

**SHEEP DEPARTMENT**

Superintendent - Don Hummel, Elk Horn  
 Assistant Superintendent - Mike Cory, Bondurant

**2022 SHEEP BARN SCHEDULE**

	Tues., Aug. 9	Wed., Aug. 10	Thurs., Aug. 11	Fri., Aug. 12	Sat., Aug. 13	Sun., Aug. 14	Mon., Aug. 15	Tues., Aug. 16	Wed., Aug. 17	Thurs., Aug. 18	Fri., Aug. 19	Sat., Aug. 20	Sun., Aug. 21	
<b>MAY ARRIVE</b>	8:00 a.m. Columbia Corriedale Long Wool Ramb.	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> FFA Sheep	8:00 a.m. Cheviot Montadale Big Ram			7:00 a.m. 4-H Sheep		10:00 p.m. Babydoll Southdown Dorset Hampshire Shropshire Southdown	8:00 a.m. Suffolk Wether Sire/Dam		8:00 a.m. Oxford Down	8:00 a.m. Jackpot Lambs All Other Meat Breeds		
<b>MUST BE IN</b>		10:00 a.m. FFA Sheep  2:00 p.m. Corriedale Ramb.	8:00 a.m. Columbia Long Wool  11:00 a.m. Big Ram	8:00 a.m. Cheviot Montadale		Noon 4-H Sheep			8:00 a.m. Dorset Southdown  Noon Babydoll Southdown Hampshire Shropshire	9:00 a.m. Wether Sire/Dam  10:00 a.m. Oxford Down	8:00 a.m. Suffolk  2:00 p.m. All Other Meat Breeds	8:00 a.m. Jackpot Lambs		
<b>MUST BE CHECKED IN</b>		4:00 p.m. Corriedale Ramb.	3:00 p.m. Columbia Long Wool	Noon Montadale  2:00 p.m. Cheviot					10:00 a.m. Dorset  Noon Southdown  4:00 p.m. Babydoll Southdown Hampshire Shropshire	10:00 a.m. - Noon Weigh Wether Sire/Dam  2:00 p.m. Oxford	Noon Suffolk  4:00 p.m. All Other Meat Breeds	8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Weigh Jackpot Lambs		
<b>SHOW</b>		TBA FFA Carcass Lamb Ultrasound Evaluation	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> FFA Mkt. & Carcass Lamb  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Corriedale  <b>Noon</b> Big Ram  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Ramb.  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Wool Show	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> FFA Brdg. & Commercial Sheep Long Wool  <b>Noon</b> Columbia  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Montadale	8:30 a.m. Cheviot  11:30 a.m. Sheep Shearing Contest	10:00 a.m. Spin & Knit	8:30 a.m. 4-H Mkt. Sheep	8:30 a.m. 4-H Brdg. Sheep	2:00 p.m. Dorset  6:00 p.m. Southdown	9:00 a.m. Shropshire  1:00 p.m. Hampshire  6:00 p.m. Babydoll Southdown	9:00 a.m. Wether Sire/Dam  5:00 p.m. Wether Sire/Dam Sale	9:00 a.m. Suffolk  1 hr After Suffolk Oxford Down	9:00 a.m. All Other Meat Breeds  1:00 p.m. Jackpot Lambs	
<b>RELEASED</b>				4:00 p.m. FFA Sheep Corriedale Ramb.	3:00 p.m. Cheviot Columbia Long Wool Montadale			After Show 4-H Sheep		3:00 p.m. Dorset Southdown	3:00 p.m. Babydoll Southdown Hampshire Shropshire  6:00 p.m. Wether Sire/Dam	After Show Suffolk	3:00 p.m. All Other Meat Breeds Jackpot Lambs Oxford Down  6:00 p.m. Big Ram	
<b>MUST BE OUT</b>				6:00 p.m. FFA Sheep	6:00 p.m. Cheviot Columbia Corriedale Long Wool Montadale Ramb.			4:00 p.m. 4-H Sheep					7:00 p.m. All Sheep	

## RULES

The following rules will govern for all classes in this department and will supersede any and all special association rules.

