

The Suffolk Newsletter

United Suffolk Sheep Association



This is your LAST chance!



The 2011 Amnesty Program includes *late transfers* as well as *late registrations*. Transfers over 60 days and registrations for sheep over 1 year of age are \$6.00/head. If you know of an individual that would like to join the association or has not been active within in the last few years, now is a great time to get flocks current! I have had several phone calls from members who are encouraged the amnesty program is back again this year because they did not take advantage of it last year. *I encourage current USSA members and prospective members to take advantage of the Amnesty Program!*

**Do not forget to submit your amnesty registrations
and/or transfers by December 31, 2011!**

President's Message

Dear Suffolk Enthusiasts,

I hope this message finds you well and anxiously anticipating the 2012 lambing season. Suffolks have been well received across the US in 2011. The range ram sales were strong in the western US this fall, club lambs sales were hot across the country, and breeding sheep were well received during the sale season. Many Suffolk breeders met for the North American International Livestock Exposition to watch the junior and open Suffolk Show and attend the USSA Annual Meeting. Prior to the annual meeting a board meeting took place in which new board members were installed.

I would personally like to welcome Rex Quam and Lisa Webster as newly elected members to your United Suffolk Board of Directors. I am confident they will make positive contributions to your association. Likewise, I express my sincere gratitude to retiring members: Tom Burke, Richard Schambow, and Andrew Hukowicz. You will continue to see these people donate time to the association in other ways.

What's on the horizon? The USSA will be hosting a Suffolk Seminar entitled

"SUFFOLKS TODAY AND TOMORROW" in Sedalia during the Midwest Stud Ram Sale. Look for more information coming this spring. Brookings, South Dakota is the selected location for the 2012 Junior Show. Taylor Peck and the Junior Board are busy organizing this year's show. Dustin Knapke along with Sam and Pat Wiford are organizing the Midwest Regional Junior Suffolk Show August 2, 2012. This show will be held in conjunction with the Ohio State Fair and entry forms will be available on the USSA website April 1st.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Donner Trail Ranch, Renn Vue Farms, and Christopher MacCauley for their Suffolk accomplishments at Louisville. During the NAILE junior show Chris's Suffolk Yearling was named junior Supreme Champion Ewe. In the Open Suffolk Show the Paasch Family exhibited the Champion Ram and the Renn Family showed the Champion Ewe.

In closing, please contact your directors or the USSA office with any suggestions or concerns you have related to the Suffolks. As in the past these people are dedicated to making the Suffolk Association the best it can be. I look forward to visiting with you at Suffolk events in 2012.

As the Holiday Season comes upon us I would hope that all of you take time to count your Blessings.

Sincerely,

Rob Zelinsky, President

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USSA Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to Tom Schambow and Monica Ebert, recipients of the USSA Scholarships! Each recipient will receive a \$1000 scholarship, paid directly towards the institution they attend.

Tom is currently attending the University of Wyoming where he is working towards a degree in Business Management and a minor in Plant Science. Upon graduation, Tom plans to work in agricultural management position in a landscape and nursery company. Tom also plans to stay actively involved with his family's Suffolk flock.

Monica is currently a junior at Kansas State University where she is working towards a dual degree in apparel design and marketing. Monica is also a member of the wool judging team at Kansas State. Upon completion of her bachelor's degree, Monica plans to pursue a Master's and PhD in apparel design with emphasis in wool research.

Congratulations to this year's scholarship winners!



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Message from the UJSSA President

Suffolk Juniors,

I am happy to report good news in the UJSSA. We had a great time at NAILE! The Junior Association gained 28 new members as a result of the market lamb monies program. Thank you to Bill Gergen and the Senior Board for funding this program. All Suffolk Junior Exhibitors were invited to a Junior Social on Saturday where they received a T-Shirt and enjoyed pizza for lunch! Thank you to those who placed bids at our Silent Auction and to everyone who purchased raffle tickets!! Also, a BIG thanks to our 2012 sponsors. Your continuous support is greatly appreciated and our Junior Association would not be as strong without you. If you were not in Louisville, but are interested in sponsoring a class at the 2012 National Junior Suffolk Show in Brookings, South Dakota, please contact a Junior Director. Banners will also be available for a discounted price of \$50 for our sponsors and will be hung at the Jr. Show and then given to you afterward.

