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## 2023 NATIONAL RAMBOUILLET SHOW & SALE

JUNE 19-24, 2023

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR PARK  
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2023 AMERICAN RAMBOUILLET SHEEP  
BREEDERS ASSOCIATION ONLINE SALE

EARLY JUNE 2023

TWO GREAT OPPORTUNITIES TO  
MARKET YOUR RAMBOUILLET GENETICS

# FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Greeting to all,

We just got home from the SDSF open sheep show and WOW. The Rambouillet breed is alive and well in South Dakota. Congratulations to all those exhibitors.

Ram sale season will be in full swing shortly, so if you are still in the market watch for those.

The Anderson and Chapman families are working hard on getting things finalized for the '23 National Show and Sale in Huron, SD at the SDSF grounds. Robbie is working behind the scenes as usual crossing the T's and dotting the I's.

NAILE in Louisville has changed management again but they are supposed to have the premium book coming out shortly. I hope they can hold it together and keep it going.

I would like to wish you all a good breeding season, fall lambing season, and ram sale season.

Your President

***Barret Marshall***

## **NUMBERS FROM THE REGISTRY OFFICE AS OF 8/31/22**

**REGISTRATIONS: 932**

**TRANSFERS: 320**

**ASSOCIATION DUES: 113**

**MEMBERSHIPS: 25**

A Special Thank You to  
Ketcham's Sheep Equipment for all  
of their support of the ARSBA and  
the Junior Association. Once again,  
they provided all of the shirts for  
our Junior Exhibitors.

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# Secretary's Notes

**Robbie G. Eckhoff**

Greetings from the office of the ARSBA! Wow, here we are already in September, with fall and winter quickly approaching. 2022 is zooming by and 2023 is just around the corner.

First, we want to take a moment to thank everyone for a great 2022 sale season for the Rambouillet breed. We couldn't ask for a better year from a sale perspective, with a new High Selling Ram for the breed occurring this summer. As Barret stated in his notes concerning the Rambouillet breed in South Dakota, we have some huge positives happening across the country within this breed. That is due to the hard work and diligence of you the producers and members of the ARSBA.

We had another exceptional time in Springfield in June at the 2022 National Rambouillet Show and Sale & National Junior Show. As always, it is nice to see folks from around the country gather and have a good time catching up with each other. The quality of both the sale sheep and junior show sheep were exceptional. Our thanks to Riley Donkers for making the trip to Springfield to evaluate our National Show and a huge thank you to Luke Steinmetz for volunteering his time to evaluate our National Junior Show. It is nice to have wonderful folks like Luke take the time to work with our junior members and it is much appreciated.

There is no way the National Show and Sale would have been possible the last two years without the Jenkins Family of Missouri. They have been the key to making everything fall into place over the past two years, and we can't thank them enough for all of their hard work and dedication. From myself personally, I greatly appreciate everything you have done.

As you noticed on the front page, we will be heading to a new location for 2023: Huron, South Dakota.

It has been a number of years since we have been in South Dakota, and we are excited to make a return there in 2023. The wheels are in motion to get everything lined up for 2023 and we look forward to an exciting week in Huron.

We will be working in the near future to get a schedule for the week put together as well as get the hotel information out to you as well. Burton and Laura Anderson have been working with the fairgrounds, hotel and the City of Huron to get the week lined up.

The juniors are great at staying in contact with each other and I know they are already looking at potential activities for 2023 in Huron. They had a wonderful week in Springfield and as a group, we couldn't ask for a better set of young individuals to represent the association. They are a first class group of young people and they are doing great things that we can certainly be proud of.

**In upcoming news, the North American International Livestock Exposition entries will be due soon. As of this writing, as Barret mentioned, they have changed individuals that is overseeing the livestock shows, and do not have a premium book out as of yet. I want to remind all of you that an additional \$15/head is to be mailed to me prior to October 1st. This additional entry fee must be postmarked by October 1, 2022. If not, the entry fee will double to \$30/head, and must be paid prior to the entry entering the ring at Louisville. After the completion of the show, NAILE invoices the association for 60% of the premiums and I then forward this additional entry fee you send to the association to NAILE.**

In closing, I want to thank all of you for your continued support and dedication. Many of us have different goals in mind, but remember, to have success, **WE MUST WORK AS A TEAM!** I encourage all of you to work hard in continuing to promote and produce **REGISTERED RAMBOUILLET SHEEP!**