1. Open Class Livestock general rules, regulations and health requirements apply in this department. In case general rules conflict with Sheep Department general or special rules, the latter shall govern.
2. **SUBMITTING ENTRIES.** Entries must be made online at [www.iowastatefairentry.org](http://www.iowastatefairentry.org).
3. **ENTRY DEADLINE IS JULY 1.** ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE JULY 1.
4. **ENTRY FEES.** Each exhibitor, as a requirement for entry, will pay an entry fee of \$7 per animal. **Entry Fee must accompany entry or it will be returned.**
5. **LATE ENTRIES.** Entries submitted July 2 - July 8 will be charged a late fee of \$10 per head in addition to regular entry fees. No entries will be accepted after July 8. Entries are accepted according to earliest submit date.
6. **REFUNDS.** No refunds of fees will be made unless cancellation is received IN WRITING (letter or e-mail) by July 21. No refunds will be given on tickets, wristbands or vehicle permits. No refunds of \$10 or less will be issued. Refunds will be made by mail after the close of the Fair (separate from premium checks).
7. **ADMISSION TO THE FAIR.** Each exhibitor must purchase two discounted admission tickets at \$9 each when making entry. Additional tickets may be purchased. Discounted tickets for children 6-11 years old may be purchased for \$5 each. Without admission tickets, the full price of \$14 (adults) and \$8 (children) per day will be charged at the gate.
8. **UNLOAD PERMITS.** Each exhibitor will be given one unload permit. This permit allows a maximum of 30 minutes to unload animals and tack but does not provide parking.
9. **VEHICLE PERMITS.** Each exhibitor may purchase a vehicle parking permit at \$10 per day. Each exhibitor is limited to two ongrounds lot permits per day. Any additional passes will be issued for Lot Y. Vehicle permits must be purchased in advance by indicating the specific days needed on the Sheep Entry Form. Each vehicle permit will park one car or truck (**no trailers**) in a Fairgrounds lot for the specified day(s). **Vehicle permits are required to park in Fairgrounds lots on a space available basis. Parking will not be available at the gate.**

## PENS

10. Iowa State Fair Management reserves the right to refuse entries after all penning facilities have been assigned and to reassign pens not appropriately used. Pen assignments will be made by the Superintendent based on entries and available space. Refer to Sheep Office bulletin boards for pen assignments.
11. PLEASE NOTE - Due to conflicts and/or overcrowding in recent years, pen assignments are reserved **only** for breeds shown. If you stay beyond each session you must get approval from the Superintendent, pay additional fees and be subject to relocation. **Sheep remaining in pens after release time must have approval of Superintendent or are subject to forfeit of premiums.**

## ELIGIBILITY OF ANIMALS

12. The name, registry number, ear tag number and date of birth for each animal entered, must be given on the original entry form postmarked by July 1. **Unnamed entries will not be accepted.**
13. **4-H AND FFA LAMBS.** Breeding class lambs entered in the 4-H or FFA classes may also be entered in the corresponding Open classes. Entry must be made on the regular Open Class entry form on or before July 1. Open Class fees of \$7 per animal must accompany these entries.
14. **OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS.** Unless otherwise specified, to be eligible for competition, whether single or in groups, animals must have been owned by one individual or previous existing firm on date of entry. The date stamp of the registry association will determine date of ownership. Registry certificate or transfer, showing exhibitor to be the owner, must be presented upon demand of officials prior to show. Original registrations must be presented. **NO PHOTO COPIES.**
15. All exhibition animals must be permanently identified and recorded in accordance with the rules of their respective national registry association. **Exact birth date - day, month and year - must be shown on every pedigree.**
16. Purchased sheep must be stamped by the Association and owned August 1, 2022 or before. Home bred and raised sheep must be accompanied by national registry association papers and presented to Show Officials upon request prior to show. **EXHIBITORS WILL HAVE PAPERS FOR EACH ANIMAL OR NOT BE ALLOWED TO SHOW.**

