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The President's Report

Greetings from Arkansas. I hope that we will see the light at the end of the tunnel and we all are able to get back to "normal" in the near future with a decreased number of cases of COVID-19.

I believe that the Cotswold's membership and registrations for 2021 have been doing great. There are several new people that have joined the CBA family. In Arkansas we did have a small lamb crop for the 2021 season as we were late putting a ram in with the ewes but we did have some quality animals. County, district and state shows returned with COVID-19 cases declining. This is always a good thing if we can have the young people involved in the raising and showing of livestock at the county, district, state, and national level. As a parent I have never had to worry about where my children were that showed livestock as they were too busy to get into "trouble" preparing livestock for the fairs year-round.

As of this report NAILE is still a go. Unfortunately I will be unable to attend due to a conflict with a job working another show which was arranged prior to NAILE's announcements. I figured that NAILE would follow suite with the National Western show and postpone to 2022; however, they did not so I wish good luck to the exhibitors that will be there showing Cotswold sheep. Do not forget to pay the additional entry fee to CBA, please send to me so I can get it to Ann to assist in paying for NAILE awards. Remember several years ago we decided to have the additional entry fee to defer cost instead of asking for donations/ sponsorships so if you are showing please get those entry fees in soon as possible. Additionally, the national meeting that usually occurs at NAILE will be virtual in the near future. Details will be shared on Facebook and via email once information becomes available.

This year is an election of officers. If you are aware of anyone wishing to represent CBA please encourage them to submit a Bio to ensure they are on the ballot. Eligible candidates must have been a paying member for two years. I would encourage you to become involved in the CBA executive team. I hope that we can get some representation from the fiber side of the organization to serve on the board that will help the officer team to make CBA a better association that is able to serve all parts of the Cotswold breed.

Thank you and be safe for the rest of 2021.

Butch Watson

President

**CBA Board Meeting**

September 15, 2021 8:00pm

Attendance:

Butch Watson; Dianna Watson: Ben Kruppenbacher; Taylor Kruppenbacher; William Claflin; Tim Kemper; Lindsey Watson; Christina Hill; Jonathon Short; Tim Kemper; Laurie Kruppenbacher

Meeting Minutes:

Butch Watson welcomed everyone. The new Central Region Director, Tim Kemper from MO, was introduced. Discussion of a replacement of Newsletter Editor until end of 2021 occurred, and Laurie Kruppenbacher volunteered to cover with Dianna Watson sending information needed.

Butch brought up the contract with Associated Registry. A motion was made by Diana Watson and 2nd by Tim Kemper to renew our contract.

Butch is unable to attend NAILE this year but William Claflin will be there to take questions. Discussion regarding a meeting room at NAILE: Butch will look into reserving a room and plans to join meeting virtually. Date and time TBD.

Election of officers will occur in December. Interested candidates, including incumbents, must send their bio to Secretary, Ben Kruppenbacher. Information to also be included in the newsletter.

Question was asked about Youth Futurity Program. Dianna Watson to provide updated information for inclusion into the Newsletter.

Butch announced that treasurer Ann Kaminski had resigned to him this week, with two weeks' notice. Dianna Watson to fill interim Treasurer role through EOY. Member asked for copy of official bank statements to be made available to the membership.

Membership dues discussed by Butch, with update on increased memberships this year, despite pandemic. Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm

Northeast

Rain has plagued the Northeast this past spring and summer. Our Cotswold fleeces are beautiful having been rained on so often. The grass is still green and lush as we move into the fall. We were able to showcase our wonderful Cotswold Breed in several shows as they finally opened up. The Saratoga County Sheep show had 34 Cotswold sheep entered with 7 Cotswold Showman participating in both 4-H and Open classes. Cotswold representation also increased at the Northeast Junior Show and the Big E, which just finished this past week. A group of us took 21 Cotswold's on a road trip to the All-American in Illinois Show for the first time which was a great experience for all. We look forward to a dryer winter and a great breeding season.

