must be listed on a proper Interstate Health Certificate, and must carry USDA scrapie identification tags.

**ENTRY DEADLINE IS APRIL 10, 2018.** Mail completed entry forms and fees payable to “ADSBS” to: Doug Gillespie, 751 Boston Post Rd., Weston, MA 02493-1105, fax: 508-481-4768, email: Dorpers@ymail.com.

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Each exhibitor may nominate one ewe lamb or yearling ewe to sell in the Youth Ewe Sale, which will be held at the start of the 2018 National Sale on April 21 at 1 PM. Our judge will evaluate all nominated ewes to ensure only quality ewes sell. Ewe lambs must be registered in the name of the youth exhibitor, and that exhibitor must also own the dam. Yearling ewes (born Sept. 1, 2016 to Aug. 31, 2017) purchased by the youth exhibitor at the 2017 Mid-America or Southern States Sales may be nominated to sell in the Youth Ewe Sale. A maximum of 5% sale commission will be charged on youth ewes. You will nominate your ewe Saturday morning.
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April 21, 2018

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2. ADSBS will print 8x10 copies of each photo for display on April 20-21 at Duncan, OK.
3. Results will be announced during the ADSBS Youth Show at 3:30 PM on April 22. Members need not be present to compete. Awards will be presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category.
4. All photos become the property of ADSBS, and may be used for advertising and/or promotional purposes.
5. ADSBS Youth members in good standing (dues paid for 2018) may enter up to 2 entries in each category.

Categories:
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3. Dorpers/White Dorpers with people
4. Dorpers/White Dorpers with other animals
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Divisions:
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2018 Fort Worth Regional National Dorper & White Dorper Show
Judge: Billy Wade
Open Dorper


Senior Champion Ram: Johnny & Claire Powell. Reserve Senior Champion Ram: Kavin Hanna.

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Junior Champion Ewe: Craddock Faris. Reserve Junior Champion Ewe: Maggie Spikes.


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The 2018 Fort Worth Regional National Grand Champion Dorper Ewe was exhibited by Craddock Faris. She also exhibited the 2018 Fort Worth Youth Regional National Grand Champion Ewe.
The 2018 Fort Worth Regional National Grand Champion White Dorper Ewe was exhibited by Lane Cahill. She also exhibited the 2018 Fort Worth Youth Regional National Grand Champion White Dorper Ewe.

2018 Fort Worth Regional National Youth Dorper & White Dorper Show
Judge: Dr. Travis Hoffman

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Youth...

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Junior Champion Ewe: Craddock Faris. Reserve Junior Champion Ewe: Katie Sosebee


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Grand Champion Ewe: Delaini Hanna. Reserve Grand Champion Ewe: Brylie Roeder.


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Grand Champion Ewe: Lane Cahill. Reserve Grand Champion Ewe: Koby Hunter.


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2018 Fort Worth Livestock Show

Judge: Dr. Travis Hoffman

Junior Dorper and White Dorpers


Champion Ram: Tyler Leatherman. Reserve Champion Ram: Isaiah Losoya.


Champion Ewe: Delaini Hanna. Reserve Champion Ewe: Lane Cahill.

Users Guide to ADSBS On-Line Registration System

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The on-line system is very user friendly and will help members expedite and validate new registrations. The following is a step by step guide to help you accurately record sheep.

You will need your Membership ID and a Password. Ronda Severson will provide you with a temporary password if you request one via email: ADSBS Office@centurytel.net. You will need to change the temporary password once you access the system.

The log in site is:

You may also log in directly from the ADSBS webpage:
Sign on to: www.dorper.org
Select: Breeder Database (this will bring you to the Dorper Member Enquiry page)
Select: Online Transaction
You will then be prompted to "Dorper Messages", and you will get an Error Message, and a request to "SIGN ON".
And the following prompt will appear:
Once, you are connected you will be asked for your Authorization information, Member ID and Password.

American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society Signon

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New Password Validation: 

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Enter your flock number only. Each breeder has a flock name, you only want to enter the animals number, Permanent ID, DOB, Type of Birth and only the Registration Numbers of the Sire and Dam. Once done, simply hit “GO”.

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Once, completed with all the animals you intend to register, simply go to the "View Batch Summary" and you will have an opportunity to view and/or edit any registrations in your batch before final submission. Once you are satisfied with your submissions you will be prompted to pay for the registrations. Currently all payments must be processed thru PayPal. This is a very secure way to pay for transactions without sharing your personal information with vendors.

CORRECTLY SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED AND PRINTED, AND MAILED TO YOU FROM THE ADSBS Registry Office within a few days. At the present time the system can only process new registration applications where you own both the sire and dam. Other work must be mailed in. We will continue to upgrade so that eventually the system will process transfers.
The Size Of The Dorper Industry In The U.S.

By Darroll Grant, Aumsville, Oregon

The Dorper breed numbers in the U.S. have expanded further than the founders dreamed possible in 1995 at the organizational meeting. Dorpers are recognized by the U.S. sheep community. Many who show Dorpers or enter the show/sales are aware of the increase in numbers at those events. The recent Fort Worth show entries of 747 are certainly a tribute to the acceptance of the breeds and involvement of those who enjoy the competitive nature of selection, fitting and showing sheep. Fortunately, the decision of the ADSBS Board of Directors has been to adhere to the South African standards. Numerous breeders and recognized sheep judges have been trained by quality South Africans over the years to apply the standards in the show ring placings. How many Dorper sheep are involved in these breeding programs? If there are 100 breeders that regularly show with a 50 head flock average, the total would be 5,000 head. Does anyone have a more accurate estimate?

