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NTSRI PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello, All! I hope everyone has had a very successful and safe summer and show season and that this newsletter find you, your family and your flock well!

The NTSRI National Show and Sale in Wooster got the show and sale season rolling, with 49 high quality Tunis selling for an average of \$488. We especially thank the Ohio Tunis Association, Darling Tunis and Big Time Tunis for their excellent hospitality!

The have heard great reports from the All American Junior Show and Northeast Youth Sheep Show. A big thank you to all the youth and adult volunteers that worked so hard to make these events successful! The events and activities at these shows that build friendships between Tunis youth are incredibly valuable!

The 2014 NTSRI Directory has been printed and is ready for distribution. We thank the Banner publication team for all their help in getting the material assembled. It looks very professional, and due to vendor and member sponsorship, the only cost to the NTSRI was postage. Copies of the NTSRI directory will also be available at major Tunis events.



When I have a chance to hop on Facebook, I love seeing all the folks exhibiting Tunis at state fairs and local shows around the US and Canada. They are looking great!

I am very pleased (and somewhat overwhelmed) to be serving as the NTSRI president. This summer has had some unique challenges for my family, and I wasn't able to get to the Tunis events I had been hoping to attend. But I've been hearing great reports of excellent quality sheep, well-organized shows and lots of Tunis fun! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at NAILE! If you have any questions or concerns regard Tunis or Tunis events, please don't hesitate to contact me or the Director elected to your region.

Sincerely,

Georgina Anderson

NTSRI President

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Doug Garey

Northeast Tunis Sheep Association (NETSA)

Region 1, Troy Staples

Summer is blending into autumn. Kids are back in school. The days are growing shorter. But, the fair season is still going strong in New England with the Big E (ESE), Topsfield and Fryeburg, just to mention a few opening in weeks to come!

The youth came out strong (16 exhibitors with 67 head of Tunis sheep) for the 30th Annual Northeast Youth Sheep Show, July 18th – 20th organized and conducted by the New England Sheep & Wool Growers Association (NESWGA). Many activities were planned by NESWGA during the three days, such as quiz bowl, skill-a-thon, ice cream social, BBQ, showmanship classes and the Tunis breed show. During the packed filled days, the Northeast Tunis Sheep Association (NETSA) organized a pizza party for all Tunis breeders and scavenger hunt, a great opportunity for the youth to get to know about other breeds.

NETSA would like to thank the following breeders for their support during this event....WindSong Farms for the "goodie bags" distributed to the youth during orientation, Sandi Hunt Hammel for \$10.00 donations to each Tunis exhibitor to be used at the Promotion Booth, Troy, Toni, Meg & Chelsey Staples, Boulder Creek for sponsoring the Best Headed Ram Award and Anna Charest, Small Fry Farm Continued for sponsoring the Best Headed Ewe Award. During the 2014 Tunis Showmanship Competition, a banner was presented to each first class winner in the competition. We would like to thank the Surgenor Family for their donation to make this possible!

In a few short weeks, the 2014 Regional Tunis Show will be held at The Big E, Eastern States Exposition (ESE) in Springfield, MA on Saturday, September 20th at 2:00 p.m.

Arrival for week two of the fair is Wednesday and Thursday, September 17th & 18th. For further information, please visit the Big E website www.thebige.com

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NETSA would like to invite all who will be attending to stop by the NETSA Welcome Center, view our display, and enjoy candy from our candy jar filled daily! On show day, sandwiches from Subway will be available at lunch for all Tunis breeders as well as chips, cookies and bottled water. After the show NETSA will also be sponsoring a Pizza Party for Tunis breeders, a time to sit back, relax and enjoy fellowship among old and new friends.

NETSA would also like to give a big "thank you" to the following breeders for their continued support and sponsoring the following awards at the 2014 Regional Tunis Show at The Big E (ESE)

WindSong Farms, Bill & Sharon Kerns,

Harvard, Mass., offers awards for Grand Champion Ram, Reserve Grand Champion Ewe and Best Headed Ram.

Woolmark Farm, Dwight & Sally Barney,

Lee, N.H., offers an award for Reserve Grand Champion Ram.

Boulder Creek Tunis, Troy, Toni, Meg, &

Chelsey Staples, Penobscot, Maine, offers awards for Breeder's Flock and Best Headed Ewe.

Half Pint Farm, Taylor Family, S

hirley, Mass., offers awards for Grand Champion Ewe and Exhibitor's Flock.

Darling Tunis, Jim & Louise Dunham,

East Liberty, Ohio, offers an award for Get-of-Sire.

Please, come join the fun at the Big E!

**Northeast Tunis Sheep Association
(NETSA)**

**IT'S TIME FOR THE
BIG
NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL
TUNIS SHOW!!!!**

Schedule of Events:

Entries Close: October 1, 2014

Arrival of Junior Tunis Sheep: Wednesday, Nov. 12, 12:00 noon - Friday, Nov. 14, 12:00 noon

Lead Line: November 14, 12:00 noon

Junior Show Judging Date: November 16

Junior Sheep release date: Nov 16, after the breed champions show

Arrival of Open Show Sheep: Monday, November 17, 8:00am-6:00pm

Ladies of Tunis, Show Barn Crock Pot Show Down, November 18, 12:00 noon

Judging Date: Wednesday, November 19, 2:00pm

Release Date: Friday, November 21, 3:00

Special Rules: Regular Entry Fees of \$15.00 will be collected for each sheep/ lamb entered in the show, these fees are to be paid upon completion of your entry to the North American Livestock Expo by October 1, ***plus an additional premium of \$8.00 per head will be charged for each sheep entered in the open show, this charge is also due by October 1, and should be paid to:***

Sue Anderson, 515 Carpenter Creek Road, Huntsville, KY 40437
Sue's phone number is 606-346-3916 if you have any questions.