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Central

Hello, my name is Tim Kemper. I am the new director for the Central region. I live in Hawk Point, Mo. with my wife Mende and daughters Ava and Addison. Raising sheep has been part of my life since I started in 4-H years ago. I work for MFA Agri-Services in east central Missouri working with livestock and crop producers for the last 25 years. We are new to Cotswold sheep just starting three years ago and are enjoying this breed. This past summer my girls competed at two local shows along with a regional show and the Missouri State fair. We will be at NAILE for the junior show and look forward to meeting other Cotswold breeders.

Southeast

Happy Fall from the Southeast District! As fall arrives many of us find ourselves at county, district, and state fairs and livestock shows. Hope the Cotswold sheep are doing well wherever you are showing them. The National Show will be next month at NAILE. Hope everyone got all their entries in by the deadline of October 10th. Remember that in the Open Show you have matching entry fees of \$10.00 per sheep per class that comes to the Cotswold Breeders Association. Those entry fees needed to be postmarked by the 10th to avoid the \$5.00 penalty per sheep per class. They need to be mailed to Butch Watson, President.



I would like to congratulate Smith Gomez Green Acres (Martha and Emilio Smith Gomez) on their promotion of the Cotswold sheep at the Benton County Fair where Martha had the Grand Champion Cotswold ewe with her junior ewe that she raised. She had Grand Champion Cotswold ram and continued to win Supreme Ram. Emilio had Reserve Grand Champion Cotswold ram.

Martha took her junior ewe to the Arkansas Youth Expo (AYE) and won her AOB Wool Class and ended up Division Champion winning a banner and belt buckle. She also won the Bred and Born by Exhibitor competition.

I understand they did well at the Arkansas State Fair with some more Grand and Reserve Champions. I hope if you are fall lambing all is going well. Many I am sure are getting ready for the early spring lambing season while we still have weather that will allow us to work comfortably in the lambing barns. Let me know if you need any assistance with anything that you are doing in your area to promote our GREAT breed whether it be at a show, meeting, fiber event, etc.

West

No Updates.



CBA YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

COTSWOLD EWE FUTURITIES

The Cotswold Breeders Association Youth Futurity Program pays cash awards to youth showing ewes that were either purchased from breeders that had nominated lambs with CBA or lambs that the youth lambbed from their own flock and nominated. The nomination fee of \$25.00 is used to fund the pro-rated cash awards to youth for the top ten placing in each age category. This year it was voted that CBA would match the nomination fees. To be in the Yearling Ewe Futurity, the lamb has to have competed in the Ewe Lamb Futurity the previous year. The youth that owned the lamb in the Ewe Futurity can then pay a \$25.00 nomination fee and nominate the lamb for the Yearling Ewe Futurity. **NO LEASED ANIMALS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR EITHER FUTURITY.**

We have six youth with eight ewes competing this year through the end of the Junior Show at NAILE. This year's futurity will have a purse of \$400.00 going to the six youth participating. These lambs will be eligible for re-nomination for the 2022 Yearling Ewe Futurity with a \$25.00 nomination fee paid by the youth.

The Yearling Ewe Futurity has two youth and two ewes nominated from last year's Ewe Futurity. This year's futurity will have a purse of \$100.00.

The complete rules for this futurity and nomination forms are posted to our website. If you have any questions concerning the futurity, please contact **Butch Watson** or **Dianna Watson** and we will be happy to answer your questions and help you get your lambs nominated for the 2022 Ewe Lamb Futurity.