During a recent trip to Texas with visits to two of the four major small stock auctions, I became intrigued with the scope of the commercial industry. After surveying the web pages of the four auctions and visiting with several of the principals, an estimate of the Dorper influenced sales for 2017 was 198,000 head. This does not consider those that are sold direct to the harvesters, for flock expansion or in other states. I have been told of Dorper influenced flocks of 1,000 to 9,000 head in the west and central U.S. Most are increasing the Dorper genetics in their flocks. How many quality rams does it take to cover the ewes involved?

There is not another breed of sheep in the U.S. that is represented by a breed branded product that I am aware of. Currently there are two private harvesters that process only Dorper sheep. There is a couple more in the exploratory process. These efforts will only be successful by sourcing sheep that will provide a high quantity and quality eating experience.

The challenge of the future is to provide quality rams to the commercial industry, whose offspring more than meet the needs of the harvesters as they supply the demands of the public.
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Sheep Center
Appointments Announced

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced the appointment of three members to serve on the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center Board of Directors. The appointed producers and marketing expert who will serve three-year terms are:

- Jeremy Geske, Producer, New Prague, Minnesota
- Brenda J. Reau, Producer, Petersburg, Michigan
- Steve W. Lewis, Marketing, Artesia, New Mexico

*The Sheep Center was established to improve the competitiveness of the U.S. sheep industry and these appointees bring experience that will serve this agricultural sector well,* said Perdue.

The board is composed of seven voting members and two non-voting members. Voting members of the board include four members who are active producers of sheep in the United States, two members that have expertise in finance and management, and one member that has expertise in lamb, wool, or lamb product marketing. Non-voting members of the board include the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Under Secretaries for Marketing and Regulatory Programs and Research, Education and Economics. USDA’s Agricultural Marketing Service provides oversight of the center.

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The board of directors of the American Dorper Sheep Breeders Society met via conference call on Thursday, December 14, 2017. Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Central by President Paul Lewis. All board members for both 2017 board and incoming 2018 board were on the call, as well as Darroll Grant (treasurer) and Doug Gillespie (executive secretary). Only 2017 board members were authorized to vote.

Minutes of the October 24, 2017 board meeting were considered. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve the minutes.

Darroll Grant provided a financial overview showing operations for 2017 through November were in a $7,000 deficit, but that ADSBS had funded $55,000 in one-time expenses during the period and overall assets were strong at $414,000. Related to the financial report, the board discussed that the photographer hired by ADSBS for show and sales must be responsive to clients in a timely and professional manner.

It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve the financials.

Executive Secretary Doug Gillespie raised several matters for board action. The California State Fair had proposed hosting the 2018 Western Regional Show, requesting $2,000 for the breeding show (including agreeing to use a certified judge), plus an additional $500 in support of Dorper market lamb classes. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve $2,000 for the Western Regional Show. Passed on a 7-2 vote.

All American Junior Show in Indianapolis – It was proposed to split Dorpers and White Dorpers in 2018. Cost of the show for both breeds is $1,550. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve $1,550 in funding. Passed on voice vote.

Gillespie reported that the ADSBS Youth Committee had narrowed the 17 applicants for youth coordinator down to six finalists. After discussion, it was MOVED and SECONDED to accept the list of finalists. Motion failed on a vote of 3-5 with one abstaining. It was then MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to have all applications distributed to the incoming board and ask board members to rank six finalists and submit their rankings to Gillespie and Paul. Motion passed by vote of 5-3 with one abstention.

Compensation of the Registrar was discussed, as Ronda had not had a pay adjustment since 2015. After discussion it was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to increase hourly pay of Registrar by 5 percent or $1 per hour effective January 1, 2018.

The board also accepted Gillespie’s proposed schedule for budget preparations with a final budget to be approved at the February 4th board meeting in San Antonio. Committees should submit budget requests to Gillespie by January 2nd, and a draft budget will be distributed to board by January 15th.

Gillespie also indicated that he would have a web-based judge recertification program for review at the San Antonio meeting, after extended delays.

The Marketing & Promotion Committee brought forward a $1,500 funding request from Western States Dorper Association for educational seminars in May in Modesto. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve $500 in funding, and have Gillespie write a letter informing the club of the decision.

Eric Bruns initiated discussion of a bylaw revision to have board terms in office of two years, rather than three. There was also discussion of expanding the nine-member board by two additional directors as provided in the bylaws. Further discussion was suggested for the February meeting. There was a brief discussion of the ADSBS inspection and typing program. This will be added to the February agenda.

Wesley Glass provided a request for $1,500 in funding to support the Dorper Market Lamb show at San Angelo Livestock Show & Rodeo. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to provide $750 in support.

Freddy Rossouw presented a request for $4,000 in funds to expand the University of Arkansas research commercial Dorper flock. It was agreed to circulate the proposal and put it on the February agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Gillespie
Executive Secretary
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Paul asked Gillespie to conduct the election of officers. Nominations for president were Travis Turley and Paul Lewis. Paul Lewis was elected. Nominations for vice president were Freddy Rossouw and Warren Cude. Freddy Rossouw was elected.

Paul requested that all board members consider which committees they wanted to serve on and send him an email so appointments can be prepared. He also asked if members had agenda items for San Antonio to get those to Gillespie and Paul by mid-January.