## CLASSES

17. Individuals or firms may make as many as four entries in the individual classes but only two monies will be paid. Only two entries per exhibitor will be allowed in group classes, but only one may place and be paid money.
18. **SUBSTITUTIONS.** Substitutions are allowed within class entered. Upon request of Superintendent, substitutions to another age or class within the same division may be made for an additional \$10 fee to be collected at time of check-in.
19. All breeds shall split lamb classes:  
Fall lambs born September 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021  
January lambs born January 1, 2022 - January 31, 2022  
February lambs born February 1, 2022 - February 28, 2022  
March & After lambs born March 1, 2021 and after
20. **GROUP CLASSES.** **Pair of Lambs** shall consist of one ram and one ewe. **Young Flock** shall consist of one ram lamb and two ewe lambs. **Flock** shall consist of one ram, yearling or lamb; two ewes, one year and under two; and two ewe lambs.
21. Each of the following groups - **Pair of Lambs**, **Pen of Four Lambs**, **Pair of Ram Lambs** and **Pair of Ewe Lambs** - may consist of Fall, Winter and/or Spring lambs.
22. Animals to compose a group need not be named on the entry form, but each one must be entered and shown in individual classes. The catalog number of each animal must be stated on a printed form available at the Superintendent's Office and handed to the ring clerk before the show or upon entry of the group into the show ring.

## DISQUALIFICATION

23. **No cable halters allowed in any sheep shows at the Iowa State Fair.**
24. **No muzzles allowed.**

## FITTING

25. **There will be NO wool length rule as voted by the Iowa State Fair Board Competition Committee. Exceptions:** 1) The American Shropshire

Registry Association has approved the decision to exhibit Shropshire sheep slick shorn. Slick shorn is defined as being shorn completely to the hide within five days of the show date. The wool may be left from the rear hocks down and the front knees down plus the wool cap defined as from the ears and poll forward. 2) The National Southdown Association has recommended all Southdown sheep be slick shorn.

26. The use of artificial coloring on sheep is discouraged.

**CLASS AND DIVISION NUMBERS**

	Babydoll Southdown Div. 50	Cheviot Div. 51	Columbia Div. 52	Corriedale Div. 53	Dorset Div. 54	Hampshire Div. 55	Long Wool* Div. 56	Montdale Div. 57	Oxford Down Div. 58	Rambouillet Div. 59	Shropshire Div. 60	Southdown Div. 61	Suffolk Div. 62	AOMB** Div. 63
Yearling Ram	580	600	620	640	660	680	700	720	740	760	780	796	812	833
Shorn Yearling Ram		601			661	681		721	741				813	834
Color Yearling Ram	581		621	641			701			761				
Fall Ram Lamb	582	602	622	642	662	682	702	722	742	762	781	797	814	835
January Ram Lamb	583	603	623	643	663	683	703	723	743	763	782	798	815	836
February Ram Lamb	584	604	624	644	664	684	704	724	744	764	783	799	816	837
March & After Ram Lamb	585	605	625	645	665	685	705	725	745	765	784	800	817	838
Shorn Ram Lamb - all ages		606			666	686		726	746				818	839
Color Ram Lamb - all ages	586		626	646			706			766				
Pair of Ram Lambs	587	607	627	647	667	687	707	727	747	767	785	801	819	840
Yearling Ewe	588	608	628	648	668	688	708	728	748	768	786	802	820	841
Shorn Yearling Ewe		609			669	689		729	749				821	842
Color Yearling Ewe	589		629	649			709			769				
Shorn Fall Ewe Lamb														822
Pair of Yearling Ewes	590	610	630	650	670	690	710	730	750	770	787	803	823	843
Fall Ewe Lamb	591	611	631	651	671	691	711	731	751	771	788	804	824	844
January Ewe Lamb	592	612	632	652	672	692	712	732	752	772	789	805	825	845
February Ewe Lamb	593	613	633	653	673	693	713	733	753	773	790	806	826	846
March & After Ewe Lamb	594	614	634	654	674	694	714	734	754	774	791	807	827	847
Shorn Ewe Lamb - all ages		615			675	695		735	755				828	848
Color Ewe Lamb - all ages	595		635	655			715			775				
Pair of Ewe Lambs	596	616	636	656	676	696	716	736	756	776	792	808	829	849
Pair of Lambs	597	617	637	657	677	697	717	737	757	777	793	809	830	850
Young Flock	598	618	638	658	678	698	718	738	758	778	794	810	831	851
Flock	599	619	639	659	679	699	719	739	759	779	795	811	832	852