## 2022-23 NATIONAL JR. ARSBA OFFICERS

**President: Mason Munz, Moody, TX**

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CONGRATULATIONS  
2022 BURK & BERNIE  
LATTIMORE  
SCHOLARSHIP  
RECIPIENTS  
JACKSON LUEDTKE, WI  
MASON MUNZ, TX  
STEVEN MORAN, TX

Congratulations to these junior members. We look forward to watching your continued success as you transition into the next phase of your life.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SILENT  
AND LIVE AUCTION DONORS AND  
BUYERS

*YOUR GENEROSITY IS WHAT  
FUNDS THE BURK AND BERNIE  
LATTIMORE SCHOLARSHIP  
PROGRAM.*

**THIS YEAR YOU RAISED OVER \$6500  
FOR OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS!**

## ***THANK YOU!***

*National Junior Show*

*Sponsors*

***Justin Benz***

***Cassie & Spencer  
Jones***

***Dukart Family***

***Marshall Sheep Co.***

***Bar J Bar Ranch  
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***Russell, Becky, Tamra,  
& Caleb Kott***

***Burk & Bernie  
Lattimore***

***The Sam Jackson  
Family***

***The Steinmetz Family***

***The Jenkins Family***

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Please find all ARSBA Online Sale Results as well as National Sale Results on the ARSBA website

Online Sale Gross Sale was \$42,757.00

Sold 27 head for an average of \$1583.59

National Sale Gross Sale was \$46,750.00

Sold 48 head for an average of \$973.95

# The Sheep Event of the Year!



October 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

*Join us in Heber City, Utah  
or bid online at CCI.live.*



- 350 head of range rams
- 30 registered stud rams
- 150 premier commercial ewes
- 20 registered stud ewe prospects

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*\*Don't miss the Friday night Lamb Jam\**

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## 2022 HIGH SELLING RAMBOUILLET RAM

**NEW RECORD SELLING  
RAMBOUILLET RAM AT PUBLIC  
AUCTION AT \$10,250**

**Sold in the ARSBA Online Sale**

**Consigned by McNeil Rambouillets of  
Kamas, Utah**

**Sold to Aubrey Jacobs, Magrath,  
Alberta, Canada**





2022 NATIONAL JUNIOR SHOW CHAMPION RAM  
EXHIBITED BY MORIAH GEISER, NEW YORK  
MILLS, MN.



### **POSTER CONTEST WINNER**

*Sponsored by Burk & Bernie  
Lattimore*

**HAYDEN JONES, KS**

Thank you to Kristin Jenkins and her family for all of the work for the junior show activities to make the Junior Show a tremendous success

Thank you to the Kott Family for all of the hard work on the Junior Auction and throughout the entire week. Thank you to Amy Benz for assisting with the Junior Auction on banquet night

Thank you to Stephen and Lee Munz for helping keep the items rolling and in order for the Junior Auction

Thank you to Sylvia Moran for the banquet photos



2022 NATIONAL JUNIOR SHOW RESERVE  
CHAMPION RAM. EXHIBITED BY TY JONES,  
WAMEGO, KS

**Thank you to Becky Kott for all of the photography work throughout the week behind the scenes, in the ring, and at the backdrop! It is greatly appreciated!**

## 2021-22 FUTURITY RESULTS

### Year Long Points Division

- 1st: Lila Pope, Junction, TX exhibiting a Borchers Sheep Co. ewe  
2nd: Kaylee Lukert, Plaxico, KS exhibiting a Benz Rambouillet ewe  
3rd: Mason Munz, Moody, TX exhibiting a Jackson Rambouillet ewe  
4th: Kaylee Lukert, Plaxico, KS exhibiting a Munz Rambouillet ewe  
5th: Kasandra Knutson, Centerville, SD exhibiting a Borchers Sheep Co. ewe  
6th: Moriah Geiser, New York Mills, MN exhibiting a Red Barn Family Farm ewe  
7th: Crue Levien, Junction, TX exhibiting a Chapman Rambouillet ewe  
8th: Lila People, Junction, TX exhibiting a Kott Rambouillet ewe  
9th: Seth Parker, Eldorado, TX exhibiting a Kott Rambouillet ewe  
10th: Kylie Parker, Eldorado, TX exhibiting a Borchers Sheep Co. ewe

### Futurity Comeback Show

- 1st: Kasandra Knutson, Centerville, SD exhibiting a Borchers Sheep Co. ewe  
2nd: Wyatt Leib, Morris, OK exhibiting a Dew Drop Farms ewe  
3rd: Lila Pope, Junction, TX exhibiting a Borchers Sheep Co. ewe  
4th: Wyatt Leib, Morris, OK exhibiting a Mike & Allison Mann ewe  
5th: Mason Munz, Moody, TX exhibiting a Jackson Rambouillet ewe

These ewes were purchased at the 2021 sales across the country.