There was also discussion of improving magazine content and other matters.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Gillespie
Executive Secretary
The board of directors of the American Dorper Sheep Breeders Society met on February 3 and 4 at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel in San Antonio, Texas in conjunction with the American Sheep Industry Convention. The meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. on February 3rd by President Paul Lewis. Directors present included Freddy Rossouw, Freddie Richardson, Alan McAnelly, Wesley Glass, Ron Waldron, Travis Turley, and Robin Rau. Also present was Executive Secretary Douglas Gillespie, Treasurer Darroll Grant, and Advertising & Promotion Vice Chair Judi Mault.

Minutes of the December 14, 2017 conference call were approved as presented.

The board continued previous discussions on developing a tail-docking policy. After discussion it was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to recommend that members follow the docking policy contained in Dolf Lategan’s Dorpers Into The New Century, and that a judge may discriminate for no tail, but should not discriminate for length of tail, including a full tail. Passed unanimously.

The board discussed reestablishing an American typing system to be used when certified inspectors visit U.S. flocks. It was MOVED, SECONDED and unanimously VOTED to charge $2 each for eartags and $2 per head to re-issue the registry certificate with the type score listed on the pedigree.

The board then conducted a full review of the ADSBS Bylaws and prepared several proposed amendments to be voted upon at the 2018 Annual General Membership meeting in Duncan this coming April. The board also decided not to pursue a bylaw change to shorten terms of directors, nor to pursue expanding the number of directors on the board.

It was decided to create a secure place on the ADSBS website to post board agendas, minutes and financials for members to view.

The board decided to create written job descriptions for all employees and employment agreements. It was suggested that a four-week notice be included for departing employees or the employee would not be entitled to any earned severance benefits.

The board then heard a presentation from Laurel Vincent and Sarah Williamson from Clemens & Associates of San Angelo, outlining a new marketing and advertising strategy for ADSBS. There was considerable discussion and the eventual conclusions were integrated into the operating budget later in the meeting.

The board considered a $4,000 funding request from the University of Arkansas (U of A) to help establish a Dorper/White Dorper research flock. After discussion, it was decided to request donations of type 3 or better registered ewes from breeders, assembled at Duncan for delivery to U of A. The board also considered a funding request from Tennessee Tech University for meat lab furnishings, but due to lack of information, no action was taken.

The ADSBS Youth Committee reported on the six interviews that they had completed of the finalists for ADSBS Youth Program Coordinator. Chairman McAnelly reported that the committee recommended hiring Dan Shell of Ohio for the position. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to offer the position to Dan Shell, pending favorable references, a CORI background check and drug test. Approved unanimously with one abstention.

Treasurer Darroll Grant presented three pages that he had developed to streamline financial reports to

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the board, institute stronger financial controls and improve bookkeeping. It was decided to apply for a credit card to be used by the executive secretary for expenses, with a $5,000 credit limit. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to implement the financial changes recommended by the treasurer.

The board spent some time discussing possible future investment strategies for ADSBS funds, but reached no decisions.

The board discussed proposed changes to the youth show held at Duncan, including allowing for a youth ewe sale. It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to adopt the changes and proceed with the youth show.

The ADSBS Show & Sale Committee presented their judge recommendations for upcoming events, and the following list was approved by the board:

- 2019 Ft. Worth – Travis Hoffman (Open); Brad Roeder (Youth).

The meeting was recessed for the evening at 6:10 p.m., and called back to order at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 4th. Director Robin Rau was not able to attend on Sunday.

The focus of the meeting turned to the 2018 operating budget. McAnelly presented the ADSBS Youth Committee budget. The board confirmed that the Youth Program Coordinator would report directly to the Youth Committee, while providing updates on activities to the Executive Secretary.

The ADSBS Youth Committee budget contained $20,000 for as yet undetermined programs. The board felt that this should be removed for now, but that the committee should expect board funding once programs are developed.

The futurity was discussed, and there was strong board support for splitting the futurity into regions, with an overall champion. McAnelley and Rossouw will develop a proposal for this.

All American Junior Show line item was moved from Youth Committee to Show & Sale Committee budget.

Dorper Report and American Dorper Journal budgets were approved. It was set as a policy that in order to have a “Breeder Spotlight” in the Journal, the member must purchase at least a page ad. There was also discussion of distributing the Journal through Tractor Supply Company. This will be investigated further.

The ADSBS Education Committee budget was discussed. It was decided to wait on funding webinars until a solid proposal was presented. It was requested that the laptop and projector be kept in Hallsville so more directors or local clubs could use it.

After discussion of the administrative and personnel budgets, and general discussion, it was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve the 2018 Operating Budget with the understanding that additional programs would be added.

It was MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to approve the Chisholm Trail Sale and Western States Sale as designated ADSBS Futurity sales. It was also VOTED that if a sale order was not established through a show, then that sale must have a certified judge sift futurity lambs to ensure quality.

The board MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED to increase the Shipping & Handling (S&H) Fee on registry orders from $2 to $3, but to provide free S&H for online orders. It was also VOTED to update the website breeder listings monthly with the full information.

McAnelly stressed the need to expand committees to include non-board members. Paul instructed committee chairs to seek volunteers.

It was decided that at a future meeting the board would review committees and determine new committees to be created as needed.

An ADSBS Strategic Planning Committee was created, consisting of Grant and Waldron.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Douglas P Gillespie,
Executive Secretary
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**Champion Dorper Ewe:** Brylie Roeder ($10,000 Scholarship Award)

**Reserve Champion Dorper Ewe:** Craddock Faris

Junior White Dorper Show


**Champion White Dorper Ewe:** Henslie Hohertz ($10,000 Scholarship Award)

**Reserve Champion White Dorper Ewe:** Kollen Furr

Open Dorper Show


**Champion White Dorper Ram:** Conner Cowdrey. **Reserve Champion White Dorper Ram:** Conner Cowdrey.


**Champion Dorper Ewe:** Conner Cowdrey. **Reserve Champion Dorper Ewe:** Delaini Hanna.
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Additional information and registration forms will be available through www.nsip.org, www.ag.ndsu.edu/hettin gerec and the four host institutions.

