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methods of marketing their sheep. "Sheep 101" follows, with three classes featuring speakers on topics ranging from pasture and nutrition management to reproduction and health. Ron Guenther will end the educational seminar with 90 minutes of instruction specific to Dorpers. Friday's events look to spotlight Dorpers in front of all other breeds in the region.

With more than 150 head of Dorpers and White Dorpers consigned by producers from TX to VA, Saturday presents an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in improving or starting their flock of Dorpers. The show begins at 8 A.M., with the sale starting at 2 P.M. Between the show and the sale, breeders from TN and surrounding states are invited to attend an organizational meeting to form the Mid-South Dorper Association. As the efforts of our breeders continue to generate growth and success, Dorpers down South are on the way up!

Look for these coming Dorper events in the South:

- July 31 - TN Jr. Dorper Show - Carthage, TN - Smith County Fairgrounds
- August 7 - Hillcrest White Dorpers and Tower View Dorpers 4TH Annual Ram Sale - Gate City, VA
- August 19-29 - KY State Fair - Louisville, KY - Dorper / White Dorper classes new this year

Texas Hill Country Dorper Association Minutes

Submitted by Doylene Bode
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The Texas Hill Country Dorper Association met on April 23rd, at 6 p.m. at Catfish Haven at Fredericksburg.

President Tina Wilson brought the meeting to order with a brand new microphone that was purchased by James Hurst, Treasurer for the THCDA meetings. Minutes were presented by Secretary, Doylene Bode. They were approved and accepted. James Hurst gave the treasurers report with a balance of \$9,566.38, and the Youth Futurity with a balance of \$707.78. Report was accepted and approved.

President Tina ask that due to a conflict of interest for our THCDA Show and Sale that was scheduled for September 11, 2010, that it be changed to September 18, 2010, due to the Hamilton Sale being on September 11th also. Motion was made for the THCDA Show and Sale to be changed to September 18 th. It was voted on and approved for the change. **NEW SALE DATE FOR THCDA SHOW AND SALE SEPTEMBER 18TH!** Tina reported the Oklahoma Sale was a fair one, with the good end selling good and the low end not so good.

New Officers installed for the coming year are Dennis Bernhard, President, Dana Ryman, Secretary, Jason Barnes, Vice President, and James Hurst again as Treasurer. Matthew Michels was elected to be the new Youth Futurity President. All outgoing officers were thanked for serving the Association and new officers were also welcomed and thanked!

New President, Dennis Bernhard, ask if anyone had any new ideas or suggestions, please let him know. Discussion on internal parasites and thyman problems were some of the issues addressed. Be on the look out for symptoms of swelling in the jaw area and under the neck for problems with parasites, and for thyman problems, look for sheep to be weak and wobbly. It was suggested to go and have your vet do blood samples, etc. and treat as recommended. . . Meeting adjourned.

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Submitted by Tina Wilson, Past President

Well, it's summer time in Texas. We have had a good spring and now the heat has hit for the most part of Texas. The good rains we had in the spring have added a bit of work in the form of drenching. But what would it be without the rain so we will take a drench gun over dry weather anytime.

The sheep prices have been good and are staying good and even cattle have seen a good bump of late. The THCDA is working very close with all our members to help fill sheep orders and get anyone and everyone into the hair sheep, Dorper and White Dorper sheep industry. Most everyone seems to have buyers calling and coming to look and buy.

The THCDA is working on the September 18, 2010 show and sale in Fredericksburg. Again many of our top Texas breeders will be selling some of the nations top Dorpers and White Dorper sheep. Please mark your calendar to come and enjoy the sale and the fellowship of the breeders. We always have good food and a few surprises. You can view more of the upcoming show and sale news on the web.

We have a new web site to view for all to see. It is very user friendly and we want to thank Mike Ellis, one of our members, for all of his hard work in making this happen. We have a forum you can go to and ask questions, get answers and even as a member post sheep for sale for free.

In closing we want to thank all of the new officers that are taking over for the next year and we know the association is in good hands. The THCDA has many members that are always willing to help and make things happen. We want to thank the ADSBS and Alan McAnelly for his field day. Good job, Alan and Balinda! Also the TS&GRA for their help in the sheep industry for all breeds, the NAHSA for their upcoming

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event at the Texas AgriLife Research & Extension Center July 10.

Until next time, let the rain keep coming, the markets stay good and protect our troops that give us the freedom to do what we do. God Bless THCDA

Mid American Dorper Breeders ~ Annual Membership Meeting

Submitted by Linda Wilson

The Mid American Dorper Breeders held their 2010 annual meeting on April 16, 2010 at the Okmulgee Oklahoma Fairgrounds. President Jack Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Cindy Foursha, Treasurer gave the financial report. The status of our account was \$664.07 will all bills paid.

