

Florida Sheep, Wool, and Stock Dog Festival

Presented by: The Meat Sheep Alliance of
Florida

2013 OPEN BREEDING SHEEP SHOW and WOOL

FESTIVAL April 12-14, 2013

**Festival Grounds: Greater Ocala Dog Club, 10205 NW Gainesville Road
Ocala, FL, 32663**

Camping: \$30.00 per night per unit (Register for Camping on the Open Sheep Entry Form)

SUPERINTENDENT:

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PURPOSE

The intent and purpose of the Florida Sheep and Wool Festival, sponsored by the Meat Sheep Alliance of Florida, Open Sheep Show is to provide for a means to promote the sheep industry in Florida and the Southeastern United States. Florida has a unique opportunity for a market that is for out-of-season breeding and for natural colored breeds, known as niche markets. The Meat Sheep Alliance of Florida is a forerunner in meeting the needs of the diverse cultural markets of Florida. The Florida Sheep and Wool Festival provides marketing opportunities by highlighting the Florida Heritage Breeds of sheep that thrive in Florida's tropical climate.

RULES & REGULATIONS

ELIGIBILITY

1. Animals shown in individual classes must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor as of April 14, 2012.
2. All animals must be halter broken to lead in order to compete for premiums. Unless they are entered in the Field Classes.

ENTRIES

1. Entries must be complete with all information and signatures and accompanied by entry fees as of the date of their respective show.
2. Entries must be made in the name of the flock owner.
3. Each animal entered in Florida Sheep and Wool Festival must have the correct ear tag, birth date and show division on their entry form. The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all sheep for age.
4. Entry fees are \$10.00 per animal. This amount must be paid before animals are officially entered and space is reserved prior to April 10, 2012. Late Entries \$15.00.
5. Showmanship \$10.00. 4-H and FFA members are free. Pee-Wee's under the age of 5 are also free.
6. Classes with less than 2 exhibitors and 3 sheep, premiums will be adjusted per class.
7. All sheep entered in the Florida Sheep and Wool Festival must be tagged with an approved USDA Animal ID also known as a Scrapie Tag.
8. Sheep must be shown in their respective age classes. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the Superintendent, be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging.
9. Substitutions must be made by **check-in of the respective show date**. Substitutions may be made by phone, please contact the Secretary at (407) 448-5192. Ownership deadline of April 14, 2012 will still apply on substituted animals.
10. All exhibitors must wear closed toed shoes or boots in the livestock barns and show ring.

HEALTH RULES

1. All animals must meet health regulation as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. A veterinary will be present at check-in. The cost for the health inspection is \$5.00/head if a veterinary certificate cannot

be presented.

GENERAL

1. Bedding and Pens will not be provided by the Sheep Committee unless reserved in advance. (While supplies last)
2. The owner is responsible for the care, management and feeding of their own animals. Sheep will be kept clean and in show condition until official release time.
3. In order that the livestock exhibits can be presented in a more attractive manner, each exhibitor will be required to maintain their pens and space in a clean, sanitary condition, therefore any filth and/or liter must be placed in designated dumpsters.

Open Breeding Sheep Divisions and Classes

1. BREED STANDARDS - WOOL BREED SHOW DIVISIONS (SEE SATURDAY/SUNDAY SHOW SCHEDULE FOR EVENT TIMES)

1. Suffolk
2. Hampshire
3. Baby Doll Southdown
4. Tunis
5. Natural Colored
6. Dorset
7. All other Registered Breeds

Must have at least 2 exhibitors and at least 4 animals to open a separate breed class.

CLASSES:

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Ewe Lambs (Born between April 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
2. Yearling Ewes (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
3. Ewes 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
4. Division Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
5. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
6. Ram Lambs (Born between April 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
7. Yearling Rams (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
8. Rams 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
9. Division Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		
10. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		

2. COMMERCIAL WOOL BREED SHOW DIVISIONS (Divisions will be determined after final check-in by weight) (See Sunday Show Schedule for event times)

8. Commercial Wool Division

CLASSES:

	1st	2nd	3rd
11. Ewe Lambs (Born between April 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
12. Yearling Ewes (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
13. Ewes 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
14. Division Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
15. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
16. Ram Lambs (Born between April 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
17. Yearling Rams (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
18. Rams 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
19. Division Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		
20. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		

3. BREED STANDARD HAIR BREED SHOW DIVISIONS (SEE SATURDAY SHOW SCHEDULE FOR EVENT TIMES)

- 10. Katahdin
- 11. Dorper
- 12. All Other Registered Breeds

CLASSES:	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Fall Ewe Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
2. Spring Ewe Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
3. Yearling Ewes (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
4. Ewes 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
5. Division Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
6. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
7. Fall Ram Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
8. Spring Ram Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
9. Yearling Rams (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
10. Rams 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
11. Division Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		
12. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		

