SHEEP SKILLATHON
ENTRY DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1, 2015

Superintendents: Dr. Shawn Ramsey

Tuesday, February 16

Registration: 1pm MAC
Contest: 2pm MAC

This show is subject to the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo General Rules, Junior Rules, and Special Rules listed in this section.

Contributors: Texas Lamb Validation Program & Texas Lamb Breeders Association

Description
This knowledge based competition is designed to enhance the educational experience of exhibiting at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo by incorporating production and industry perspectives for the 4-H and FFA exhibitors. Contestants will be challenged with questions, skill stations, and a public speaking component encompassing various facets of the sheep industry.

SPECIAL RULES
1. Entry: An entry fee of $25 made payable to S.A.L.E. is required. Entries must be submitted online and official San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo entry forms must be completed.

2. Eligibility: Contestants must meet all Junior Show Rule Requirements.

3. Divisions: The contest will be divided into three divisions.
   - Junior
     - Ages 8 - 10
   - Intermediate
     - Ages 11 - 13
   - Senior
     - Ages 14 - 18
   Age as of August 31, 2015

4. Contest:
     Finals- The top 5 scoring contestants will advance to a final round of skill stations.
   - Intermediates/Seniors: Preliminary Round- Consists of a written exam and identification stations.
     Finals- The top 5 scoring contestants will advance to a final round of skill stations and a speech/thought question on a sheep industry issue.

5. Awards: Texas Lamb Breeders Association will provide $2,000 for special awards. Texas Lamb Validation Program will provide $2,000 for special awards.

6. Study Materials: The questions and topics will come from the following sources:

   Sheep Skillathon Study Guide: http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/sheep-goats/
Sheep Skillathon Score Sheet

I. Exam

Exam Total: _______________

| Time: 1 hour to complete exam | Scoring: 
Senior – 100 Multiple Choice questions – 1 point each | Intermediate – 50 Multiple Choice questions – 1 point each | Juniors – 25 Multiple Choice questions – 1 point each |

II. Identification Stations

Identification Station Total: ________

| Time: 1 hour to complete Skill Stations (8 minutes per station) | Scoring: 7 stations = 110 pts. |

| 1. Medication | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Medicine/Treatments) |

| 2. Equipment | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Equipment used in a sheep production operation) |

| 3. Nutrition | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Feeds and feeding) |

| 4. Health | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Common symptoms of disease) |

| 5. Breeds | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Qualities of different sheep breeds) |

| 6. Breeds ID | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Identification of breeds) |

| 7. Aging | Total: __________ |
(Potential areas: Determine age of pictured sheep) |

III. Finals: (The top 5 placing contestants from each age division will advance to finals – Exam scores will be used to break ties scoring)

Part 1: Skills Stations

| Time: 30 minutes to complete Skill Stations |

| Scoring: 
Junior: 3 stations at 50 points each |
Intermediate: 4 stations at 50 points each |
Senior: 4 stations at 50 points each |
Part 2: Speech/Thought Question

Time: 10 minutes to prepare speeches. Speeches are a maximum of 5 minutes
Intermediate/Senior – Speech and Thought Question
Junior: - NO SPEECH

Scoring: 45 points for speech, 5 points for thought question

Speech

Poise/Presentation (15 pts.)
1. Easily understood?
2. Is the voice expressive?
3. Is the speaker confident and natural?

Topic (30 pts. Total)
Content (0-15 pts.)
Organization (0-5 pts.)
Accuracy (0-10 pts.)

Thought Question (5pts.)

Speech Total:__________

Exam Total: ________

Identification Stations Total: ________

Skills Stations Total: ________

Speech Total: ________

OVERALL GRAND TOTAL:
(285 possible pts. Jr./410 pts. possible Int./460 pts. possible Sr.)

OVERALL PLACING: ________