



On the Road Again . . .

With the end of summer, the U.S. Targhee Sheep Association office has a new address! Brent and I have purchased a small irrigated farm on the Fairfield bench in Montana. Yes, we will be raising Targhee sheep! This is a bit late, but I wanted to be sure of our new 911 address before sending out the newsletter. We received confirmation today. The new contact information is as follows:

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The change is effective immediately. Please do not send any correspondence to our old address. To help the process along, I have enclosed a courtesy envelope with the new address for your next mailing. Thanks for your patience and understanding during this time of transition.



Hold tight!
Justin Taylor – 2006 National Show & Sale
Pee Wee Showmanship
Future Shepherd & Targhee Breeder

Show & Sale Highlights

With a respite from the terrible heat, the U.S. Targhee Sheep Association held its annual show and sale, July 20th -22nd in Brookings at the South Dakota State University Animal Science Arena. Members were able to enjoy wonderful facilities on a beautiful campus. The week's events started off with a tour of the South Dakota State University Sheep Unit and Meat Lab. Tour leaders were Rob Zelinsky; SDSU Shepherd, Dr. Jeff Held; SDSU Sheep Extension Specialist, and Neil Johnson; Meat Lab manager. While members toured the Sheep Unit, Rob explained current research topics including barn cough/lung lesions and pelleted soybean hull rations. After a tour of the SDSU Meat Lab, Dr. Held visited with members about lamb carcass quality, and optimum rib eye size. Members were given lamb chops to grill at the Thursday night picnic.

With Rob Zelinsky as judge, the Junior Show took center stage on the afternoon of July 20th. The Grand Champion Ram was exhibited by Robert Clements of Durand, Michigan. Reserve Champion Ram was shown by Oakley Anderson of Riverton, Wyoming. Grand Champion Ewe was exhibited by Dustin Hinker of Brookings, South Dakota. Robert Clements with his ewe placed as Reserve Champion. For a second year overall Champion Showman was Oakley Anderson and Benjamin Reppert was Reserve. Rory Lewis had another excellent year as Champion Showman and Robert Clements earned Reserve Champion.

Dr. Jay Daniel, Assistant Professor of Sheep Production and Management at SDSU judged the Wool Show. From Stanford, Montana, Betty Sampsel's 62's & Finer Ram fleece was National Champion with a 62's & Finer Ewe Fleece from Carolyn Green of Melville, Montana as Reserve Champion.

The Open Show on July 21st, was judged by Vince Marshall, a South Dakota Rambouillet breeder. The National Champion Ram was exhibited by Wesley Anderson of Riverton, Wyoming with Reserve Champion going to Stulken Targhee of Highmore, South Dakota. The University of Wisconsin-Madison closed out the ewe divisions with UW taking top honors for National and Reserve Champion Ewes.

Later that evening, association members and guests attended a banquet at the Brookings Inn featuring roast lamb. Premier Exhibitor was awarded to Stulken Targhee with Premier Junior Exhibitor honors going to Robert Clements. Jim and Carol Faulstich were inducted into the Targhee Hall of Fame. A live auction with Duane Deneke as auctioneer raised \$1,093.00 for the association.

Thirty prospective buyers from the states of Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Wyoming competed to purchase an excellent set of Targhee rams and ewes. The National Champion and high selling ram consigned by Wesley Anderson sold for \$2,300 to Darrell and Duane Deneke of Brookings, South Dakota. The high selling and

Reserve Champion UW-Madison ewe at \$650 went to Leaf Livestock of Geneseo, Illinois. A total of 52 sheep were sold. Rams averaged \$473.86 per head. Ewes averaged \$297.67.