Tentative dates and locations are as follows:
• April 10-12: San Angelo, Texas. Contact Reid Redden at reid.redden@ag.tamu.edu for registration information.
• April 17-18: Fargo, N.D. Contact Travis Hoffman at travis.w.hoffman@ndsu.edu for registration information.
• June 11-12: Arlington, Wis. Contact Todd Taylor at toddtaylor@wisc.edu for registration information.
• July 30-Aug. 1: Moscow, Idaho. Contact Michael Colle at mjcolle@uidaho.edu or Brenda Murdoch at bmurdoch@uidaho.edu for registration information.

Sheep Inventory Essentially Flat In 2017

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service Sheep Inventory Report, the sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on January 1 totaled 5.23 million - compared to 5.20 million as mentioned in the same report a year earlier. Despite the numbers, the 2018 report says inventory is "down slightly from 2017."

"All sheep and goats inventory and lamb and kid crop estimates for January 1, 2017, were reviewed using official slaughter, import and export data, and the relationship of new survey information to the prior surveys," read the report. "A revision of less than 1 percent was made to sheep and lambs inventory and no change was made to the lamb crop."

According to the report, the 2017 lamb crop of 3.20 million head was down 2 percent from the prior year. Shorn wool production was 24.7 million pounds, down 5 percent from 2016. The average price paid for wool sold in 2017 was $1.47 per pound for a total value of $36.4 million, down 3 percent. While wool prices soared in 2017, high prices affected fine wools the most, while prices actually dropped for some coarser wools during the year. States in the Rocky Mountain region - which generally produce fine wools - tended to show increases in wool prices according to the report.


University Of Arkansas Seeks Dorper And White Dorper Ewe Donations

The University of Arkansas is seeking to establish a small Dorper and White Dorper research flock. ADSBS is asking members to consider donating a registered ewe or two to help establish this flock. Ewes should be lambs or yearlings of type # quality or better, and can be delivered to the ADSBS National Sale in Duncan, Oklahoma on April 21, where they will be assembled and shipped to Arkansas. If you can help with this project, please contact ADSBS Vice President Freddy Rossouw at deercreekdorpers@yahoo.com or 785-533-4444.
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Anthelmintic Use

Anthelmintics, commonly referred to as "dewormers" and "drenches" are compounds used to kill gastrointestinal parasites (worms) without harming the host. Effective anthelmintics are a precious commodity, as decades of nonselective use (whole herd treatment using calendar based intervals) have promoted drug resistance in worm populations. It is important that producers use anthelmintics judiciously with the goal of not only preserving productivity of their livestock, but also with the goal of preserving efficacy of the anthelmintics. The first step to using anthelmintics wisely is to know the basics about these drugs. The three classes of anthelmintics commonly used in small ruminants are (1) the benzimidazole class, (2) the imidothiazole/ tetrahydropyrimidine (membrane depolarizing) class, and (3) the macrocyclic lactone class. A new anthelmintic class, referred to as the amino-acetonitrile derivatives, was recently introduced, but is not yet labeled for use in the United States. Small ruminants are food animals, so veterinarians and producers must be mindful of Food and Drug Regulations withdrawal times for meat and milk. A veterinarian-client-patient relationship must exist when using anthelmintics in an extra-label manner, which is often necessary, because so few anthelmintics are labeled for small ruminants. Information concerning label use can be accessed through the Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank at www.farad.org. Questions regarding extra-label use can be directed to usfarad@gmail.com.

Benzimidazole Class

Members of this class include albendazole (Valbazen®), fenbendazole (Panacur®, SafeGuard®), oxibendazole (Anthelcide®) and oxendazole (Synanthic®). These anthelmintics are often referred to as the "white dewormers" because of their appearance. Benzimidazoles kill nematodes by disrupting cellular energy metabolism. This class of anthelmintics generally has a wide margin of safety. The efficacy of a benzimidazole can be improved by fasting the animal 12 hours prior to treatment. Fasting slows gastrointestinal transit time, thereby allowing more contact time with the medication. Also, delivery of medication close to the pharynx (over the tongue) promotes better contact with the gastrointestinal tract because delivery deep into the oral cavity does not stimulate closure of the esophageal groove. Syringes with adapters that facilitate deep delivery of an anthelmintic in the oral cavity should be used when dosing small ruminants. A unique feature of the benzimidazole is that the duration of exposure has a marked effect on efficacy. Longer exposure times are associated with greater nematode-killing capacity. As a result, giving a second full dose of a benzimidazole such as fenbendazole 12 hours after the first dose will increase lethality. A study conducted on goats with benzimidazole resistant Haemonchus contortus showed that two consecutive-day doses of fenbendazole reduced the fecal egg count (FEC) by 92%, whereas
a single dose had only achieved a 50% fecal egg count reduction. The goats and sheep can be fed between the first and second dose of benzimidazole. The benefit of multi-day dosing on nematode populations with emerging benzimidazole resistance is expected to be short-lived, because resistance will progress to total failure of benzimidazoles with repeated exposures. Currently, high level benzimidazole resistance is prevalent in Haemonchus contortus and Trichostrongylus colubriformis isolated from sheep and goats in the southeastern United States. Veterinarians should not rely on the benzimidazoles for control of these worms unless prior susceptibility testing indicates that this class is efficacious.

