

United Suffolk Sheep Association
Annual Meeting
North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, Kentucky
November 17, 2014

The United Suffolk Sheep Association Annual Meeting was conducted by President, Rob Zelinsky. President Zelinsky welcomed individuals present and called the meeting to order. The 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 board members were introduced and outgoing board members; Donna Mays, Rex Quam and Lisa Webster were thanked for their service to the association.

Secretary Everts reported for 2014, the USSA had approximately 648 members. Registrations were down as the USSA registered 7,115 Suffolk sheep and transferred 2,944 Suffolk sheep. Secretary Everts reported that in February the office moved to Michigan as her family relocated. She traveled to the National Sale in Ohio in May and the Midwest Stud Ram Sale in June and the National Junior Suffolk Show in July. She encouraged members to share information through the USSA Newsletter which will now be published on a quarterly basis. The newsletter is emailed to over 850 recipients throughout the country.

Treasurer, Rex Quam, reported that the association had a loss of a little over \$4000 in 2013/2014 fiscal year. There were two expenses included in this year's financials which were strictly bookkeeping entries that contributed to loss; cost of the Suffolk sculptures given for the 2013 Hall of Fame (\$2,750) and the new registration program depreciation (\$3,300).

UJSSA President, Chris MacCauley, thanked everyone for making the 2014 National Junior Suffolk Show in Hutchinson, Kansas a success. Past coordinators were thanked for their service to the UJSSA and the 2015 junior coordinators, Taylor Peck and Janet Hukowicz were introduced. Chris noted that a sign-up sheet for sponsorship of the 2015 junior show was available at the meeting for those who were interested in supporting the show.

Janet Hukowicz, Scholarship Committee Chair, announced that Chris MacCauley and Jennifer Frost were selected recipients of the 2014 USSA Scholarship and that Katie Frost was selected as the recipient of the 2014 Let's Grow Suffolks Scholarship.

President Zelinsky reported that the USSA board has nominated Billy Wade and Jeff Repasky as 2 of the 4 individuals the membership will vote on as judges for the 2015 NAILE Open Suffolk Show. President Zelinsky called for judge nominations from the floor; Skip Anderson was nominated to judge the fitted show and Craig Beckmeir and Jeff Neal were nominated as judges for the slick shorn show. Bill MacCauley made motion to cease nominations. The motion was seconded by Sam Wiford. The motion passed. Members should see Amanda during the Open Suffolk Show on Tuesday to cast their vote.

Hall of Fame Presentation

Tom Burke mc'd the Hall of Fame Presentations briefly noting on each inductees accomplishments and asking the inductee/inductees family to come forward and briefly mention a few words. Each of the inductees received a Suffolk Sculpture with the details regarding the 2014 Hall of Fame and their name engraved on a plate on the base of the sculpture. The following Hall of Fame Inductees or Inducee's family were present for the evening: Andrus Suffolks, Ken & Jim Andrus, Tom Burke, Joe Holbrook, Bob Kimm, Norman Olsen Family and Tom Slack, Slack Club Lambs.

Inductees who were not present but honored were Andy Asberry, Jim & Jacky Caras and Hawkins Farm Suffolks, Glen "Sadie" Hawkins and Joy Hawkins Marvin & Sandy Heupel.

President Zelinsky called for any new business from the floor, there was none. The meeting was adjourned.

Greg Deakin again donated pages for the 2015 Suffolk Directory. The proceeds of the directory ads will go to the USSA. Bill MacCauley auctioned off the directory ads.

Back cover to Rex Quam, for \$2000
Inside front cover to Bill MacCauley for \$1200
Page 3 (across from inside front cover) to Donna Mays for \$800
Inside back cover to Bob Kimm for \$1000
Middle right center to Larry Pauly for \$850
Middle left center to Kim Ketcham for \$950

Bill MacCauley auctioned off sterling silver sheep lapel pin donated by Vincent Farms to Tom Burke for \$200. Proceeds from the pin go toward the UJSSA.