**Make checks payable to NAILE Tunis Premium Fund, due no later than October 1, 2014, after this date a late fee of \$50.00 will be charged until November 1, 2014, when late entries close for the 2014 year.
This rule will be strictly enforced!**

Things to remember!

- **Ketchum Flock Trophy** - Ketchum Equipment sponsors a traveling trophy presented to the 1st place Tunis Flock.
- **Lead Line** - The National Tunis Sheep Registry Inc. (NTSRI) will present \$25 to any person leading a Tunis Sheep in the NAILE Lead Line. The NTSRI offers \$100 to any person winning their class in the NAILE Lead Line or costume classes. Lead Line forms are available on the NTSRI website (www.countrylovin.com/NTSRI).
- **Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show - 2014 Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show**

The Fourth Annual Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show at NAILE is less than three months away. The breeders invested a fee to nominate one or more lambs; they sustained their entries over a year and finally entered the best yearling ewes in the show.

This year we are happy to announce nine breeders with fifteen entries participating this year in the show. The show is scheduled on Wednesday, November 19th, 2014, one hour after the Open Tunis Show at the Goat Show Ring. The Show & Sale Committee will be announcing the three judges in upcoming information. Cash rewards will be paid back to the top five individuals in the show.

Again, we cannot thank the breeders enough who support and participate in the Jackpot Show. Without your participation, we would not be able to have a showcase event to show off these beautiful "red heads". Thanks!

To all who will be attending NAILE this year, please come and join in the fun, cheer for your favorite Tunis Yearling Ewe!

**Region #2 News
Director**

Robin Swartz,

Well this years show season is off to a good start. The Regional Tunis Show for region 2 was a great success! We had 5 breeders mostly youth. Next year we have more Tunis breeders that are committed to come. I would like to take this time to Thank everyone that participated.

Our New York State Fair was a great show of Quality Tunis. A new family in Tunis "The Red Barn Farm" won supreme champion ewe with there Tunis yearling ewe. Congratulations to Old Glory Farms on Champion Ram.

Remember entries for Rhine-beck bred ewe sale will be closing soon.

Thank you to all our region two breeders for there quality and there great support for each other.

Good luck to everyone with the rest of the season!!!!

Robin E Swartz

The 2014 All American Junior Show

Well another All-American has passed, and was a great success for the NTJA! The Week consisted of some friendly competition from the 8 Tunis Exhibitors with promotional contests, showmanship, and the sheep show. Not only was the competition fierce, the juniors had a little bonding time at the cookout sponsored by the NTJA. Ringside, the show was very great. Kyle McCauley finished the show with Champion Ram with his first place Fall Ram Lamb and Champion Ewe with his First Place Yearling Ewe! Morgan Munsey received Reserve Champion Ewe with her first place Fall Ewe Lamb and her first place February Ram Lamb! Mitch Schmidt had 1st place January Ewe, Omar Wahdan had 2d place March Ewe Lamb, and Hayleigh Moore had 2d place Yearling Ewe at her very first Tunis Show! The juniors fought a hard battle for the top gun award, and it was won by Morgan Munsey of Lafayette, Indiana. The NTJA would like to take this opportunity to thank Susan Wahdan and Julie Munsey for helping set up the cookout, Deb Hopkins for hosting another great All American, and Travis Hoffmann for judging the Tunis show. Be sure to look for the NTJA at KILE, The New England Show, and NAILE.

Morgan Munsey, Co-Reporter, Region 6 (765)-427-9559

Walter Clark reports on Region #3

It has been a busy summer in our district. Shows have been happening all around. Tunis were the largest breed showing at the Crawford County Fair with 20 animals present. There was a lot of interest in them and David Cook was the judge. He actually said when one of the ewes came out that "that is a pretty sheep". He then went into a history on Tunis and commented about the need for "pink" noses. He said it was nice to see some Tunis with the pink noses and not speckled or dark.

It has been a tough year to get in hay in Northwest PA. We finally managed to finish in early August. Not the best quality but it will be snowballs this winter.

KILE is just around the corner and there will be a ewe sale on Saturday, Oct 4th at 5 PM. Hope to see some of you there.



Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Fleeces from the National Wool Show in Wooster, Ohio.

The Wool Show at the National Tunis Show and Sale is growing, there were 9 Tunis fleeces entered this year.

Ewe Fleece Winners:

1. David Turcheck 2. Joyce McCarty 3. Heidi Barkley

Ram Fleece Winners:

1. Lynda West 2. Heidi Barkley 3. Joyce McCarty

Congratulations to all the Tunis Fleece winners!

Respectfully, Marianne Turcheck

The Show and Sale committee hopes you have had a successful summer at the sales and that you found that very special purchase to enhance your breeding program.

