

Easter Sheep and Goat News for 2019– from the Cornell Sheep & Goat Program

Western (Roman) Easter is on April 21st and Greek (Orthodox) Easter is on Apr28th this year. As usual several livestock auctions will be offering special sales for lambs and kids as well as for cull adults prior to the Easter Holidays.

The Dutchess County Sheep & Wool Growers will host their first annual Easter Lamb Sale at Dutchess County Fairgrounds on April 13th from 8 AM to 1 PM. Members/no charge, Non-members/ \$10 a lamb. **Pens had to be reserved by March 15th. Private treaty sale**, all transactions between you and the buyer. Must stay until your lambs sell or taken back home, for more info email hsimmons@bard.edu .

The Cornell Sheep & Goat Program has compiled the following list of Easter sales. Please call the auctions yourself to confirm details such as commission fees and check in times and gauge their commitment to having a good Easter Sale. Keep in mind that your local auction barn may also have more buyers lined up as Easter approaches even if they are not having a special Easter sale. However, it is a very good idea to call ahead and alert them that you are bringing in a set of animals particularly if bringing more than just a few so that you can see if they have interest in lining up a good set of buyers for your group. More info about the pluses and minuses of selling slaughter goats and sheep at auctions is available on the web at

<http://www.sheepgoatmarketing.info/education/livestockauction.php> and

<http://www.sheepgoatmarketing.info/education/NEauctionbarns.php> .

The education section of that web site also has several articles on evaluating lambs and kids and on marketing them through various channels.

The market directory at http://sheepgoatmarketing.info/marketing_dir.php?col=categories lists buyers and slaughter houses as well as auctions. However, many of the listings are out of date so please be sure to call them to double check on info listed.

EASTER Sales for 2019

Chambers, D. R. & Sons

Scott Chambers
76 Maples Avenue
Unadilla NY Otsego 13849
(607) 353-2728
<http://www.drchambersauction.com/index.aspx>

Easter auction: Wed. April 10th, 11:30 AM lamb/kid by lb., bigger goats and sheep by the head, bring between 8 and 10 AM, 11 AM absolute latest
Commission: 10%

Empire Livestock Bath Market

Jonathan Lubic
7418 Rt. 415 N
Bath NY Steuben 14810
(585) 250-2032 or sales barn (607) 776-2000
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Thurs. April 11th, 6 PM kids and goats by the head, lambs and sheep by the lb., barn opens 7 AM, best to bring in by 1 PM so buyers get good chance to view. Commission \$8/hd.

Empire Livestock Central Bridge Market

Tim Miller
872 Rt.30A, PO Box 279
Central Bridge NY Schoharie 12035
(315) 440-9683 or (607) 847-6475 or sales barn (518) 868-2006
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Tues. April 16th, 1 PM, check in starting 8:30 AM and no later than 12:00 PM, earlier best

Empire Livestock Chatham – no longer in operation

Empire Livestock Dryden Market

Danielle Cornelius
49 East Main Street,
PO Box 387
Dryden NY Tompkins 13053
(607) 280-9378 or (607) 844-9104
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Mon. April 8th, 2 PM check in starting 7 AM or day before

Empire Livestock Gouverneur Market – no longer operating sales at the barn

Empire Livestock Pavilion Market

Sue Rudgers
357 Lake Street, PO Box 423
Pavilion NY Genesee 14525
(585) 447-3842 or (585) 584-3033
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Mon. April 8th 2 PM

Finger Lakes Livestock Exchange

Ron & Barb Parker
3865 Rts 5 & 20 Geneva Turnpike
Canandaigua NY Ontario 14424
(585) 394-1515
<http://www.fingerlakeslivestockex.com/>

Easter auction: Wed. April 10th, 5 PM, check in starts 7:30AM, commission \$8 plus 1% of gross

Gentners Livestock Commission Market

Shirley Gentner
341 W. Main St.
Springville NY Erie 14141
(716) 592-4062

info@gentnersspringvilleauction.com

Easter auction: Sat. April 13th, 11 AM

Hosking Sales

Tom & Brenda Hosking

6096 NYS Rte. 8

New Berlin NY Chenango 13411

(607) 847-8800 or (607) 972-1770 or (607) 972-1771

Easter Sheep Lamb Goat & Small Animal Sale: Mon April 15th, check in starts Sunday, or 8AM Monday morning, try to have animals there by 10 AM

New Holland Sales Stables

101 W Fulton St

New Holland PA Lancaster 17557

(717) 354-4341

Goat & Sheep Sale: Mon. April 15th, Sale starts 9AM, check in night before or 24 hour check-in. Goats sold by the head. Sheep sold by the pound. Please note that if there are excessive numbers of goats, sheep may not sell until Tues. April 16th but should still come in before Monday morning in case all animals sell on Monday.