If you have never been to one of our National Jr. Shows, I would strongly encourage you to come out next 4th of July weekend. It will be held July 5-8 in Brookings, South Dakota at the SDSU facility. The Junior Board is extremely excited to be working with the Minnesota and South Dakota Suffolk Associations in the planning and organizing of this year's show. It will be another for the books guaranteed!!

ATTENTION: T SHIRT CONTEST!! Please email us your ideas for this year's T-Shirt to be given out at the Junior Show! Please email Junior Coordinator, Andy Asberry at aasberry@aol.com or myself, peck676@yahoo.com.

I wish everyone a great holiday and a happy lambing season!

Sincerely,
Taylor Peck
UJSSA President



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Futurity Points

District 1

1st - Stetson Burgess (CA) - Ream 11TG20 (0626)

District 2

1st - Riggen Zelinsky (SD) - Kimm 11089

2nd - Rhett Zelinsky (SD) - Kimm 11039

2nd - Alison Heitz (TX) - Baumgartner 1184

4th - Raesa Zelinsky (SD) - Kimm 11050

District 3

1st - Molly Jo Woods (IL) - Lyn Lee 11026

2nd - Cole Damman (IA) - MacCauley 2391

3rd - Cody Damman (IA) - Lyn Lee 11024

4th - Katherine Newhouse (IA) - Damman 11-212

District 4

1st - Ashley Gouge (DE) - Flying G 2102

2nd - Marissa Bilyeu (PA) - Quam 982 RRNN

3rd - Kyle Baubonis (ME) - Lyn Lee 11057

3rd - Kyle Baubonis (ME) - Quam 1030 RRNN



Thank you to the USSA members who nominated futurity lambs!

California

- Freitas Family, Allan & Norma Freitas
- Neumiller Suffolks, James Newmiller
- Windswept Ranch, Chuck Ream

Iowa

- Damman Suffolks, Chris & Betsy Damman
- Kimm Suffolks, Bob Kimm & Family
- Sandage Farms, Jeff Sandage

Idaho

- Lost River Livestock, Donna Mays

Illinois

- Cahill Suffolks, Pete Cahill
- Corson Suffolks, John N. Corson
- Phantom Hills Fitting & Training, Ethan & Annie Smith

Indiana

- Craft's Suffolks, Don Craft

Minnesota

- Baumgartner Suffolks
- Quam Suffolks, Jerry & Rex Quam

Montana

- Dreher Family Suffolks, Ron Dreher & Family

North Dakota

- Flying G Suffolks, Dave & Becky Gleason

Nevada

- Ruby Mountain Sheep Co. LLC, Cynthia Huckins

Oregon

- Hawkins Farms Suffolks, Joy Hawkins
- Millers Livestock, Brenda Miller
- Mountain High Suffolks, Kendall & Barbara Evans

Pennsylvania

- Lyn Lee Farms, Gerald & Susan Clair
- MacCauley Suffolks, William & Elizabeth MacCauley

Washington

- Clift Livestock, Kerry, Brigid & Cora Clift
- Ike Maxwell

Wisconsin

- Stoney Patch, Sharon & Sam Thiel

2011

NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

NAILE Guys & Gals Lead

Congratulations to Jessica Haskamp who received first place in the adult division Lead Line competition. Jessica lead a Suffolk, Quam 1064, USSA registration #606640, in the competition. Jessica is from Clermont, Florida.



Congratulations to Katie Lynn and Amy Jo Frost, winners of their respective age divisions at NAILE. Both Katie Lynn and Amy Jo lead a Suffolk in their respective age divisions. Both girls led Wiford 138, USSA registration #601541, and are the daughters of Rob and Lisa Frost of Bloomingburg, Ohio.