The Sale Averages at The National Show and Sale in Wooster , Ohio was:

LOT #	CONSIGNOR	PRICE	BUYER
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YEARLING RAMS/GRAND CHAMPION

14	SPLIDE TUNIS	\$400.00	E & B STUMPE 8922 CLIBOURN RD RUSSELLVILLE MO 65074
9009	BROWN FAMILY TUNIS	\$375.00	WILD WINDS SHEEP CO 620 CR 146 CARPENTER WY 82054

2 TOTAL LOTS \$775.00 TOTAL \$387.50 AVERAGE

FALL RAM LAMB/RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

20	RIVERWOOD FARMS	\$400.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101
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1 TOTAL LOT \$400.00 TOTAL \$400.00 AVERAGE

FEBRUARY & LATER RAM LAMB

17	DON & JANE CRAFT	\$300.00	ROGER SEUESS 10211 450TH AVENUE VEBLEN SD 57270
9008	TRIPLE M RANCH	\$200.00	KYLE MACCAULEY 4333 STEELVILLE RD ATGLEN PA 19310

2 TOTAL LOTS \$500.00 TOTAL \$250.00 AVERAGE

YEARLING EWE

15	DON & JANE CRAFT	\$650.00	CORNSILK HOLLOW 116N REBECA ST IVANHOE MN 56142
30	BRUNS TUNIS	\$1,300.00	MITCH SCHMIDT 19613 MONROE RD 908 CENTRALIA MO 65240
19	RIVERWOOD FARMS	\$700.00	CORNSILK HOLLOW 116N REBECA ST IVANHOE MN 56142
4	RQL FARMS	\$500.00	EVERY SPILDE 2800 WILDFLOWER RD. STOUGHTON WI 53589
13	MJM FAMILY FARM	\$500.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101
3	RQL FARMS	\$700.00	EVERY SPILDE 2800 WILDFLOWER RD. STOUGHTON WI 53589
29	NICK & MACKENZIE STUMPE	\$325.00	JACOB LONG 29213 MONROE RD 376 SHELBYNA MO 63468
28	NICK & MACKENZIE STUMPE	\$325.00	JACOB LONG 29213 MONROE RD 376 SHELBYNA MO 63468

8 TOTAL LOTS \$5,000.00 TOTAL \$625.00 AVERAGE

JANUARY EWE LAMB

18	F DON & JANE CRAFT	\$525.00	J & L TUNIS 207 CHESTER AVE GOODHUE MN 55027
21	F RIVERWOOD FARMS	\$1,150.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101
6	F RQL FARMS	\$300.00	CORNSILK HOLLOW 116N REBECA ST IVANHOE MN 56142
24	KELLY STUMPE FAMILY	\$450.00	JACOB LONG 29213 MONROE RD 376 SHELBYNA MO 63468
23	KELLY STUMPE FAMILY	\$450.00	JACOB LONG 29213 MONROE RD 376 SHELBYNA MO 63468

5 TOTAL LOTS \$2,875.00 TOTAL \$575.00 AVERAGE

FEBRUARY EWE LAMB/GRAND CHAMPION

31	F BRUNS TUNIS	\$850.00	MURRY FARMS 125 N EAST - 1150TH RD HIGGINSVILLE MO 64037
8	F RQL FARMS	\$575.00	MATTILYN MAAG 13360 RD 12 OTTAWA OH 45875
7	F RQL FARMS	\$575.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101

3 TOTAL LOTS \$2,000.00 TOTAL \$666.67 AVERAGE

MARCH EWE LAMB/RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

25	F KELLY STUMPE FAMILY	\$750.00	JULIA BREDDER 3572 LEWISSETTA RD LOTTSBURG VA 22511
5	F RQL FARMS	\$400.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101
12	DARLING TUNIS	\$950.00	HAPPY HOLLOW 1013 CIMARRON JEFFERSON CITY MO 65101
9	F RQL FARMS	\$400.00	CORNSILK HOLLOW 116N REBECA ST IVANHOE MN 56142

4 TOTAL LOTS \$2,500.00 TOTAL \$625.00

AVERAGE 25 TOTAL LOTS \$14,050.00

TOTAL \$562.00 AVERAGE 49 Total Lots.....Total Sale Amt: \$23,925.00 Average Sale: \$488.27

Champions at the Mid West Stud Ram Sale in Sedalia:

Grand Champion Ram was sold by Spilde Tunis
Grand Champion Ewe was sold by Bruns Tunis

Reserve Champion Ram was sold by Riverwood Farms
Reserve Champion Ewe was sold by Kelly Stumpe

Results from the 30th Annual Northeast Youth Sheep Show July 20th, 2014

Champion Ram – Brianna Taylor

Reserve Champion Ram – Drew Ridgeway

Best Headed Ram – Brianna Taylor – Early Ram Lamb

<u>Exh.#</u>	<u>Exhibitor</u>	<u>Placing</u>
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Yearling Ram:

335	Drew Ridgeway	1
336	Gregory Surgenor	2
320	Jessie Hooker	3

Sr. Ram Lamb:

335	Drew Ridgeway	1
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Early Jr. Ram Lamb:

340	Brianna Taylor	1
327	Kalie Harrison	2
328	Taylor Harrison	3
339	Justine Swartz	4
333	Connor Priest	5

Late Jr. Ram Lamb:

339	Justine Swartz	1
330	Kyle MacCauley	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
326	Kyle Harris	4
337	Ian Surgenor	5

Champion Ewe – Kyle MacCauley

Reserve Champion Ewe – Kyle MacCauley

Best Headed Ewe – Kyle MacCauley – Early Ewe Lamb

Early Yearling Ewe:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
335	Drew Ridgeway	2
330	Kyle MacCauley	3
339	Justine Swartz	4
340	Brianna Taylor	5

Late Yearling Ewe:

332	Megan Millson	1
335	Drew Ridgeway	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
328	Taylor Harrison	4
336	Gregory Surgenor	5

Pair of Yearling Ewes:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
335	Drew Ridgeway	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
339	Justine Swartz	4
336	Gregory Surgenor	5

Sr. Ewe Lamb:

339	Justine Swartz	1
335	Drew Ridgeway	2
331	Brielle Michener	3

Early Jr. Ewe Lamb:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
330	Kyle MacCauley	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
335	Drew Ridgeway	4
339	Justine Swartz	5

Late Jr. Ewe Lamb:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
340	Brianna Taylor	2
339	Justine Swartz	3
326	Kyle Harris	4
335	Drew Ridgeway	5

Pair of Ewe Lambs:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
339	Justine Swartz	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
335	Drew Ridgeway	4
326	Kyle Harris	5

Exhibitors Flock:

330	Kyle MacCauley	1
335	Drew Ridgeway	2
340	Brianna Taylor	3
339	Justine Swartz	4
336	Gregory Surgenor	5

NTSRI Volunteer Opportunities for the Tunis Pride Photo Contest and the NTSRI Website Manager!