Jack Reed discussed the advantages of joining the Mid

American Dorper Breeders Club. Alan McAnelly emphasized the club's role in promoting the breed through sales, seminars and the support of club lambs and expanding the role of Dorpers in commercial flocks.

Jack Reed then announced the he would have to resign due to health problems. Chet Osborn, Vice-President declined the presidency due to his work schedule. Jack Reed nominated Russell Rosiere for President. Cindy Foursha seconded the motion. Russell Rosiere was approved as our new President. Russell Rosiere was introduced to the club and shared his background as a sheep producer. Alan McAnelly thanked Jack for his work in promoting the club and breed. Cindy Foursha presented Jack with a plaque for his dedication and leadership as our President.

Doug Gillespie suggested the club could start a Junior Class at next year's show to encourage our youth to buy and show Dorpers. The January Annual Meeting of the American Dorper Sheep Breeder's Society will be held in Fort Worth. It is always a well-attended event with a high caliber of sheep at the show and sale. Everyone was encouraged to attend.

A copy of the proposed bylaws were given to members. Bob Swaim made a motion to accept the proposed bylaws.



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Chloe Iiams seconded the motion. The motion passed. Edwin Dent made a motion that we keep the current slate of officers. Harold Klaerner seconded. The motion passed. President Russell Rosiere, Vice-President Chet Osborn, Secretary Linda Wilson and Treasurer Cindy Foursha.

Advertising for the current and subsequent sales was discussed. Vicky Osborn made a motion to make Brent Dostal chairperson of advertising with a representative from each state to assist Brent. Brent will organize an advertising committee for next year's show in Oklahoma. Edwin Dent seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Discussion on the club's website, maintenance of the website and ensuring that everyone feels welcome to join.

Alan McAnelly informed the members that the American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society and the Texas Hill Country Dorper Association are willing to help our club with next year's show and sale at the same facility in Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

Russell Rosiere made a motion to adjourn, Chloe Iiams seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

Southeastern Dorper Association

www.southeasterdorperclub.org

2nd Annual Sheep Show

Sumter County Fairgrounds

Mail-in entry deadline-September 30, 2010

Arrival at show-Oct. 16, 2010 ~ 8:00 A.M-10:00 A.M

Sheep Show-Oct. 16, 2010-12:30 P.M.

Release of Sheep-Oct. 16, 2010 (30 minutes after show

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY

1. The conformation show is open to all states (this include adults).
2. The Southeastern Dorper Association will not be responsible for the loss or damage of exhibits or injury to animals or persons.
3. All sheep must remain on exhibit until excused.
4. No sheep will be admitted into the barn before 8:00 A.M
5. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to get in the show ring on time.

ENTRIES

1. Exhibitors will be allowed to show as many sheep as they wish, if there are more than one sheep in a class the additional animal(s) may be shown by alternate exhibitors.
2. There will be a \$20.00 entry fee per exhibitor. Checks or money orders should be payable to the Southeastern Dorper Association Sheep Show and must accompany the entry form. Entry fee is not refundable.

OWNERSHIP DEADLINE

1. All sheep must be owned by the exhibitor for thirty(30) days prior to the show. For sheep not produced by the exhibitor, the date of purchase will be the date of transfer that is recorded with the breed association or by bill of sale.

2. Each animal will be required to be identified with individual ear tags or tattoos.
3. Birth dates of sheep must be designated on entry forms. The club committee reserves the right to mouth all sheep for age.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

1. As pursuant to Rule 5C-4.005 (Admission of Animals for Exhibition – Sheep) of Florida Administrative Code, all sheep must be accompanied by a current Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) issued by a Veterinarian dated not more than 90 days prior to the show and will be inspected upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. All sheep must have official USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Tags (metal or plastic tag.) The Premises ID Number and Scrapie Flock/Herd ID Number must be listed on the OCVI. These may be obtained from the APHIS/USDA office at (352)333-3120 ext/ 259.
3. All vehicles transporting livestock for exhibition in Florida must be cleaned and disinfected prior to loading and transport of livestock.
4. Any animal which has clinical signs of contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection or any animal which is known to be exposed must be withdrawn from the exhibition and removed from the fairgrounds.

