MYOTONIC GOAT REVIEW

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	or Champion Doe
Fall Over Farms She Be Jammin'	Pamela T. Weeks
Reserve	Junior Champion Doe
Triple-T Baily's Beads	Doug & Landa Baily
Senie	or Champion Doe
Fall Over Farms Knick Knack	Pamela T. Weeks
Reserve	Senior Champion Doe
Faint-Hearted Ranch Fern	Jessica Shaffer
Gran	nd Champion Doe
Fall Over Farms Knick-Knack	Pamela T. Weeks
Reserve	Grand Champion Doe
Faint-Hearted Ranch Fern	Jessica Shaffer
Junio	or Champion Buck
Rocking R Ranch Prince Charming	Allison Robinson
Reserve J	unior Champion Buck
Fall Over Farms Klass Act	Shelly Strahan
Senio	or Champion Buck
Fall Over Farms Don't Know	Pamela T. Weeks
Reserve S	Senior Champion Buck
CWF Bois d'Arc	Tracy Teichert
Gran	d Champion Buck
Fall Over Farms Don't Know	Pamela T. Weeks
Reserve (Grand Champion Buck
Rocking R Ranch Prince Charming	Allison Robinson
Junio	r Champion Wether
Triple-T Clark	Brittany Welsh
Reserve Ju	nior Champion Wether
3 Dubs Acres Thor	Kathy & Richard Whitford/Terri & Rob Wheeler
Senior	r Champion Wether
Triple-T Vader	Brittany Welsh
Reserve Se	enior Champion Wether
Painted Rose Ranch Kaden	Shelly Strahan
	Champion Wether
Triple-T Clark	Brittany Welsh
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FROM THE FARM...



I began 2013 expecting that we would see several hundred less registrations than the previous year. On 12/31/12 the Myotonic Goat Registry (MGR) closed the books on bucks and gave breeders a year to get their bucks registered. This major rule change did of course prompt the increase in registrations as there were many bucks that should have previously been registered and were not! As expected there was a flood of registrations for bucks at the end of 2012.

I am delighted with the continued efforts made in 2013 by breeders of MGR. In comparing the total number of registrations from 2012 to 2013 we only had a decrease of fourteen registrations with the decrease of thirteen coming from Canada and one coming from the United States.

Our total registrations for 2013 are as follows:

Total Myotonic Goats registered in the **United States:**

3,346

Total number of Does:

2,344

Total number of Bucks:

1,002

Total number of Wethers (included in buck total):

125

Total Myotonic Goats registered in **Canada:**

82

Total number of Does:

59

Total number of Bucks:

23

Total number of Wethers (included in buck total):

8

Grand Total of Myotonic Goats registered in 2013 3,428

On average MGR has a growth of 100 new breeders per year. The average MGR breeder has a herd not of several hundred but a herd of less than fifty Myotonic Goats. It is my belief that even when hard times occur many of our breeders are able to make moderate adjustments and continue forward. This is very important for a breed that has spent too many years being undocumented and almost lost at one point. It is exciting to see so many people come together for the preservation of the breed.

The best opportunity to see excellent examples of Myotonic goats is to attend a Myotonic Sanctioned Show. Several of our shows which are in the planning stages will also be offering limited sales of Myotonic goats. These will not be sanctioned sales but sales offered by the shows. If you are looking to add added meat to your herd this will be an excellent chance! The 2014 show schedule is being updated as we receive sanctioning from shows across the country. There are also plans in the works to offer a third annual MGR Judges Training, possibly in KY during October. Please check the MGR website for future updates and information.

www.MyotonicGoatRegistry.net

~Tara

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THE GOURMET GOAT: GOAT CHEESE QUICHE

Ingredients:

4 tablespoons pesto

One 9" unbaked pie crust

4 tablespoons crumbled goat cheese

1/2 cup frozen broccoli florets

1/2 cup sliced fresh mushrooms

3 eggs

1/2 cup half & half cream

1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

8 oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes, drained and cut into strips

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste



Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Spread pesto evenly in the bottom of the pie crust. Sprinkle goat cheese over pesto. Arrange broccoli florets and sliced mushrooms on top of the goat cheese. In a large bowl, beat together eggs, half & half cream, and flour. Season with salt and pepper. Pour over goat cheese in pie crust. Arrange sun-dried tomatoes on top. Bake in preheated oven for 30 minutes, or until done.