Fenbendazole is labeled for sheep at 5 mg/kg orally; meat withdrawal time is 6 days and milk withdrawal is zero days. Fenbendazole is used extra-label in goats at 10 mg/kg orally, and has a 16-day meat withdrawal and 4-day milk withdrawal time.

Albendazole is the most potent member of the benzimidazole class. It should not be used in the first 30 days of pregnancy because it is teratogenic. Great caution should be taken with repeated dosing of albendazole on consecutive days, particularly in camelids, as it can induce fatalities in crias at high doses. Albendazole is approved for sheep at 7.5 mg/kg orally, with a 7-day meat withdrawal time and no milk withdrawal. Extra-label use of albendazole in goats at 20 mg/kg orally calls for a 9-day meat withdrawal and 7-day milk withdrawal time (FARAD).

Imidazothiazole/tetrahydropyrimidine Class

Members of this class include levamisole (Tramisol®, Prohibit®), morantel tartrate (Rumatel®), and pyrantel pamoate (Strongid®). Levamisole is an imidazothiazole drug that kills nematodes by depolarizing nicotinic neuromuscular junctions. It also acts as a cholinergic agonist in mammals, which is the reason for its narrow therapeutic index. Therefore, animals need to be weighed and dosed carefully. Also, animals should not be fasted prior to treatment. The oral route is safer than the injectable route. The dose should be delivered deep into the oral cavity. Toxicity can occur with as little as a 30% overdose, and symptoms such as hyper-excitability, salivation, trembling, ataxia, urination, defecation, collapse and death can occur within a few hours after treatment. Atropine sulfate (0.6 mg/kg SQ) can alleviate side effects if given promptly. Approximately half of the Haemonchus contortus isolates from sheep and goats are still sensitive to levamisole perhaps as a result of the infrequent use of this anthelmintic as safer products came on the market. Levamisole is labeled for use in sheep at 8 mg/kg orally; it has a 3-day meat withdrawal and zero day milk withdrawal. Levamisole is used extra-label in goats at 12 mg/kg orally. FARAD recommends a 4-day meat withdrawal and a 3-day milk withdrawal.

Morantel tartrate and pyrantel pamoate are tetrahydropyrimidines that also act as cholinergic agonists, but they are less potent than levamisole. On the positive side, they are also less toxic and therefore have a wider margin of safety. Pfizer, Inc. indicates that goats can receive Rumatel®88 (morantel tartrate) at 10 times the recommended dose for 3 consecutive days without suffering any ill effects. Morantel tartrate is more effective in ruminants than pyrantel pamoate. Morantel tartrate is recommended in goats at a dose of 10 mg/kg, orally, with a 30-day meat withdrawal and a zero day milk withdrawal time.

Macrocyclic Lactone Class

The macrocyclic lactone (ML) chemical class consists of the avermectins and milbemycins. Avermectins include ivermectin (Ivomec®), eprinomectin (Eprinex®), and doramectin (Dectomax®). Moxidectin is an example of a milbemycin drug. The anti-parasitic effect is mediated through selective binding to glutamate-gated chloride ion channels. Despite the fact they are lipid soluble, the macrocyclic lactones do not readily cross the blood brain barrier in mammals. As a result, they have a wide margin of safety in most situations. Ivermectin is labeled for sheep at 0.2 mg orally with a meat withdrawal of 11 days and no milk withdrawal. Ivermectin is used extra-label in goats at a dose of 0.4 mg/kg orally; FARAD recommends a meat withdrawal time of 14 days and a milk withdrawal of 9 days.

Moxidectin is a more potent, lipophilic macrocyclic lactam than ivermectin, so it will kill ivermectin resistant nematodes for a while. However, side resistance will develop in ivermectin resistant nematodes within 1-2 grazing seasons with nonselective use. Many Haemonchus contortus isolates from small ruminants are already ivermectin resistant, and and moxidectin resistance is on the rise. Food animal moxidectin products include Cydectin® Oral Drench for Sheep (1 mg/ml), (Continued on page 43)
ADSBS members are reminded that the Society will publish the sixth edition of our biennial yearbook, The American Dorper Journal, again this Winter. This popular publication is distributed at every public event where we erect the ADSBS promotional display, as well as other places. In addition, the Registrar mails a copy to anyone who inquires about our breeds, and to new members.

There is no better advertising buy to promote your own flock than an ad in The American Dorper Journal, with its targeted audience and distribution of 6,000 copies over two years! Start preparing your ad copy, as orders must be received by November 1, 2018 and your finished ad must be received by December 1, 2018. Special placement ads have been spoken for. We also encourage you to contact commercial suppliers you do business with, and ask them to advertise as well.

The 6th Edition of The American Dorper Journal will be unveiled at the 2019 Ft. Worth Stock Show, as well as the American Sheep Industry Convention in New Orleans.

We also need good articles for this publication, and digital photos of quality Dorpers and White Dorpers in natural settings. We welcome submissions, but reserve the right to select editorial content.

Members purchasing a full-page ad or larger may submit a "Breeder Spotlight" with photos. We are also looking for testimonials outlining our breeds' successes in the commercial industry. All submissions can be emailed to Doug Gillespie at Dorpers@ymail.com.

If you have questions about advertising or editorial content, email Dorpers@ymail.com. If you need an ad designer, we recommend The Holliday Company at hollidayco@att.net, telephone: 903-316-8465; Insight Design at deb@insightdesignsd.com or 605-868-1222, as both have experience with our publications.
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Champion Dorper Ram: Brylie Roeder. Reserve: Steven Moran.


