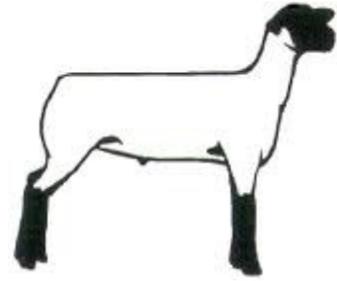


Lamb Record Book

for exhibitors of the
Kent County Youth Fair



Name:

Age:

Club:

Leader:

Record Started:

Record Closed:

Month/Day/Year

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Why Keep Records?

Keeping records on your project can be interesting and fun.

Good records will:

- ✓ Help you learn about your project animals; their rate of growth, the cost of feed, proper health care and production management.
- ✓ Help you plan future projects.
- ✓ Determine your profit – what does your project cost or earn over time.
- ✓ Improve your management practices.
- ✓ Keep a log of your project activities.

Remember, records are no better than what you put into them!

Market Project Financial Summary

Fill in the following to determine the break-even price for your project. The break –even price is the price per pound at which expenses are covered and you start to make a profit.

PROJECT ANIMALS

Breed	Identification*	Sex	Date of Birth	Date of Purchase**	Purchase price/value***

*Name, ear tag, tattoo, ear notch, etc.

**Applies only if you purchased the animal. If you raised the animal, leave blank.

***If you purchased, list the price. If you raised the animal, list the value

FEED RECORD

Feed amounts & costs: How much did you feed your project animals?

Cost per hundredweight (cwt) of grain ration \$ _____

Amount fed during project (total).

Daily _____ lbs. x 7 = _____ lbs. per week

Weekly _____ lbs. x # weeks _____ = Total _____ lbs.

Cost of roughage (per bale) \$ _____

Amount of roughage fed during project (total).

Daily _____ lbs. x 7 = _____ lbs. per week

Weekly _____ lbs. x # weeks _____ = Total _____ lbs.

RATE OF GAIN

- A. Final Weight _____ lbs.
Date _____
- B. Beginning Weight _____ lbs.
Date _____
- C. Total Gain _____ lbs.
A-B = Total Gain
- D. Total Days on Feed _____ lbs.
- E. Rate of Gain _____ lbs. per day
C/D = Rate of Gain

OTHER PROJECT EXPENSES

Veterinary/Medication	\$ _____
Bedding	\$ _____
Supplies*	\$ _____
Shearing	\$ _____
Hauling	\$ _____
Total Expenses	\$ _____

*do not include equipment that may be reused for future projects

Profit/Loss

Lamb Costs	\$ _____
Feed Costs	\$ _____
Other Expenses	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____
Weight of lamb/s	_____
Total Expenses/weight = Break Even Price	\$ _____

If you receive a price above market value for your animal, you have done better than most producers. They usually receive market price or less for their livestock. It is good to make a profit, but it is not always possible due to many variables. A loss is not a failure, but a learning challenge. Take it and use it to improve your next project!

Sending out letters to buyers, informing them of the livestock sale and encouraging them to come, helps everyone get better prices for their projects. Making sure that your animals are clean, their pens well bedded, and making attractive signs show buyers that you have worked hard and take pride in your project. Most important, sending out thank-you letters after the sale to your buyer tells them that you appreciate their support.

PROJECT QUESTIONS

1. What did you learn from your project this year?

2. What is a lamb's gestation period?

3. What are sheep primary providers of?
 - a. Wool and milk
 - b. Wool and meat
 - c. Milk and meat

4. How many pounds per day will an average lamb on a good ration gain?
 - a. 3 to 4
 - b. 1 to 2
 - c. 0.5 to 0.75

5. The ideal market lamb should exhibit extra muscling in its rack, loin and _____.
 - a. Rib
 - b. Leg
 - c. Brisket

6. What disease is tracked through official USDA identification tags?
 - a. Spider lamb
 - b. Scrapie
 - c. Pneumonia

7. The four parts of a sheep's stomach are _____, reticulum, omasum and abomasums.
- a. Rumen
 - b. Pancreas
 - c. Colon
8. The two most valuable wholesale cuts are the leg and loin.
- a. True
 - b. False

Comments:

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Keep this record as a part of your Member's Personal Record, which provides space for a complete record of your Kent County Youth Fair and 4-H projects and activities. This is helpful if your ever apply for scholarships or awards through 4-H or other organizations.