\*Long Wool: Division 56 is a multiple breed class that may include Lincoln, Cotswold, Romney, Border Leicester, Coopworth, Perendale, Wensleydale, Shetland, Navajo-Churro, Icelandic, Karakul, Black Welsh, and California Variegated Mutant.

\*\*AOMB (All Other Meat Breeds): Division 63 is open to only purebred registered meat breeds not currently included in other divisions. (Tunis, Dorper, Texel, Katahdin, etc.).

**BREED PROBATION**

The Iowa State Fair Board approved a motion to waive the probation rule requiring two Iowa exhibitors for the Sheep Department for one year and will review annually. Please review the Breed Probation rule listed in the General Rules and Regulations of the Iowa State Fair Open Class Livestock Premium Book for further information.

**NEW BREEDS IN COMPETITION**

A breed showing for the first time at the Iowa State Fair must show for two years and have at least 35 head, 25 of which must be from Iowa, and a minimum of five exhibitors. During these two years, the Iowa State Fair provides the judge, ribbons and banners but no premiums. Please review the New Breeds in Competition rule listed in the General Rules and Regulations of the Iowa State Fair Open Class Livestock Premium Book for further information.

**PREMIUM PAY SCALE**

The following scale of premiums apply in all breeds (including Wether Sire/Dam) based on the number **SHOWN** in each individual class:

Individuals Shown	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
1 or 2 shown	\$17.50	\$14.00						
3 or more shown	\$35.00	\$28.00	\$23.00	\$18.00	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$8.00

The following scale of premiums apply in all breeds based on the number **SHOWN** in each group class:

Groups Shown	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
1 or 2 eligible shown	\$15.00	\$12.50						
3 or more eligible shown	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$16.00	\$14.00	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00

The following **CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS** will be paid in each breed:

Champion Ram: \$40; Reserve Champion Ram: \$30

Champion Ewe: \$40; Reserve Champion Ewe: \$30

**Premier Exhibitor's Award: \$20, 15, 10**

A Premier Exhibitor's Plaque will be awarded to the highest scoring exhibitor in each breed within the breeding classes based on the following system: Top two sheep per age and sex division.

Champion Ram .....	10 points
Champion Ewe .....	10 points
First .....	10 points
Second .....	8 points
Third .....	6 points
Fourth .....	4 points
Fifth .....	2 points
Sixth .....	1 point

**SHEEP SPECIALS**

The **North American Babydoll Southdown Sheep Association and Registry** will award the following premiums in the Babydoll Southdown classes:  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$20, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$10.

The **North American Babydoll Southdown Sheep Association and Registry** will provide trophies for the Champion and Reserve Champion Babydoll Southdown Ram and Ewe.

**IOWA CLASS AWARDS**

Iowa monies will be paid in Divisions 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 and 62 subject to the following conditions: Only one animal; bred, owned and shown by an Iowa exhibitor from each farm, partnership or breeding establishment or by members of each separate household. **\$10, 6, 4, 3, 1.**

**SUB CLASSES**

If Breed Shows merit dividing classes into sub-classes - i.e. approximately 25 head cataloged per class, classes will be divided equally. Yearling Ram, Fall Ram, Winter Ram, Spring Ram, Yearling Ewe, Yearling Ewe that has Weaned a Lamb, Fall Ewe, Winter Ewe and Spring Ewe classes may be split into two or more classes at the discretion of the Show Management if entries within a given breed's class exceed 25 head.

