

# Bow's Corriedale Ewe Takes Champion At Wool Breeds Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Benjamin Bow, son of Ben and Mary Bow, Annville, showed the supreme champion ewe in the wool breeds competition at the Farm Show late Wednesday night.

Benjamin showed the champion spring ewe lamb, BOW 9269, in one of the largest classes in the

wool breeds competition, with more than 17 exhibitors.

Nearly 150 sheep were exhibited in the wool breeds show, judged by Charles Hess, Cable, Ohio.

Following is a list of show placings.



Benjamin Bow, far right, won supreme champion of the wool breeds show with his Corriedale ewe late Wednesday night. From left, Ben Bow, Mary Bow, Melanie Horshler, and Benjamin Bow.

## FARM SHOW SHEEP SHOW WOOL BREEDS RESULTS

### MERINO

Yearling Ram: 1. Barbara Falvey, Fall Ram Lamb: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, Spring Ram Lamb: 1. Barbara Falvey, 2. Shady Hollow Farm, 3. Barbara Falvey, Pair of Ram Lambs: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey.

### CHAMPION RAM

Barbara Falvey  
RESERVE  
Barbara Falvey

Yearling Ewe: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Shady Hollow Farm, 3. Barbara Falvey, Fall Ewe Lamb: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, 3. Barbara Falvey, Spring Ewe Lamb: 1. Suzan Falvey, 2. Barbara Falvey, 3. Barbara Falvey, Pair of Ewe Lambs: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, 3. Suzan Falvey.

### CHAMPION EWE

Shady Hollow Farm  
RESERVE  
Barbara Falvey

Breeder's Young Flock: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, Pen of Lambs: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, Get of Sire: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, Flock: 1. Shady Hollow Farm, 2. Barbara Falvey, Premier Breeder: Barbara Falvey, Premier Exhibitor: Shady Hollow Farm.

### RAMBOUILLET

Yearling Ram: 1. Billy Leib, Fall Ram Lamb: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Kenneth Scott, Spring Ram Lamb: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Billy Leib, 3. Billy Leib, Pair of Ram Lambs: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Billy Leib

### CHAMPION RAM

Kenneth Scott  
RESERVE  
Kenneth Scott

Yearling Ewe: 1. Meghan Hayes, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Bob and Suzie Leib, Fall Ewe Lamb: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Kenneth Scott, Spring Ewe Lamb: 1. Billy Leib, 2. Bob and Suzie Leib, 3. Billy Leib, Pair of Ewe Lambs: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Billy Leib.

### CHAMPION EWE

Meghan Hayes  
RESERVE  
Kenneth Scott

Breeder's Young Flock: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Billy Leib, Pen of Lambs: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Billy

Leib, Get of Sire: 1. Kenneth Scott, 2. Meghan Hayes, 3. Billy Leib, Flock: 1. Meghan Hayes, 2. Billy Leib, 3. Kelli Zeigler, Premier Breeder: 1. Billy Leib, Premier Exhibitor:

### CORRIEDALE

(Results not available as of presstime)

## Integrated Program Offered By ASCS

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Farmers wrestling with how to meet minimum erosion standards required under the Food Security Act should look into the options offered by the Integrated Farm Management or IFM program through the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office.

For the first time, a government program offers farmers an opportunity to diversify rotations to improve soil resource sustainability and improve Integrated Pest Management without being penalized with the loss of crop acreage bases. Eligibility requires that 20% of all crop acreage bases for the farm be devoted to a legume, legume-grass, small grain-legume-grass combination or other soil conserving crop.

Advantages include: soil conservation, pest control (IPM), improved soil structure and fertility with no loss of crop acreage base. And depending on how the program is set up, non-program nurse grain crops, such as oats, rye or spelts, can be harvested for

grain and the legume seeded with the grain can be hayed or grazed without losing base acres or deficiency payment eligibility!

