Thirty years ago this month, my husband and I bought 10 acres of mostly meadow land which was part of a farm that had been divided up a few years before. In Vermont at the time, whether someone bought a house lot or ten acres, the cost was about the same. We were really looking for a house lot that would have good soil for a large garden and a few animals; but after months of looking for an acre or less, we settled on this 10 acre property near where we were currently renting.

We built our small house (with a 20 month-old boy in tow and a second on the way) with the help of friends; got a large garden planted, some chickens and pigs, and leased most of the land to a farmer who would cut the hay. After one hay crop, he decided the acreage was too small for him to bother with, and he chose to not renew the lease the following year. We were left with what to do with this productive land? A fence salesman caught my eye at the county fair that second summer and convinced me that if I bought his electric sheep fencing, that sheep would be easy keepers and take good care of our land….and after having a “lawn sale” to get rid of unneeded household items, I had enough cash in my hand to buy some sheep. I knew nothing about them, but thought spinning wool and making garments for my family could be pretty cool. Blind leading the blind, and learning about 2 breeders that had ewes to sell, I visited the one that returned my calls and bought four sheep: 1 corriedale, 1 romney, 1 columbia and 1 dorset….two lambs, and two older ewes which were bred before I brought them home in October. I was in business. That winter, I signed up for a sheep raising class sponsored by the local extension service and drove 25 miles on seriously snowy roads to attend the 4 meetings. All the other breeders attending the classes laughed at me when I said my goal was to grow nice animals with beautiful fleeces and to make them pay for themselves. In the spring, the two bred ewes had their lambs with no problems…and I bought a colored Romney mom and her baby…and a colored ram of questionable breeding. During my second lambing season, all but one of the first ewes I bought had serious issues at lambing time and I had over $1,000 in vet bills (in 1980!!) plus 1 dead mom, 1 sterile mom, and 3 dead lambs, mainly from my and the vet’s lack of sheep experience. I thought, “Am I cut out for this sheep stuff?”

Since we had these ten acres we did not want to see grow up into goldenrod and rag weed, and since I am not a quitter, I vowed to learn all I could about sheep husbandry in order to be more successful in the future. I had never heard of Border Leicesters. In 1985, the shearer I used told me about his experience with Border Leicesters and how they should improve my cross-bred flock, both for size and fleece quality. He gave me the names of some breeders in New England and I found a nice ram. The resulting offspring from my cross-bred ewes were consistently large, deep bodied, and had beautiful soft lustrous fleeces. I was hooked! I was able to purchase some purebred ewes and continued to find quality rams, both colored and white, and within a few years, my flock was up to nearly 100 including lambs. By now we were using some of our neighbors land, and were successfully feeding all these sheep on less than 16 acres (late spring, summer and fall), mainly on grass.

My original goal of raising quality animals with quality fleeces has not changed over the years…and this year is my 21st year with Border Leicesters. They are still my favorite breed; I never tire of seeing them lying in the green grass chewing...
Letter from the editor…

Hello! I hope everyone’s Fall is going well and your ewes are getting bred. I am extremely sorry this newsletter is late!! I had it all finished and then my computer crashed!!! I thought I had all the work I have done backed up on another hard drive. When I went to retrieve it, it was not there, so I lost everything. This newsletter is shorter than normal because I wanted to get the Summer edition out to the members. If I forgot something you have sent me, I am sorry in advance and please send it to me again! On a happier note, the photo contest is now opened up to adults!!! Please feel free to send your entires to me the rules are on page 12. Feel free to contact me with any questions or articles at newsletter@ablasheep.org.

Sarah Hopkins
Presidents Message

It is hard to believe that summer is nearly over and school will soon be beginning. Many activities involving Border Leicesters and the fine people who raise them have occurred since our last newsletter. It is a chance to interact with fellow breeders and the exchanging of ideas that help cement the bond that so many have with our breed of sheep.