If you enjoy communicating with members across the United States and Canada, enjoy working on the computer and you are interested in volunteering for NTSRI, these are two volunteer positions which might be perfect for you. Sharon Kerns from WindSong Farms in Harvard, MA has been chairing the Tunis Pride Photo Contest for two years as well as updating the various events, activities and photos for the NTSRI website and liaising with our webmaster. Due to a growing number of grandchildren, she is stepping down this month to spend more time with her family. Sharon is more than happy to discuss these volunteer activities as well as mentor any volunteer. If you think you might be interested in volunteering, please contact your Director or Sharon Kerns – sharonkerns@charter.net or 978-456-1240

We would like to thank the Ohio State Tunis Association for a successful National show. The 2014 National Tunis Show was held at the Ohio State Fair and was judged by Billy Wade. The show had 31 exhibitors from 6 states that showed 139 head of quality Tunis. Below are the show results:

12 YR Rams

Don Craft, IN
Riverwood Farms, OH
Brown Family Tunis, OH
Heidi Barkley, PA
RQL Farms, NJ
Barnes Farms Genetics OH
Darling Tunis, OH
MJM Family Farm, OH
Russ Johnson Family,
Hope Mann, OH

1 Fall RL

RQL Farms, NJ

2 Jan. RL

R Schambow, WI
MJM Family Farm, OH

9 Feb. Ram Lamb

Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH
Bruns Tunis, OH
R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
Hope Mann, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Triple M Ranch, IN
Emily Burns, OH

5 March RL

Seth Fuhrman, IN
R Schambow, WI
Big Time Tunis, OH

4 Slick Shorn RL

RQL Farms, NJ
Barnes Farms Genetics, OH

5 Pairs RL

R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ

Senior Champion Ram – Don Craft – Yearling Ram

Reserve Senior Champion – Riverwood Farms – Yearling Ram

Junior Champion Ram – Rachel Schambow – January Ram Lamb

Reserve Junior Champion – Jacci Erwin Tunis – February Ram Lamb

Grand Champion Ram – Don Craft - Reserve Grand Champion – Riverwood Farms

17 Early Yr Ewes

Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Kyle MacCauley, PA
Bruns Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Darling Tunis, OH
Triple M Ranch, IN
Triple M Ranch, IN
ShadyBrook Tunis, OH
MJM Family Farm, OH
Dana Gochenour, VA
Hope Mann, OH

17 Late Yr Ewes

Riverwood Farms, OH
Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Brown Family Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
Sarah Fuhrman, IN
Heidi Barkley, PA
RQL Farms, NJ
K & C Copeland, OH
Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH
Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH

16 Slick Shorn YE 13 Pairs

Kyle MacCauley, PA
Heidi Barkley, PA
Kyle MacCauley, PA
Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
Barnes Farms, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Hope Mann, OH
Joey Crawford, OH
Darling Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Battle Run Farms, OH

Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH
Darling Tunis, OH
Dana Gochenour, VA
Hope Mann, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Triple M Ranch, IN
K & C Copeland, OH

4 Fall Ewe Lambs 12 January EL

Heidi Barkley, PA
RQL Farms, NJ

21 February EL

R Schambow, WI
Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Riverwood Farms, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Big Time Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
MJM Family Farm, OH
Triangle Farm Tunis, IN
Scarlet & Gray, OH

11 March EL

Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow WI
RQL Farms, NJ
Riverwood Farms, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
R Schambow, WI
Brown Family Tunis
Bruns Tunis, OH
Jacci Erwin Tunis
Mattilyn Maag, OH
Brown Family Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
Sara Fuhrman, IN
Big Time Tunis, OH
Dana Gochenour, VA
Darling Tunis, OH
Hope Mann, OH

2014 National Tunis Show Results cont'd

8 Slick Shorn EL

Heidi Barkley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Big Time Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
RQL Farms, NJ

12 Pairs Ewe Lambs

Kyle MacCauley, PA
R Schambow, WI
Brown Family Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
Bruns Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH
Dana Gochenour, VA
Darling Tunis, OH
Triple M Ranch, IN

7 Flock

R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
Big Time Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ
Darling Tunis, OH