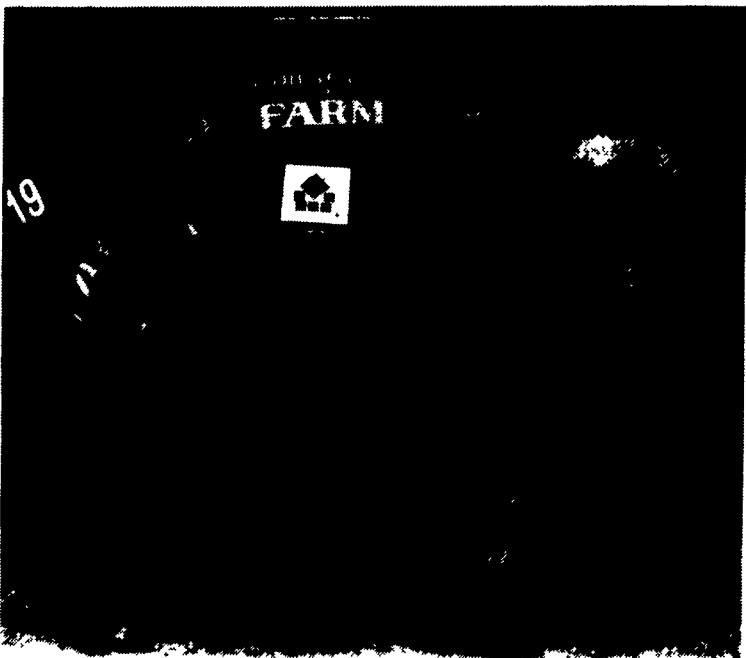
The 20% base committed to soil conserving use can be rotated from one field to another every year allowing the reseeding of hay strips without losing crop base acres. It's important to note, the 20% base acreage figure is an average over the life of the contract. In other words, the 20% figure doesn't have to be met every year as long as the contract average is 20%.

All base crops on the farm must be enrolled in the program for a minimum of three years and a maximum of five years. Any contracts expiring by 1995 are eligible for renewal for another three to five year period. And of course if the requirements of the contract are violated there are provisions for penalties.

IFM is a win-win situation for those farmers who have wanted to break the grain intensive cycle to conserve soil resources but didn't want to risk the loss of base acres. IFM may make it easier for farmers to establish a rotation to meet minimum soil loss standards for the Food Security Act (FSA) without having to buy expensive no-till equipment or install structural control practices like diversions or terraces.

All Counties in Pennsylvania are eligible up to a limit of 60,000+ acres statewide. See your local County ASCS office for specific details regarding your individual situation. Remember, a decision on participation will have to be made before April 30, 1993, the end of the spring sign up period.

A word of caution: take a copy of this article along to the ASCS office. There has been some confusion in some offices between this program and the SP-53 program which is limited to only thirteen counties in the state. Once again, all counties in Pennsylvania are eligible for IFM!



Ken Scott, right, shows the champion Rambouillet ram at the wool breeds competition Wednesday night. At left is Joel Mariacher.



Meghan Hayes showed the champion Rambouillet ewe at the wool breeds show Wednesday night.



Barbara Falvey with her champion Merino ram at the Farm Show's wool breeds competition.



Connie Scott shows the champion Merino ewe at the wool breeds show Wednesday night.

## Nutrient Management Bill Meeting

MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — You are cordially invited to attend a meeting on January 18, 1993 at 3:00 p.m. at Kreider's Restaurant, RT. 72, Manheim, to discuss a proposed Whole-Farm Nutrient Management bill. The proposed Whole-Farm Bill, which is in competition to SB1444, will be introduced to the Pennsylvania Legislature in January.

All persons attending the meeting at Kreider's will receive a copy of the proposed bill and a 45 minute briefing. There will be approximately 30 minutes allocated for discussion.

This meeting is open to all interested persons, and we encourage your active participation. Please let others know of this meeting. Reservations are not required, but would be helpful for planning purposes. Phone: (717) 859-3276. Thank you.