2021 Yearling Ewe Futurity Points					1	2	3	4	Total	Place
Name	State	Reg. #	Tag #	Scrapie #					Points	
Carter Short	NY	C/ W08200	SHF2006	NY115290- 2006	8	7	8	1 2	35	1
Wyatt Short	NY	C/ W08205	SHF2008	NY115290- 2008	6	8	9	1 0	33	2
1--American Jr. Sheep Show--Springfield, IL--Rick Klampe--7/3/21										
2--Northeast Youth Sheep Show--W. Springfield, MA--Matt Best--7/18/21										
3--Saratoga County Fair--Ballston Spa, NY--Ducky Chute--7/24/21										
4--Big E Open--W. Springfield, MA--Mary Ann Johnson--9/28/21										
5--NAILE Jr. Sheep Show--Louisville, KY										

CBA YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES CONTINUED

2021 Ewe Lamb Futurity Points																		Total Points	Place
Name	State	Reg. #	Tag #	Scrapie #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
Carter Short	NY	C/W08341	SHF2105	NY1152902105	4							7						4	7-8
Carter Short	NY	C08345	SHF2109	NY1152902109	2		8	5			8							23	1
Wyatt Short	NY	C/W08340	SHF2104	NY1152902104	3		5											8	6
Wyatt Short	NY	C/W08343	SHF2110	NY1152902110	3		7					6						10	5
Hailey Auttman	NY	W08352	SHF2116	NY1152902116				4										4	7-8
Addison Kemper	MO	W08386	2115	IL1861F		5			5	5								15	2-4
Ava Kemper	MO	W08335	2102	MO08255		5			5	5								15	2-4
Martha Smith Gomez	AR	C08403	SGGA 2101	AR65962101									5	5	5			15	2-4
1--American Jr. Sheep Show--Springfield, IL--Rick Klampe--7/3/21																			
2--Lincoln County Fair--Troy, MO--7/17/21																			
3--Northeast Youth Sheep Show--W. Springfield, MA--Matt Best--7/18/21																			
4--Saratoga County Fair--Ballston Spa, NY--Duckey Chute--7/24/21																			
5--NE MO Livestock Expo--Mexico, MO--8/3/21																			
6--Missouri State Fair--Sedalia, MO--Ben Williams--8/14/21																			
7--Big E--W. Springfield, MA--Alex Wolf--9/24/21																			
8--Big E--W. Springfield, MA--Mary Ann Johnson--9/28/21																			
9--Benton County Fair--Bentonville, AR--9/30/21																			
10--Arkansas Youth Expo (AYE)--Fayetteville, AR--																			
11--Arkansas State Fair Open Show--Little Rock, AR--Joel Parker--10/11/21																			
12--Arkansas State Fair Jr. Show--Little Rock, AR--Joel Parker--10/12/21																			
13--NAILE Jr. Sheep Show--Louisville, KY																			



Kenzie & Addison Meyer, Chase & Colton Ragar, Wyatt & Carter Short, Sam Kruppenbacher, Kenleigh Garrett



SHOUT IT OUT FOR CBA YOUTH!

THIS YEAR Cotswold Breeder's Association awarded **Lauren Mohr** with the annual Scholarship. She will receive her scholarship during the National Meeting in Louisville, KY. Congratulations Lauren!

Quilt tickets available now to support the scholarship fund!

SUPPORT THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Ava Kemper, Cotswold Ambassador, is quilting on the next to the last border of the red work 42" X 42" 100% cotton baby quilt, designed, stitched, hand quilted and donated by she and her grandmother.

Tickets have been sent out to CBA members and are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The quilt will be on display with the drawing held during the between the White and Black Cotswold Jr Shows at NAILE on November 13th in Louisville, with the funds being given to the CBA's Scholarship Fund. You do not have to be present to win the drawing! We will mail it to you!

SELL YOUR TICKETS and to ask for more please contact:

Mary Anne Kemper
650 Second Street, Troy, MO 63379
636.295.8800 (cell phone/text or email)
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Ticket stubs with the buyer's contact information for the drawing and money for them are to be sent/given to Dianna Watson 7787 SW Regional Airport Blvd., Bentonville, AR 72713

LOUD AND PROUD COTSWOLDS

Cotswolds were active on the show scene this past summer. A big thank you goes to the Mohr's for all their hard work



Northeast Youth Cotswold Show



Wyatt Short with his Grand Champion Ram

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Kenzie Meyer
Illinois State Fair Junior Show
Supreme Grand Champion Ewe