Shows and sales offer keen competition but the bigger picture is that they put our breed on display with other breeds of sheep and give us all a chance to meet. Each time we display our Border Leicesters we give the public a positive image about our sheep.

With high fuel and high feed costs, I believe the dynamics of the registered sheep industry will change. Breeders are going to demand sheep be easier to maintain and Border Leicesters are exactly that. It is very easy and economical to raise Border Leicesters and that is the message we need to get out to future sheep breeders. As an association we will promote and publicize that fact and as breeders we need to educate the public each time someone stops at our pens to look at our sheep.

Breeding season will soon be here so make sure your rams are in good condition and ready to go to work. The saying that your ram is half the flock is true. Take your time when you make your mating selections and calculate what will work best. That is the fun part of working with genetics and the rewards, when they work, are very satisfying.

Greg Deakin
...their cud with their heads high up in the air; or baby lambs with tiny shiny curls and big ears; or their wonderful dispositions. I currently keep approximately 35 sheep over the winter and breed 20 to 25 each year.

My goal of having them pay for themselves has been realized in all but one year. Starting small (and since most moms have twins or triplets), and selling their fleeces for top dollar, selling breeding stock and custom freezer lamb (at $3.50 or more per pound hanging weight plus processing); hand-spun and hand woven goods, I have banked all their income in their own bank account and our farm (and flock) is improved little by little. They have paid for all their fencing, feed, replacement rams, and additions to our small barn and have given us legitimate tax deductions as a farm. For many years, I have been a vendor at a popular farmers market, selling handspun and commercially spun yarn, hand-knit or woven articles, as well as skins and roving when available. I am able to sell handspun for $4 or more per ounce and 4oz commercially spun skeins for $10 to $12 a skein. If I do not have the wool commercially spun, I sell the raw wool (at a vending space at the New York Sheep and Wool Festival) that is well skirted for $8 to $14 a pound (and nearly double that if it is washed). Since Border Leicesters grow such long wool, I am able to get two lamb clips; one from most of the lambs in the fall (including those that go to slaughter) and another the following spring…so my 35 adults and 35 or so lambs will give me 75 to 100 fleeces a year to sell one way or another.

My third goal of learning all I can about sheep husbandry is a continuing one. Nearly every year, I experience a new challenge; whether it is a complicated lambing birth or realizing a lamb can untie the bailing twine holding an unused creep gate along the wall and can die when the gate falls on top of it and is crushed to death (lesson: be sure to double knot that twine!). I try and help new breeders when they have trouble, especially during lambing time (often over the phone), hoping that they will not have to experience what I did my first few years.

What if we had found that “perfect one acre” we were looking for? I would not have had sheep to keep down the grassy fields…What would our lives be like? Looking back over my nearly 30 years of being a shepherd, there have been many added bonuses I could not have imagined. The biggest bonus is all the wonderful people I have met throughout North America (and even some around the world) with the common bond of sheep and/or their fiber…and there is something special about these bonds that I think people with other interests or hobbies do not experience. Most of my long time friends are somehow sheep related and I cannot imagine how empty (and less rich) my life would be without them.
How to Reduce Ear Tag Losses

For maximum retention & the lowest risk of bleeding & infection, place two-piece tags ear tags in either of the 2 red spots. For one-piece loop tags use only the lower red spot. Avoid the large center vein.

- Experience all over the world demonstrates that much higher tag retention and less tissue reaction/infection/animal stress occurs if tags are inserted when the sheep or goats are young (less than a month old). We tag all our lambs with 2 small tags. When added to the breeding flock we cut out a small tag and replace it with a larger tag in the existing hole.

- When tagging adult sheep, insert the tag 2-4 inches from the skull (2 in. for small breeds, 4 in. for larger breeds and adult rams). For lambs, try to insert the tag 2 in. from the skull

- If you hit the the large veins in the ear, the wound will bleed profusely, heal slowly and may become infected. So work to avoid them.