Jim & Carol Faulstich **2006 Targhee Hall of Fame** **Inductees**

The U. S. Targhee Sheep Association is happy to announce the 2006 Inductees into the Targhee Hall of Fame - Jim and Carol Faulstich of Highmore, South Dakota. They started raising sheep in 1974. Soon after purchasing Targhee ewe lambs from western South Dakota, they were impressed with their productivity and profitability. The Faulstichs decided to purchase registered stock as their daughters were nearing 4-H age. They purchased 6 ewes and a ram in 1978 at the National Sale in Brookings, South Dakota. From this nucleus flock they expanded the purebred portion of their operation to 100+ ewes and 500 commercial ewes.

Faulstich Targhees turned into a profitable and educational project for the entire family. Daughters, Jennifer, Jacquie, and Jill showed sheep as part of their 4-H projects at the South Dakota State Fair. Jim served on the board of directors for the Dakota Area Targhee Association in various capacities including chairman. Jim and Carol continually promoted the Targhee breed for its production qualities. The family was named South Dakota Master Lamb Producer in 1982. The Faulstich family treasures the lasting friendships made with fellow sheep producers.

Annual Meeting Report

Outgoing President, Rod Anderson, opened the annual membership meeting of the U.S. Targhee Sheep Association at noon on July 21, 2006 at the SDSU Animal Science Arena.

The minutes from the 2005 annual membership meeting were corrected to read both the Dakota Area Targhee and Wyoming associations would host the 2006 National Show and Sale. The minutes were then approved as read. Secretary, Tracie Roeder, gave financial and registration reports. The current balance in the savings account was noted as **\$4,859.03** with **\$2,915.36** in checking. From July 19, 2005 to July 13, 2006 **1,577** sheep had been registered.

Glenn High's one year term (Eastern Director) expired. Rod Anderson nominated Charles Dwight of Ohio to fill the position. In his comments Charles discussed his 25 year history of raising Targhee sheep and said he enjoyed the breed and the people. A unanimous ballot by a show of hands was cast to receive Charles as a new director.

As Rod Anderson's term of director (West - At - Large) expired, Bob Padula nominated Jack McRae to fill the position. Again a unanimous ballot was cast by a show of hands for Jack to fill the position. Marcia Stulken nominated Darrell Deneke to fill the directorship held by a retiring Susan Millikin (West). A third and final unanimous ballot was cast by a show of hands.

As directed by a vote of the membership at the 2005 annual meeting Vice President, Bob Padula presented a comprehensive plan to promote the Targhee breed. He looked at Targhee breed history, current perceptions, role of the National Sheep Improvement

Congratulations to newly elected officers and board members:

Bob Padula – President

Linda Clements – Vice President

Charles Dwight – Board of Directors East

*Jack McRae – Board of Directors
West at Large*

Program, and current exposure of the Targhee breed nationally and internationally.

Bob suggested Targhee is an excellent dual-purpose breed lacking public awareness outside its traditional circles. He noted the necessity of completing the Website, the use of Targhee wearables (t-shirts, hats, etc.) and the need for dissemination of electronic and printed information. (Copies of the Promotion Report are available by contacting the secretary. Future Targhee Talk newsletters will address the report in greater detail.) After a general discussion by the membership, a committee was formed to write new materials for publication with Ashle Anderson serving as Chair.

Dena Anderson and Marcia Stulken gave a report on the Junior Show. Interest was higher than usual with eight young people participating. The USTSA was thankful for the donation of the Animal Science Arena free of charge from the SDSU for the day of the Junior Show. A special thank you goes to Glenn and Joan High for donating a cash award of \$10 to the owner of the Champion Ram and Ewe and the Champion Showman. The Highs also donated a cash award of \$5 to the next two placings in each of the categories.

Secretary, Tracie Roeder gave a report on the condition of the registry. It is in good shape. She introduced the new group certificate registration system and had an example on hand for display. It was noted the board of directors requested that registry applications be sent in on the new forms. Members were asked to discard all old forms (ie. from when Cheryl Schuldt and Christine Ashmead were secretary). Tracie noted using old forms creates miscalculations in fees and incorrect recording of information. Any registry applications using the old forms will be kindly returned to members.

