

2010 MCLA Born and Bred Contest

Hosted by the Michigan Club Lamb Association

****New this year the Born and Bred Contest will be broken into two divisions****

White Face Influence Lambs (included in this division will be Speckled or Brockle faced lambs)

1. Lambs eligible for this division of the contest will be white faced breeds such as (but not limited to) Dorset, Southdown, Montadale, and Columbia as well as lambs that are a cross of these breeds.
2. Speckled and /or Brockle faced market lambs will also be eligible for this division of the contest.
3. Speckle/ Brockle faced lamb will be defined as follows:

A speckled or Brockle face market lamb must be the offspring of at least one whiteface parent (either dam or sire). The lamb must show 30% or more white hair (not wool) on its head (including the ears), along with some speckling pattern on its ears, jaw, flank or legs. Solid brown faced or smutted faced lambs with little to no hair on their head or (including ears) and no evidence of speckling pattern will show in the black face MCLA Born and Bred class.

Black Face Lambs

1. Lambs eligible for this division will be blacked faced lambs including breeds such as (but not limited to) Suffolk, Hampshire, Shropshire, oxford, and natural color as well as lambs that are a cross of these breeds.
2. Lambs not qualifying for the white faced influence class may show in the black face division (speckles or Brockles not exhibiting enough white hair).

Guidelines for Show Committees

1. Entrants may only enter one lamb in each division of the MCLA Born and Bred Class at any one show.
2. Show committees need to provide the MCLA with a copy of the placing for the class (just the same as the Youth Challenge).
3. Show committees will need to make a donation to the MCLA Born and Bred Contest. This will be accomplished through collection of an entry fee of \$5 per lamb payable to the MCLA. Individual show committees may determine that they wish to collect a higher amount such as \$10 or \$15 per entrant if the show chooses to offer pay outs for the class, but the \$5 minimum will be payable to the MCLA Born and Bred Contest.
4. The MCLA does not require shows to pay out for the Born and Bred Class. (Many youth are participating with the intent to earn bonus points).
5. All MCLA Born Lambs are eligible to enter the class. (Thus, breeders must be members of the MCLA and have the current year's dues paid in full).
6. Show committees need to record the scrapie tag number of the lambs entered. The MCLA will make every effort to provide a person to assist with this portion of the record keeping.

Guidelines for Participants

1. Entrants may only enter one lamb in each division of the MCLA Born and Bred Class at any one show. Note: This lamb does NOT need to be the same one at each show.
2. Lambs entered in the class need to be purchased from and MCLA member or be raised by an MCLA flock (for example: if you raised your own lamb and your parents are members of the MCLA, then your lamb qualifies just the same as a lamb purchased from an MCLA flock).
3. Participants will accumulate bonus points toward the MCLA Youth Points Challenge by participating in this class.
4. There *may or may not* be a pay out for the class as this is up to the discretion of each show committee.
5. Participants will be responsible to pay an entry fee for the class; the dollar amount is up to the discretion of each show committee.
6. In order to recognize the breeders from whom the lambs were purchased, the MCLA will keep track of the lambs via their scrapie tags.
7. Participants must show the lamb that they enter in the class.
8. The overall winners for the contest will be determined using the same point scale as the MCLA Youth Points Challenge.
9. Points will be awarded for each show the participant enters. The current eligible shows are detailed below:
 - A. Blue and Gold Show
 - B. Central Summer Classic
 - C. Southern Michigan Prospect Lamb Show
10. It is the hope of the committee to recognize the top five participants in each division of the contest.

Guidelines for MCLA Breeders

1. It is the responsibility of the breeder to report their MI Scrapie Identification Number and their farm name to the MCLA. Prompt reporting of this information will ensure that the breeder is recognized by the MCLA on the website.
2. It is the responsibility of the breeder to maintain current status with the MCLA including this year's regular adult membership dues paid in full.
3. The MCLA can only make this contest possible with your help. Funding for this contest comes from entry fees and BREEDER DONATIONS. Please help recognize the youth participating in this contest and your farm by donating to the MCLA Born and Bred Contest.