6 Get of Sire

R Schambow, WI
Bruns Tunis, OH
RQL Farms, NJ

Senior Champion Ewe – Riverwood Farms – Late Yearling Ewe

Reserve Senior Champion – Kyle MacCauley – Early Yearling Ewe

Junior Champion Ewe – Rachel Schambow – January Ewe Lamb

Reserve Junior Champion – Kyle MacCauley – February Ewe Lamb

Grand Champion Ram – Riverwood Farms

Reserve Grand Champion – Kyle MacCauley

PREMIER EXHIBITOR – Rachel Schambow

EXHIBITORS: Heidi Barkley, PA; Barnes Farms Genetics – Tim & Debbie Barnes, OH; Battle Run Farms, OH; Big Time Tunis – Mike & Kathy Niese, OH; Colten Brown, OH; Brown Family Tunis, OH; Bruns Tunis – John & Irene Bruns, OH; Emily Burns, OH; K & C Copeland, OH; Don Craft, IN; Jackson Crawford, OH; Joey Crawford, OH; Darling Tunis – Jim & Louise Dunham, OH; Jacci Erwin Tunis, OH; Sara Fuhrman, IN; Seth Fuhrman, IN; Dana Gochenour, VA; Russ & Molly Johnson & Family, OH; Mattilyn Maag, OH; MJM Family Farms – Matt & Jennifer Maag, OH; Hope Mann, OH; Kyle MacCauley, PA; Riverwood Farms, OH; RQL Farms – David & Sandra Rock, NJ; Scarlet & Gray Farm – Max Garmon, OH; Rachel Schambow, WI; ShadyBrook Farm – Todd & Dianna Brisco, OH; Ruby Stack, OH; Triangle Farm Tunis, IN; and Triple M Ranch – Jeff & Morgan Munsey, IN.

Message from The Show and Sale Committee

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 National Show will be held at Eastern States Exposition in Mid-September and the 2016 National Show will be held at the NAILE.

The 2014 Jackpot show is just a couple months away. The Jackpot Show will take place right after the open Tunis Show at NAILE. We will have 9 breeders showing 14 ewes.

As fall lambing will soon be upon us, remember these lambs are always sale favorites. Keep your entries for the 2015 National Sale held in Wooster OH in mind as lambs hit the ground.

Best of Luck to everyone at the fall shows,

The Show and Sale Committee

Troy Staple, Georgina Anderson

2014 TUNIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 20th 2014 @ 2:00 PM - Northeast Tunis Regional Show, Mallary Complex, Eastern States Exposition (ESE), West Springfield, MA www.bigE.com

September 27th - October 5th, 2014 - Keystone International Livestock Exposition (KILE), PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center, Harrisburg, PA www.keystoneinternational.state.pa.us (More information coming soon)

October 17th - 18th, 2014 - New York All Breeds Bred Ewe Sale, Rhinebeck, NY
(Entry Deadline - August 20th) www.bannersheepmagazine.com

November 2014 - Tunis Junior Show & Tunis Open Show (date & time to be determined) North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE), Louisville, KY www.livestockexpo.org

2014 Tunis Yearling Jackpot Show - 1 hour after the Tunis Open Show (date & time to be determined)

Welcome

NTSRI would like to welcome new members! The summer has been busy for Associated Registries 31 new or returning members joined NTSRI between May to August. Members from 16 states and 2 Canadian provinces were registered as new members! If you see a member from your state or region, take some time to give them a call or send them a note to welcome them as members of the National Tunis Sheep Association!

1. Betty Braiden
Rainbow Farms
119 Ann Street
Shelburne, ON L9V 2W5
Canada

2. Bonnie Feist
Wolly Wood Ranch
288 St. Rd. 46
Amery, WI 54001

3. Susan Kidney
375 Mary George Road
Chicora, PA 16025

4. Russ & Molly Johnson
Family
3020 Fox Lake Road
Wooster, OH 44691

5. Colton Brown
4485 Stillwell Beckett
Oxford, OH 45056

6. Jake Allen
10291 S. Wildcat Road
Molalla, OR 97038

7. Dascia Tessier
10416 Rasa Drive
Stover, MO 65078

8. William & Kathy,
McCullough Farm Tunis
1228 Sam Brown Road
Kings Tree, SC 29556

9. Lynanne Woolley
41 Main Street
P. O. Box 14062
Forestville, NY 14062

10. Betsy Loum
18396 Rocky Hill Lane
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11. Donald E. Ayers
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AHSA Office Relocation



The AHSA Board of Directors would like to announce that since the current office lease in Milo, IA expires in the fall of 2014 that a decision has been made to relocate the office to Wamego, KS. *(NOTE: The National Tunis Sheep Association contracts Associated Registries through the American Hampshire Sheep Association to provide services to NTSRI. Services include: Tunis Sheep registry, database maintenance, membership registry, and a registry of Christened Tunis Sheep names.)*



Plans are in place to move the computers and office equipment the last week of September. The Iowa office will remain open through September 26th. The move will occur over the weekend of September 27th and 28th. The plan is to have the registry program up and running on September 29th in Wamego. New staff is being hired and will go to Iowa to learn as much as possible about the registry program prior to the relocation of the office. We expect little to no interruption of service as we transition the office to Kansas.



Please note the address for the Kansas office is PO Box 231, 305 Lincoln, Wamego, KS 66547. The phone number is 785-456-8500. The fax number is 785-456-8599. Continue to mail your registry work to the Milo, Iowa office prior to September 23rd. All rush work can be emailed or faxed to the Iowa office through September 26th. If you have any questions about this transition please call Jeff Ebert, AHSA Executive Secretary at 785-458-9174.



Offering a blend of technical knowledge, history, and easy-to-use tips, this inspiring collection of spinning wisdom deftly explores the three fundamental areas of yarn production: understanding fibers, managing

yarn structure, and making yarns that precisely meet the spinner's needs. The rich, historic traditions of plant and animal fibers are fascinatingly juxtaposed with recent advances in synthesized fiber and mankind's use of fibers in the past, present, and future, while detailed, image-laden instructions for four intermediate projects demonstrate the range of possibilities, from sturdy, plied yarns to playful, novelty yarns. Spinners are also offered guidance on planning a project from start to finish, as well as how to care for and store completed projects.

The Ultimate Guide to Understanding, Using, and Loving this Most Fabulous Fiber



In this complete guide to wool - the most popular yarn around - passionate wool expert Clara Parkes translates the vast world of sheep and their wool into the language and context of knitting.