4. FLORIDA HERITAGE BREED SHOW DIVISIONS(SEE SATURDAY SHOW SCHEDULE FOR EVENT TIMES)

- 13. St. Augustine
- 14. Florida Cracker

CLASSES:	1st	2nd	3rd
13. Fall Ewe Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
14. Spring Ewe Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
15. Yearling Ewes (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
16. Ewes 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
17. Division Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
18. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
19. Fall Ram Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
20. Spring Ram Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
21. Yearling Rams (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
22. Rams 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
23. Division Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		
24. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		

5. COMMERCIAL HAIR BREED SHOW DIVISIONS (Divisions will be determined after final check-in by weight) (See Sunday Show Schedule for Event Times)

- 15. Commercial Hair Division

CLASSES:	1st	2nd	3rd
25. Fall Ewe Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
26. Spring Ewe Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
27. Yearling Ewes (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
28. Ewes 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
29. Division Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
30. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette		
31. Fall Ram Lambs (Born between September 1, 2012 – January 31, 2013).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
32. Spring Ram Lambs (Born between March 2, 2012 – August 31, 2012).....	% of the Class Registration Pool		
33. Yearling Rams (Born between April 15, 2011 – March 31, 2012)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
34. Rams 2 years and up (Born before April 15, 2011)	% of the Class Registration Pool		
35. Division Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		
36. Division Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Rosette		

6. FIELD COMMERCIAL CLASSES (SEE SATURDAY SHOW SCHEDULE FOR EVENT TIMES)

16. Hair Breed Division (Up to 5 sheep per pen)

17. Wool Breed Division (Up to 5 sheep per pen)

CLASSES:

1. These are pens of 3 to 5 sheep from a producer's farm that are not "show" sheep.
2. These sheep are judged based on a scorecard system.
3. Judges are producers who attend the workshop to learn to use the scorecard system.

ADDITIONAL BREEDING SHEEP CONTESTS

SHOWMANSHIP (See Show Schedules for event times)

Showmanship (Hair Breeds)

Showmanship (Wool Breeds)

1. All exhibitors will be placed in one of the three divisions as determined by their at the time of the show.
Pee-Wee Division.....(Under age 5)
Pee-Wee Division.....(5 years through 7 years)
Junior Division.....(8 years through 12 years of age)
Intermediate Division.....(13 year through 15 year of age)
Senior Division.....(16 years through 12th grade of high school)
Adult Division..... Over the age of 18 or no longer in high school
2. First place winners in each division will receive an award.
3. All exhibitors must show their own animal.
4. Exhibitors are only allowed to participate in one Breeding Sheep Showmanship.

Youth Educational Poster and Sheep Photo Contest

The purpose of the Meat Sheep Alliance of Florida Poster and Photo Contest is to provide an opportunity for future shepherds and shepherdesses to demonstrate their knowledge of sheep through the creative means of artistic expression.

1. Poster Judging will be based on the following:
Topic & Educational Value: 10 points
Originality and Creativity: 10 points
Quality of Work: 10 points
Possible Points 30 points
2. The posters and photos must relate to the sheep industry of Florida:
4. Premium money will be awarded in each category

Olympic Events: (Saturday) (Sheep Jumping, Obstacle Course, Tractor Driving, Sack Relay)

Lead Halter Sheep Show: (Saturday)

Sheep Quiz Game Show (Saturday)

2014 – Market Program Registration

\$125/lamb – Exhibitor is given their market lamb at the beginning of the project. At the 2014 Meat Sheep Alliance Sheep Show in the Spring, the exhibitor will sell their assigned lamb and then pay the \$125-\$150/lamb to the donating breeder and the exhibitor will then keep their profits. (4-5 month project)

WOOL FLEECE SHOW

The Meat Sheep Alliance of Florida Wool Show is presented to encourage the production of quality wool and provide an opportunity for producers and the public to learn more about the characteristics of wool.

RULES

1. The exhibitor may or may not own the sheep at the time of shearing.
2. Fleece must have been shorn in current year.
3. Fleece will be judged on hand spinning quality, must be skirted.
4. Fleece must be tied with paper twine, flesh side out and tagged with number of months grown.
5. Natural colored fleeces must have at least 35 percent colored fibers.
6. All fleeces must be entered prior to the show date and time.

CLASSES

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| 1. | White Wool- Hand Spinning Quality | Ribbon |
| 2. | Natural Wool- Hand Spinning Quality | Ribbon |
| 3. | White Wool- Commercial Quality | Ribbon |
| 4. | Champion Fleece | Rosette |