A report was also given by Secretary Roeder on the Income and Expenses related to the 2005 National Show & Sale. Members were able to review the financial commitment necessary to have the annual event. Consideration was given to having the national show and sale every other year.

Two options were presented for where to hold the 2007 National Show & Sale. Todd Taylor acknowledged prior problems with national shows and sales held in Sedalia, Missouri. But, he suggested we think about teaming up with other small sheep breeds having their national shows and sales in Springfield, Illinois in 2007. The event sponsored by Greg Deakin of the Banner Sheep Magazine is to be held June 21-23, 2007. Other breeds scheduled to participate are Oxford, Cheviot, Montadale, Shropshire, Polypay, St. Croix, Lincoln, and Tunis.

Todd explained the standard 10% commission was charged with 9% going to Banner Sale Management Service to cover the cost of the facility, judges, advertising, clerking and an auctioneer. The remaining 1% is returned to the organization. Entry fees are \$25 per head.

Bill Reppert suggested another possibility might be to hold the sale in Norfolk, Nebraska at the Nebraska

Community College. Bill noted Norfolk is 200 miles to the south of Brookings and that they have new facilities.

After a discussion by the membership, a motion was made and passed to explore the Springfield, Illinois option. Todd Taylor was directed to research the possibility and report to the board of directors. Should the board agree to having the national show & sale in Springfield, Illinois, Todd & Lynnette Taylor would chair the event. (**NOTE:** The board later decided this option was best. The 2007 National Show & Sale will be held in Springfield, Illinois June 21-23.)

President Rod Anderson discussed with the membership and directed the board to consider developing an Artificial Insemination program in the Targhee breed. Should the association go to an every other year show and sale cycle, an AI program would help members to obtain new genetics for their flocks in the off years.

Secretary Tracie Roeder indicated the Annual Fee was working well to cover the cost of postage. Tracie also noted she and President Anderson decided to send mailings for the national show and sale based on the geographic area of the sale. This seemed to work well and the response was good.

In a final item of business, Vice President, Bob Padula thanked Rod Anderson for his service as a board member and then as President. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Thank You!!!

A mere thank you can not nearly sum up the hard work of Darrell Deneke, Marcia and Loren Stulken, and the entire Anderson family – Rod, Dena, Ashle, Wesley, and Oakley. Elisha Lewis deserves thanks for helping with the Junior Show. Susan Millikin manned the Targhee sales booth for long hours and Molly Little served as my girl Friday. The 2006 National Show & Sale was a terrific success due to their leadership. We want you to know you are appreciated!

Another tremendous thank you is sent to the faculty and staff at South Dakota State University. They were gracious in every way. The hospitality was tremendous. Thank you, Dr. Jeff Held, Dr. Jay Daniel, Dr. Kelly Bruns, Rob Zelinsky, and Neil Johnson. You have a wonderful facility, and kind staff. Young people looking at higher education in agriculture should consider this school. The U.S. Targhee Sheep Association is donating \$100 each to the SDSU Wool and Meats Judging Teams in appreciation.

Targhee Sheep Around the Nation

Did you know U.S. Targhee Sheep Association owners were busy this summer? Targhee sheep were shown, exhibited and/or sold in South Dakota, Ohio, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Nebraska, and Maryland. At the Ohio State Fair Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Rams were shown by Duane Scheibe. Taylor and Trevor High placed second and third, respectively in Breeding Sheep Showmanship with Charles Dwight having the Champion Ewe Fleece in the Open Breeding Sheep Wool Show.

At the Wisconsin State Fair the Overall Champion Ram went to UW-Madison with Stephanie Pfister having the Reserve Champion. Overall Champion Ewe was shown by new member Joelle Nevens with Reserve Champion to UW-Madison.

Ivy Latham with Jessee Craig made a nice showing of Targhee sheep at the Wyoming State Fair. Ivy had the Champion Ram and Ewe at the show.