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Questions? Contact Cindy Bene at 757-357-6951 or via email at candjbene@gmail.com



GOATS, MUSIC & MORE FESTIVAL, LEWISBURG, TN

MGR Shows were held at Rock Creek Park, Lewisburg, TN
Rock Creek Classic Show was held 9/27/13 and judged by Sylvester Ridings
World Grand Champion Fainting Goat Show was held 9/28/13 and judged by Sherri Stevens

Rock Creek Cla	assic Show		World Grand Champion	Fainting Goat Show
	Ju	ior (Champion Doe	
Woody Creek Farm Heatwave	Georgia Corkins		S-L Hot Rita	Sonny Purser
	Reserv	e Jun	ior Champion Doe	
S-L Hot Candy Girl	Sonny Purser		S-L Miss Hot Honey	Sonny Purser
	Ser	nior (Champion Doe	
S-L Miss Sugar Rey	Sonny Purser		Woody Creek Farm Hot Party Time	Debbie Mullins
	Reserv	e Sen	ior Champion Doe	
Woody Creek Farm Hot Party Time	Debbie Mullins		Outlaw Fainting Farm Mega Money Lady	Max Lawrence
	Gr	and C	Champion Doe	
S-L Miss Sugar Rey	Sonny Purser	1	Woody Creek Farm Hot Party Time	Debbie Mullins
	Reserv	e Gra	nd Champion Doe	
Woody Creek Farm Hot Party Time	Debbie Mullins	1	Outlaw Fainting Farm Mega Money Lady	Max Lawrence
	Juni	or C	hampion Buck	
Woody Creek Farm Avenger	Debbie Mullins		S-L Cee Money	Sonny Purser
	Reserve	Juni	or Champion Buck	
S-L Cee Money	Sonny Purser	1	Woody Creek Farm Avenger	Debbie Mullins
	Seni	or C	hampion Buck	
Woody Creek Farm Magnum	Debbie Mullins	1	Woody Creek Farm Magnum	Debbie Mullins
	Reserve	Seni	or Champion Buck	
Buck Creek Asriel	Georgia Corkins		Green Pastures Ezekiel Blue	Georgia Corkins
	Gra	nd Cl	hampion Buck	
Woody Creek Farm Magnum	Debbie Mullins	1	S-L Cee Money	Sonny Purser
	Reserve	Gran	nd Champion Buck	
Buck Creek Asriel	Georgia Corkins		Woody Creek Farm Avenger	Debbie Mullins
	Junio	r Ch	ampion Wether	
S-L Hollywood Star	Sonny Purser		S-L Hollywood Star	Sonny Purser
	Reserve J	_ unio	r Champion Wether	
Sunshine Acres Andrew Clifton	Georgia Corkins	1	Woody Creek Farm Henery	Edna Cook
	Senio	r Ch	ampion Wether	
Outlaw Farms Elliot	Tara & Joe Lawrence		Outlaw Farms Elliot	Tara & Joe Lawrence
	Reserve S	enio	r Champion Wether	
Sunshine Acres Noah	Georgia Corkins		Sunshine Acres Noah	Georgia Corkins
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MGR YOUTH BREEDER HANNA BEDWELL

Hello! My name is Hanna Bedwell. Along with my parents, Don and Tahra and younger brother, Keifer, we own Hanna's Upside Down Fainting Goats located outside of New Virginia, Iowa. We started raising Myotonic goats in 2006 when my parents bought me a doe for a pet. I named her Tyco after the t.v. show Dora. At the time I was only 3 years old. I loved Tyco more then anything. A few years later my family moved to a small farm where ironically the owners had two Myotonics. They asked if we wanted them and of course we said yes. That is when we started to learn a lot about goats. The doe that was left was a horrible mother and we ended up selling her. My dad raised cattle his whole life so he knew a lot about breeding of cattle so we used a lot of his knowledge. The following Spring Tyco had twins, Snowflake and Lollipop. I still have them and they raise great kids. In 2011, my brother, Keifer was born. I did not change my farm's name, but I did let him have two goats this past year, Daizy and Hunter. Currently Keifer and I have 20 does and 2 wethers. We typically use a different buck each fall since all of our does except for two are related

I am a member of the Myotonic Goat registry and a 4H member. I have shown Myotonics at a few shows, in particular the Covered Bridge Fainting Goat Show in Winterset, Iowa. I took a wether, Brownie every year that I participated in the show. I ended up winning Grand Champion Wether twice! I have also taken my goats to some local fun shows and have done well there, too. This next summer I plan to show my goats at the county fair for the first time. I am very excited to show off my love there.