- Avoid button tags for sheep/goats. Why? Because they are more prone to snagging and, because they prevent air from access the wound, may heal more slowly.

- Avoid low fiber diets. Why? Because lambs on high grain and liquid diets crave to chew on anything-including tags.

- If possible, insert tags in the winter. Why? Because tagging is a wound to which flies are attracted. If summer tag insertion is essential spray the outer side of the inserted tag and ear with permethrin as a short term fly repellent.

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New York Sheep & Wool Festival

Show - Friday, October 17th, 2009 at 1:00pm
Sale - Saturday, October 18th, 2009 at 10:00am

There are Border Leicesters Entered!!!

Contact the Banner Sale Management for more information!

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National Border Leicester Sale Report

DATE: June 20 & 21, 2008
LOCATION: Springfield, Illinois
JUDGE: Tor Sorensen, AZ
AUCTIONEER: Gary Saylor, OH
SALE MANAGER: Banner Sale Manage-ment Service, IL
SALE GROSS: $7,550.00
SALE TOP: $900.00

SALE AVERAGES BY CLASS:
1 Yearling Ram $900.00
2 Spring Ram Lambs $375.00
4 Yearling Ewes $475.00
8 Spring Ewe Lambs $334.38
1 Nat. Colored Spring Ram Lamb $450.00
3 Nat. Colored Spring Ewe Lambs $291.67
19 TOTAL HEAD AVERAGED $397.37

The Champion Ram at the National Border Leicester Sale went to Deakin Family Farms on a Yearling Ram. He sold to Bridgette Eldridge, CA for $900. The Reserve Champion Ram was the first place Spring Ram Lamb from Phelps' Farms. He sold to Maybe Tomorrow Farm, RI for $300.

The Champion Ewe was the first place Spring Ewe Lamb bred by Maybe Tomorrow Farm. She sold to Deakin Family Farms, IL for $575. The Reserve Champion Ewe honors went to Deakin Family Farms on the first place Yearling Ewe. She sold to Phelps Farms, IA for $500. Deakin Family Farms then sold a pair of Yearling Ewes to Kristen Whiteside, NV for $500 each.

In the Spring Ewe Lamb class, Cinderella Farms, TN picked up the second place lamb from Deakin Family Farms for $500. Cinderella Farms, TN later picked up another Deakin lamb for $400.

The Champion Natural Colored Border Leicester Ram honors went to Tiffany Deakin on her Spring Ram Lamb. He sold for $450 to Lyle Behl, IL.

The Champion Natural Colored Border Leicester Ewe was the first place Spring Ewe Lamb bred by Seldom Seen Farm. She sold to Jerry & Dean Early/ZNK Border Leicesters, OH for $425. The Reserve Champion Natural Colored Ewe was won by Tiffany Deakin on her second place Spring Ewe Lamb. She sold to Landis Farm, PA for $250.

Winning the Townsend Best Consignment Award was Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL.

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Supreme Champion ram Oregon Flock & Fiber 2005
Glen Eidman trophy for overall champion at Black Sheep Gathering 2006
Supreme Champion ewe Oregon Flock & Fiber 2007

Di Waibel, Mist O Morn Farm, Canby, Oregon
2008 Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival Results

BLACK BORDER LEICESTERS-

YEARLING RAM –
1) & 4) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
3) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV;  
5) The Bierhuizen Family, Spirit Hill Farm, Culpeper, VA

JUNIOR RAM LAMB
1) & 3) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) & 4) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

PAIR OF RAM LAMBS –
1) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

CHAMPION RAM –
Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA

RESERVE CHAMPION RAM –
Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL

WHITE BORDER LEICESTERS-

YEARLING RAM –
1) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
2) & 4) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV;  
3) & 5) Overlook Manor, Warrenton, VA

