**LEAD LINE**

**Sheep and Wool Fashion Show**

**SUPERINTENDENTS**

Janet Hukowicz & Emmie Hukowicz  
Hadley, Massachusetts

**ARRIVAL**

Lead Line sheep should arrive by 8am on the Saturday of the show and will be released following the Lead Line classes. Contestants should check in with the Lead Line Superintendents with their garment on a hanger **AND** their commentary **by 8:30am.**

**SHOW**

Saturday, September 16, 2023  
12 noon, Arena 2  
Saturday, September 23, 2023  
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. **Pre-judging.** All garments, on hangers and labeled with contestant name and age division, are to be brought to the livestock office by 8:30am 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, however final placings will be at discretion of the judges. 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. NO Rams.  
6. An entry consists of a $5 fee, accompanied by the class number, contestant’s name, age, and mailing address. Entries received by August 15 will receive two passes by mail. The committee has the right to edit the commentaries. Commentaries can be emailed to Emmie at emmie.miniter@gmail.com. Post entries are accepted.  
7. **Entrants may exhibit both weeks but must use two completely different outfits and sheep.**  
8. Eastern States Exposition offers the following premiums:  

**PREMIUM SCHEDULE**

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<td>A: 9000 Novice (5–9 years)</td>
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<td>B: 9100 Junior (10–15 years)</td>
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<td>C: 9200 Senior (16–21 years)</td>
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<td>9300 Adult (22 years and over) or Adult with Child (Age as of the date of the show)</td>
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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 to show standards - NO DUNG OR DIRT TAGS.

**SCORECARD**

**GARMENT – Prejudging** ................................................................. 45 points
- Construction Quality-Handmade ................................................... 15 pts.
- Construction Quality-Purchased ................................................... 10 pts.
- Style and Fashion ........................................................................ 10 pts.
- Degree of Difficulty of Design ...................................................... 10 pts.
- Handmade by Exhibitor ............................................................... 5 pt. bonus
- Handmade by Exhibitor with assistance ........................................ 3 pt. bonus
- Handmade by Others .................................................................... 2 pt. bonus

**SHEEP - Ring Judging – Visual Appraisal** ..................................... 30 points
- Properly Fitted for Breed/Type ...................................................... 10 pts.
- General Appearance and Cleanliness .......................................... 10 pts.
- Control and Presentation ............................................................. 10 pts.
- Fitted/Trained by Exhibitor ......................................................... 5 pt. bonus

**CONTESTANT - Ring Judging** .......................................................... 40 points
- Garment Fits Well ......................................................................... 10 pts.
- Garment is Age Appropriate ....................................................... 10 pts.
- Poise and Appearance of Contestant ........................................... 10 pts.
- Proper Presentation and Attentiveness .......................................... 10 pts.

Grand Total .............................................................................. 115 to 125 points

**WEEK 1 AWARDS**

**Champion Award – Sponsored by New England Sheep and Wool Growers Association**

**Massachusetts Federation Of Sheep Producers** through funding from an American Sheep Industry grant, offers fabric and sewing aids.

**Northeast Suffolk Association** offers $25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Suffolk in each class.

**The Northeast Southdown Breeders’ Association** offers $10 to each contestant leading a Southdown 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.


**WEEK 2 AWARDS**

**Champion award – Sponsored by New England Sheep and Wool Growers Association**

**Massachusetts Federation of Sheep Producers** through funding from an American Sheep Industry grant, offers fabric and sewing aids.

**The American Border Leicester Association** offers $25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Border Leicester in each class.

**Lightning Ridge Farm, Sherborn, Mass.**, offers $25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Corriedale in each class.

**Orion Acres, Linda & Fred Schauwecker, Plymouth, Mass.**, offers $25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Cotswold in each class.

**The following Northeast Tunis Breeders** offer $25 to the highest placing contestant leading a Tunis in each class:

**Small Fry Farm Continued, Anne Marie Chapdelaine & Anna Grierson, Brimfield, MA**

**Swartz & Talley Tunis, Justine & Mike Bielewicz, Hunt, NY**

**Boulder Creek Tunis, Troy Staples, Penobscott, ME**

**Harris Family Farm, Judy & Dillon Harris, Ludlow, MA**