



137th

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Registration is required.



Saturday
March 28, 2026



01:00 pm EST
via ZOOM

March 2026

Notice of Annual Meeting

The 137th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association will be held on Saturday, March 28, 2026. This meeting will be held via zoom at 1:00pm EST for the purpose of:

1. Receiving and considering the Financial Report and the reviewed Financial Statements as of December 31st, 2025. The financial report will be available on the CSBA website for review prior to the meeting.
2. Receiving the reports from the President and General Manager.
3. Receiving reports from Provincial Delegates
4. Hearing information reports pertaining to the general betterment of the Canadian sheep industry.
5. To transact all business that may properly come before the meeting.

All documents including annual activities report, Financial Statements and an Agenda will be available on the website (www.sheepbreeders.ca) prior to the meeting.

Registration is required. [Register by clicking here.](#)

Please register by Friday, March 21, 2025.

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Be sure to keep your information up to date.



All Canada Sheep Classic

The All Canada Sheep Classic is happening from July 8-11 to the Pictou Fairgrounds in Pictou, Nova Scotia. We look forward to seeing breeders there to buy and sell sheep and take part in the delicious Lamb and Lobster Exhibitors Banquet!

Entries Open: April 27th, 2026

Entries Close: May 19th, 2026

Accommodations: A list of accommodations is available on the CSBA website. For those wishing to camp on-site, please reach out to Sarah in the CSBA office (office@sheepbreeders.ca).

Tradeshow/Advertising: For those wishing to sponsor the event, book tradeshow space or place an ad in the Sale Catalogue, please contact the CSBA Office.

Key Applications of Genomics in Sheep Breeding



The CSBA board is pleased to have William Poisson, agronomist and doctoral student in animal sciences speaking after our Annual General Meeting on Saturday March 28th, 2026.

Understanding what genes are present in your flock and how to use them in breeding selection can lead to faster growth rates, more lambs, and better health across your operation. William will cover topics like detection and management of inherited traits, the use of genomic information to improve accuracy of breeding values and the evaluation of inbreeding levels and relationships within and between flocks.

William is currently working on the GenOvine Project, in a partnership with the Société des éleveurs de moutons de race pure du Québec and the Centre d'expertise en production ovine du Québec to develop genomic tools aimed at increasing the productivity of sheep farms in Canada.

Find out more about the GenOvine Project, and how to take part in it here:
<https://www.semrpq.net/genomique-ovine/>

[Register to hear William's presentation on Genomics here.](#)

Protect Your Farm with AgriStability

The information below is applicable to farmers in Manitoba, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Northwest Territories and Yukon.

Protect your investment

AgriStability can help protect your farm against large income declines due to poor yields, low commodity prices or rising input costs.

Why participate

- Personalized and affordable coverage for your entire operation
- Support when risks exceed your capacity to manage
- Payments in times of financial distress
- Can be used to secure financing

What's new in 2026

To better support livestock producers, the program now includes feed costs associated with pasture rent as allowable expenses and gives provinces the option to use a new inventory valuation method for commodities grown and used on farm.

Manage your risks

➔ Learn more and enrol by **April 30, 2026**

[Click here for more information.](#)



Welcome to our new Junior Director

The board is pleased to Welcome Lauren Cowan as our next Junior Director.

Lauren and her family operate a flock of Southdown, Romney and commercial sheep just outside of Innisfil, Ontario.

She is currently completing her degree in Agriculture at the University of Guelph and has been involved with local and provincial shows and breed clubs.

Welcome Lauren!



10th Annual Photo Contest

Thank you to everyone who submitted photos for our annual photo contest.

You can now vote for a winner using the online form below. The winner will receive \$100 worth of a CLRC credit, so let us know what you think is the most beautiful photo!

[Voting for the Photo Contest here.](#)



Selling Sheep? Don't Forget the Transfer

Completing a sale of your rams or ewes goes beyond the transaction itself; no sale is truly final until the animal has been transferred to the new owner. This crucial step not only finalizes the sale but also serves as an excellent opportunity to showcase the value of your flock's genetics and underscores the quality and reliability of your breeding program. Each transfer is a testament to the trust and confidence others have in your genetic line, potentially attracting more interest and future sales. Embrace this opportunity to enhance your reputation and demonstrate the success of your breeding efforts, making your flock a sought-after source of superior genetics.

Replacement Tags

Did you know that breeders using the dual tag identification can replace a lost Shearwell tag with the same number?

As per the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association (CSBA) Constitution, section 16(6), in the event of a lost tag, the tag must be replaced within 21 days with a duplicate tag bearing the same national ID number as the lost tag.

The provision for issuing replacement tags is being offered to **registered purebred animals only** at this time.

Producers who require a replacement tag need to send a Replacement Tag Request Form to the CSBA office, which can be accessed online using the link below.

<https://sheepbreeders.ca/replacement-tag-form>

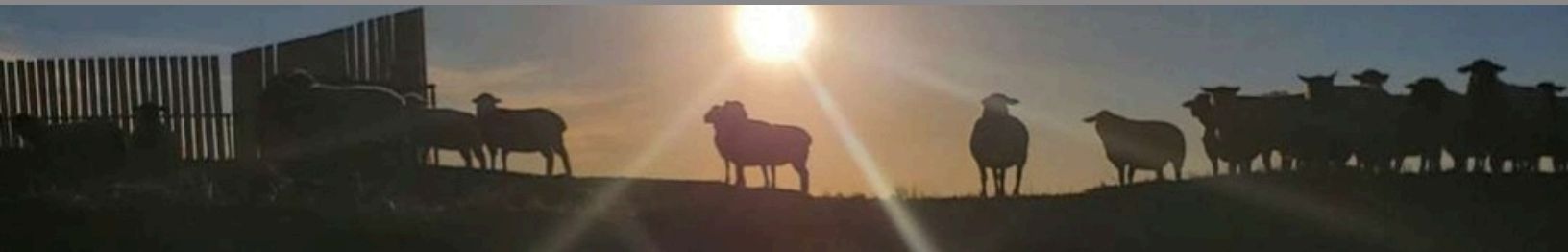
Upcoming Events

*Are you hosting an event that Sheep breeders across Canada might be interested in?
Let us know at office@sheepbreeders.ca*

March 28, 2026 – CSBA Annual Meeting (Zoom)

May 19, 2026 – All Canada Sheep Classic Entry deadline

July 8-11, 2026 – All Canada Sheep Classic Pictou, NS



Thank you to our partners for their continued support of CSBA events such as the Annual Meeting and the Classic.