I do not travel much showing my goats, but I really just love to hang out with them in the barn and in our hideout in the pasture. Besides showing and hanging out with my goats, I also love to show them off to people. Each summer our local town has an animal parade that I take a Myotonic through. I also take a goat to school for show and tell. This past year I even entered an online show and an online photo show. It was a lot of fun taking pictures of my goats and sending them in and seeing how my goats fit in with other goats from different states. I have entered photos of my goats in the open photography class at the county fair so it was not a problem entering them into the online photo show. It is a lot of fun being able to do a lot of different things with my goats.

I name each goat that is born on our farm. This helps my mom remember who belongs to who when we are selling them. Some of my favorite names are Roxalee who is out of Roxala, who is out of Roxanne, who is out of Roxy. I plan to name Roxalee's kid Roxlynn. It is a lot of fun coming up with names!

I have also sold a number of goats and some even to my friends so I get to see and play with more goats at their houses.

Hanna's Upside Down Goats has a website:

hannasfaintinggoats.weebly.com

and we are also on Facebook at Hanna's Upside Down Goats. If you get a chance, "like" us on Facebook or check out our website and if you are ever in Southern Iowa, stop by and say hi!!



Pictured left: Snowflake

Pictured right and above:
some of Hanna's kids



Pictured above: Hanna Bedwell

Pictured below: Keifer Bedwell

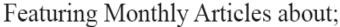






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GOAT POLIO OR LISTERIOSIS?

DIFFERENT CAUSES, SIMILAR SYMPTOMS, SIMILAR TREATMENTS

~Suzanne W. Gasparotto

Goat Polio (Polioencephalomalacia) is a metabolic disease with symptoms that often mimic or overlap those of the brain-stem disease Listeriosis (Listeria monocytogenes). In most cases, both of these diseases are seen in goats raised under intensive management conditions. Improper feeding, particularly feeding too much grain and too little roughage (hay and forage) is a significant factor in both diseases. Producers pushing the animal to gain weight too fast can induce these potentially fatal diseases in their goats. Sudden changes in feed can also cause the onset of these diseases.

<u>Polioencephalomalacia</u> (also known as Cerebrocortical Necrosis) is basically *thiamine* (*Vitamin B 1*) *deficiency*. Any change in the rumen's environment that suppresses normal bacterial activity can interfere with thiamine production. Too much grain decreases the pH of the rumen, predisposing the animal to Goat Polio. Glucose cannot be metabolized without thiamine. If thiamine is either not present or exists in an altered form (thiaminase), then brain cells die and severe neurological symptoms appear.

Causes of thiamine deficiency include feeding moldy hay or grain, using amprolium which is a thiamine inhibitor (brand name CoRid) when treating coccidiosis, feeding molasses-based grains which are prone to mold (horse & mule feeds), eating some species of ferns, sudden changes in diet, the dietary stress of weaning, and reactions to the de-wormers thiabendazole and levamisole. Each of these conditions can suppress Vitamin B1 production. The usage of antibiotics destroys flora in the rumen and can cause thiamine deficiency. It is important to repopulate the gut with live bacteria after using antibiotics or diarrhea (scour) medications.

Goat Polio generally occurs in weanlings and very young goats, while Listeriosis most frequently affects adult goats. An increase in Goat Polio occurs in North America during winter when the availability of forage and quality hay is low and producers start feeding increased amounts of grain or expect goats to survive on very poor pasture.

Symptoms of Polioencephalomalacia can be any combination of or all of the following: excitability, "stargazing," uncoordinated staggering and/or weaving (ataxia), circling, diarrhea, muscle tremors, and blindness. Initial symptoms can look like Enterotoxemia (overeating disease). There is a component of "overeating" involved in that the rumen flora has been compromised. As the disease progresses, convulsions and high fever occur, and if untreated, the goat generally dies within 24-72 hours. Diagnosis is available via laboratory tests, but the producer does not have the luxury of the time that such tests take.