As of this writing, the Reppert family just finished attending the Nebraska State Fair. Benjamin placed 6th in Sophomore Class Showmanship out of 25 participants. LeAnn and Benjamin both showed a yearling Targhee ewe and a Targhee ewe lamb for the Other Breeds class. Benjamin won Other breeds Grand Champion with his ewe lamb and Other Breeds Reserve Grand Champion with his yearling ewe. LeAnn received blue ribbons on both of her animals.

The Repperts borrowed the Targhee banner to display and Lisa reports “Thanks for use of the banner. It drew in a lot of questions about the breed and was even used for the State FFA Officer team to make them learn a little more about a breed they knew nothing about.”

Thanks to everyone for their hard work this summer in getting the message out about Targhee sheep. If you would like to use the Targhee banner for your event or want to have a copy of the logo, please contact this office.

A Note From one of the Buyers at the 2006 National Show & Sale. . .

Tracie,

I would like to thank the folks that helped my phone bidding - George Mann, for making me feel comfortable and secure about some choices. I would also like to thank Oaklee Anderson and her computer work, along with your help. Also a thank you needs to go to Darrell Deneke for being the go between person. All these individuals along with Todd Taylor help make your breed personable as well as easy to do business with.

*Thank you,
Gordon Sammons
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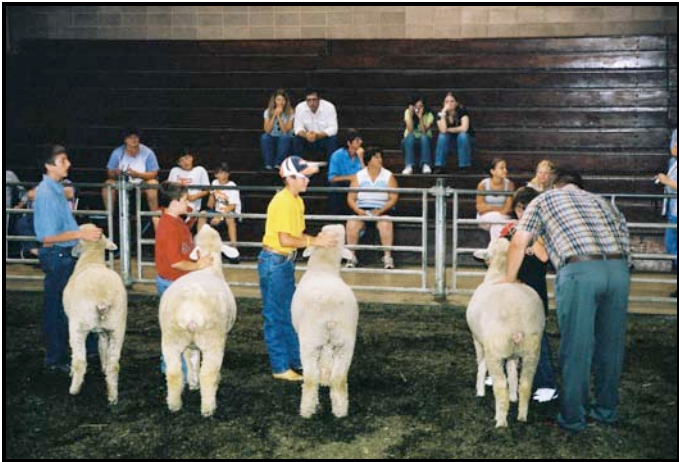
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2006 Targhee National Show & Sale Photo Shoot



Junior Show – Rob Zelinsky, Judge with Benjamin Purucker, Robert Clements, Ryan Lewis & Dustin Hinker



*2006 Champion Ram – Wesley Anderson
2006 Reserve Champion Ram – Stulken Targhee*



South Dakota State University Sheep Unit Tour



*2006 Champion & Reserve Champion Ewes –
University of Wisconsin Madison*



*South Dakota State University Meat Lab
Dr. Geoff Held, Sheep Extension Specialist*



*2006 Premier Exhibitors –
Marcia & Loren Stulken*

2006 Targhee National Show & Sale Results

Ram Lambs - Fall

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Darrell Deneke; Molly Little, Rathdrum, ID \$350
Average on 1 Ram Lambs \$350.00

Ram Lambs - January

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Elisha Lewis; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$275
Stulken Targhee; Anderson Targhee, Riverton, WY \$250
Ryan Lewis; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$325
Average on 3 Ram Lambs \$283.33

Ram Lambs - February & Later

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Stulken Targhee; Mark Loeschke, Milbank, SD \$300
Susan Millikin; Anderson Targhee, Riverton, WY \$200
Average on 2 Ram Lambs \$250.00

