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Spring 2024



The kids are coming!

Humor from the Editors'

CLUB OFFICERS

12 Commandments For Older Goat Owners

- 1: Talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice.
- 2: 'In Style' are the clothes that still fit.
- 3: You don't need anger management. You need people to stop making you mad.
- 4: Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
- 5: The biggest lie you tell yourself is, 'I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it'.
- 6: On time is when you get there.
- 7: Even duct tape can't fix stupid-but it sure does muffle the sound.
- 8: It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and 3 times smaller.
- 9: Lately, you've noticed people your age are so much older than you.
- 10: Growing old should have taken longer.
- 11: Aging has slowed you down, but it hasn't shut you up.
- 12: You still haven't learned to act my age, and hope you never will.
- ...and finally, 'One for the road' means going to the bathroom before you leave the house.

Things are quiet now while we prepare for kidding season and look forward to the upcoming show season.

We hope all's well in your barn during this busy time of year and that you were able to enjoy a little humor from us.

Donna and Debbie

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Remember to



on March 10th

from Pete's desk!

Hi folks,

Unfortunately I wasn't able to attend the last meeting but I'd like to thank our VP Jennifer Funk for taking care of things. Also to Caitlyn Hanlon for her presentation on preparing for your veterinarian and CVI for fairs and what to expect when you arrive at the fair with your goats.

Our next meeting will be held at the CCE building in Ballston Spa on March 10th at 12 noon. It is being hosted by the Eastern New York goat club. Please bring a dish to pass for the potluck lunch. This is also our annual White Elephant sale. We always have so much fun at this sale and it brings some money into our treasury. Feel free to bring worthy items to this sale......and also a friend or two that is interested in goats!

Don't forget to periodically check the club website for new information http://www.nysdgba.org as well as our facebook page.

Dont forget to turn your clocks ahead on March 10th and hope to see many of you!

Pete Snyder NYSDGBA president

NYSDGBA MEETING

The next club meeting will be held on Sunday, March 10.

At the CCE Building in Ballston Spa, NY. 12 noon.

This is a potluck lunch so please Bring a dish to share.

This will be the annual White Elephant Sale so please remember to bring an item or two for the auction...

and some cash to buy a few new things to take home!

Hope to see you there!



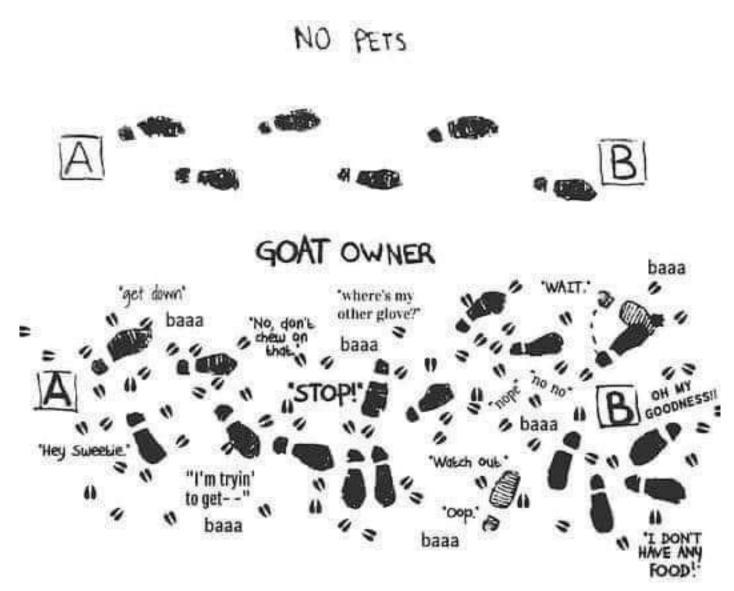
In Memory



I'm saddened to hear of the passing of another long time breeder, Pat Nelson of Rodman, NY. She passed away peacefully on November 24, 2023, at her home where she was cared for by her family, a team of caregivers, and the assistance of Hospice of Jefferson County.

She is predeceased by her husband John. Pat and John lived in the Finger Lakes area and then moved up near Watertown. They raised three daughters and launched a herd of French Alpine goats under the name of Troll's Bridge. Patricia found joy in her grandchildren and keeping up with family and friends.

