

LEAD LINE

SHEEP AND WOOL FASHION SHOW

SUPERINTENDENTS

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ARRIVAL

Lead Line sheep should arrive before 8am on the Saturday of the show and will be released following the Lead Line Classes. Contestants should check in with the Lead Line Superintendent with their garment on a hanger **by 8am** and turn in their commentary at that time (please note **NEW** check-in time for garment).

SHOW

Saturday, September 17, 2011
12 noon, Arena 2
Saturday, September 24, 2011
12 noon, Arena 2

SPECIAL RULES

**PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE TWO LEAD LINE COMPETITIONS
– SPECIAL RULES APPLY: SEE #7–**

1. Open to all registered breeds of sheep; only ewes any age to be used.
2. **READ GENERAL RULES.** All entries and awards within this show will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations published in this Premium Book.
3. **PREJUDGING.** All garments, on hangers and labeled with contestant name and age division, are to be brought to the livestock office by 8am and checked in. Garments will be released by 11:30am, if not before. The PA system will keep contestants posted.
4. The purpose of this competition is to present a class of prize sheep in the most attractive manner possible, where spectators gain a true sense of the versatility and beauty of wool, and share in our commitment to the dual purpose and wool breeds of sheep.
5. Entrants must wear a garment of 100% wool or wool-blend of at least 80% wool and furnish their own garments. No Lead Line outfits allowed from previous years. In case of a tie, handmade construction will be given extra consideration. Contestants will lead a ewe over six months of age that must be under control and presented in the most attractive manner possible. The pair should enhance each other.
6. An entry consists of a \$4 fee, accompanied by the class number, contestant's name, age, mailing address and social security number. Entries received by August 15 will receive two passes by mail. The committee has the right to edit the commentaries. Post entries are accepted.
7. **ENTRANTS MAY EXHIBIT BOTH WEEKS BUT MUST USE TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT OUTFITS AND SHEEP.**
8. The Big E offers the following premiums:

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

A: \$ 75	55	45	35						
B: \$125	90	75	55	40	30	25			
C: \$125	90	75	55	40	30	25	25	25	25

CLASS

9000 Novice (5–9 years)
9100 Junior (10–15 years)
9200 Senior (16–21 years)
9300 Adult (22 years and over)
(Age as of the date of the show)

PREMIUM

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Entrants must supply a **TYPEWRITTEN AND DOUBLE SPACED COMMENTARY** with name, address, city, state, zip, age, school if applicable, breed of sheep, sheep's name and age and whether animal was fitted and trained by contestant. State if contestant made the garment and describe the garment using the pattern envelope description. Commentary should be limited to 100 words, approximately 50 words on the contestant, awards and hobbies, and 50 words about the garment.

The sheep should be owned or leased by the contestant. Normal health and registrations apply. All breeds must be fit to show standards - NO DUNG OR DIRT TAGS.

SCORECARD

GARMENT – Prejudging	40 points
Construction Quality	10 pt.
Material Quality	10 pt.
Style and Fashion	10 pt.
Degree of Difficulty of Design	10 pt.
Handmade by Exhibitor	5 pt. bonus
Handmade by Others	2 pt bonus
SHEEP - Ring Judging – Visual Appraisal	30 points
Properly Fitted for Breed/Type	10 pt.
General Appearance and Cleanliness	10 pt.
Control and Presentation	10 pt.
Fitted/Trained by Exhibitor	5 pt. bonus
CONTESTANT - Ring Judging	40 points
Garment Fits Well	10 pt.
Garment is Age Appropriate	10 pt.
Poise and Appearance of Contestant	10 pt.
Proper Presentation and Attentiveness	10 pt.
Grand Total – 110 to 120 points	

WEEK 1 AWARDS

- CHAMPION AWARD – HUKOWICZ FARM SUFFOLKS, HADLEY, MASS.,** offers a new sewing machine.
- MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF SHEEP PRODUCERS** through funding from an American Sheep Industry grant, offers fabric and sewing aids.
- NORTHEAST SUFFOLK ASSN.** offers \$25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Suffolk in each class.
- THE NORTHEAST DORSET ASSN.** offers \$10 to the highest placing contestant leading a Dorset in each youth class.
- THE NORTHEAST SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSN.** offers \$10 to the highest placing contestant leading a Southdown in each class.
- THE NEW ENGLAND HAMPSHIRE SHEEP ASSN.** offers \$10 for the highest placing contestant leading a Hampshire in each class and a \$25 bonus for first place in each class.
- THE AMERICAN CHEVIOT SHEEP SOCIETY** offers \$25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Cheviot in each class.
- PIKESIDE FARM, THE POITRAS FAMILY, BRIMFIELD, MASS.,** offers a leather halter for the highest placing male contestant overall.
- STONY FARM, THE MACPHEE FAMILY, HOLDEN, MASS.,** offers an award of wool fabric.

WEEK 2 AWARDS

- CHAMPION AWARD – AUBURN SEWING CENTER, CHRISTINE HUMPHREY, AUBURN, MASS.,** at (800)339-3369 offers a sewing or a felting machine.
- MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF SHEEP PRODUCERS** through funding from an American Sheep Industry grant, offers fabric and sewing aids.
- WINDSONG FARM, BILL AND SHARON KERNS, HARVARD, MASS.** offers \$25. to the highest placing contestant in the Adult class leading a Tunis.
- HALF PINT FARM, JERRY AND DARLENE TAYLOR, SHIRLEY, MASS.,** offers \$25 to the highest placing contestant in the Senior class leading a Tunis

AMOUR ACRES, DEVON NEWTON, CHEPACHET, R.I. offers \$25 to the highest placing contestant in the Junior class leading a Tunis.

SMALL FRY FARM CONTINUED, ANNA CHAREST, BRIMFIELD, MASS., offers \$25 to the highest placing contestant in the Novice class leading a Tunis.

NATIONAL TUNIS SHEEP REGISTRY, offers \$10 to any contestant leading a Tunis.

THE AMERICAN BORDER LEICESTER ASSOCIATION offers \$25 to the highest placing leading a Border Leicester in each class.

LIGHTNING RIDGE FARM offers \$20 to the highest placing contestant leading a Corriedale in each class.

GOLDEN FLEECE FASHIONS, ADELE DUPONT, CANTERBURY, CONN., offers a choice of sheepskin mittens or slippers.

THE AMERICAN COTSWOLD RECORD ASSOCIATION offers \$10 to the highest placing contestant leading a Cotswold in each class.

THE TEXTILE CO. INC., GREENFIELD, MASS., offers a \$25 gift certificate to the winner of the Novice class.

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