Thiamine is the only effective therapy, and treatment can result in improvement within a few hours <u>if</u> the disease is caught early enough. Thiamine is an inexpensive veterinary prescription. Producers should always keep thiamine on hand; the most commonly available strength is 100 mg/ml. Dosage is based on the goat's weight (4-1/2 cc per 100 pounds live weight for 100 mg/ml thiamine) and must be given every six hours on a 24-hour cycle until all

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symptoms have disappeared completely to avoid relapse. Thiamine, like all B vitamins, is water soluble, so the goat eliminates daily what it doesn't utilize in the rumen. A sick goat's rumen doesn't produce B vitamins, hence the importance of adding them to the goat each day until it gets well. Initially thiamine should be given IM (into the muscle) but can be given SQ (subcutaneously) or even orally after several days of treatment. Some thiamine comes in 500 mg/ml strength, making the required dosage 1 cc per 100 pounds bodyweight. If thiamine is unavailable but the producer has injectable multiple B vitamins, check the label for how much thiamine (Vitamin B1) is present. Fortified Vitamin B Complex contains 100 mg/ml of thiamine, so the 4-1/2 cc per 100 pounds bodyweight dosage is appropriate. Injectable multiple B vitamins containing only 25mg/ml of thiamine require four times the 100mg/ml dosage (18-1/2 cc) per 100 pounds bodyweight, so the producer can quickly see the importance of obtaining the proper strength of injectable B vitamins. The key to overcoming Goat Polio is early diagnosis and treatment. Complete recovery is possible under such circumstances.

Since symptoms of Goat Polio can easily look like Listeriosis, this writer recommends that procaine penicillin also be used. Better to cover both possible illnesses with appropriate treatments when symptoms are so similar than risk the goat's dying. Administer high doses of procaine penicillin (300,000 International Unit strength) every six hours on a 24-hour basis until all symptoms have disappeared and another 24 hours have passed. Higher-than-normal dosage of procaine penicillin is needed to cross the blood brain barrier to put sufficient amounts of the antibiotic into the tissue of the goat's central nervous system. A chart of dosage by bodyweight accompanies this article. Give this medication SQ over the ribs with an 18 gauge needle so that the goat doesn't become a pin cushion of holes from repeated injections. Very Important: Continue all treatment until 24 hours *after* the last symptom has disappeared to avoid a relapse.

Summary: To try to avoid this disease, decrease grain, increase roughage, avoid moldy hay and grain, and don't use feed that is

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susceptible to mold (molasses-based/textured feeds). Complete avoidance of Goat Polio is impossible. After doing everything "right," producers can still have a goat contract Goat Polio occasionally.

<u>Listeriosis</u> is a brain-stem disease caused by the bacteria Listeria monocytogenes, which is found in soil, water, plant litter, silage, and even in the goat's digestive tract. The bacterium generally enters the goat's body through the mouth and multiplies rapidly in cold temperatures. There are two forms of Listeriosis: one form results in abortions, while the other causes encephalitis. Both types are seldom seen at the same time in the same herd. The organism can be shed in the milk of both carrier and sick goats. Listeriosis is potentially zoonotic (able to be transmitted to humans.) Like Goat Polio, Listeriosis is most often seen in intensive management situations. Unlike Goat Polio, Listeriosis is more common in adult animals than in kids. Because some goats are carriers who never display any symptoms, it is possible to buy infected animals and introduce this disease into a previously uninfected herd.

Listeriosis is brought on by feeding silage, suddenly changing type and kind of feed (grain or hay), parasitism, dramatic weather changes, and advanced stages of pregnancy. The encephalitic form is most common, causing inflammation of the nerves in the goat's brain stem. Symptoms include some or all of the following: depression, decreased appetite, fever, leaning or stumbling or moving in one direction only, head pulled to flank with rigid neck (similar to symptoms of tetanus), facial paralysis on one side, blindness, slack jaw, and drooling. Diarrhea is present only in the strain of Listeriosis which causes abortions and pregnancy toxemia. Listeriosis can be mistaken for rabies. Immediate treatment is critical. There is no time to waste with Listeriosis. Recovery is more difficult and time-consuming than Goat Polio. A goat can go blind and completely recover its eyesight and overall health if proper treatment is provided; such treatment can take days or even weeks, depending upon the severity of the illness and how quickly treatment was begun.

Treatment involves administration of high doses of procaine penicillin (300,000 International Unit strength) every six hours on a 24hour cycle up to and through 24 hours after the last symptom has disappeared to avoid relapse. Higher-than-normal dosage of procaine penicillin is needed to cross the blood brain barrier to put sufficient amounts of the antibiotic into the tissue of the goat's central nervous system. A chart of dosage by bodyweight accompanies this article. Very Important: Continue all treatment until 24 hours *after* the last symptom has disappeared to avoid a relapse. Give the procaine penicillin SQ over the ribs with an 18 gauge needle so the goat doesn't become a pin cushion of holes from repeated injections during this intensive treatment. This author also uses Vitamin B 1 (Thiamine) along with the penicillin treatment. Thiamine is an appropriate addition to treatment of any sick goat. Dosage is outlined above in the Goat Polio section of this article. Dexamethasone (cortico-steroid) injections can be used to reduce brain stem swelling. Dexamethasone will induce labor in pregnant does, but the doe is likely to abort anyhow as a result of this infection, so producers

