



# MULE SHEEP NEWS

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NAMSS Three-Tier sheep breed displays



Judge: David Cruikshank placing Mule lambs



Clun Forest ewe w/ Clun Mule lambs

The North American Mule Sheep Society held its 1st annual "Mule Sheep and Bluefaced Leicester Progeny Show" on September 7th, 2008 in conjunction with the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival in Jefferson, Wisconsin.

After drenching rains prior to the Festival weekend we were very fortunate to have three days of fair weather and sunshine, and the WSWF reported a record number of spectators thru the gates. There were over 45 sheep penned that represented seven different farms participating in the sheep classes, 3-tier exhibits and breed displays. The educational talks by Graham Phillipson and Mark Lelli were well attended with plenty of questions and interaction from those on the bleachers. Many in attendance took advantage of the promotional materials on hand at the various breed display tables, as these frequently needed replenishing. I would like to thank the scores of other sheep producers and sheep industry leaders who turned out to participate in the sheep show classes (or were enlisted to handle sheep), as well as those who lent a hand to set up and take down the NAMSS Three-Tier, and Breed Association displays, and all those who with their support helped make this event a success.

Our judge, David Cruikshank, and his wife Jane flew in from Castle Douglas, Scotland and they were more than happy to share their knowledge and answer questions from the exhibitors and festival goers. David is the current President of the UK's - BFLSBA and has recently published a write up of his American Experience for their Association newsletter. It can be accessed thru the UK-BFLSBA website: [blueleicester.co.uk](http://blueleicester.co.uk), and by clicking on the "Newsletter & Promotional Materials" button for the Autumn 2008 issue.

With the start of the new year comes the time for organizing our 2nd Annual Mule Sheep & Bluefaced Leicester Progeny Show. Plans are underway with the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders and the WSWF committees for the 2009 Show. It is hoped to once again secure a judge from the UK to preside over the event, and to possibly expand on the number of entries and the diversity of the educational information available to prospective grass fed sheep producers. As plans progress you will be able to find information about the Mule Sheep show at the website locations listed below, and also posted in *The Shepherd* magazine.

For more information visit:  
[www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com](http://www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com)  
[www.MuleSheep.blogspot.com](http://www.MuleSheep.blogspot.com)  
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## NAMSS SHOW RESULTS

**Judge:**

**David Cruikshank, Castle Douglas, Scotland**

Mule lamb 1st-Littledale, WI  
 2nd-Muleflock, MI  
 3rd-Little Prairie Cluns, WI  
 4th-Muleflock, MI  
 5th-Littledale, WI  
 6th-Muleflock, MI  
 7th Little Prairie Cluns, WI  
 8th-Psalm23-WI  
 9th-Psalm23-WI  
 10th-Muleflock, MI

Mule ewe 1st-Muleflock, MI  
 2nd-Littledale, WI  
 3rd-Littledale, WI  
 4th-Muleflock, MI  
 5th-Little Prairie Cluns, WI

Champion Mule- Littledale, WI  
 Res. CH Mule- Muleflock, MI

Hill Dam w/ Mule progeny  
 1st-Littledale, WI  
 2nd- Muleflock, MI  
 3rd-Little Prairie Cluns, WI  
 4th-Muleflock, MI

Champion Hill Dam- Littledale, WI  
 Res. CH Hill Dam- Muleflock, MI

Mule Dam w/ terminal lamb  
 1st-Littledale, WI  
 2nd-Muleflock, MI  
 3rd-Muleflock, MI

Champion Mule Dam- Littledale, WI  
 Res. CH Mule Dam- Muleflock, MI

Mule progeny w/ Bluefaced Leicester Sire  
 1st-Muleflock, MI  
 2nd-Littledale, WI  
 3rd-Little Prairie Cluns, WI  
 4th-Muleflock, MI

Champion Progeny Group- Muleflock, MI  
 Res. CH Progeny Group- Littledale, WI



CH Hill Dam w/ Mule Progeny Littledale



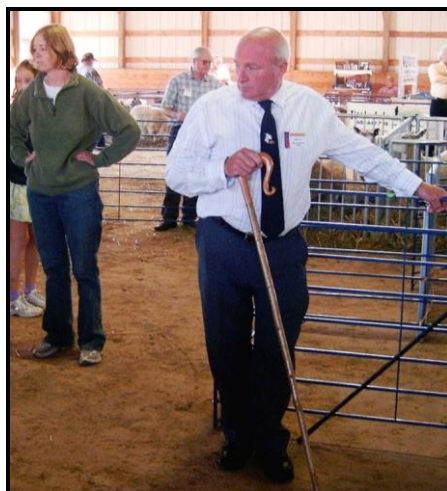
1st prize & Champion Mule  
 Littledale



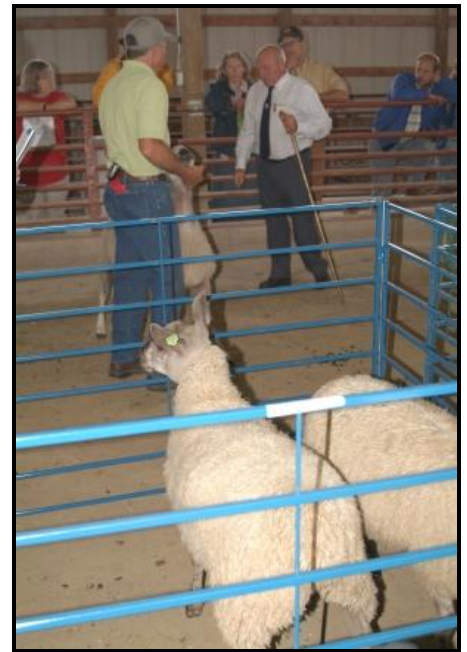
1st prize & Res. CH Mule -  
 Muleflock



Judging Mule Ewes



Judge ~ David Cruikshank



Judging Mule Progeny Groups

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FOR SALE: Scotch Mule Ewes - in lots of 4 or more, eight available, born 2008, \$225 each. Scottish Blackface Rams, from imported Scottish lines, born 2008, \$350 each. Border Collie puppies, born November 28, 2008, Black and White, excellent working parents. One male and one female left, \$350 each. Contact Graham or Margaret Phillipson, Littledale Farm, Richland Center, Wisconsin, 608-647-7118, email: littledalefarm@apmt.com, www.littledalefarm.com.

FOR SALE: Bluefaced Leicester rams for Purebred and Crossbred Maternal sires, imported UK, Elite Plus bloodlines, codon ARR. Direct enquires to: beechtrfrm@aol.com, or visit: beechtreefarm.com.

### Little Prairie Cluns



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