ARRIVAL AT SHOW

1. Sheep will be received from 8:00 A.M until 10:00 A.M on Saturday, October 16, 2010. In case of an emergency, call Johan du Toit at 352-348-3963.
2. No sheep will be admitted into the barn before 8:00 A.M
3. No sheep will be allowed after 10:00 A.M

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Sheep should be sheared according to their breed standard and in show-shape upon arrival at the show. No clipping will be allowed at the show.
2. There will be no painting of sheep allowed.
3. Filling of sheep with any substance is prohibited. All sheep must be known in their natural conformation and structure without alteration or modification except for the grooming and treatment of the wool and trimming of hooves.
4. All sheep must be trained for show and controlled by the exhibitor. Halters are acceptable for conformation classes and rams. Animals that cannot be handled properly by the exhibitor will not be accepted and will be disqualified.

PENS, FEEDING AND BEDDING

1. Pens are available for the sheep.
2. Exhibitor must furnish his/her own feed and water and be responsible for the care of the sheep.
3. All exhibitors will be required to maintain their area in a clean, sanitary condition by removal of any filth and/or litter and placement in designated pick-up areas.
4. All exhibitors are asked to help clean the sheep area prior to release from the show.

EXHIBITOR ATTIRE

1. Exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat.
2. No caps or hats in the show ring.
3. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

JUDGING

1. The show will judged at 12:30 P.M. Saturday, October 16, 2010. The club committee reserves the right to combine/or cancel classes based on entries. Decisions of the judge will be final.

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BREEDING SHEEP DIVISIONS AND CLASSES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

- A. Divisions: (this is also the show order)
1. Exotic Hair (Dorper, Katahdin, etc.)
 2. Speckled Face (Native and crossbreeds – no more than 50% white face or black face breeds.)
 3. Black Face (Suffolk, Hampshire, etc.)
 4. Exotic Wool (Babydoll Southdown, Texel, Tunis, etc.)
 5. White Face (Southdown, Dorset, etc.)

CLASSES

- B. For each division
1. Ewe Lambs – less than 1 year old
 2. Yearling Ewes – 1 year old (has not had 2nd birthday)
 3. 2 Year Old Ewes – 2 years old (has not had 3rd birthday)
 4. Aged Ewes – 3 years old and older
 5. Champion Ewe
 6. Reserve Champion Ewe

RAMS

7. Ram Lambs – less than 1 year old
8. Yearling Rams – 1 year old (has not had 2nd birthday)
9. Rams – 2 years and older
10. Champion Ram
11. Reserve Champion Ram

A Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe and Ram will be selected for each Division.

Bred ewes or ewes with lambs are eligible for show (lambs will not be taken into the show ring.)

Entry Forms available on the website: www.southeasterndorperclub.org.

Mid America Dorper Breeders News

Submitted by Russell Rosiere, President

Hello from the Mid-America area. We want to give a big thank you to all the buyers and sellers at our sale on April 17 2010 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. The sale was a huge success. This is in part due the very high quality of sheep that were shown and sold . The sale will held at Okmulgee again. The date is currently set for April 15-16 2011.

The yearly meeting was held on April 16 at Okmulgee. Jack Reed resigned as President of the Mid America club due to health reasons. I would like give a big “thank you” to Jack for all of his very hard work he has done. His leadership will be missed.

At the meeting officers were elected. President: Russell Rosiere; Vice President: Chet Osborn; Secretary Linda Wilson; Treasurer: Cindy Foursha.

It was discussed about having a junior class next year at Okmulgee. We would like to hear from everyone about this. We are excited about trying to get the youth more involved. Because after all they are the future of our breed.

We would like to encourage anyone that would like to join our organization to please do so. Contact Cindy Foursha at 417 667-4016.

Thank You From A Youth Voucher Recipient

Editor's Note: The ADSBS awarded three youth purchase vouchers at the Mid-America Dorper Sale in Okmulgee, OK in April. One recipient, Jared Frieze of Brighton, MO, purchased two ewes in the sale, and sent the following note of thanks to ADSBS President Alan McAnelly.

Dear Dr. McAnelly:

I am writing this letter to thank the American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society for giving me the \$300 Youth Discount Voucher at the Oklahoma Sale a few weeks ago. I really appreciate it because it helped me buy two White Dorper fall ewe lambs at the sale. They will help me improve my White Dorper flock.

It's my plan to show my White Dorpers at several fairs and sheep shows this summer. We live just a little over 100 miles from Sedalia, MO, and I hope to show in the youth showmanship classes this year at the National Sale.