**REGIONAL MONTDALE SHOW**

1. Animals must be entered in the Open Show.

**NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL SUFFOLK SHOW**

1. Animals must be entered in the Open Show.

**REGIONAL JUNIOR SUFFOLK SHOW**

1. Animals must be entered in the Open Show.
2. Junior entries will be noted at time of check-in.
3. Junior exhibitors must be 21 or younger on January 1, 2022.
4. Junior placings will be taken from Open Class judging.
5. All animals will receive awarded Open Class premiums from Iowa State Fair.
6. Junior premiums will be paid by the Iowa Suffolk Association.
7. Junior Champions will be picked following Open Class Champions.
8. Exhibitors must show their own sheep unless they have two entries in the same class, in which case another UJSSA member may show the sheep. Exhibitors are allowed to have a UJSSA member assist them in showing; however, the registered owner must either hold the head of the animal or set the animal's legs throughout the entire duration of the class. Failure to comply with this rule results in forfeiture of placing and premium money for the animal.
9. Junior exhibitors must wear their Junior t shirts when showing.

### WETHER SIRE/DAM SHOW - DIVISION 64

Show - Friday, August 19 at 9:00 a.m.; Sale - Friday, August 19 at 5:00 p.m.

#### RULES

1. **Entry deadline is July 1.** Entries must be submitted online by July 1. Entries submitted online July 2 - July 8 will be charged a late fee of \$10 per head in addition to regular entry fees. No entries will be accepted after July 8.
2. Classes will consist of Yearlings and Lambs - Ewes and Rams.
3. Black Face and White Face/Speckled Face will be shown separately.
4. All sheep are to be slick shorn.
5. Classes will be:

853	Black Face Yearling Ram	857	White Face/Speckled Face Yearling Ram
854	Black Face Ram Lamb	858	White Face/Speckled Face Ram Lamb
855	Black Face Yearling Ewe	859	White Face/Speckled Face Yearling Ewe
856	Black Face Ewe Lamb	860	White Face/Speckled Face Ewe Lamb

6. All class winners (each breed) will return for overall champion of the show.
7. All other Iowa State Fair health and ownership rules apply.
8. No muzzles allowed.
9. Premier Exhibitor's Award will be: \$20, 15, 10.

#### WETHER SIRE/DAM SPECIALS

The **Iowa Club Lamb Association** will present a traveling trophy to the exhibitor of the Champion Wether Dam in memory of **Doug Johnston**. This trophy will be purchased and presented by the **ICLA**.

The **Iowa Club Lamb Association** will present a traveling trophy to the exhibitor of the Champion Wether Ram in memory of **Harold McIlrath**. This trophy will be purchased and presented by the **ICLA**.

#### WETHER SIRE/DAM SALE

Advance entry for this sale must be made with the following association. Write sale manager for complete rules and entry blanks.

**Wether Sire/Dam Sale is sponsored by Iowa Club Lamb Association on Friday, August 19 at 5:00 p.m.** The sale is open to current ICLA members and MUST be a resident of the state of Iowa. Entries for the sale are due to Duane Sprouse, P.O. Box 43, Keota, IA 52248 by July 1. You must also enter the Iowa State Fair Open Show in the Wether Sire/Dam division. Sheep will be displayed one hour before sale. Checks will be written to producer. For further questions, contact Duane Sprouse at 641/636-2115 or 319/461-5611.

### OPEN JACKPOT LAMB SHOW - DIVISION 65

Sunday, August 21 at 1:00 p.m.