JUNIOR RAM LAMB –
1) & 4) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
2) & 3) Marilyn & Gilbert Fogle, Fogle Farm, Raymond, OH

PAIR OF RAM LAMBS -
1) Marilyn & Gilbert Fogle, Fogle Farm, Raymond, OH;  
2) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL

CHAMPION RAM -
Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL

RESERVE CHAMPION RAM –
Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

YEARLING EWE –
1) & 4) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
2) & 3) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
4) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
5) The Bierhuizen Family, Spirit Hill Farm, Culpeper, VA

PAIR OF YEARLING EWES –
1) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV;  
3) Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL;  
4) The Bierhuizen Family, Spirit Hill Farm, Culpeper, VA;  
5) Linda & Bill Koeppe, Cape House Farm, Ann Arbor, MI

JUNIOR EWE LAMBS–
1) & 2) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
3) & 4) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

PAIR OF EWE LAMBS –
1) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

CHAMPION EWE –
Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

RESERVE CHAMPION EWE–
Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA

FLOCK –
1) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA;  
2) Kelly Mansfield, Spring Breeze Farm, Kearneysville, WV

BEST FLEECE – 1) Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA

PREMIER EXHIBITOR – Overlook Manor Farm, Warrenton, VA

MARYLAND SHEEP & WOOL SUPREME CHAMPION EWE
Deakin Family Farms, Cuba, IL (Border Leicester)
Cape House Farm

Beautiful White and Colored Border Leicester Sheep!

As always, we had a great time in Maryland. Thanks to our buyers.

One yearling left- smaller ram with silver grey fleece.

One very reliable six year old ram we want to find a good home for.

We had a great 207% lamb crop blacks, pure white and white b/f rams and ewes.

A lot to choose from.

We welcome calls (and visits)

Linda and Bill Koeppel
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koeppels@peoplepc.com
**American Border Leicester Association**  
**Standard of Excellence**  
**Guide for Judging Border Leicester Sheep**  
*(Applies to both white and natural colored animals)*

### HEAD & NECK (10 Points)
- **HEAD:** High, erect ears  
  Spots on ears permissible  
  Roman nose  
  Black nose and lips (dark mottled with grey acceptable)  
  No mottling on muzzle  
  Both sexes polled  

- **NECK:** Moderate length, fitting into shoulders gracefully

### FOREQUARTER (5 Points)
- **SHOULDER:** Well rounded  
  **LEGs:** Straight, wide apart, no wool below knees

### BODY (15 Points)
- **CHEST:** Deep and wide, but not fat  
- **RIBS:** Well sprung, long, showing no signs of excess fat  
- **BACK:** Broad, long and level  
  Somewhat narrower in front than rear  
  Hindquarters should be 1/3 or less in proportion  
- **WOOL COVER:** Belly and armpits well-covered with wool (minimum of skin) and consistent with balance of fleece

### HINDQUARTERS (10 Points)
- **HIPS:** Level, smooth and wide apart  
- **THIGHS:** Deep and full  
- **LEGs:** Straight, wide apart, free of wool below hocks  
  No evidence of low pasterns  
  Black hooves  

- **UDDER & SCROTUM:**  
  Ewes – Udder should show evidence of two good teats  
  Rams – Testicles well-developed and hanging down a distance from the body

### CONDITION (10 Points)
Animals should be in working condition, well-muscled, and not overly fat or thin.

### GENERAL APPEARANCE (10 Points)

- **STANCE:** Overall appearance to be regal in structure  
- **QUALITY:** Should be strong-boned  
  Rams to appear masculine  
  Ewes to appear feminine  

### WOOL (40 Points)

1. Locks with purled tips ending in a curl  
2. High luster  
3. Minimum of kemp hair  
4. Uniform fleece and belly wool  
5. No black spots in white, no white spots in black wool

Border Leicesters are typically shown with 3-5 month of wool growth, so that the judge can accurately evaluate the fleece, one of the most important characteristics of the breed. They are relatively easy fit for exhibition. They should appear clean and neat, but never shampooed, as this would remove the natural oil from the wool. A light spritzing with Luke warm water can emphasize the natural curl of the fleece, but it needs to be done well before the show so that the dampened locks have time to dry thoroughly. Stray locks may be trimmed, but Border Leicesters should not be combed, carded, or blocked, which would disturb the natural lock formation and detract from the character of the fleece.