Breeders, please remember, that you may nominate a ewe lamb at any public sale. You must nominate the ewe prior to the sale. Nomination forms may be found on the website for you to print and mail in. Please remit the fee at the time of nomination for it to be a valid futurity entry.

## 2022 NATIONAL SHOW AWARD SPONSORS & WINNERS

National Champion Bronze Ram: Benz Rambouillet, St Marys, KS won by Dew Drop Farms

Reserve National Ch. Ram: Cunningham Sheep Co., Pendleton, OR won by Doug Kirkpatrick

1st Place Horned Yearling Ram: Marshall Sheep Co., Arlington, SD won by Dry Creek Rambouillet

1st Place Polled Yearling Ram: Mesta Meadow Farm, Marble Hill, MO won by Dew Drop Farms

1st Place Early Fall Ram Lamb: Dry Creek Rambouillet, Hot Springs, SD won by Doug Kirkpatrick

1st Place Late Fall Ram Lamb: Luedtke Farm, Fond du Lac, WI won by Dew Drop Farms

1st Place Winter Ram Lamb: G-String Ranch, The Grover Family, Plainview, MN won by Borchers Sheep Co.

1st Place Spring Ram Lamb: Chapman Rambouillets, Bison, SD won by George Lemke

National Champion Bronze Ewe: Woody & Ann Joslin, Maplewood, OH & Munz Brothers, Moody, TX won by Dew Drop Farms

Reserve National Ch. Ewe: A II Z Taxidermy, Junction, TX won by Dry Creek Rambouillet

1st Place Yearling Ewe: McNeil Rambouillets, Kamas, UT won by Dew Drop Farms

1st Place Natural Yearling Ewe: Richard & Helen Osmond, Coalville, UT won by Crawford Rambouillets

1st Place Early Fall Ewe Lamb: South Dakota Rambouillet Assn won by Dew Drop Farms

1st Place Late Fall Ewe Lamb: Anderson Family Rambouillets, Highmore, SD won by Dew Drop Farms

1st Place Winter Ewe Lamb: Red Barn Family Farm, The Wilts Family, St. Michael, MN won by Borchers Sheep Co.

1st Place Spring Ewe Lamb: The Parker Family, Eldorado, TX won by Borchers Sheep Co.

1st Place Ram Fleece: Utah Wool Marketing Cooperative, Toole, UT won by Doug Kirkpatrick

1st Place Ewe Fleece: McNeil Rambouillets, Kamas, UT won by Doug Kirkpatrick

Junior Champion Ram: Marshall Sheep Co, Arlington, SD won by Moriah Geiser

Res Jr. Champion Ram: Jackson Family, Lubbock, TX won by Ty Jones

Junior Champion Ewe: The Kott Family, Junction, TX won by Lila Pope

Res. Jr. Champion Ewe: Bar J Bar Ranch, Dave & Carla Julius, Box Elder, SD won by Moriah Geiser

Sheep Dress Up Contest: Burk and Bernie Lattimore, Levelland, TX won by Faith Lukert.

Poster Contest: Burk and Bernie Lattimore, Levelland, TX won by Hayden Jones

Thank you to **JUSTIN BENZ** for all of your hard work throughout the year with the ARSBA Futurity. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to my wife Amy for helping me behind the scenes and getting everything taken care of throughout the week! Thank you to Darin Bauck for working the sale block on Saturday.





Mebra Dean Lively Eckhoff "Mebbie", 73, of Bend, Texas passed away on Wednesday, May 18, in Lampasas, Texas.

Mebbie was born on January 19, 1949 in San Saba, Texas to Sherman Archie Lively and Jolene Broyles Lively. She graduated from San Saba High School in 1968. Growing up in the communities of Bend and Chappel, Mebbie spent a significant amount of time outdoors with all of the "Lively Cousins" along the banks of the Cherokee Creek. She also spent a great amount of time in the saddle, working cattle horseback with her uncles and cousins.