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in Lbs.	in Kgs.	ml (or cc)
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30	13.6	1.8
35	15.9	2.1
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45	20.4	2.4 2.7
50	22.7	3.0
55	22.7 24.9 27.2 29.5	3.3
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90	40.8	54
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85 90 95 100 105 110 115 120 125 130 135 140 146 150 155 160 165	40.8 40.1 45.4 47.6 49.9 52.2 54.4 56.7 59.0 61.2 63.5 65.8 68.0 70.3 72.6 74.8 77.1 79.4 81.6 63.9 66.2 86.2 86.2 86.2 86.2	45 48 5.1 5.7 6.0 6.4 6.7 7.3 7.8
105	47.6	6.4
110	49.9	67
115	52.2	6.7 7.0 7.3
120	54.4	73
125	58.7	7.6
130	59 N	7.6 7.9 8.2 8.5 8.8 9.1
135	B12	8.2
140	63.5	8.5
145	85.8	8.8
150	68.0	0.1
155	70.3	9.4
180	72 A	9.7
185	74.8	10 O
170	77.1	10.3
175	79.4	10.6
180	816	10.9
185	83.9	11.2
190	86.2	11.5
195	88.5	11.8
200	90.7	12.1
205	93.0	12.4
210	95.3	12.7
215	97.5	13.0
220	97.5 99.8 102.1	10.6 10.9 11.2 11.5 11.8 12.1 12.4 12.7 13.0 13.3
225	102.1	13.6
230	104.3	13.9
735	4000	147
240	106.6 108.9	14.5
245	100.0 108.9 111.1 113.4 115.7	14.8
250	113.4	15.1
255	115.7	15.4
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295	133.8	17.8
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Treatment for Listeriosis

might be wise to abort the pregnancy if they wish to save the sick doe. Dexamethasone dosage is 5 to 6 cc per 100 pounds body-weight given IM in decreasing amounts daily. Example: Goat is 100 pounds live weight. Dosage is 6 cc into the muscle on Day One, 5 cc on Day Two, 4 cc on Day Three, 3 cc on Day Four, 2 cc on Day Five, one cc on Day Six, nothing on Day Seven. If the goat is over 100 pounds, drop dosages daily in increments of two or three cc's.

GOAT POLIO OR LISTERIOSIS? CONTINUED

Example: Dose a 200 pound goat at 12 cc on Day One, 10 cc on Day Two, 8 cc on Day Three, 6 cc on Day Four, 4 cc on Day Five, 2 cc on Day Six, nothing on Day Seven. Dexamethasone should be tapered off rather than quit abruptly. This writer would be reluctant to use Dexamethasone on young kids six months of age or less except under the direction of my veterinarian.

Prevention: Feed your goats properly. No silage; the possibility of mold is too great. No moldy feed or hay. Clean pens. No sudden changes in types of feed (grain or hay). Lots of free-choice quality roughage, particularly in the latter stages of pregnancy. And don't overfeed on grain.

NOTE ON HYDRATION/NUTRITION: Do not fail to keep the sick goat hydrated and fed. With Goat Polio and Listeriosis, a goat is usually totally off feed and water. This means that the producer <u>must</u> stomach tube nutrients (electrolytes, energy, protein) into the goat. A 100 pound goat needs one gallon of fluids daily. That is 3,840 cc's. No producer can syringe 3,840 cc's of fluids daily into a goat without stressing both the goat and the caregiver. All of the proper medications won't save a goat if that animal dies of dehydration/starvation. Entrolyte (oral calf nutrient powder containing electrolytes and 13% protein) or comparable product should always be kept on hand for these situations. Do not offer grain to a sick goat but instead provide easy-to-digest forage plants (weeds & leaves) and grass hay.

Alert to Goat Show Participants: The manner in which many of you are taught to raise your animals often results in Goat Polio, Urinary Calculi, Laminitis/Founder, and other metabolic and nutritionally-related diseases. Particularly in 4H and FFA shows, many are beginners and rely upon the information and training being provided by ag teachers, county agents, and judges. Goats are ruminants, and ruminants are pot-bellied animals. A large rumen is an excellent digestive factory. Proper hydration -- the rumen must be 90% water to function correctly -- and nutrition is critical to the goat's overall health and growth.