She will be missed by many. Our condolences to her family.



Udder News

Youth Goat Bowl Opportunity

The Genesee County Goat Club is sponsoring a youth goat bowl on March 9th at 9:00 a.m. at Oakfield-Alabama Central School. All NY state 4-H members are invited to attend. For more information or to register contact Jo Miller at joannarm.miller@gmail.com.

Teams and single youth entries are due March 1st.

NYS Dairy Goat Breeders

We have the tentative dates for the 2024 Oswego County Fair Youth and Open Dairy Goat Show!!

This is an ADGA sanctioned Show!!

Always a fun show with pens available on first come, first serve basis. Youth showing youth will need to stay the whole time and open goats can show off trailer as there is a large area for trailers near ring Save the Date July 4th-7th with the Youth Show starting out the Dairy Goat Show in the morning of Saturday, July 6th,

Sweet Spring Dairy Goat show in Troy PA now has registration available. Let's get the word out! These grounds are where I attended my first show. The environment had me hooked and we've been waiting all year for this show again. See you there!

Hi everyone! I have volunteered to coordinate the NYS Raffle Basket for the 2024 ADGA National Show! If you're interested in helping to come up with a theme and donate NYS products, please join the private group linked below! https://www.facebook.com/groups/1135679530755133/?ref=share_group_link

Shows
Geenessee County July 27th and judge is Lynn Fleming
Erie county Aug. 12th Judge is Joan Rowe and Kate
Allegany county 15th judge TBA
Chenango county Aug 10th JUDGE

2026 National Show will be held at the Big E fairgrounds in West Springfield, Mass.

More info to come!

Membership year runs from March 1st to last day of February.

Dues paid on time may determine the status of your affiliated clubs delegate count and may be needed to be included in directory.

Any questions please reach out- 518.361.0088- Kathy

MINUTES 11/26, BATAVIA, NY

Carly Santangelo

Jennifer Funk

Attended

Trudy Lombard Kathy Kelley Jo Miller Nancy Weaver Doug Flack Pat Masters Ted Masters Michelle Kruger Pete Snyder Raelvn Pierer tatiana Stantan Terri Lee Coleman Donna Worden Bill Worden Sarah Hinz Curtis Hinz

Larry Dowe Jesica Waren

Trudy Lombard read minutes there was a correction donation for Sheep and Goat symposium was to be Up to \$1,000. carly made motion to accept correction and Doug 2nd.

Kathy Kelley read treasurers report Diane Dowe made motion to accept Jennifer 2nd.

Discussion of what we can do with the money in account.

Jesica made motion to put up to \$10,000 in a CD for 15 months Jo Miller 2nd.

Jo Miller made a pledge for a donation to help with Western NY Goat Bowl.

Diane Dowe

Michelle Krueger made motion to donate \$500 to help support Kathy Kelley 2nd Motion passed 1 opposed Larry Dowe.

June 8th is tentative date for State Show Anna Thompson-Hajdik is one judge still working on location Youth committee:

Want to know how to increase amount of kids to participate Kathy Kelley made motion for youth committee to see how to increase numbers Michelle K 2nd.

Sheep and Goat Symposium tat spoke about it and having possibility of Zoom presentation by speakers later Kathy will contact Danielle about putting on website.

Officers elections:

Jesica nominated Peter Snyder for president motion closed Tat made motion for Jennifer Funk for VP Kathy 2nd Motion closed Jesica made motion for Trudy to be secretary tat 2nd Michelle made motion for Kathy Kelley be treasurer tat 2nd

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Minutes 1/28 Lafayette, NY

Attended:

Trudy Lombard Jennifer Funk Christian Algarin Clair Algarin Missy Algarin Michelle Bishop-Utano Olivia Bishop-Utano Kevin Whitmarsh Leslie Whitmarsh Maria Funk Jo Ellen Roehrig Elaine Bartlett Carolyn Reardon Carol Frey Pat Twentyman Caitlyn Hanlon

Larry Dowe

Trudy read minutes corrections: sheep & Goat Symposium was to record presentations and add to website.

