



Lambtown Festival

October 7 - 8, 2023

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Sheep Show Information and Rules

Entry Information

- There is a \$10 fee for each sheep entered.
- Entry forms and payment will take place via ShoWorks at <https://lambtown.fairwire.com>. No checks or cash will be accepted for entries.
- Registration deadline is 11:59PM on Monday, October 2nd, 2023.
- Please read all rules carefully prior to submitting entries. Submission of entry confirms agreement to comply with all rules.
- All sheep entered in the Sheep Show must be owned by the exhibitor.
- An exhibitor can be an individual or a ranch/farm. Two adults sharing the same ranch/farm name are defined as one exhibitor. Juniors may share the ranch/farm name of a senior exhibitor.
- Maximum of two sheep per class per exhibitor. Individual animals may only be entered in one Division.
- Exhibitors may enter sheep for sale only, not to be shown. Sale only sheep are charged the entry fee of \$10. Each exhibitor will be allowed a maximum of two sale pens. Sale only sheep should be entered in Class 00 on the Entry Form.

Sheep Check-in, Arrival, and Release

- The Sheep Barn will be available for arrival from 3-9 p.m. on Friday, October 6, 2023. Any exhibitors arriving late should call the Show Coordinator as soon as they know they will not arrive during scheduled hours. The Show Coordinator is Andy Edmonson - (541)281-2311.
- Sheep exhibitors shall enter through Gate F on East Chestnut St. for unloading.
- All exhibitors should check with the Show Staff for pen assignments before unloading. Pen assignments will be posted in the corners of the Sheep Barn.
- All sheep entered in the Sheep Show must be registered with their breed association or other recognized registry (e.g., NCWGA for natural colored sheep). Registration papers must be presented to Show Staff at check-in.
- Substitution of an animal is permitted if it is in the same Class and Division as the original entry. Show Staff must be notified of the substitution at check in or the animal will be disqualified.
- ID and Health: All sheep must possess USDA-approved ear tags with Premise Numbers. Any sheep with symptoms of infectious disease or parasites must be removed from the Fairgrounds upon request of the Show Coordinator.
- All sheep will be released at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 8, 2023. This rule exists to assure that animals are available for public viewing throughout the festival.
- Early departure will result in forfeiture of all awards.

Sheep Barn

- Exhibitors will be provided with wristbands at check in. Exhibitors wearing their wristbands will be allowed in the Sheep Barn at any time from 3 p.m. on Friday through 10 a.m. on Monday morning. Anyone on the Fairgrounds outside of Festival hours is required to have a wristband. Please notify security if anyone is observed in the Sheep Barn after hours without a wristband.
- Exhibitors may request a Ranch Display Pen to display information about their breed and/or products from their sheep. This will be a pen in the barn adjacent to the exhibitor's sheep. One Display Pen per ranch will be offered free of charge.
- **New for 2023:** Exhibitors may sell items made on their ranch or made from fibers from their ranch in their Ranch Display Pen. There is an additional \$25 charge for exhibitors who sell items in their Ranch Display Pen.

- No fleece sales are allowed in the Sheep Barn. All fleece must be sold through the Fleece Sale. Sheep sales are permitted in the Sheep Barn and are by private treaty.
- All sheep must always be properly cared for. Feed must be provided daily, and water checked and refilled twice a day. Exhibitors shall treat all livestock in a humane manner.
- Any exhibitor not attending to their sheep or observed mistreating sheep will be required to remove themselves and their animals from the Fairgrounds and forfeit all awards.
- Any sheep injured or bleeding must be attended at all times by exhibitor. While Lambtown Festival understands that occasional nicks and scrapes happen, most visitors are not familiar with livestock and may be distressed by observing injuries.
- Pens, aisles, and Ranch Display Pens must be kept neat. Electrical cords, hoses, and other equipment should be kept out of the aisles.
- All aisles must be kept clear at all times for the safety of the public.
- Pet dogs are not allowed in the barn areas or on the Fairgrounds at any time.
- Working livestock dogs must be leashed and supervised by the owner at all times.
- Provisions: Exhibitors may order straw bales for bedding on the entry form. Straw will be delivered to the sheep barn. For exhibitors needing feed, Higby's Country Feed is located 3 miles north of the Fairgrounds on Currey Road.

Sheep Show Judging Rules and Criteria

- Judging will begin at 10 a.m. on Sunday, October 8, 2023.
- Judging will proceed by Division Number.
- This year's judge is Rich Jacobsen of La Grande, California.
- The judge shall award placements according to merit, and if without merit the judge shall make no award. The judge's decisions are final and cannot be protested.
- Sheep will be judged in accordance with the standards of their breed associations. Breed associations are invited to submit their judging criteria to the Show Coordinator.
- Wool breeds will be judged 60% on wool quality and 40% on conformation. Wool length should allow assessment of quality. Recommended minimums: 1.5 inches in fine wools, 2 inches in medium wools, and 3 inches in long wools. Wool should be left in its natural condition; washing, carding and blocking are strongly discouraged.
- Dual-purpose breeds of sheep may be entered in either Meat Breed or Wool Breed Divisions based on the criteria by which the exhibitor wishes them to be judged.
- A Division with less than eight head or less than three exhibitors may be combined with another Division at the discretion of the Show Coordinator.
- Final Say: Lambtown Festival reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and to settle all matters questioned or disputed.
- Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 4th place.
- Champion rosettes will be awarded at the judge's discretion and are dependent upon the number of qualified entries.
- Premiums of \$25 for 1st, \$20 for 2nd, \$15 for 3rd, and \$10 for 4th place will be awarded in each Class.
- Premiums of \$25 will be awarded to Champion Ram and Champion Ewe in each Division.
- Premiums of \$10 will be awarded to Reserve Ram and Reserve Ewe in each Division.
- Supreme Champion Meat Breed and Supreme Champion Wool Breed Sheep will be awarded \$125 each and custody of their perpetual trophy for 1 year.



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DIVISIONS & CLASSES

Divisions 1 – 9 are open to senior exhibitors over the age of 18. Division 10 and 11 are for junior exhibitors, ages 9 - 18. Any breed with 4 or more exhibitors may petition the Show Coordinator for a separate Division. **Please note:** All lambs must have lambs teeth.

Division 1: PUREBRED MEAT BREEDS – Dorset, Hampshire, Suffolk, etc.

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 2: PUREBRED HAIR BREEDS - Dorper, Katahdin, St. Croix

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 3: PUREBRED WHITE FINE WOOL BREEDS – Cormo, Merino, Rambouillet

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 4: PUREBRED WHITE MEDIUM WOOL BREEDS – Columbia, Corriedale

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 5: PUREBRED WHITE LONG WOOL BREEDS – Romney, Leicester, Wensleydale

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 6: NATURAL COLORED WOOL BREEDS - Fine Wool, ≤ 23 microns

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 7: NATURAL COLORED WOOL BREEDS - Medium Wool, 24 - 32 microns

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 8: NATURAL COLORED WOOL BREEDS – Long Wool, \geq 33 microns

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 9: PUREBRED PRIMITIVE BREEDS – Icelandic, Jacob, Shetland

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 10: JUNIOR PUREBRED MEAT/HAIR BREEDS

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Division 11: JUNIOR PUREBRED WOOL/PRIMITIVE BREEDS

Class 1 - Yearling Ram, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 2 - Ram Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

Class 3 - Yearling Ewe, born September 2021 – August 2022

Class 4 - Ewe Lamb, born September 2022 – June 2023

All Divisions Class 00 – Any sheep that is not entered for Show, but will be for sale or on exhibit should be entered in Class 00.