For those producers who are connected to the Internet, join this author's goat groups. ChevonTalk on Yahoogroups addresses goat health, nutrition, and management, while GoatER on Yahoogroups focuses on goat health emergencies only. Subscribe to these free services at www.tennesseemeatgoats.com or log on to Yahoogroups, search for ChevonTalk and GoatER, and subscribe there.



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EMPIRE STATE MYOTONIC GOAT SHOWS, WEEDSPORT, NY

Empire State Myotonic Goat Show held June 29, 2013 and judged by Patricia Ricotta
Finger Lakes Fainting Frenzy Show held June 29, 2013 and judged by Allen Bitter
Cayuga County Fair Fainting Goat Show held June 30, 2013 and judged by John Pfeiler

Empire State Myotonic Goat Show		Finger Lakes Fainting Frenzy		
	Junior Cha	mpion Doe		
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Moulin Roogagh	Jason Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Black Betty	Jason Duffy	
1	Reserve Junior	Champion Doe		
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Seren	Jason Duffy	ET3 Black Dahlia	Jason Duffy	
	Senior Cha	mpion Doe		
GVF Petunia	Jaime French	B's Barn Jewel of the Nile	Robert Bango	
]	Reserve Senior	Champion Doe		
Sundance Meadows Wild Rose	Robert Bango	Betty Boop	Valerie Manle	
	Grand Cha	mpion Doe		
GVF Petunia	Jaime French	B's Barn Jewel of the Nile	Robert Bango	
1	Reserve Grand	Champion Doe		
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Moulin Roogagh	Jason Duffy	Betty Boop	Valerie Manle	
	Junior Char	npion Buck		
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Bubba	Jason Duffy	B's Barn Silver Streak	Stacy Neely	
P	Reserve Junior (Champion Buck		
Buck Creek Dark Cloud	Robert Bango	Buck Creek Dark Cloud	Robert Bango	
	Senior Char	npion Buck	I	
Sundance Meadows A17 Roogagh	Jason Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason Duffy	
F	Reserve Senior (Champion Buck		
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Vincenzo	Jason Duffy	
· ·	Grand Chan	npion Buck		
Sundance Meadows A17 Roogagh	Jason Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason Duffy	
F	Reserve Grand (Champion Buck	l	
Duffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason Duffy	B's Barn Silver Streak	Stacy Neely	

EMPIRE STATE MYOTONIC GOAT SHOWS CONTINUED

Cayuga County Fair Fainting Goat Show

Junior Champion Doe

ET3 Curiousity Jason Duffy

Reserve Junior Champion Doe

Shearogg Fainters Jasmine Kristy Shearer

Senior Champion Doe

Sundance Meadows Anna	Jaime French
Reserve Senior	Champion Doe
Fern Hill Starliner	Jason Duffy

Grand Champion Doe

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Sundance Meadows Anna	Jaime French
Reserve Grand	Champion Doe
Fern Hill Starliner	Jason Duffy

Junior Champion Buck

B's Barn Bronco Bill	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy
Reserve Junior	Champion Buck
Sundance Meadows Galaxy	Jaime French

Senior Champion Buck

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Brassring Aengus	Jason Duffy
Reserve Senior	Champion Buck
Sundance Meadows Magnum	Jaime French

Grand Champion Buck

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Brassring Aengus	Jason Duffy
Reserve Grand	Champion Buck
Sundance Meadows Magnum	Jaime French









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SOUTH MOUNTAIN FAIR, ARENDTSVILLE, PA

Shows were held at South Mountain Fair in Arendtsville, PA

South Mountain Tennessee Goat Show held August 23, 2013 and judged by Terry Alleva

South Mountain Myotonic Goat show held August 24, 2013 and judged by Denice Hasty

South Mountain Falling Fainters Show held August 24, 2013 and judged by Lynda Gredin