What is wool? Clara starts with the fundamentals: what wool is made of, how it gets off the sheep, and

how it is transformed from a jumbled mass of dirty fluff into a gorgeous yarn that so tempts us at our local yarn stores.

Who makes it? Parkes conducts an inspiring tour of sheep breeds from around the world - introducing us to the animals who give us their wool - and explains how to best knit with yarns made from their fibers.

Which yarn do I use? If only there were a way to read a skein to know how it would behave and what it wanted to become. Now there is! Parkes demystifies the generic (non-breed-specific) wool yarn you'll find at your local yarn shop, showing you how to best determine what every yarn longs to be.

The Knitter's Book of Wool teaches you everything you need to know about wool - and its journey from pasture to pullover. The next time you pick up a skein, you won't have to wonder what to create with it. You'll just know.

News From Region 4

Well Ohio has been a busy area for Tunis breeders this summer with the National show and sale both being in our state this year.

I want to take the time to first of all thank all the contributors to the buckets that were handed out to all the exhibitors at the National Tunis Show at the Ohio State Fair. Louise did a wonderful job of getting all the coordination done and making sure everyone received their buckets. I also want to thank all the exhibitors that took the time to travel to Ohio for the show. Now, that the calendar has turned to September and most all of us are deep into breeding season I want to wish you all a great fall season. I am looking forward to seeing lambs on the ground come next winter into spring already looking for that superstar lamb. I also want all members to remember to feel free to contact your directors with questions and problems. May you all have a great fall and winter; looking forward to seeing all my sheep buddies at NAILE.

Thanks
Tom
Region 4

News from Region 7

As we are winding down the summer show season and ramping up for the Fall here in Region 7 it has been busy. Here at Murry Farms we have been to shows around Missouri and Indiana. We were able to represent the Tunis breed at the Ozark Empire Fair in the All other Meat Breeds. At the Missouri State Fair we had our numbers up and had a couple of new breeders show. The Tunis breed is continuing to rise.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at NAILE and excited to see all the quality Tunis on exhibit. It is always nice to see other breeders that we only get to see maybe once or twice a year and to fellowship with them as well as talk sheep.

I wish everyone safe travels and good luck as we start breeding and lambing seasons. I am grateful to service as the Region 7 Director and work with so many amazing people. If you have anything you want to talk about or I can help with feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lynn Murry Jr., Region 7 Director

Region 6 NTSRI Report.

We are proud to report that there have been some winners coming out of Region 6 this summer throughout the country. Morgan Munsey had a great day at The All American Jr. Show. Morgan had Reserve Champion Tunis Ram, Reserve Champion Tunis Ewe, and Grand Champion Tunis Market Lamb. Morgan was also the recipient of the Top Gun award for the Tunis Breed.

Next we go on to the National Tunis Show at the Ohio State Fair where Region 6 NTSRI Members Don & Jane Craft won the prestigious title of "NATIONAL CHAMPION TUNIS RAM". Congratulations Don & Jane.

Two weeks later we go to the Indiana State Fair. We appreciate Mary Ann Johnson for taking the time to be our Judge. The competition was on and at the end of the day. The Murry family from Missouri had Grand Champion Tunis Ram in the open show. Triple "M" Ranch / the Munsey family Had Grand Champion Ewe in the open show. The Grand Champion Indiana Class Champion Ewe & Champion Ram went to Triple "M" Ranch of Lafayette Indiana. Don & Jane Craft of Flora Indiana captured the 2014 Indiana Premier Breed Award. We look forward to seeing all of our Tunis friends at the shows to come between now and the NAILE at Louisville Kentucky.

Ladies of Tunis will be hosting the 3rd Annual "Show Barn Crock Pot Show Down"

If you would like to knock **Richard Schambow Sr.** off of his throne, as **"King of the Show Barn Crock Pot Show Down"** then bring your best crock pot recipe to the Big Time Tunis Hospitality Area at 11:45 on Tuesday, November 18. We will be sampling and judging the best food in the Show Barn during lunch.

***Members can sample 1 entrée for \$1.00 or sample all entrées for \$5.00.**

LAMBCHOP CHATTER

BY: MICHAEL NIESE

DID YOU KNOW...

THAT: Amanda Summe, Arcadia, IN granddaughter of Don and Jane Craft won \$1000.00 Scholarship from NTSRI. Amanda plans to attend the University of Indianapolis. She plans to study Accounting and Finance.

DID YOU KNOW...

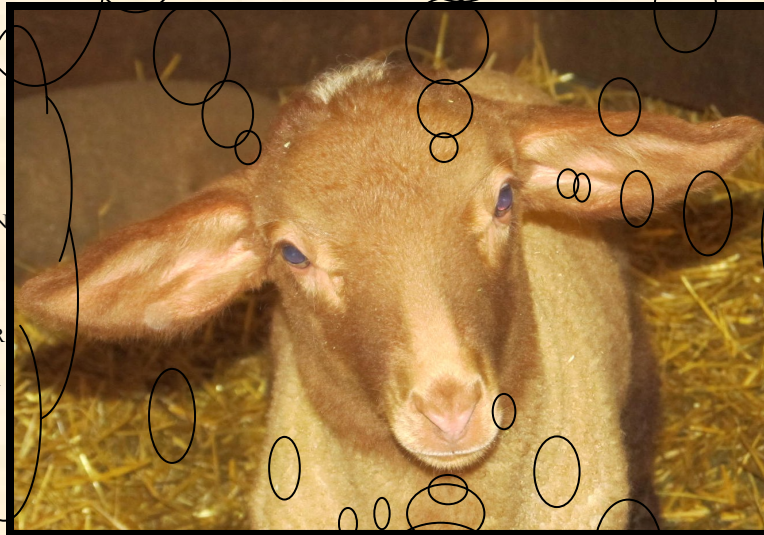
THAT: Brianna Taylor, Daughter of Jerry and Darlene Taylor, won \$1000.00 Scholarship from NTSRI. She plans to attend Salem State University, in Massachusetts. She is looking forward to studying Marine Biology!