A ram at maturity should weigh 200-225 pounds and stand about 32 inches at the shoulder. He should have a wide, level back. Ewes usually weigh 150-175 pounds.
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Thanks to all our buyers!!!
Look for our entries in the New York Sheep & Wool Festival in Rhinebeck, NY Sale in October!
What’s going on in “YOUR neck of the woods”??
We hear from some of our directors…

My side of the Fence:

It has been a very busy spring in Virginia. We got nice rains in April and May that helped our farmers (and me) to get some much needed hay into our barns. As we progress into July though, it is getting hot and dry and the fields are beginning to feel the lack of rain in their roots. Hopefully, something will happen soon to get that final pasture growth before fall. I felt really bad about our neighbors in the midwest that had all that rain and flooding.

The sheep look good, though, and have benefited from the early grass. I have culled pretty heavy this year, especially on those late lambers! Since we will be using only RR rams on the Border Leicesters this fall, I am very excited about their offspring for next year.

The kids and I sat down and looked at our expenses and then looked at the animals that we had to show for this year, and we decided that it just wasn’t worth it. So that freed up some badly needed time to get some fences fixed, gates painted, pastures clipped, etc. We plan to visit some shows, but not bring any animals. It will feel weird to be standing on the other side of the fence for a change.

My family and I had a really good time at the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival and I think that the annual meeting was one of the best. Our membership is strong and very “pro-Juniors”, which makes me very proud to be a member. I love meeting members from around the country and talking to them about their programs, their sheep and their goals. It is amazing to me how different some of those answers can be.

Go Border Leicesters!

I am still waiting to hear from our junior members about the youth award program. Last year four of our members won this award and each received $50. I was hoping that more would participate this year. It isn’t too late, just email me for the information. daedalus6@hotmail.com

Have a great summer,
Jennifer

My Neck of the Woods: Western Division, Di Waibel

We have finally reached summer. We missed spring all together except for a week or two when we hit 100 degrees or close to it. We even had quite a few days with thunder storms and lighting close to home which the dogs loved a lot! We don’t usually have that in the Willamette Valley here in Oregon.

Spring pastures were wonderful but nobody could get any hay up since it didn’t quite raining long enough to get it in the bail and in the barns. Hay therefore will be expensive this year again.

The Black Sheep Gathering is really the only show that occurred in the so called late spring, or the third weekend in June. Susie Wilson said it was a pretty good show but there weren’t enough Border Leicesters to have classes of their own. I did hear from a lady who has been purchasing a Border Leicester ram every four or five years and crossing the Border Leicester with her Corridales for the fleeces. She had entered them in the fleece section where they get a lot of entries. She won the best five fleeces as a group with her crossbreds and was very excited about that.

I believe the cost of gas is hitting some of the shows as far as travel. I have heard some extremely sad stories about the various sales that have already been held in the surrounding states and they say just nobody shows up to bid.

With the coming of August we will have county fairs and state fair where sheep can be found. September brings a large show in Washington State and the Oregon Flock and Fiber Show which shows the third weekend in September. Our local county fair, the Clackamas County Fair, shows the second week in August and the Border Leicester is the featured breed this year so I hope we have a good turnout.

