



Ashley Club Lambs

- 150 ewes
- A few wethers
- Hamp x Suffolk Cross, Speckled
- Main Market:
 - Show lambs
 - Breeding ewes
 - East Coast, Indiana, Pennsylvania
- Showing lambs since age of 10



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- 119 acres – hay and pasture
- Orchardgrass and clover
- Barn
- 3 converted horse stalls
- 9 lambing pens



Lambing Seasons

- Start breeding mid-May through Nov.
- Market Oct. –born lambs to N.C. market

- Suffolk, Hamps
 - Synchronize PG 600 + CIDR
 - 5 ewes to a ramb
 - 2014 – 90 synchronized 63 bred

Lambing Jugs



Lambing Pens/Barn



Breeding Philosophy

- Meet market needs
 - Show criteria
- Suffolk × Hamp – growth advantages
- NO ONE BUCK CAN DO IT ALL
- Buck needs to have:
 - Longevity, style and appearance
 - Growth, wide top, long loin
- Lease or Own? – It depends



Supplements

- 2 lbs grain a day
 - Cracked corn with protein pellet and molasses
- Free choice minerals
- Hay
- Creep feeders




Parasite Control/Health Program

- Used to worm every 3 months
- Now:
 - Worm at pregnancy check
 - Cydectin, Valbazen – open ewes
 - Check eyelids
- CD&T given also given at pregnancy check
- Lice medication given after shearing
- Foot Scald

Marketing Program

- Show Circuit = primary market
- North Carolina
- Virginia
- East Coast



Industry Challenges

- Markets:
 - Prices need to stay relatively high short to long term
- Education
 - Check-off supported programs to promote benefits of lamb to consumers



Thank You!