Also there was a motion made to do a survey for youth at Fair to increase attendance.

Motion was made to do a CD for up to 15 months.

Jessica Warren made motion to accept minutes as corrected Dr tat Stanton 2nd.

No treasures report but a CD was started at 4.89% for 11 months.

Committee report Dr. Stanton Made motion to send out survey again with a deadline of Fed. 15th there has been about 140 response so far Jessica W.2nd

State Fair: Judge is Loren Acton and this will be the last year that the \$2 premium for animals that do not place will be awarded.

State Show will be June 8th judges will be Anna Thompson-Hajdik and Russ Sorbo there will be a Togg. Specialty. A location has not been confirmed also discussion on non-profit

Daniel has done updates to website also Oswego 3-7th of July 6th is goat show and Paige Warren is judge Central has goat socks for \$8 each as well as a 50/50 raffle. Larry Dowe said we need more info on website?

A grad student from UC Davis is doing a paper on raising goats go to https://tinyurl.com/34nrva9y

Jessica Waltemyer has accepted the position of Cornell NYS Goat & Sheep Extension Specialist

Happy 93rd Birthday to Elaine Bartlett

Next meeting will be Balston Spa, ny on March 10th there will be a white elephant sale. Jessica Warren made motion to adjourn at 1:20pm carol frey 2nd

Caitlyn Hanlon then gave a presentation "I will survive! Fair Season Goat Exhibitors"

Will You See the Total Solar Eclipse
On Monday, April 8th?
The total solar eclipse visits New York on April 8, 2024 beginning at 3:16 pm EDT with the final exit of the Moon's shadow from the state at 3:29 pm EDT.

for more information go to https://www.iloveny.com/events/eclipse-2024/





2024 Sweet Spring Dairy Goat Show Rules April 27th 2024 At the Endless Mountains Maple Festival

- 1) **This is a Fuzzy Show.** While we strongly believe in showing clean and fit animals, we also recognize that the weather can be cold and unpredictable at this time of year. No, you really don't have to fully clip your animals for this show!
- 2) Youth Showmanship: New this year we are starting the day with youth showmanship. Classes will include PeeWee (Under 7), Junior (8-11), Intermediate (12-14) and Senior (15-18). Ages is as of Jan 1st. Sign ups will take place at check-in. Showmanship will begin promptly at 9:00am. Ring 1: Senior followed by PeeWee. Ring 2: Intermediate followed by Junior. Though this is a Fuzzy Show, showmanship animals are expected to be appropriately cleaned and prepared for showmanship.
- 3) SHOW ORDER: This show is sanctioned by the American Dairy Goat Association and ADGA RULES SHALL GOVERN. The combined JR/SR Doe Show & the Junior Doe show are separately sanctioned. The combined JR/SR doe show order will be Alpine, Lamancha, Nigerian, Nubian, Oberhasli, AOP (Guernsey, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg), and Recorded Grade. The Junior Show order will be Alpine, Lamancha, Nigerian, Nubian, Oberhasli, AOP (Guernsey, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg), and Recorded Grade. The Combined show will start immediately following Youth Showmanship. The order of the show is subject to change, Please be sure to have enough handlers for your animals.
- 4) CHECK IN: Saturday <u>BEFORE</u> 8am- the combined show will start with Under 2 in milk immediately following Youth Showmanship. There will be NO refunds for missed classes!
 - a) Goats may begin arriving Friday between 4PM-8PM- if you wish to stay the night before the show you will need camping forms from Alparon Park so please email us for those. **Please** notify the Show Chair if you plan to arrive on Friday as someone needs to be present for you to unload your animals, you may also check-in Friday.
 - b) Goats MUST stay until 5pm on the day of the show. NO EXCEPTIONS! This is Alparon Park's rule, and we must respect their facility.
- 5) ANIMAL REGISTRATION: The base date for computing age of the does entered is April 27, 2024. All animals must be accompanied by registration, recordation, or stamped ADGA duplicate applications for animals under six months of age. All papers must be shown to the show secretary prior to the show. No copies, telephone calls, or photos will be accepted in lieu of original papers. All animals must have a valid tattoo.
- 6) All animals may be checked upon arrival. If any show signs of abscess, sore mouth, pinkeye, parasites, or any other contagious or infectious disease, the entire herd may be asked to leave with no refund of entry fees. The decisions of the show committee are final.
- 7) This show is put on with the help of many hands. You are responsible for your own areas. It is at the Chairman and planning boards discretion to choose not to welcome back any exhibitor that does not respect the space, people and guidelines set forth. Keep in mind this is a public show environment. Behavior, cleanliness and care reflect on our show and your farm!
- 8) PEN FEES: You are required to supply your own bedding. Instead of pen fees you must leave your area/pens fully swept and cleaned of all hay/bedding. Tarps make excellent bottom layers to reduce cleaning. Any area left unclean will be billed\$25/pen. Repeat offenders will be asked not to return.
- 9) There is no option to show out of your trailer due to limited parking.
- 10) All trailers must enter at GATE 3 unload & Exit at GATE 1. Load out should use the same system. In Gate 3, out Gate 1.
- 11) Milk must be dumped in the designated area by the wash rack!
- 12) **GATE PASSES:** Gates passes will be given as follows; 1-5 goats = 1 free pass, 6-10 goats = 2 free passes, 11+ goats = 3 free passes. Additional gate passes are \$6 each and should be purchased ahead of time if you would like to use the trailer entrance. Passes will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested. Extra passes can also be purchased at: https://maplefestivalpa.com/gate-passes/
- 13) ENTRY FEES: Entry may be sent by paper form or completed online.
 - a) Jr/Sr Combined Show Postmarked 4/12/24 \$6 per ring /postmarked after 4/12/23 \$15 per ring
 - b) Junior Doe Show Postmarked 4/12/24 \$6 per ring /postmarked after 4/12/23 \$15 per ring
 - c) Spotlight Sponsors at \$175 receive unlimited entries.
 - d) All Entries close on 4/22/2024 at midnight. No new entries or substitutions can be made after this time!
- 14) Please consider bringing a raffle item for the raffle table or sponsoring our show. We can only keep entry fees low with your support!

