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# Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association **CSBA**

2021 Summary of Activities

[www.sheepbreeders.ca](http://www.sheepbreeders.ca)

# Memberships



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- 2018: 1424
  - 2019: 1280
  - 2020: 1262
  - 2021: 1088

	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB PE NL	NS	US YT
2019	175	192	112	62	377	191	50	50	68 / 3
2020	175	242	112	66	360	192	49	62	2 / 2
2021	153	182	119	58	299	185	43	47	1 / 1

# Registrations & Transfers

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- **2018:** Registrations = 11,904      Transfers = 7,366
- **2019:** Registrations = 10,328      Transfers = 6,493
- **2020:** Registrations = 11,429      Transfers = 6,385
- **2021:** Registrations = 11,356      Transfers = 7,052

# 2021 All Canada Online Purebred Sheep Sale

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- Second Annual Online Sale held due to Covid Restrictions
- Ewe average was \$964.32 (28 animals)
- Ram average was \$1024.22 (32 animals)
- Sale generated \$59,776 for producers
- Sale results can be found at [www.sheepbreeders.ca](http://www.sheepbreeders.ca)
- All Canada Classic Show and Sale will be held in Ancaster, ON July 7-9, 2022

# 2021 All Canada Online Purebred Sheep Sale

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## Top-Selling Ewe and Ram:



**Top Selling Ewe** was Strathearl KVZ 58H consigned by Strathearl Suffolks. This Suffolk Ewe sold for \$1,900 and was purchased by Derick Robertson of Phelpston Ontario.

**Top Selling Ram** was Rising Oak Outback 89H consigned by Laura Mosley.

This Dorset Ram sold for \$3,000 and was purchased by Morinville Colony.



# Member Resources



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- **New Website launched in 2021 – Resources include:**
    - “Information Package for New Sheep Breeders”
    - Scholarship opportunities and past winners
    - Conformation booklet
    - All Canada Classic Information
    - Videos on how to use paired tags, place tattoos and dock tails
    - Link to CLRC for Registration/Transfer forms and fee schedule
    - List of “Recognized International Breed Associations”
    - Replacement tag order form for Shearwell and Allflex
    - Where to buy CSIP Tags
    - Updated bylaws and constitution
    - GenOvis Introduction and information

# Member Resources

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- **Available on the Website:**
  - CSBA yearly activities
  - News and Industry information
  - Links to industry partners
  - Breed information including breed standards
  - Print material (poster, conformation booklet, breed book)
  - Board of Directors contact information
  - Sheep health, code of practice and guidelines for selling purebred animals
  - Import/Export updates, links and contacts
  - How to Videos (tagging, tattooing and tail docking)

# Member Resources

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- All Canada Classic Show and Sale information
  - AGM Information
  - Scholarship Information and winners
  - Photo Contest Entry Forms and Past winners
  - 4H Photo Gallery
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- **Newsletters:**
    - Updates are emailed to all members. Be sure to update your email address. This can be done on the website as well.



# Promotion



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- **Promotional Contributions in 2021:**


- \$1,500 in annual scholarships: \$500 each awarded to Ashley Miller, Jalen Thurgood and Andrew Gentes
- \$1,500 for Royal Agricultural Winter Fair
- \$500 for Agribition
- \$2,250 for Provincial level 4-H Sheep Events
- \$2,000 allotted for partnership with Sheep Canada Magazine member benefits
- \$2,000 Affiliate membership with CSF
- \$1,500 CLGA Membership
- Provincial Grants for GenOvis Training up to \$1,500/province
- Member education advertising

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# Conformation Booklet



The Guide to Breeding Stock Selection is available online!



**Guide to Breeding Stock Selection**  
*Criteria for analysing conformation in the selection of breeding stock*


Produced as part of the training material for a course on genetics and conformation

**CEPOQ**  
Centre d'expertise en production ovine du Québec

Société des éleveurs de moutons de race pure du Québec

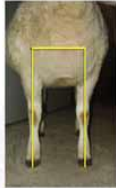


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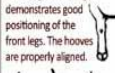

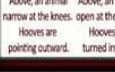


### Evaluation of the forelimbs

**Forelimb evaluation**

WELL PLACED	NARROW AT THE KNEES	OPEN AND SPLAYFOOTED
An imaginary line can be drawn from the tip of the shoulder and through the middle of the knee and hoof.	This defect is encountered frequently in some breeds. Make sure the chest is a good width.	Front legs show weakness in the knees. This defect can affect longevity.
		
VERY DESIRABLE	NOT DESIRABLE <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT DESIRABLE CULL IF LAMENESS <input type="checkbox"/>

**Other defects that may affect the forelimbs**

TWISTED LEGS	SPLAYFOOTED LEGS	MAJOR DEFECTS OBSERVED IN FORELIMBS
This major defect may affect longevity and can be transmitted to offspring. Obvious lack of capacity.	Defect to avoid, especially if you want to raise lambs (for breeding) from an animal that has this defect.	The image on the right demonstrates good positioning of the front legs. The hooves are properly aligned.
		  