Katie Lynn Frost, Winner of Class 4 (Age 14-16)



Amy Jo Frost, Winner of Class 6 (Age 17-21)



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NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

Junior Show Results

- Champion Ram - Kanable 953 RR - Andrew Slack
- Res. Champ Ram - Russell Sheep Co 10049 - Jeremy Russell
- Champion Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley
- Res. Champ Ewe - 5 Star 'J' 0123 - Jacinda & Raelynn Thompson

Open Show Results - Slick Shorn Show

- Slick Shorn Ram Sr. Champ - MacCauley 2325 RR - Christopher MacCauley
- Slick Shorn Ram Res. Sr. Champ - WEG 11 J 01 QRNN - W.E. Gergen & Virginia Gergen & I-80 Flock
- Slick Shorn Ram Jr. Champ - Pluto - Phantom Hills Fitting & Training
- Slick Shorn Ram Res. Jr. Champ - DDJ Suffolks 653 - Jacen Wilinski & Danielle Wittmann
- Slick Shorn Ram - Grand Champion Ram - MacCauley 2325 RR - Christopher MacCauley
- Slick Shorn Ram - Res. Grand Champ Ram - Pluto - Phantom Hills Fitting & Training
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Sr. Champ - RennVue Farms NV2948 - RennVue Farms
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Res. Sr. Champ - Stalzer 70 - Wayne Skartvedt Family
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Jr. Champ - Lost River 11-786 RR - Lost River Livestock
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Res. Jr. Champ - Knapke 5727 - Deanna Knapke
- Pair of Slick Shorn Yearling Ewes - Christopher MacCauley
- Pair of Slick Shorn Ewe Lambs - Phantom Hills Fitting & Training
- Slick Shorn Flock - MacCauley Suffolks
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Grand Champion Ewe - RennVue Farms NV2948 - RennVue Farms
- Slick Shorn Ewe - Res. Grand Champ Ewe - Lost River 11-786 RR - Lost River Livestock

Open Show Results - Fitted Show

- Champion Fitted Ram - "Big Gold" Paasch 10-641 RR - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch
- Res. Champion Fitted Ram - Mr. Lucky - Cynthia Huckins
- Sr. Champ Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley
- Res. Sr. Champ Ewe - Donner Trail 10-1714 RR - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch
- Jr. Champ Ewe - Quam 1064 - Jerry Quam & Family
- Res. Jr. Champ Ewe - MacCauley 2422 RR - Christopher MacCauley
- Champion Fitted Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley
- Res. Champion Fitted Ewe - Donner Trail 10-1714 RR - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch
- Best Headed Ram - MacCauley 2421 RR - Christopher MacCauley
- Pair of Yearling Ewes - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch
- Pair of Ewe Lambs - Jerry Quam & Family
- Best Headed Ewe - Sliver Dollar OR1132 - Tad Thompson
- Fitted Flock - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch

Open Show Results - Overall

- Grand Champion Suffolk Ram - "Big Gold" Paasch 10-641 RR - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch
- Res. Grand Champion Suffolk Ram - Mr. Lucky - Cynthia Huckins
- Grand Champion Suffolk Ewe - RennVue Farms NV2948 - RennVue Farms
- Res. Grand Champion Suffolk Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley

2011 NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

Junior Show Pictures



Champion Ram - Kanable 953 RR - Andrew Slack



Res. Champ Ram - Russell Sheep Co 10049 - Jeremy Russell



Champion Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley



Res. Champ Ewe - 5 Star 'J' 0123 -
Jacinda & Raelynn Thompson

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Open Show Pictures



Grand Champion Suffolk Ram - "Big Gold" Paasch 10-641 RR - Donner Trail Ranch, Steven, Bob & Margie Paasch



Grand Champion Suffolk Ewe - RennVue Farms NV2948 - RennVue Farms



Res. Grand Champion Suffolk Ram - Mr. Lucky - Cynthia Huckins



Res. Grand Champion Suffolk Ewe - MacCauley 2314 - Christopher MacCauley

Calendar of Events

- **December 31st** - Last day to take advantage of the Amnesty Program!
- **March 1st** - Last day to take advantage of the reduced rate for 2012 Membership Dues and be listed in the 2012 USSA Directory.
- **July 5th-8th** - National Junior Suffolk Show in Brookings, SD @ the SDSU Campus.



