

Department 4 – Sheep, Wool Fleece and Fiber Arts

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Sponsored by Hoke Mills, Inc.

See General Livestock information. Entry fee: Adult: \$4.00 per animal; Youth: Free (Sponsored by Farm Credit)

Health Rules:

1. Individual official animal identification is required for all sheep. Official ID includes: A USDA ear tag with a US shield **US**; or a legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database a.k.a scrapie tattoo (flock ID in the right ear - state postal code and letters/numbers - and individual animal ID in the left ear; or a breed registration tattoo if the animals are accompanied by a registration certificate (copy acceptable) and the tattoo is legible.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be on the CVI.
3. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) **issued after May 1** is required. A current **rabies** vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals 3 months of age and older.
4. For a list of vaccination requirements for out-of-state animals call the Fair office.
5. **All sheep except whethers must bear an official USDA/APHIS eartag to be exhibited at the show. Sheep from flocks on the voluntary scrapie program must bear the official eartag, tattoo, or electronic ear implant.**

General Rules:

1. All livestock must be shown by the exhibitor that it is registered under unless the exhibitor has more than one animal in the class and then one animal must be shown by the registered exhibitor.
2. Exhibitor must own all entries for at least 30 days prior to day of showing.
3. Any animal of unthrifty nature, unsuitable condition, or which cannot be satisfactorily handled under show conditions must be removed from the fair grounds.
4. A Pen of Lambs consists of two ram lambs and two ewe lambs.
5. A Flock consists of one ram, any age; two ewes, one year and under two years; and two ewes less than one year.
6. Breeder's Young Flock consists of one ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all born to and owned by exhibitor.
7. A Get of Sire consists of four breeding animals, any age or sex, the get of one sire. Get of Sire need not be owned by exhibitor.
8. Registration papers and health papers must accompany animals.
9. Space is limited. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. In the event that space for all entries is not possible, each exhibitor will be limited to 6 head.
10. No equipment, feed, hay, bedding, etc. will be allowed to be stored in pens in the barns. These items must be kept in trailers.
11. **Livestock may not be removed before 10:00 p.m. on Saturday and no vehicles or livestock trailers may go to the barns before 10 pm. All premiums will be forfeited by all exhibitors who's animals are being transported with a vehicle/trailer entering the grounds before 10 pm.**
12. **Junior Livestock or Open market animals may be shown in breeding or market classes but not both.**
13. **The Livestock Entry Form can be found at the back of this book or on the Premium Book page on the web site at www.southmountainfair.com and must be returned to the South Mountain Fair by July 6, no exceptions.**

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BREEDING

Note: The same classes and premiums below apply to each of the following breeds.

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| Section 1 - Cheviot | Section 10 - Natural Color |
| Section 2 - Columbia | Section 11 - Oxford |
| Section 3 - Corriedale | Section 12 - Rambouillet |
| Section 4 - Dorset | Section 13 - Shropshire |
| Section 5 - Katahdin | Section 14 - Southdown |
| Section 6 - Hampshire | Section 15 - Suffolk |
| Section 7 - Leicester | Section 16 - Commercial Crossbred |
| Section 8 - Cormo | Section 17 - Other wool breeds |
| Section 9 - Montadale | Section 18 - Other meat breeds |

	Premiums:	\$20.00	15.00	11.00	9.00		
Class						Class	
1	Ram Lamb under 1 yr					3	Yearling Ram 1 yr & under 2 yr
2	Pair of Ram Lambs under 1 yr					4	Pair of Yearling Ram Lambs
	5	Champion Ram					Rosette
	6	Reserve Champion Ram					Rosette

Class						Class	
7	Ewe Lamb under 1 yr					9	Yearling Ewe 1 yr & under 2 yr
8	Pair of Ewe Lambs under 1 yr					10	Pair of Yearling Ewes
	11	Champion Ewe					Rosette
	12	Reserve Champion Ewe					Rosette

Class						Class	
13	Pen of Lambs					16	Get of Sire
14	Breeder's Young Flock					17	Honorable Mention
15	Flock						

Section 19 – Good Housekeeping Awards

Each exhibitor will be judged daily on the cleanliness, decoration and overall presentation of the exhibit area and animals.