Yearling Rams (Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Wesley Anderson; Darrell/Duane Deneke, Brookings, SD \$2,300
Stulken Targhee; No Sale
UW-Madison; Charles Dwight, Clyde, OH \$950
Stulken Targhee; Mark Loeschke, Milbank, SD \$300
Anderson Targhee; Rumar Farm, Wilson, WI \$450
Ashle Anderson; Stulken Targhee, Highmore, SD \$1,050
Robert Clements; Stephanie Pfister, Chana, IL \$300
Anderson Targhee; Mark Pates, Volga, SD \$600
Ralph Lewis; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$275
Reppert Family; Mark Loeschke, Milbank, SD \$300
Clements Family; Veron & Juanita Bundt, Glidden IA \$400
UW-Madison; Robert Hood, Buffalo, IL \$350
Susan Millikin; Del Ford, Woodstock, MN \$225
Mark & Allison Wagner; No Sale
Mark & Allison Wagner; Benjamin Purucker, Pender, NE \$450
Elisha Lewis; Dean Ford, Woodstock, MN \$275
LeAnn Purucker; Gene Hamman, Clear Lake, SD \$200
Average on 15 Yearling Rams \$561.67

Ewe Lambs – January

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Clements Family; Darrell Deneke, Brookings, SD \$400
Ryan Lewis; Leaf Livestock, Geneseo, IL \$325
Ryan Lewis; Blake Reppert, Pender, NE \$325
Elisha Lewis; Mark Pates, Volga, SD \$300
Wesley Anderson; Tom Bell, Kirkland, IL \$200
Average on 5 Ewe Lambs \$310.00

Ewe Lambs – February & Later

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Stulken Targhee; Anderson Targhee, Riverton, WY \$250
Average on 1 Ewe Lamb \$250.00

Yearling Ewes (Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

UW-Madison; Leaf Livestock, Geneseo, IL \$625
UW-Madison; Leaf Livestock, Geneseo, IL \$650
Stulken Targhee; Tom Bell, Kirkland, IL \$300
Clements Family; Darrell Deneke, Brookings, SD \$500
Ashle Anderson; Stulken Targhee, Highmore, SD \$575
Reppert Family; Anderson Targhee, Riverton, WY \$250
LeAnn Purucker; Rumar Farm, Wilson, WI \$175
Average on 7 Yearling Ewes \$439.29

Pen of Three Ewe Lambs

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Stulken Targhee; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$210
Stulken Targhee; Leaf Livestock, Geneseo, IL \$260
Stulken Targhee; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$210
Susan Millikin; Benjamin Purucker, Pender, NE \$190
Susan Millikin; Blake Reppert, Pender, NE \$190
Susan Millikin; Blake Repper, Pender, NE \$190
Average on 6 Ewe Lambs \$208.33

Pen of Three Yearling Ewes

(Consignor Placing, Buyer, Price)

Clements Family; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$225
Clements Family; Mark Pates, Volga, SD \$225
Clements Family; Tom Bell, Kirkland, IL \$250
Stulken Targhee; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$200
Stulken Targhee; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$200
Stulken Targhee; Tom Bell, Kirkland, IL \$275
Reppert Family; Brent Koops, Gettysburg, SD \$210
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UW-Madison; Von Krosigk Targhee, Riverton, WY \$400
UW-Madison; Von Krosigk Targhee, Riverton, WY \$400
Average on 11 Yearling Ewes \$255.00

***Thank you to volume buyers:
Brent Koops
Leaf Livestock***

Premier Exhibitor – Stulken Targhee

Jr. Premier Exhibitor – Robert Clements

Wool Show Results

Champion Fleece

Betty Sampsel - Ram Fleece 62's & Finer

Reserve Champion Fleece

Carolyn Green - Ewe Fleece 62's & Finer

2007 National Show & Sale

The 2007 National Show & Sale will be held in Springfield, Illinois hosted by the Wisconsin Targhee Association, June 21-23, 2007. The contact people for the event are Todd & Lynnette Taylor (608-846-5858 or toddtaylor@wiscmail.wisc.edu.

Sale Summary

22 Rams Grossed \$10,425 and averaged \$473.86
30 Ewes Grossed \$8,930 and averaged \$297.67

The 2006 sale of 52 head grossed \$19,355
The sale average on 52 head was \$372.21