USSA Member News

If you have any news to share, please let our office know so we can include it in our newsletter.



Congratulations to Amanda and Andrew Everts on the arrival of their new baby boy, Greeley Kenneth Everts! Greeley was born November 3rd, 7lbs 13oz, 19.75 inches long. Amanda is the Executive Secretary of the USSA.



Congratulations to Curtis and Laura Pumphrey on the arrival of their new baby boy, Parker Chase Pumphrey (Right)! Parker was born November 18th, 7 lbs 10 oz. Parker's parents, Curtis and Laura Pumphrey, and grandparents, Keith and Jane Pumphrey, are members of the USSA.



Office Notes

We Want Your Photos!

We would like to feature some photos in each of our newsletters of our members and their Suffolks! Whether you have old or new photos, all are welcome. We would also like to use some member photos for promotional materials. If you would like to submit photos, you can mail them to the office address, P.O. Box 995, Ottumwa, IA 52501, and then we can return them to you after we scan them. You can also email any photos to news@u-s-s-a.org. We look forward to seeing all your photos!

What would you like to see in this publication?

If you have any ideas or items you would like to see in this newsletter, send us your input! Or, if you have any news stories, results, photos you would like to share with the rest of the United Suffolk Sheep Association let us know!

Items you would like to submit to the newsletter can emailed to:
news@u-s-s-a.org

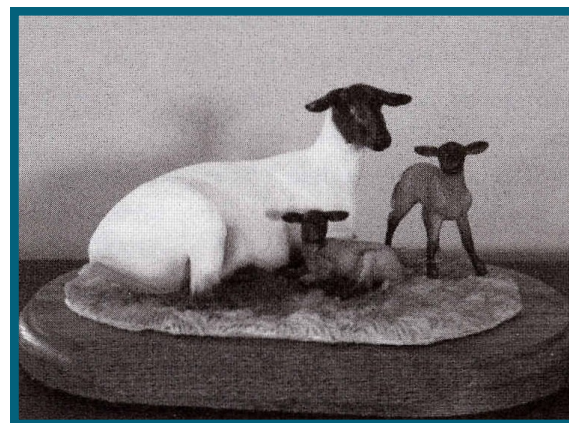


Website

If you have any information you would like included on our website, please let us know. We also welcome any ideas you may have to improve our website.

Looking for great Christmas gifts?!?!

A USSA Suffolk Window Cling or a Limited Edition Suffolk Sculpture would be perfect! Window Clings are \$1 a piece and the sculptures are \$195 per sculpture. Both prices include shipping! Contact the office if you are interested in purchasing any.



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Suffolk Scenes



Milly & Michael Geske with "Buster"

Submitted by Jeremy Geske Family/JMG Suffolks, New Prague, MN

Photo by Andrea Johnson, MN Farm Guide

Classified Ads

USSA Members only. Ads are free. Must be sheep related: animals, vehicles, trailers, equipment, transportation, working dogs, etc. Include your contact information. Email you ad to: news@u-s-s-a.org. The newsletter may not contain all of the classified ads. To find a full listing, please visit our website: www.u-s-s-a.org.

Flying G Suffolks 1913 RR/NN "Big Ben" For Sale

Description: RR/NN, 2 year old Suffolk ram, Birthdate 3/6/09, Champion Yearling Ram at the 2010 Ohio Suffolk Sale. Bloodlines include on the top side: Tom Burke, Peiffer, & VanArkel, on the bottom side: Heggemeier, Flying G & Keith Suffolks. Pictures of Flying G 1913 RR/NN "Big Ben" can be seen on our website www.bluesprucesuffolks.com.

Two ram lambs sired by 1913 RR/NN also for sale. Both are QR/NN.

Price: "Big Ben" - \$600, Ram Lambs - \$350/each

For More Information: Jeff & Deb Bollinger (717) 484-4762

State Suffolk Associations

We would like contact information for all the State Suffolk Associations. If members could please send us the contact information including the website, we would like to put a link on our website to the state associations. Also if the state associations have any news or changes they would like us to include in our newsletter, please send those to us as well.