Class		Premiums
1	Cumulative prizes	20.00

Section 20 - Supreme Champions

Class		Premiums
1	Supreme Champion Ram	Rosette
2	Supreme Champion Ewe	Rosette



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WOOL FLEECE

General Rules:

1. Exhibits will be accepted on Sunday July 21, 2024, between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., and on Monday July 22, 2024, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. **The General Entries Registration Form may be used if mailed by July 14. The General Entries form can be found at the back of this book or on the Premium Book page of the web site at www.southmountainfair.com.**
2. Wool exhibited must be produced by the exhibitor who must have owned the sheep from which the fleece was shorn.
3. All wool exhibited must be shorn within 12 months of the Fair.
4. The fleece should be submitted in a CLEAR plastic bag.
5. Wool will be judged on Tuesday morning.
6. Premiums will be offered on merit of excellence, not entry alone. Therefore, in any one class all premiums may not be awarded, if in the judge's opinion, the other entries do not merit placement. This may result in the omission of some placements such as first or second for awarding of only a third.
7. Exhibitors may enter as many classes as they wish, one entry per class.
8. At the judge's discretion, no ribbons will be awarded in classes where the exhibits are not deemed worthy.
9. **Exhibits will be released to exhibitors after the Fair on Sunday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. No prize money will be awarded for exhibits removed in violation of this rule. No ribbons will be mailed, any unclaimed ribbons will be reused next year. Any exhibits not picked up on Sunday will be available in the Fair office on the second Monday of August from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Any exhibits not taken at that time will be discarded.**

Section 21: White Spinning Grade Fleece

Class	Premiums:	\$4.00	3.00	2.00
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Section 22: Colored Spinning Grade Fleece

Class	Premiums:	\$4.00	3.00	2.00
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FIBER ARTS

General Rules:

1. Exhibits will be accepted on Sunday July 21, 2024, between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., and on Monday, July 22, 2024, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. **The General Entries Registration Form may be used if mailed by July 14. The General Entries form can be found at the back of this book or on the Premium Book page of the web site at www.southmountainfair.com.**
2. Skeins must be finished (e.g. washed, steamed) and securely tied using a figure 8 tie.
3. Skeins must be at least 20 yards in total length of yarn.
4. Skeins should be a balanced yarn, single or plied. May be natural colored or dyed.
5. All fiber arts entries must have been made within the past year and must be the work of the exhibitor.

Section 23: Fiber Arts

- | Class | Premiums: | \$4.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 |
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| 1. | Any fiber handspun and displayed on the drop spindle. | | | |
| 2. | Wool or wool blend yarn (must be at least 50% sheep wool) | | | |
| 3. | Handspun, hand-woven item | | | |
| 4. | Needle felted item | | | |

- | Class | Premiums: | \$5.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 |
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| 5. | Spinners Basket: A basket of exhibitor's choice containing no less than 3 skeins and not more than 5 skeins. Skeins may be different colors, fibers and techniques, but must coordinate to create a pleasing effect. Each skein should be at least 20 yards in length. | | | |
| 6. | Breeders Flock Display: At least 2 skeins of yarn, each skein at least 20 yards in length and one handmade item made by the breeder entirely from fiber from his or her own flock. Must be displayed attractively with photo(s) of the animal(s) that produced the fibers. Space limit of 2' wide x 14" long x 16" high. | | | |

Section 24: Best of Show Awards, Wool Fleece and Fiber Arts

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| 1. | Best of Show White Fleece | \$6.00 |
| 2. | Best of Show Colored Fleece | \$6.00 |
| 3. | Best of Show, Fiber Arts | \$6.00 |