Mebbie loved to visit with friends, meet new people and she never met a stranger. She was always able to strike up a conversation with anyone. She lived her life as a loving wife, daughter, sister, Mom, and Mimi. She loved to work in her yard and kept it mowed to perfection so it looked like the fairway on a golf course.

Among her other passions was being a rancher, as she loved working with sheep, goats and cattle. Not a day went by that she wasn't working with or looking at livestock. Her favorite time of the year was the fall and early winter, as she enjoyed her days working in the pecan orchards, helping Leon harvest pecans. She was always looking for the next "blue ribbon pecan sample" to enter in the local San Saba County Pecan Show.

On September 14, 1968, Mebbie married her husband Leon Eckhoff in Chappel, Texas, and they shared 53 years of marriage.

Mebbie is survived by her husband Leon; son Robbie and his wife Amy of Hawley, Texas; son Donnie and his wife Abbie of Axtell, Texas; grandsons Ethan and Ory of Hawley and Brynna of Axtell. Mebbie is also survived by her twin sister Debra (Debbie) January of Chappel, along with her aunt Charlene Reavis of Chappel.

She was preceded in death by her father Archie, mother Jolene, and brother-in-law Mike January.

Visitation was at 2:00-3:00 pm, Monday, May 23, 2022 at Heritage Funeral Home in San Saba, Texas. A funeral service immediately followed at 3:00 pm at the Heritage Funeral Home Chapel in San Saba, with burial at the Chappel Cemetery in Chappel, Texas.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Heritage Funeral Home of San Saba.

***On behalf of our entire family, I want to thank everyone for your calls, emails, texts, flowers, cards, memorials, and condolences during this difficult time for our family. This was quite unexpected as we determined on Easter weekend at Donnie's wedding that something was wrong, and she was diagnosed with cancer soon after. I encourage each and everyone of you that if you feel something might be wrong, get it checked out! Don't wait!***

***Robbie Eckhoff***



## 2022 NATIONAL JUNIOR SHOW CHAMPION EWE

EXHIBITED BY LILA POPE,  
JUNCTION, TX

Award sponsored by The Kott Family in  
memory of Delmar Radde.



## 2021-22 FUTURITY AWARD WINNERS:

Kasandra Knutson, Lila People, Mason  
Munz, Kylie Parker, Kaylee Lukert, Cade  
Parker and Jackson Luedtke



2022 NATIONAL JUNIOR SHOW RESERVE CHAMPION  
EWE. EXHIBITED BY MORIAH GEISER, NEW YORK  
MILLS, MN



## 2022 Cornhole Contest Winners



## 2022 NATIONAL CHAMPION RAMBOUILLET EWE

DEW DROP FARMS, NEW YORK MILLS,  
MINNESOTA





2022 NATIONAL CHAMPION RAMBOUILLET  
RAM

DEW DROP FARMS, NEW YORK MILLS, MN

RAM SOLD FOR \$7,000



2022 NATIONAL RESERVE CHAMPION  
RAMBOUILLET RAM

DOUG KIRKPATRICK & FAMILY, ASHLAND, OHIO

Doug also had the 1st Place Ram and 1st Place Ewe  
Fleeces in the 2022 National Wool Show



2022 NATIONAL RESERVE CHAMPION  
RAMBOUILLET EWE

DRY CREEK RAMBOUILLET

JESSICA STEINMETZ & FAMILY

HOT SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA



Second High Selling Ram 2022 ARSBA  
Online Sale

Chapman Rambouillet, Bison, SD

Sold to Chris Grotegut, Hereford, TX at  
\$8500

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**Memberships (January 1 to December 31)**

Senior Membership Dues: \$40.00

Junior Dues (21 & under): \$15.00

Membership Reinstatement: \$10.00

**Juniors must be a member to qualify for scholarships or to exhibit in the National Junior Show.**

Registration Fees:

All animals 12 months of age and younger: \$7.00

All animals over 12 months of age: \$14.00

Transfers under 60 days from date of sale: \$6.00

Transfers after 60 days from date of sale: \$12.00

Rush orders and Non-Members: **DOUBLE FEES**



**2022 LEGACY AWARD RECEIPIENT**

**MR DAVE JULIUS, BOX ELDER, SD**

Pictured is Luke Steinmetz, Dave Julius,  
and Carla Julius.

**2022 NATIONAL SHOW & SALE**

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