South Mountain Tenne		South Mountain Myot	onic Coat Onow
M. Davis Farms Farms	Junior Char		Lanca O Obaintina Doff
Mt. Basin Farm Fawn	Jordan Judlin	ET3 Curiousity	Jason & Christina Duffy
	Reserve Junior	Champion Doe	
ET3 Curiousity	Jason & Christina Duffy	Woody Creek Farm Raindance	Jason & Christina Duffy
	Senior Cha	mpion Doe	
Knee Deep Farm Millie	Kailyn Judlin	Sundance Meadows Lovey	Valerie Manley
	Reserve Senior	Champion Doe	
Nanny's Kids in Paradise Farm Cassie	Heather Ocker	Knee Deep Farm Millie	Kailyn Judlin
	1		
	Grand Char	mpion Doe	
Knee Deep Farm Millie	Kailyn Judlin	Sundance Meadows Lovey	Valerie Manley
	Reserve Grand	Champion Doe	
Mt. Basin Farm Fawn	Jordan Judlin	ET3 Curiousity	Jason & Christina Duffy
	Junior Chan	npion Buck	
s's Barn Bronco Bill	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy	B's Barn Bronco Bill	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy
	Reserve Junior (Champion Buck	1
Sundance Meadows Sampson	Valerie Manley	Rose Lane Farm Christian	Rachel Klaiber
	1		
	Senior Chan	_'	T
Ouffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason & Christina Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Vincenzo	Jason & Christina Duffy
	Reserve Senior (·	
t. Basin Farm Corvil	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy	Oak Hill Dreamer	Carrie Eastman
	Grand Chan	·	
ouffy Fainting Goat Farm MacRoogagh	Jason & Christina Duffy	Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Vincenzo	Jason & Christina Duffy
	Reserve Grand (Champion Buck	
's Barn Bronco Bill	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy	B's Barn Bronco Bill	Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy

SOUTH MOUNTAIN FAIR, ARENDTSVILLE, PA CONTINUED

South Mountain Falling Fainters Goat Show

Junior Champion Doe

B's Barn Chandra Jordan Judlin

Reserve Junior Champion Doe

ET3 Curiousity Jason & Christina Duffy

Senior Champion Doe

Nanny's Kids in Paradise Farm Cassie Heather Ocker

Reserve Senior Champion Doe

Knee Deep Farm Millie Kailyn Judlin

Grand Champion Doe

Nanny's Kids in Paradise Farm Cassie Heather Ocker

Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Knee Deep Farm Millie Kailyn Judlin

Junior Champion Buck

B's Barn Bronco Bill Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy

Reserve Junior Champion Buck

B's Barn Jokester Susan Soeder

Senior Champion Buck

Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Vincenzo Jason & Christina Duffy

Reserve Senior Champion Buck

Honkytonk Donk Susan Soeder

Grand Champion Buck

Duffy Fainting Goat Farm Vincenzo Jason & Christina Duffy

Reserve Grand Champion Buck

B's Barn Bronco Bill Ernest & Bonalyn Kennedy

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NATIONAL GOAT EXPOSITION, BLOOMINGTON, IL

The National Goat Exposition Myotonic Goat Registry Shows were held at the McLean County Fairgrounds in Bloomington, IL Show 1 was held 9-28-13 and was judged by Donna Elkins Show 2 was held 9-29-13 and was judged by Denice Fraser

Show 1		Show 2		
	Junior	Champion Doe		
Hillside Acres Paisley	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Katy Lynn	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
Reserve Junior Champion Doe				
Hillside Acres Katy Lynn	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Enya	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
	Senior	Champion Doe	•	
Hillside Acres Kaitlin	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Hazel	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
	Reserve Se	nior Champion Doe		
Hillside Acres Hazel	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Shag Oaks Miss Geneva	Jill Wallace	
Grand Champion Doe				
Hillside Acres Paisley	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Katy Lynn	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
Reserve Grand Champion Doe				
Hillside Acres Kaitlin	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Hazel	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
	Junior	Champion Buck		
Fern Hill Dayton	Prissy Chilcutt	Fern Hill Fire Torch	Prissy Chilcutt	
Reserve Junior Champion Buck				
Hillside Acres Dundee	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Hillside Acres Dundee	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
	Senior	Champion Buck		
Pint Size Tequila	Janice Likens	Bakken's Farm Kid Rock	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
	Reserve Ser	nior Champion Buck	•	
Bakken's Farm Kid Rock	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Pint Size Tequila	Janice Likens	
	Grand	Champion Buck	-	
Pint Size Tequila	Janice Likens	Bakken's Farm Kid Rock	Tommy & Maggie Raby	
Reserve Grand Champion Buck				
Bakken's Farm Kid Rock	Tommy & Maggie Raby	Pint Size Tequila	Janice Likens	
Junior Champion Wether				
Goat Hill Farm Deacon	Kathy Jacobs	Arbor Squiggy	Bryan Monts	
Reserve Junior Champion Wether				
N/A	N/A	Goat Hill Farm Deacon	Kathy Jacobs	
	Senior C	hampion Wether		
Goat Hill Farm Apache Pat	Cary Morris	Goat Hill Farm Prentice	Cary Morris	
	Reserve Seni	or Champion Wether		
Goat Hill Farm Prentice	Cary Morris	Goat Hill Farm Apache Pat	Cary Morris	
Grand Champion Wether				
Goat Hill Farm Apache Pat	Cary Morris	Arbor Squiggy	Bryan Monts	
Reserve Grand Champion Wether				
Goat Hill Farm Deacon	Kathy Jacobs	Goat Hill Farm Deacon	Kathy Jacobs	
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PASTURE RENOVATION: OLD PRACTICE—RENEWED IMPORTANCE

~Dr. Garry D. Lacefield, Extension Forage Specialist, UK

Each year thousands of acres across Kentucky are "renovated." The term renovate simply means to improve. In Kentucky, when the term is applied, it usually means seeding clover or other legumes in our grass dominant pastures and hay fields.