We have just finished lambing and I have even more reason to like my White Dorpers. I have 24 ewes that are

commercial white hair sheep and papered percentage White Dorper. After my dad and I docked tails on Sunday, we found that I have 36 lambs. These were all born on pasture and six of the mothers were ewe lambs that are 12 months of age and had been wintered outside on just dry grass and a little salt mix. All my ewes lambed in 28 days. And I also just sold one of my January born $\frac{3}{4}$ ram lambs to a commercial breeder that runs many Dorper-cross ewes and wanting to go more into the White Dorpers to get more performance. I am really proud of this ram lamb because he weighed 93 pounds at 103 days of age.

I also at this time have six purebred White Dorper ewes from the University of Kentucky that I am breeding to a ram that I got from Wes Patton for fall lambs. I really do appreciate the help that I got from Wes Patton and Endre Fink in my White Dorper flock. So in conclusion I would just like to say thank you again for the \$300 Youth Discount Voucher.

Sincerely,
s/Jared Frieze



**Tina Wilson with her
Champion Dorper Yearling Ram**

Mid-America Dorper Show & Sale

The ADSBS moved the Mid-America Dorper Show & Sale from Shawnee to Okmulgee this year, and the result was a strong crowd on hand to bid on a solid set of Dorpers and White Dorpers. The 96 lots sold at an average of \$666.66.

Larry & Tina Wilson of Texas sold the Champion Dorper yearling ram at \$1,250 to Elijah Peterson of New Mexico. 3C Ranch of Texas had the Reserve Champion on a yearling that

brought \$900 from Dostal Farms of Oklahoma. T&A Dorpers of Ohio sold a \$975 yearling to Mike Sanderson of Oklahoma, while Circle H Livestock of Kentucky received \$900 from C&G Voight Dorpers of Texas. Another 3C Ranch ram brought \$800 from Huntis Black of Texas, before T&A Dorpers sold their class winning Fall ram lamb at \$700 to Mike Wilson of Colorado. Roeder Ranch of Texas sold another Fall lamb at \$700.

Champion Dorper Ewe was a 3C Ranch yearling that brought \$1,000 from Phillip Padgett of Kentucky, and the same buyer added the Reserve Champion yearling ewe from Powell Ranch of Texas at \$800 and another 3C ewe at \$700. Powell Ranch had a \$1000 ewe going to Roeder Ranch, and a \$675 ewe to Peterson. Tom & Lisa Greene of Indiana sold a \$650 ewe to Thomas Clark of Missouri. A top Fall ewe lamb from T&A Dorpers sold for \$600 to Seth Gillespie of Texas, before Wilson sold a \$625 lamb to Peterson. The 41 Dorpers averaged \$590.85.

White Dorpers were also in demand as the Champion Ram from Hamilton Sheep Station of Texas fetched \$2,200 from Phillip Padgett of Kentucky. C&G Voight Dorpers added the Reserve Champion from Hamilton Sheep Station at \$1,500 plus a Padgett yearling at \$800 and the 1st Late Fall lamb from Half Circle 6 Ranches of Texas at \$750. Padgett sold a \$750 yearling to Edwin Dent Jr. of Kansas, and Wes Patton of California had a popular \$850 and \$750 pair of rams sell to Jill Hackett of California. Dent bought the top Fall ram lamb from University of Kentucky for \$700, while Half Circle Six Ranches sold a late lamb at that price to Lee & Derek Jones of Mississippi and a Patton lamb brought \$700 from Sheryl Fullerton of California.

Hamilton Sheep Station won both Champion and Reserve White Dorper ewes. Charles Turner of Texas got the Champion for \$975 and Padgett took the Reserve ewe at \$975 plus the next yearling at \$550. The top priced ewe was a Hamilton ewe at \$1,000 to N&K Ranch of Texas. In the Fall ewe lambs, Padgett bought a pair from University of Kentucky for \$500 and \$600 while Tanner Cude of Texas paid \$500 for a Circle C Farm lamb from Louisiana. A Patton lamb brought \$600 from Jared Frieze of Missouri, who also bought Patton's 1st Late Fall lamb for \$650. Circle C had the top January ewe lamb at \$900 to N&K Ranch as 49 White Dorpers averaged \$575.51.

Pens of ewes were once again popular, with the top pen from University of Kentucky bringing \$2,000 from Tina Wilson of Texas. Charles Turner paid \$1,700 for a Hamilton Sheep Station pen, while Phillip Padgett added a Hamilton pen at \$1,350. The top club lamb from Circle H Livestock went to Seth Gillespie.



**Champion Dorper Yearling Ewe
from 3C Ranch**



**Champion White Dorper Yearling Ram
from Hamilton Sheep Station**



**Hamilton Sheep Station's Champion &
Reserve White Dorper Ewes**