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La Société Canadienne des Éleveurs de Moutons

All Canada Classic:

The 2018 All Canada Sheep Classic was held at the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Complex in Truro, NS from July 5th-7th. The friendly East Coast extended a warm welcome to consignors as they arrived from all across Canada.

The 3-day event was sponsored by the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association and hosted by the Purebred Sheep Breeders Association of Nova Scotia. A Shepherd's Social of Nova Scotia Wine and Cheese was held for exhibitors and sponsors on Thursday night providing a great opportunity for everyone to catch up after their travel time. A fabulous lamb and lobster banquet followed on Friday at the Holiday Inn, which also included the Good Shepherd and GenOvis Award Presentations as well as an auction. The Classic also included a trade show, a national fleece competition and back fat and loin-eye ultrasound demonstrations.

On Friday, 47 consignors of 14 breeds presented their sheep to judges Jane Palmer and Jennifer Mutch of PEI who provided the show placements for the 198 animals. The Supreme Champion Ewe was a Shropshire (Son Risen 2356E) consigned by Andy Pearson of Son Risen Farms from St Mary's ON. The Supreme Champion Ram was a Texel (Orchardview 922E) consigned by Gordon Walker of Orchardview Farm from Glencoe, ON. The Supreme Champion Flock was awarded to the Texels consigned by Gordon Walker of Orchardview Farm from Glencoe, ON.

On Saturday, buyers from all 10 provinces purchased 188 of the 197 animals offered for sale. Prices averaged \$551 for ewes and \$779 for rams. The top-selling ewe was a Suffolk (Stonehill 10F) consigned by Paul Dick of Stonehill Sheep from Chatsworth ON and was purchased for \$1800 by Ewetopia Farms of Kingston ON. The top selling ram was also a Suffolk (Stonehill 6F), consigned by Paul Dick of Stonehill Sheep from Chatsworth ON and was purchased for \$3500 by Ewetopia Farms of Kingston ON.

Breed averages and sale results for every animal can be found on the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association website at www.sheepbreeders.ca. Photographs of the champion animals are also posted online.

The CSBA is extremely appreciative of the tremendous national support it receives from new and long-time sponsors, exhibitors, consignors and buyers. The Purebred Sheep Breeders Association of Nova Scotia demonstrated a friendly and outgoing experience as they hosted another successful Classic. The Classic is only possible with such an enthusiastic and dedicated group of volunteers.

The 2019 All Canada Sheep Classic will be held in Humboldt, SK from July 18th -21st. For further information, please contact Linda Brandes, General Manager of the CSBA, at 1-866-956-1116 or at office@sheepbreeders.ca
All Classic information can be found at www.sheepbreeders.ca and don't forget to follow us on the Classic Facebook page.

Constitutional Amendments: Each CSBA member will receive a list of amendments required to keep the CSBA's constitution up to date. You will be receiving these along with your membership renewals. The amendments include a vote on a) Junior member status b) Grading up for Canadian Arcott and c) update the year letter designation. Please vote!

CLRC Website: The new website is up and running and we appreciate all the feedback regarding any issues or recommendations. The CLRC is working very hard to address any concerns. When purchasing purebred registered animals, be sure to check on the CLRC website for confirmation. This is a great way to be sure your animals are registered. You can search by seller information (shows if they are a current member), by breed information or by animal identification. You will also find the forms for registration and transfer available. If you need assistance, please contact Sarah, our sheep Registrar at CLRC at 1-877-833-7110 ext 306

CSIP Tags: CSIP Tags can be ordered online at www.wool.ca or by calling 1-800-488-2714 (Ontario and EAST) or 1-800-567-3693 (Manitoba and WEST). If you are requiring a replacement Allflex or Shearwell Tag, please fill out the online form for lost tags.

CSBA Annual Photo Contest:

The CSBA's third annual photo contest will take place in 2019. The entry period will be from January 1st to February 28, 2019. Photograph entries must be submitted electronically and include registered Canadian sheep. There will be an online form available once the contest opens so be sure to check back to submit your entry!

Annual General Meeting:

The Canadian Sheep Breeders' Annual General Meeting will be held in Leduc, AB on Saturday, March 23rd, 2019. The location, meeting agenda, guest speaker and tour location will be announced in early 2019.

In order to stay on the mailing list, it is important to have a current CSBA membership and active email address. Please renew your membership now by contacting the CLRC on-line at www.clrc.ca or by calling Sarah Holmes at 1-877-833-7110 ext. 306.