#### RULES

1. **Entry deadline is July 1.** Entries must be submitted online by July 1. Entries submitted online July 2 - July 8 will be charged a late fee of \$10 per head in addition to regular entry fees. No entries will be accepted after July 8.
2. An exhibitor may enter and show two wethers or ewe lambs in any one class and two may be placed. Entry fee is \$7 per lamb.
3. Showmanship entry fee is \$5 per class.
4. Lambs must be in pens by 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 21 and are released at completion of Open Jackpot Lamb Show.
5. A limited number of pens will be available for stalling Open Jackpot Lamb entries. Contact the Sheep Barn Office concerning pen availability.
6. Lambs must be purebred to show in the breed classes.
7. Crossbred and grade lambs sire and dam may not be same breed.
8. All lambs will be checked for club lamb fungus. Any evidence will prohibit the animal from showing.
9. No muzzles allowed.
10. Lambs are to be slick shorn prior to arrival.
11. Classes will be broken by weight at the discretion of Show Management.
12. Health papers must be checked at the veterinarians office prior to the show.
13. Individual Jackpot Lamb classes will be broken at the discretion of Show Management if more than 25 individual Jackpot Lambs are entered per class.
14. There is a minimum of four entries for a breed class.
15. Sheep will be classified at weigh in.

#### CLASS

861	Showmanship -- age 10 & under: ribbons
862	Showmanship -- age 11 to 15: ribbons
863	Showmanship -- age 16 to 21: ribbons
864	Purebred Shropshire: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
865	Purebred Southdown: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
866	Purebred Hampshire: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
867	Purebred Suffolk: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
868	Natural Colored: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
869	Commercial Ewe: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
870	Crossbred Black Face: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 15, 10, 10, 5
871	Crossbred White Face Influence/Speckled Face: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 10, 5
872	Crossbred White Face: \$40, 30, 20, 15, 10, 5
873	Grand Champion Jackpot Lamb: \$150; Reserve Grand Champion Jackpot Lamb: \$100

**BIG RAM CONTEST - DIVISION 49**

Thursday, August 11 at Noon

**Premiums Offered:**

Big Ram.....	\$1,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Biggest Ram.....	\$500
All others officially weighed.....	\$25

**ENTRY DEADLINE - AUGUST 1**

**No Entry Fee**

**SCHEDULE:**

**Thursday, August 11**

8:00 a.m. May arrive  
11:00 a.m. Must be in  
Noon Big Ram Contest - rams weighed

**Sunday, August 21**

6:00 p.m. Released  
7:00 p.m. Must be out

**RULES**

1. General rules, regulations and health requirements in the Open Class Livestock Premium Book apply in this department. In case general rules conflict with Sheep Department general or special rules, the latter shall govern.
2. E-mail letter of intent to enter to [entryintern3@iowastatefair.org](mailto:entryintern3@iowastatefair.org) by August 1. Entrants are limited to one entry per exhibitor. The entry shall give name or some identification of the ram, the ram's breed, exhibitor's name, address and telephone number. **There is no entry fee. However, exhibitors will need to pay to get into the Fair. Discounted admission tickets can be purchased in advance.**
3. Ram may be purebred or crossbred.
4. Ram must have been owned 60 days prior to Fair and have registration papers. If ram is a crossbred it must have been owned 12 months prior to Fair.
5. Ram must be alive and pass health requirements of the Iowa State Fair.
6. Any use of techniques, drugs, procedures or practices to alter weight or appearance of animals shall be cause for disqualification.
7. All Big Rams must be brought to the Fair for official weighing. Pens will be furnished for all exhibitors in this contest.
8. Rams will be weighed on Thursday, August 11 at Noon.
9. The winning Ram and the Reserve will be displayed through Sunday, August 21 at 6:00 p.m. in a designated educational exhibit area of the Sheep Barn. They may be removed from the display for exercise, washing and other essential activities as long as properly handled.
10. The educational exhibit area will be supervised and helpers will be available to care for the rams by doing routine chores, but will not be held responsible in any way for the health and welfare of the rams if the exhibitor elects to have the rams fed and watered by the Iowa State Fair.
11. The exhibitors of the rams must have adequate liability insurance as most farm protection policies provide.
12. If more than one ram has the same heaviest weight, an Iowa State Fair official will draw lots for the \$1,000 Big Ram winner. Second heaviest ram will receive \$500.
13. If the winning ram dies or becomes incapacitated so it may not be exhibited at the Fair, the next heaviest ram will be the winner.
14. Premiums for the Big Ram will be paid with the regular State Fair premiums sent as soon as possible after the close of the Fair.