The Morth Country Cheviot

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AMERICAN NORTH COUNTRY CHEVIOT

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Have you checked out the new website? www.northcountrycheviot.com

There are opportunities for you to link your farm website to the North Country Cheviot website. We encourage you to become a sponsoring breeder. A sponsoring breeder is featured on the front page of the website, with a revolving ad and a link to your farm website. This service will be free through June 2016. Signing up is easy. Send an email (to mhn@gervais.com) with your request, a jpeg file (preferred) with a 5" x 5" designed ad and your farm website address. The 5 x 5 picture is the most readable. If you reference the website, the Littledale ad is 5 x 5, the Thomas ad is 5 x 8. The website shrinks the picture to fit. If it is larger than 5 x 5 it is difficult to read. An annual fee will be set in June for sponsoring breeders, to help pay for the new website. It will be tied to your annual membership.

The new website has been live for 3 weeks and has google analytics attached to it. There have been 197 hits, with 147 users from USA, 16 from Canada, 14 from United Kingdom and 1 each from several countries including Switzerland, Spain, and New Zealand. The analytics reports that most people used computers with 49 using a mobile phone and 14 using a tablet. The website is being hosted by a national company that has been in business for 40 years. The webmaster is your secretary.

If you have an event or story you would like included in the website, just email a word document. All pictures need to be jpeg files with a size 1 megabyte or less.

We are looking for a few good farm pictures, please submit your farm picture by email.

Take advantage of this opportunity and become a sponsoring member.

Director at Large Elections to be held in June.

Nominations now open. See article on page 2 for more information.

AMERICA NORTH
COUNTRY CHEVIOT
UPCOMING
SHOWS AND
SALES

2016 NATIONAL SALE

JUNE 3 & 4
PETERSBURG,
WEST VIRGINIA
IN CONJUNCTION
WITH THE WEST
VIRGINIA RAM SALE
ONLINE BIDDING
OFFERED

2016 NATIONAL SHOW AUGUST, 2016 LEWISBURG, WEST VIRIGINA

WE NEED YOU!

PROMOTE AND
SUPPORT YOUR
NORTH COUNTRY'S
BREED

SHOW, SELL, AND BUY AT OUR NATIONAL SALE AND SHOW

It is amazing to join the rest of the breeders throughout our great nation and share this magnificent breed.

Notes from your President, Brett Kessler

Greetings from Clay Hill Ranch, we hope everyone is having an excellent lambing season and looking forward to an exciting year in the North Country Cheviot breed. As I pen this message, we are down to our last eleven ewes to go after having a beautiful set of twins this evening.

I would like to thank the board for the opportunity to lead this organization once again. In this newsletter you are receiving information about the upcoming election for your board of directors at large. If you're interested please submit a resume for the upcoming elections. Your input is important to the future of our breed.

After having some technical issues, we are pleased to announce that the North Country Cheviot website is back on line. It has been upgraded and is much more user friendly. Please feel free to share photos and other stories you may have with us.

I Hope you are looking forward to the National North Country Cheviot Sale in Petersburg, West Virginia, held in conjunction with the West Virginia Purebred Sheep Show and Sale June 3 & 4, 2016. This sale is an excellent opportunity to get your hands on new genetics for your flock.

We are also pleased to announce that the 2016 National

North Country Cheviot Show will be held his year at the State Fair of West Virginia in Lewisburg, West Virginia. Please make plans to .join us for this show as we will once again have youth classes availed during the show. The decision was also made for the 2017 National show and plans are in the works for the show to be held in Washington, look for more details to follow.

I look forward to another exciting year for our breed and what the future holds for us; please let me know if I can help you in any way. Best wishes from Northern Indiana

Nominations now open for Director-at-Large

If you would like to be a Director at Large, mail your nomination to Bonnie Henny by May 1.

Nominations must be written
letter only with a short
biography about the nominee
and their North Country
Cheviot Sheep. The letter
must be received at the
Oregon Office by May 1.

3 directors will be elected. Nominee must be a active breeder and have registered sheep in the last 2 years.

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2017 National Show will be at Western Washington State Fair, Puyallup Washington within 36 miles from Seattle.

This fair is in the top five for attendance in the nation. It has held North Country Cheviots Classes for the past 30 plus years.

The sheep show dates are yet to be announced.

It will be in mid-September 2017.

Start making your plans to the west coast.

We want you at our National Shows and Sales.

2016—2018 North Country Cheviot Assn. Officer and Directors

President: Brett Kessler
Vice-President: Ron Fletcher
Past President: Don Thomas
Exec. Secretary: Bonnie Henny

Regional Directors:

Central: Brett Kessler Eastern: Ron Fletcher Western: Eric Henny

Mail in only nominations for Director at Large must be received by May 1, 2016.

<u>Director at Large Election</u> <u>Ballots to be mailed to member</u> <u>by May 15</u>

Ballots must be received at the office by June 1 2016

Current Directors-at-Large:

Martin Macqueen
Billy Webster
One position vacant

All Three Directors-at-Large will be elected in 2016 for a 4 year term.

2016 PROMOTIONAL BOOKLET

A new promotion book is scheduled to print in June. It has been delayed due to the change in website and newsletter editor.

If you have an ad in the promotional book, please contact Bonnie Henny regarding the next publication.

New Advertising is welcome, please contact Bonnie Henny, mhn@gervais.com for more information.

Nominations for Director at Large

Nomination must be a resume in writing mailed to the office by May 1, with the nominee's, name, address, short resume including your North Country Cheviot project. **Emails will not be accepted.**

Nominees must be a active member for 2 years, who has registered North Countrys in the past two years.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

IF YOU WANT TO REMAIN ON THE MEMBERSHIP LIST

Your annual dues are already past due. For any address, name

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North Country Cheviots—The Breed that *Thrives Where Others Survive.*

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CORRECTING YOUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

<u>IS THE INFORMATION ABOVE CORRECT?</u> <u>IF NOT, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING AND RETURN BY May 1, 2016</u>

IF YOU WANT YOUR WEBSITE AND/OR EMAIL ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION PLEASE COMPLETE ANY MISSING OR INCORRECTION INFORMATION!

FARM NAME:	
Member name(s):	
ADDRESS	
CITY:	STATE ZIPCODE
PHONE NUMBER:	_ INCLUDE E-MAIL
\$ ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE \$10.00 DUE EACH JANUARY, MUST BE PAID ANNUALLY TO MAINTAIN ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	
\$ FIRST TIME MEMBERSHIP FEE	\$15.00 INCLUDES ANNUAL FEE
ARE YOU A JUNIOR—MEMBERSHIP FREE COMPLETE DATE OF BIRTH	

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