Addison Meyer
2021 All-American Show
Best Fleece Natural Color
Cotswold



(Left) Ava Kemper (left) and Cari Green (right)
2021 Missouri State Fair FFA Breeding Sheep Show
Showing Cotswold Ram Lambs



(Left) Kenzie Meyer
2021 All-American Show
Grand Champion Cotswold Ewe



(Right) Cotswold Shepherds
at All-American in 2021



**IS YOUR
INFORMATION
UP TO DATE?**

If you have had a change in address, phone number, e-mail, etc. please contact CBA Secretary to update the information on file.

Secretary

Ben Kruppenbacher

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ASSOCIATION BUSINESS UPDATES

NEWSLETTER IS GOING DIGITAL

Moving forward the Cotswold Connection newsletter will be e-mailed directly to members as well as posted on the website.

If you would prefer to still receive a printed copy via mail, please reach out to Laurie Kruppenbacher (518.399.7034) and it can continue to be sent.

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE UPCOMING

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE JANUARY 1, 2022!

CHECKS CAN BE MADE PAYABLE TO:

COTSWOLD BREEDER'S ASSOCIATION

SEND TO:

P.O. BOX 231 WAMEGO, KS 66547

MEMBERSHIP DUES PRICING:

Regular: \$20

Associate: \$10

Junior: \$5

Regular Member

Entitled to hold office and actively participate on committees. MUST be 19 years of age or older as of January 1st.

Associate Member:

Entitled to attend meetings and actively participate on committees.

Junior Member:

Entitled to attend meetings and actively participate on committees. Junior status is until January 1st *after* their 19th birthday. At such time they must pay the 'Regular Member' dues.

*Junior members can continue showing in sanctioned shows as Juniors up to their 22nd birthday.

ELECTION TIME IS HERE!

Open CBA Officer Positions for 2022 include:

1. **President**

As executive officer of the Association, subject to control of the Board of Directors. This role shall have general supervision over the affairs of CBA, preside at meetings of the Board of Directors and the Annual Meetings, act as the public relations between regions of the association, be familiar with legislation as it relates to the association, investigate grants and other possible moneys for promoting CBA and create educational information and promotional literature to be used by the membership.

2. **Vice President**

Assume the duties of the President in absence of that officer, work with other breed associations, make up an annual calendar of activities outside CBA related to: Large sheep shows, Sales, Conferences, Schools, etc. Overseer of promotional items, and other fundraising activities and shall be an ex-officio member of all CBA Committees.

3. **Secretary**

Answer all correspondence that comes to the CBA office, maintain a current membership list, with periodic updates on website and available to the person sending ballots. Be the contact person listed on all advertising and answer questions either by phone or email, send Cotswold/CBA info along with member lists to requesting organizations, maintain calendar/website updates, sending new membership packages, renew ads in publications, maintain minutes of all meetings of Directors and members and publish the minutes of the Annual Meeting shall be published in the next newsletter after the annual meeting.

4. **Treasurer**

This role shall keep the CBA financial books and funds, allocate approved fund, present a quarterly financial statement to the Board of Directors, as requested, publish an annual financial statement to the membership, provide financial books to membership at each Annual Meeting to be audited by three regular members which shall be unrelated to the Treasurer. Additionally they will file yearly Federal and State required forms.

If you are interested in any of these positions or plan to run as an incumbent, please send a short bio to the Secretary (Ben Kruppenbacher) by Wednesday, December 1st.

Send to Ben Kruppenbacher at: bkruppski794@gmail.com

All candidate biographies will be published to the membership in in December in advance of voting, with ballots due postmarked by Saturday January 8, 2022

KEY ELECTION DATES:

12/01: All submissions due for Officer position candidates.

12/15: Candidate biographies will be posted

01/8/22: Voting ballots are due

A special thank you to **Ann Kaminski** for her years of service as Treasurer and to **Dianna Watson** who has stepped in to fill this need for the remainder of 2021.