Champion Dorper Ewe: Brylie Roeder. Reserve: Kyra Hunter.

Youth White Dorpers


Champion White Dorper Ewe: Hannah Glass. Reserve: Koby Hunter.

Open White Dorpers


Champion White Dorper Ewe: Hannah Glass. Reserve: Koby Hunter.

Open Dorpers


Champion Dorper Ram: Brylie Roeder. Reserve: Brad Cook.

American Lamb Board Appointments Announced

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced the appointment of five members to serve on the American Lamb Board (ALB). The members appointed to serve three-year terms are:

- Sally J. Scholle, Producer, Littlestown, Pennsylvania
- David Quam, Producer, San Angelo, Texas
- Peter J. Camino, Feeder, Buffalo, Wyoming
- Elizabeth A.W. Dressler, First Handler, Parker, Colorado
- Greg Deakin, Seedstock Producer, Cuba, Illinois

"These appointees represent a cross section of the lamb industry with great experience in the industry and I know they will help us better meet the needs of our American farmers, ranchers and producers," said Perdue.

The ALB is composed of 13 members including six American producers, three feeders, three first handlers and one seedstock producer. The board is authorized by the Commodity Promotion, Research and Information Act of 1996. Since 1966, Congress has authorized the establishment of 22 industry-funded research and promotion boards. They empower farmers and ranchers to leverage their own resources to develop new markets, strengthen existing markets and conduct important research and promotion activities. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service provides oversight, paid for by industry assessments, which ensures fiscal accountability and program integrity for participating stakeholders.

Shipping And Handling Fee To Increase To $3 April 1

The ADSBS Board of Directors has voted to increase the current $2.00 fee for shipping and handling fee to $3.00, effective on April 1, 2018. Please include the proper funds with your work submitted to the registry office. The board also voted to provide FREE SHIPPING & HANDLING on all registry work submitted via the online registry system. You will find instructions for using the online system in your DORPER REPORT newsletter on page 19.

FSIS User Fees Would Cost Industry $660 Million Annually

The American Sheep Industry (ASI) Association recently joined with a coalition of livestock associations to ask Congress to reject proposals to assess new user fees to fund federally mandated meat, poultry or egg product inspection.

"The Food Safety and Inspection Service's inspection activities are an inherently governmental function that should be funded through appropriated funds," read the letter to the House Committee on Agriculture. Similar letters were sent to the Senate ag committee, and the appropriations committees for both the House and Senate.

The administration has called for establishing U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Safety Inspection Service user fees beginning in fiscal year 2020. Such user fees would cost the livestock industry approximately $660 million annually.

"We urge you to once again reject the administration's request for authorization of these new food safety taxes and, instead, to fully fund the U.S. Department of Agriculture's food safety activities," read the letter.

Joining ASI in signing the letters were the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, the National Chicken Council, the National Milk Producers Federation, the National Pork Producers Council, the National Turkey Federation, the North American Meat Institute and the Shelf-Stable Food Processors Association.
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THE BEST AND
PRESENT THEM TO
YOU FOR AN
HONEST LOOK.”
Livestock Haulers, Organizations Seek Electronic Logging Device Clarity

The Proposed Regulatory Guidance Concerning the Transportation of Agricultural Commodities (Docket No. FMCSA-2017-0360) continues to be a concern for livestock haulers, including those within the American sheep industry. For that reason, the American Sheep Industry Association joined three dozen other livestock organizations in filing comments on the issue with the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

While the industry continues to believe a delay of enforcement with respect to the electronic logging device mandate is essential to prevent catastrophic outcomes for stakeholders, the live animals hauled and American consumers, the industry is thankful to the agency for continued focus on addressing underlying hours of service concerns.

The 150-air mile agricultural commodity exemption described in 49 CFR 395.1(k)(1) can be a useful tool for haulers. Unfortunately, the exemption can only be used in many states during certain times of year. These times of year vary from state-to-state, making uniform application and use of the exemption impossible. Until recently, many livestock haulers and state law enforcement agencies were unaware of the application of the 150-air mile agricultural commodity exemption to livestock. With this new awareness comes additional need for clarity with respect to application in practice. This need for clarity is particularly more pressing when coupled with the unforgiving realities of using ELD technology.

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) amended the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 (49 U.S.C. § 31136 note) to state that regulations regarding maximum driving and on-duty time for drivers do not apply to "drivers transporting agricultural commodities from the source of the agricultural commodities to a location within a 150-air-mile radius from the source." As a result, 49 CFR 395.1(k)(1) was promulgated. Live animal haulers can utilize the flexibility contemplated by the regulation as their cargo is defined as an "agricultural commodity" under 49 CFR 395.2. An agricultural commodity is "any agricultural commodity, non-processed food, feed, fiber or livestock (including livestock as defined in sec. 602 of the Emergency Livestock Feed Assistance Act of 1988 [7 U.S. C. 1471] and insects)."

"We again urge the agency to grant a waiver and limited exemption from the Electronic Logging Device mandate while definitions such as the "source" of agricultural commodities are solidified," the letter said in conclusion. "This delay will enable FMCSA and the live animal hauling industry to undertake necessary training and outreach to fully understand and apply existing flexibilities and how they function with the new ELD devices."