Please send all entries and payment to

Sasha Diederich 114 McCarthy Rd Lindley ,NY 14858

Return check fee is \$50

NO REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON - NO DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Top 10 Signs of Kidding Season

- 10. The towel supply dwindles to almost nothing in the bathroom.
 - 9. The hairdryer disappears from the house.
 - 8. The sink is full of assorted buckets, tubes and bottles.
- 7. The circles under your eyes reach epic proportions and you are prone to mumbling to yourself more than usual.
 - 6. If it isn't microwavable, it isn't for dinner.
 - 5. The washer and dryer are sporting excessive amounts of straw.
- 4. Your coveralls, jeans and sweat pants sport 'interesting' looking spots and stains.
 - 3. Your hands, arms and legs turn blotchy and a strange yellowish brown color.
 - 2. Strange and sometimes unidentifiable sounds come from your bedroom...when no one is in there.

And the number 1 sign of kidding season is...

You find yourself in the grocery store

buying things because you want and need the bottle, not the contents!

Sincere thanks to:

Sandy & LeRoy Riehle Reuel Dairy Goats



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is the suggested tattoo letter for kids born during 2024.



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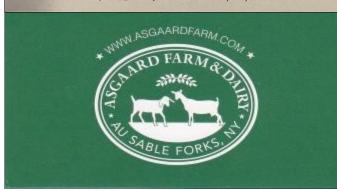


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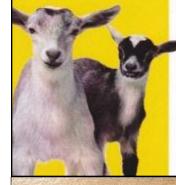
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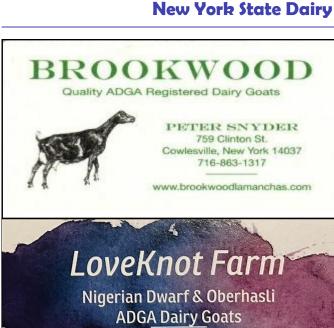


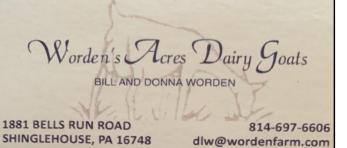


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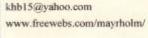
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