DO NOT SELECT <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT DESIRABLE <input type="checkbox"/>	Above, an animal narrow at the knees. Hooves are pointing outward. Above, an animal open at the knees. Hooves are turned inward.

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# Research



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10% of net income from CLRC is set aside each year for research in the following year

- Funding 2021 to date:
  - \$2,100 over 3 years (till 2021) for research for the prevention of pregnancy toxemia (Universite de Laval)
  - \$20,000 over 4 years (till 2024) for National Integrated Genetic Services (Canadian Centre for Swine Improvement)
  - \$10,000 over 3 years (till 2023) for CarLa Saliva test for parasite resistance
  - \$10,000 continued annual contribution to GenOvis partnership with CGIL at the University of Guelph, CEPOQ, and OSF (Can be used for industry projects)
  - **Past Projects include:** Predicting feeder lamb performance (Govt of AB), Pneumonia Vaccine research (U of SK), Mastitis Project (CEPOQ), Forage Alternatives (U of Guelph), Pregnancy Detection research (ALP), CiDR research (SEMRPQ), using FSH for heat & ovulation synchronization (Dalhousie Univ), semen research project (SEMRPQ) , Repeated Measures: Maternal & Paternal (CEPOQ), Genomics/Metabolics (U of AB),

# GenOvis



- Canada's national genetic evaluation program
- CSBA is equal partners with OSF and CEPOQ (since 2013)
- New Indexes created for improved selection

Province	Enrolled 2018	2019	2020	2021
Quebec	82	88	98	93
Ontario	37	36	38	50
Newfoundland	1	1	0	0
Nova Scotia	5	5	3	2
New Brunswick	4	3	4	4
PEI	2	3	3	3
British Columbia	2	3	1	0
Alberta	7	7	9	11
Saskatchewan	4	6	4	6
Manitoba	5	5	5	5

# Other Activities



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- **Sheep Value Chain Roundtable:** annual attendance and representation on the Health, Research, Meat Quality and Market Access working groups
  - **CLRC:** There are 2 representatives from the CSBA on the CLRC board.
  - **Canadian Sheep Identification Program:** one representative.
  - **Scrapie Canada:** one representatives
  - **CSF Sustainability committee:** one representative
  - **Code of Practice:** one representative

# New Initiatives and Membership Benefits



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- **Junior membership:** \$20 for members under 21 years of age (regular is \$80)
  - **Free membership:** for any first-time buyers of new female sheep, and 6<sup>th</sup> animal registered free with first batch of 5 registrations
  - **Bulk option for registrations and transfers:** pricing breaks in place based on the number of animals registered each year. A new level has been added in 2019 and rebates will be calculated at year end.

**75-249=\$2.00, 250-499=\$2.50 and 500+=\$3.00**

*2018 offered \$23,050 in bulk discount rebates*

*2019 offered \$22,417 in bulk discount rebates*

*2020 offered \$25,836 in bulk discount rebates*

*2021 offered \$25,055 in bulk discount rebates*

# New Initiatives and Membership Benefits



- **6th Annual Photo contest:** opens January 1, 2022, see website for details
- **2021 Photo Contest Winners:**



1st Place "A Perfect Sunset" by Mia Westergaard for WD5  
Suffolk and North Country Cheviot

2nd Place "Sunbathing"  
by Ashley Miller  
for Dusty Hills



# New Initiatives and Membership Benefits



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- **Sheep Canada** membership discount for CSBA members continues
  - **New Breed Recognition Incentive:** The \$500 charge has been changed to a deposit that can be used for new registrations once approved.
  - **Judging Workbook for Sheep:** Working on providing more education and information on sheep judging. (Not expected for 2021)
  - **Junior CSBA Director:** non-voting advisor role created for members under 21 years of age. Delaney Hopkins joined the CSBA Board in 2021. We look forward to her input and perspective. Welcome Delaney!



# New Breed Recognition Request: Notice of Intent



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The Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association has received a request from breeders of the Valais Blacknose sheep to recognize this breed for registrations.

Canadian breeders of the Valais Blacknose are invited to submit comments to the CSBA office by December 31, 2021. Comments may be forwarded to CSBA by email at [office@sheepbreeders.ca](mailto:office@sheepbreeders.ca) or through the contact us section of the website [www.sheepbreeders.ca](http://www.sheepbreeders.ca)



# CSBA Finances



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- CSBA showed a loss of \$27,849 in 2021.
  - We had budgeted another loss as registrations, transfers and memberships declined as well as more funding being allocated for research.
  - Audited financial statements will be posted to the website prior to the AGM. Questions and comments are welcomed.

# 2022 Events

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## **CSBA Annual General Meeting**

- The 2022 AGM will take place on Saturday March 26, 2022 at Inn on the Lake, Fall River NS.

## **All Canada Sheep Classic**

- Ancaster, Ontario
- July 7-9, 2022