LambResourceCenter.com Is Your Industry Information Hub

When you are searching for information from the sheep and lamb industry, a great place to start is www.LambResourceCenter.com (LRC). The website features information from the American Lamb Board on the checkoff program, the American Sheep Industry Association, National Sheep Improvement Program, National Lamb Feeders Association and similar groups.
Cydectin® Pour-On for Cattle (5 mg/ml), and Cydectin® Injectable for Cattle (10 mg/ml). Moxidectin is labeled for sheep at 0.2 mg/kg orally; meat withdrawal time is 14 days. FARAD has assigned a very conservative milk withdrawal time of 60 days because moxidectin residues persist in milk. However, milk testing can be performed to determine if moxidectin levels are in an acceptable range earlier. Testing is available at Iowa State University (http://vetmed.iastate.edu/diagnostic-lab/cycads). When using oral moxidectin in an extra-label fashion in goats, the dose is doubled to 0.4 mg/kg orally. FARAD has assigned a meat withdrawal time is 23 days. Milk withdrawal time is 60 days (FARAD personal communication, April 2013).

Ivermectin and moxidectin should be administered orally rather than by any other route for gastrointestinal nematode control. When oral and injectable routes were studied in lambs, oral administration of ivermectin resulted in higher concentrations of ivermectin within the H. contortus abomasal populations. Pour-on products formulated for cattle are not recommended for small ruminant gastrointestinal nematode control, topically or orally. A few years ago, the American Consortium For Small Ruminant Parasite Control members recommended using subcutaneous moxidectin in goats, but this recommendation has been withdrawn for several reasons. Oral treatment is more likely to achieve higher concentration of drug in the worms, and FARAD recently issued a very long meat (132 days) withdrawal for subcutaneous moxidectin use in goats. As is the case with the benzimidazole drugs, efficacy of the macrocyclic lactones can be maximized by fasting animals 12 hours prior to treatment, and by dosing deep into the oral cavity.

Simultaneous Use Of Anthelmintics From 2-3 Different Classes

Treatment of animals with 2-3 anthelmintics from different classes can be advantageous when low-level resistance exists to the various drugs, because synergism can enhance the overall killing effect on multidrug resistant worms. The simultaneous administration of anthelmintics does NOT promote resistance. In fact, this strategy is much less likely to worsen resistance than when a single drug treatment is used (rotating between the classes) through the grazing season. The dose of each medication used in the combination drench should not be decreased. However, it is recommended that the medications not be pre-mixed in the same syringe. Meat and milk withdrawals should be assigned based on the medication used in the combination that has the longest withdrawal times.

Recommendations

1. Know what worms are in your herd or flock test (fecal egg count reduction test or larval developmental assay) to determine which anthelmintics are effective.
2. Treat only the animals that need it based on low body condition scores, high FAMACHA scores, and prevailing circumstances (time of year, use and age of the animal, and condition of the rest of the herd or flock).
3. Weigh animals and use a treatment chart to ensure proper dosing.
4. Use oral anthelmintics, and use medications formulated for oral use.
5. Dose deep into the oral cavity.
6. Remember that goats require a double dose for most anthelmintics, the exception being levamisole: goats require 1.5 times the sheep dose.
7. Withhold feed for 12 hours prior to treatment. Levamisole is the exception: do not withhold feed prior to dosing.
8. Use a combination of anthelmintics from several different classes when low-level multi-resistant worms are present.
9. Store medications properly and do not use them past their expiration date.
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NATIONAL SHEEP IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
www.NSIP.org

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Livestock Indemnity Program Gets Funding Boost

Wildfire relief might seem like an odd measure amid a late-night budget bill finalized in the wee hours of February 9 as most of America was sleeping. Ashland, the county seat town of Clark County, sits 1,400 miles from where lawmakers battled over spending. But the struggles there haven't been far from the mind of Senator Jerry Moran, who toured the charred grasslands shortly after the March 7, 2017, Starbuck Fire was the chief proponent. While it might seem compromise is a lost art in Washington, the Kansas Republican reached a trade-off. The ranking member of Senate Ag Committee, Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-MI, wanted more tree assistance. Moran wanted an expansion of the Livestock Indemnity Program, which pays ranchers for their losses from a natural disaster. They both got what they wanted.

The legislation is the result of conversations Moran had with people affected by the Starbuck Fire. The fire began in Beaver County, Oklahoma, on March 6 and burned 662,687 acres in Kansas and Oklahoma.

The budget deal designates nearly $90 million to wildfire and hurricane aid. It eliminates the $125,000-per-producer payment cap in the Livestock Indemnity Program—or LIP. According to Moran's office, that equals about 70 cow/calf pairs. Those payments don't go far compared to the 500 or more head some of the ranches lost in the wildfire.

The measure covers up to 75 percent of the losses. It's also retroactive for 2017—meaning farmers and ranchers suffering losses from Starbuck will see benefits from the program changes.
The ADSBS tail docking recommendation, adopted February 3, 2018, suggests docking the tail between the second and third joint of the tail, as seen below. Further, the ADSBS recommendation allows that judges MAY fault an animal for “no tail”, but should not fault an animal for a long dock or full tail.
ABOUT US

The National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP) is committed to helping American sheep producers improve profitability through the use of genetic information. NSIP and its membership recognize the importance of combining genetic evaluations derived from performance records with visual assessments when selecting breeding stock for purebred and commercial flocks. Founded in 1986, this non-profit organization is administered by a volunteer board of directors. All breeds are represented.

WHAT WE DO

NSIP is the only American organization to offer U.S. sheep producers a proven genetic selection system by which to improve flock productivity and quality. Using a process similar to that used by nearly all other livestock species to aid in genetic selection, NSIP develops Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs) which sheep producers can use to select animals for important traits, including productivity, quality and flock health.