That’s it for the West Coast area. If anybody has anything they would like to add for the next newsletter I would very much appreciate your sending that information to me or sending it by e-mail.
Any youth that is interested in Border Leicesters is encouraged to participate in a new and exciting program being offered to all juniors, under the age of 21, by the American Border Leicester Association. This program awards points for a wide variety of activities; such as shows, community service, displays, demonstrations, interviews, etc. Once the junior accumulates a minimum number of points, s/he automatically wins this award. A plaque and special recognition will be given to each applicant that successfully achieves this honor. Deadline for all applications is December 1, 2008. This award is retroactive from January 1, 2008.

For more information and applications, please contact Jennifer Bierhuizen, junior coordinator, at daedalus6@hotmail.com or 540-829-0806.
The North East Youth Sheep Show was recently held July 17 thru 20th, at the fairgrounds of the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, Massachusetts. There were a grand total of 179 kids showing approximately 640 head of sheep throughout the weekend. I am very happy to report that the Border Leicester breed was well represented with a showing of 11 youths exhibiting 32 Border Leicesters, an increase over last year! Ed Julian was the official judge for the wool breeds on Sunday. It was quite evident that he enjoyed working with the kids. Both white and colored Border Leicesters entered in all classes, and we were split the ewe lamb and ram lamb classes by color (there was only one colored yearling ewe entered). The first place white and colored class winners competed for the Champion Border Leicester Ewe and Champion Border Leicester Ram drives. Champion Ewe was awarded to Emma Morton, of Rhode Island. Champion Ram was awarded to Emily Gibson, of New Hampshire, with her white ram lamb. The Fitting and Showmanship Classes were judged by breed, with Grace Smith, of Vermont, winning the Senior Division, Stacey Farraro, of Connecticut, winning the Junior Division, Hunter Gibson, of Lee, NH, winning the Novice Division, and Faith Thompson, of Vermont, winning the first year division and went on to win the Supreme First Year Showman Award over all breeds. The Best Fleece Award was given to Mae Belleavine, of Rhode Island, on her white ewe lamb. The Border Leicester breed was also well represented in the Skillaton Contest, with Grace Smith tied for 3rd place in the Senior Division, Colin Siegmund, of Massachusetts, tied for 1st place in the Junior Division and Emily Gibson tied for 3rd in the Novice Division. I would like to thank the following Border Leicester breeders for their support at this show: Sally and Dwight Barney, Kit & Kerry Phelps of Phelps Farm, Barbara Thompson, Deakin Family Farms, The Banner Magazine, Twist of Fate Spinnery, Irene Nebiker and to Jeremiah Squier for all his help in the show ring!

PHELP’S FARMS

Thanks to our buyers at the National Show and Sale

Our National Reserve Grand Champion white ram was purchased by Maybe Tomorrow Farm and our two top ewe lambs were purchased by Seldom Seen Farm.

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You could be here
Contact Sarah for a spot in the next newsletter.
The American Border Leicester Association was founded in 1973 to promote and register Border Leicester sheep in the United States and Canada. Both white and natural colored Border Leicesters are eligible for registry with the ABLA. Our association is experiencing some exciting growth, both in membership and numbers of sheep registered. We invite you to join us! We provide the opportunity for our members to promote themselves and their farm products through our Member Directory. Please provide the information that you’d like included with your listing. Our membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st.

For more information about Border Leicesters and the American Border Leicester Association, visit our website: www.ablasheep.org.

Name: __________________________________________

Farm/Ranch Name: __________________________________________

City/State/Zip code: __________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Email: __________________________

Website Address: __________________________________________

What farm products would you like in the directory? __________________________________________

Any other comments you would like to add about your operation or specialty? __________________________________________

In addition to Border Leicesters, what other breed of sheep or animals do you raise? __________________________________________

Do you run a commercial operation using Border Leicester sires? __________________________________________

Helpful but not included in the directory:

Total flock size:

Number of white Border Leicesters ……Rams ______ Ewes ________

Number of colored Border Leicesters ……Rams ______ Ewes ________

Articles you would like to see in the newsletter or for the board to address? __________________________________________

Please send this form, along with your check made out to “ABLA”, to:

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