DID YOU KNOW...

THAT: DREW RIDGEWAY, LIBERTYTOWN MARYLAND, WON A \$1000.00 SCHOLARSHIP FROM NTSRI. DREW PLANS TO STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHWEST OHIO!

DID YOU KNOW...

THAT: SHARON KERNS IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE OVER THE PHOTO CONTEST! ANY TAKERS?



DID YO:U KNOW...

That: Rachel Schambow spent the summer traveling in Scotland! Can't wait to catch up with her in Louisville!

DID YOU KNOW...That:

Jessica Swihart, Moonlight Tunis graduated from college and is now working at Farm Bureau Insurance, Ottawa, Ohio.

DID YOU KNOW... THAT: Ladies of Tunis will be hosting the Yearling Ewe Jackpot in 2015! The first payment will be due by October 3, 2015. Any purebred registered Tunis Sheep may enter the show. Send the payments to: Kathy Niese, 8777 Rd I-7, Ottawa, Oh 45875

DID YOU KNOW...

That: there are 201 members sharing information on Tunis Sheep on Facebook. What a great way to connect with Tunis enthusiast all over the country!



May



June



July



August

NTSRI Tunis Pride Photo Contest

During the months of May, June, July and August we have received some terrific photos, especially those with our junior members of NTSRI. Again, as always, in the eyes of the Committee all of the photos are a winner which makes it hard to choose just one!

We would like to take this opportunity to feature our winners.... May, Leanne Von Kappel; June, Brianna Taylor; July, Jim & Louise Dunham; August, Mandy, Justine & Robin Swartz. When you have an opportunity, please visit NTSRI website and view our recent winning photos and the photos for the past year.

On behalf of the NTSRI Tunis Pride Photo Contest Committee, I would like to thank everyone who submitted photos to date. It is always a pleasure to see each and every photo submitted.

To qualify for each month you need to send the photo by the 10th of the month. If you send an entry, please fill in and sign the photos release form located on the NTSRI website (one time only). Winners will receive a free ad with two photos on the NTSRI website (Ad Section). If your photo is not chosen for the month submitted, we may re-nominate the photo for another month.

We like photos which reflect the month in which they are nominated. Fall is rapidly approaching as well as Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas....great photo opportunities to mention just a few.

As always.....get your camera, cell phones and iPods out and start clicking those Kodak moments!

Thanks.

DON'T FORGET YOUR ENTRIES FOR NAILE!

OCTOBER 1, IS THE DEADLINE TO ENTER.
REMEMBER TO SEND \$15.00 FOR BOTH OPEN AND JUNIOR
SHOWS, PLUS

\$8.00 TO SUE ANDERSON

515 CARPENTER CREEK ROAD, HUSTONVILLE, KY 40437

2014 TUNIS MESSENGER AD RATE CHART

Get your website advertising for **FREE!** MEMBERS WHO PLACE A 1/4 PAGE AD OR LARGER WILL RECEIVE A **FREE** AD ON THE NTSRI WEBSITE! CONTACT KATHY NIESE AT KATHY.NIESE@GMAIL.COM.

DISPLAY ADS Black and White

Ad Size	Per Issue	4 Issues Prepaid
1 page	\$75	\$275
1/2 page	\$45	\$160
1/4 page	\$25	\$90
Business Card	\$15	\$50

DISPLAY ADS Color (will only available on the website)

Ad Size	Per Issue	4 Issues Prepaid
1 page	\$150	\$550
1/2 page	\$90	\$320
1/4 page	\$50	\$180
Business Card	\$15	\$100

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Ads will run for 60 days, and can be renewed by resubmitting.

Text with one photo.....\$10.00

Text with two photos\$15.00

Please contact the webmaster, Sharon Kerns

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Winter IssueJanuary 15

Spring Issue.....March 15

Summer Issue.....June 15

Fall Issue.....October 5

2014 Tunis Ewe Lamb Futurity

In order to encourage youth in the Tunis breed and to promote Tunis sheep, the American Tunis Registry and the National Tunis Sheep Registry Inc. is establishing a joint Tunis ewe lamb futurity. This Futurity is open to any youth with a guarantee payout of at least \$2,000.00 in premiums from nominations and corporate sponsors. In order to qualify for the contest, junior members purchased top quality Tunis ewe lambs at any open-bidding sale.

So far we have four junior members who have turned in points from futurity shows. Our preliminary rankings so far is: 1st place Jake Allen of Oregon with 59 points (a ewe lamb purchased from Triangle Farms); 2nd place is Jasmine Hill of Oregon with 51 points (a ewe lamb purchased from Michael Wise); 3rd place is Mattilyn Maag of Ohio with 47 points (a ewe lamb purchased from RQL Farms); and 4th place is Alex Endicott with 25 points (a ewe lamb purchased from Uptown Farms). Juniors you have 21 days after a show to turn in your points to either Lacey Allen of Oregon or Dale Huhnke of Indiana.

Some major shows are coming up to show your Tunis such as the Big E and KILE. And don't forget to enter NAILE by October 1.