In alignment with the U.S. Sheep Industry Roadmap, NSIP is dedicated to helping sheep producers improve traits that result in animals with desirable, profitable characteristics. Ultimately, we offer an excellent tool and method to move the industry toward its goal of value-based carcass pricing, using genetic selection criteria for carcass quality.

ESTIMATED BREEDING VALUES LEAD THE WAY TO GENETIC IMPROVEMENT

By using breeding stock with genetic predictability, all types of flocks have a foundation of genetic information upon which to build a superior and more consistent product for their customers, whether this be a feeder, packer or consumer. This genetic predictability is achievable through NSIP’s Estimated Breeding Values.

EBVs are science-based, industry-tested measurements of heritable traits that can be tracked and measured. For those familiar with Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) used in cattle, EBVs are very similar. EPDs denote the breeding value of an individual animal’s progeny whereas EBVs denote the value of the individual animal. More simply, EBVs equal EPDs times two.

BECOMING A MEMBER

To obtain EBVs on your sheep, join NSIP today! With EBVs, purebred and seedstock producers can identify genetics that excel in their flocks and greatly accelerates genetic progress within a breed. A flock with any breed type or multiple breed types can submit data for evaluation through NSIP. The data is calculated on the performance of individual animals, related animals in the same flock and related animals in other flocks when possible.

Your NSIP membership includes:
- Free software for flock data management and submission.
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- Advanced genetic evaluation calculations using proven technology.
- Comprehensive reports on both individual animals and breeds.
- Listing on NSIP website.
- News and updates via email.

Associate memberships are available for supporters of NSIP that do not submit data (i.e., breed associations, meat companies, industry affiliates, individuals and flocks generating EBVs and EPDs via other programs). Associate members do not have voting privileges, but will be listed on the NSIP website and receive correspondence sent to all NSIP members.

FREE TRIAL MEMBERSHIP OFFER

If you are a new member, or have not been a member for three years, your first year’s Flock Enrollment Fee will be waived. Database Fees still apply.

Also, NSIP will waive the annual Flock Enrollment Fee for up to three years for those who are less than 22 years of age as of Jan. 2015. Should that individual not submit data during those three years, they will owe 50% of the enrollment fees.
2018 Enrollment Form-Youth and First Year Members

Farm/Ranch Name: ________________________________

Individual: _____________________________________

Address: ________________________________________

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If previously enrolled in NSIP, what is your NSIP Flock ID(s)? ________________

If you are under 22 as of January 1, 2018 please provide your date of birth: ________________

What kind of computer do you have? □ PC with Windows □ Mac

List breed(s) in your flock: ________________________________

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Annual enrollment fees are waived for the first year for new members and for the first 3 years for members younger than 22 as of January 1, 2018 but all members are responsible for data fees acquired. In 2018, a database fee of $3.00 per animal is due on any animal with post-birth measurement submitted, excluding animals designated as culls or commercials. Enrolled flocks will be invoiced for the database fee and agree to submit the payment to the NSIP office within 30 days of the invoice. The fee covers the lifetime of the animal and is not reassessed each year. Full Terms & Conditions can be found on www.nsip.org. All new members receiving free enrollment are required to pay a nonrefundable $100 deposit, credited towards database fees as explained in the terms and conditions. If data fees in the first year are less than $100, the remaining balance will carry over to subsequent years.

Make checks payable to National Sheep Improvement Program and return with this form to: NATIONAL SHEEP IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PO BOX 1258 Ames, IA 50014

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Confidentiality: NSIP agrees to hold individual flock data (raw data) in confidence and will not divulge, make public or sell individual flock data. NSIP further agrees that individual flock data (raw data) will only be made public in aggregate form (for example, in group form for research and summary purposes).

Publication of EBV Data: NSIP may publish EBVs and indexes of animals that are eligible for trait leader summaries and via the online searchable database.

Handling Data: NSIP is committed to providing accurate, top-quality genetic performance evaluation information to NSIP customers. The mathematical process used involves measuring relationships (genetic linkages) between individual sheep. Producers should note that for some breeds and flocks, adequate genetic linkages currently do not exist in the NSIP database to provide for meaningful EBVs (expected progeny differences). If appropriate genetic linkages do not exist at the time NSIP calculates EBVs for any given breed; and/or if critical data are missing or are otherwise unusable from any producer’s records; NSIP and LambPlan reserve the right to provide customers with alternative genetic evaluation services such as FEVBV (within Flock EBVs).

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Database Fees: In 2018, a database fee of $3.00/animal is due on any animal with post-birth measurement submitted, excluding animals designated as culls or commercials as per the LambPlan Sheep Genetics Quality Assurance Manual, section 4.14. Enrolled flocks will be invoiced for the database fee and agree to submit the payment to the NSIP office within 30 days of the invoice. The $3.00/animal database fee covers the lifetime of the animal and is not reassessed each year.

Enrollment Exceptions: There are three exceptions to the enrollment fees. 1) NSIP will waive flock fees for three years for those who are less than 22 years of age as of Jan. 1, 2018. Should that individual not submit data during those three years, they will owe 50% of the enrollment fee(s). 2) Annual enrollment fee will be waived for a new member. 3) Annual enrollment fees will be waived for returning members who have not been in NSIP for three years. All new members that receive a free membership will be required to pay a nonrefundable deposit of $100 towards database fees. Once data is submitted, the $100 deposit will be used as credit towards data fees. If data fees in the first year are less than $100, the remaining balance will carry over to subsequent years.

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