Pasture Renovation—The practice of "pasture renovation" has been the most important pasture improvement practice for over fifty years. From the pioneering research by the U.K. Forage Team consisting of Warren Thompson, Tim Taylor and Bill Templeton, to our current forage team , the "value" of legumes has been clearly demonstrated and documented. The initial research documented that adding red clover to tall fescue could increase yield, improve quality, fix nitrogen and improve summer production.

Higher Yields—The total yield of forage per acre is increased. For example, a study conducted at Lexington compared renovating a fescue pasture using red clover to fertilizing the grass with nitrogen, In this study, red clover growing with fescue produced higher yields than fescue fertilized with up to 180 lb N/ac.

Improved Quality—Adding legumes to grass fields improves forage quality over grass alone. This added quality includes increases in palatability, intake, digestibility and nutrient content. The result is improved animal performance. Research has shown that legumes improve animal growth rates, reproductive efficiency and milk production.

Nitrogen Fixation—Legumes get their nitrogen needs from symbiotic bacteria that live in "knots" (nodules) on their roots. These bacteria are added when legume seed is inoculated. This "fixed" nitrogen provides the nitrogen needed by the legumes and also by grasses growing with the legumes. Different legumes are able to "fix" different amounts of nitrogen. Alfalfa usually fixes the most, followed by red clover, then white clover and annual legumes. The value of the nitrogen fixed by legumes depends on the cost of nitrogen fertilizer.

More Summer Growth—Most of the growth of cool-season grasses occurs during the spring and fall. Legumes (alfalfa, red clover or lespedeza) make more growth during the summer months than cool-season grasses. Growing grasses and legumes together improves the seasonal distribution of forages and provides more growth during summer.

For more information on pasture renovation and legume variety performance and comparisons in Kentucky, see:

www.uky.edu/Ag/Forages

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2014 Annual Breeder Fee Invoice & Breeder Information Update

Name:	MGR Breeder Number:
Address:	Phone:
Email Address:	Website:

Please take a moment to update your breeder information so the website and database will reflect your current information. Print legibly!

Submit this form (photocopy okay) along with your renewal fee of \$24 for the year 2014 to the address given above.

Please disregard this invoice if you have already renewed your annual breeder fee or have a different renewal date. Thank you for continuing to support Myotonic Goat Registry.

Breeder Annual Fees Are Due By January 1, 2014



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Phone: 205-425-5954 E-mail: myotonicgoatregistry@yahoo.com Website: www.myotonicgoatregistry.net The Myotonic Goat Registry was formed in 2005 as a sole ownership registry by Gene McNutt with input from an initial Board of Advisors made up of Dr. Phil Sponenberg and Barbara Roberts. The current Board of Advisors also includes Cindy Bene, Judy Balmer, Jan Likens and Dian Naumann. The owner and Board of Advisors will make decisions concerning the registry and its procedures. This method of governance is meant to provide Myotonic Goat breeders with a registry that will not have frequent changes, and will have the longevity and consistency needed to successfully promote the Myotonic Goat breed, while at the same time make it responsive to the needs and wishes of the breeders. In 2009, Gene retired and the registry was sold to Tara Lawrence. As the Myotonic Goat Registry grows, additional Board of Advisor members may be added in order to more broadly represent the breeders. The owner, along with the Board of Advisors, will be responsible for providing for its own replacements and/or expansions.

The Myotonic Goat Registry takes into consideration all breeders, from pet owners to commercial meat growers. Regardless of which aspect of this breed appeals to you, the Myotonic Goat Registry is the place for all breeders to register their Myotonic Goats.

The Registry will help breeders promote their goats through sales, shows, and advertising, and will educate the public about the Myotonic Goat and its usefulness in a variety of settings.

WELCOME NEW MGR BREEDERS

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As of February 9, 2014 there were 456 breeders in the Myotonic Goat Registry.

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