We are pleased that these Tunis breeders nominated ewe lambs in the 2014 futurity contest: Uptown Farms of Missouri; Barnes Farms Genetics of Ohio; Brown Family Tunis of Ohio; Bruns Family Tunis of Ohio; Cass Hollow Tunis of Wisconsin; Dirk and Michelle Wise of Pennsylvania; Don and Jane Craft of Indiana; J&J Suffolks and Tunis of Pennsylvania; Maple Hollow Tunis of Pennsylvania; Michael Wise of Pennsylvania; Riverwood Farms of Ohio; RQL Farms of New Jersey; S& T Tunis of New York; Stumpe Family Tunis of Missouri; Triangle Farms of Indiana; and Woolly Hollow Farm of Virginia.

Submitted by Dale Huhnke

Christened Names (May thru August)

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Christened</u>
MJM Farms/ Matthew & Jennifer Maag	Rampage
MJM Farms/ Matthew & Jennifer Maag	Richy Rich
MJM Farms/ Matthew & Jennifer Maag	Rock-It
Hope Mann	Eric
Uptown Farms/Matt & Kate Lambert	Cowboy Cut
Woolmark Farm/ Dwight Barney	Jim Dandy
Esther Patterson – Wool E Farm 4	Clifford
Esther Patterson – Wool E Farm 3	Peggy
Esther Patterson – Wool E Farm 6	Cookie

For complete list of Christened Names check the website at: www.tunissheep.org

LADIES OF TUNIS TO SPONSOR 2015 TUNIS YEARLING EWE JACKPOT SHOW!

FIRST PAYMENT DUE OCTOBER 3, 2014!

The Ladies of Tunis will sponsor the 2015 Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show! The show provides Tunis breeders the opportunity to nominate bred and owned ewe lambs with the hope that they will mature into the ewe that will win the National Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show in the following year. The show will be an annual event to be held each year at North American International Livestock Exhibition (NAILE); anyone may enter with sheep registered purebred sheep. A special Yearling Ewe Class at NAILE will determine the winners. Ewe lambs nominated in 2014 will be shown at NAILE 2015 as yearlings and so on year after year.

2015 Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show Nomination Form

Breeder's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Current Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Ewe Tag #: _____ Registration # _____

Date of Birth: _____

Sire: _____ Sire Reg. #: _____

Dam: _____ Dam Reg. #: _____

Ewe Tag #: _____ Registration # _____

Date of Birth: _____

Sire: _____ Sire Reg. #: _____

Dam: _____ Dam Reg. #: _____

Agreement: I hereby certify that I have received a copy of the rules governing the Tunis Yearling Ewe Jackpot Show and will follow said rules for nomination, sustaining entries and showing animals. I will hold safe from any action the "Ladies of Tunis" and the Director of the Jackpot Show.

Signature and Date _____

Payment Dates (Ladies of Tunis) will send out reminders by email only, for sustaining entries)

- 3, October 2014 \$5.00/entry
- 30 November 2014 \$5.00/entry
- 1 April 2015 \$10.00/entry
- 1 July 2015 \$30.00/entry

Payout

- 100% of entry fees and donor support, less costs (prizes and 10% to Ladies of Tunis), will be distributed to the first 5 places in the Jackpot Show
- 1st place-50%; 2nd place-20%, 3rd place-15%, 4th place-10%, 5th place-5%

Sponsor: Ladies of Tunis is the sole sponsor of the National Jackpot Show; NAILE is not a Sponsor.

Additional Forms will be available on the NTSRI Website, or call Kathy at 419-969-0783.

What is a Jackpot Show?

- Breeders invest a fee to nominate several lambs, sustain their entries over a year and finally enter best animals in the show. Cash awards will be paid back to the top 5 individuals in the show. The total purse is dependant on breeder participation and vendor support.
- Additional financial support will be solicited from the agribusiness and the sheep industry
- This will be a show case event at the NAILE each year and separate from youth and open shows that will be running in parallel.

Goals of the Show

- Provide a showcase event for the Tunis Breed
- Promote increased interest in Tunis sheep
- Create a high value contest for Tunis Breeders

Rules of Entry and Eligibility

- The event will be sponsored and managed by the Ladies of Tunis Sheep organization.
- Ewe lambs shall be born between the inclusive dates of 1 September and 1 May of the period (18 to 26 months) previous to the show
- The four tooth rule applies and will be enforced
- Participant must own the Dam(s) of the Show nominee(s) at the time of birth
- The eligibility of any properly nominated and sustained ewe may be transferred to a new owner, provided the new owner stays current on all payments and abides by the rules; the new owner can show and receive all prizes
- All entry fees are to be submitted to "Ladies of Tunis"
- Nominated animals whose sustaining payments are not received by the due dates will be disqualified; monies paid will not be reimbursed
- Ewes that are eligible for the event can be shown in both the open fair classes and the Jackpot Show
- The animal's pedigree, breeder and owner may be introduced as they enter the ring
- Ewes must be registered for the NAILE Show in order to gain entry to the grounds for the Jackpot Event

Nomination Process

- Nominate as many ewe lambs as you like prior to September 15, 2013 (Nomination Form); one or all of these lambs can be shown in the Yearling Jackpot Show the following year if all fees are paid; normally as time progresses you will nominate fewer lambs with each payment
- You may cease to continue nominations at any time; no money is refunded and the ewe is not eligible to re-enter the contest
- All fees must be paid on time; reminders will be sent by email prior to due dates.

Ewes cannot be shown if fees are delinquent

- Forward completed forms to Kathy Niese, 8777 Rd I 7, Ottawa, OH 45875
- 2nd, 3rd and 4th round entries need to be accompanied by a check with the nominees identified on the attached Sustaining Entry Form.

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