

Just One More Page on Parasites...

Information about Meningeal Worms

In reference to an article developed by Susan Schoenian, Sheep and Goat Specialist of the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension, the meningeal worm is an internal parasite (*Paralaphostrongylus tenuis*) of the white-tailed deer that usually completes its life cycle in the deer without causing significant problems. However, when unnatural hosts, such as sheep and goats, become infested with meningeal worm, the parasite moves into the brain and/or spinal cord and causes neurological problems that can be fatal. Llamas and alpacas are even more susceptible to meningeal worm infection than sheep or goats. Cattle are not known to be affected. Meningeal worm is not a health concern to humans.

To read more, please click on the link below.

[Meningeal Worms...](#)

This Week in the Meat Goat Markets...

Market Trends

The American Boer Goat Association has embarked on providing its members a weekly service consisting of meat goat market trends from two of the largest markets in the United States.

Last week in San Angelo, 2,739 head sold, down moderately from two weeks ago and down significantly from 5,285 head that sold a month ago. Kid prices were marginally softer. Last week in New Holland, prices for kids weighing less than 80 lbs. weakened while heavier kids sold steady to \$5 per head higher (4/21/08). Goat receipts last week at New Holland totaled 1,613 head, about even with 1,628 the previous week, but up from 1,235 during the same week a year ago.

[Marketing Trends...](#)

Another Extension...

Farm Bill Extended

According to an article published on the Iowa Independent Website by Dien Judge, Congress approved yet another one-week extension of current farm policy Thursday, giving farm bill negotiators another chance to finally resolve their differences and finish their work.

The one-week extension was approved in defiance of President Bush, who has threatened to veto any further short-term extensions. Earlier in the week, Bush had asked Congress to simply extend the current farm

bill for a full year or longer. To read more, please click on the link below.

[Another Extension...](#)

One More Chance...

ABGA SCHOLARSHIP Deadline Approaching

To benefit young people with big dreams and create a positive influence on their future, the American Boer Goat Association offers scholarship opportunities to members that are high school seniors or a college student in the fall of the year in which the application is made.

The Scholarship Deadline is (postmark) May 2, 2008. To view the scholarship application, please click on the link below.

[ABGA Scholarship Application...](#)

Hear Ye, Hear Ye...

2008 National Show Announcer

Sky Shivers, popular humorist and story teller from Prague, Oklahoma will be the announcer for the 2008 ABGA/JABGA National Show.

Please click on the link below to view an article regarding Sky Shivers published in the Ponca City News.

[ABGA Announcer...](#)