



## DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> Goes to the County Fairs!

We got interested in DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> when my daughter, Kelsey, started her market lamb project. We wanted a supplement that was actually good for the lambs but would still give us an edge in the show ring. Once we started using DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup>, we liked the results so much that we started giving it to the breeding ewes as well! We have found that overall our sheep are much healthier, having little to no health problems and if you are familiar with sheep you know that they can get anything, anytime.

This is my daughters third year with her 4-H project. The first year we purchased her lambs from a breeder, we were not using the DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> and we had nothing but health problems and trips to the vet. The second year we had our own ewes which got on DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup>

and Kelsey used two of the lambs for her project. The lambs we raised on the DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> had no trips to the vet or health concerns and did very well at the fair.

This year we had no lambs due to problems with a ram and had to purchase lambs (from a different breeder). Once again we have already had three trips to the vet. I can't wait until our next crop of lambs and a lot fewer headaches.

Our program includes one tsp. of **Exotics Plus**<sup>™</sup>, a quarter tsp. of **Excel**<sup>™</sup> a day, all the **V/M Free Choice for Browser Grazer** they want, and forage on our pasture that we fertilized with **Humi-Zyme**<sup>™</sup> in February and/or grass/hay when dry lotting. The market lambs got this as well as some **H.E.S.**<sup>™</sup> for muscle tone. This program has given us the most bang for our bucks with great results.

(If you are using DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> products for your sheep, email me and we could compare notes at [kshawnheather@msn.com](mailto:kshawnheather@msn.com))

Thanks DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup>,  
The Kyle family

### Saving Sensitive Sheep

by Jim Zamzow

Last month we had a question posted from Rowan Emry's, (Gold Director, CO) regarding her downlines worming and feeding program for sheep. This is Jim's advice that he asked to be shared with everyone:

"I look at worms the same way I look at bacterial or other parasitic infections. The condition of the animal determines whether or not parasites can thrive. In most animals, if copper levels are in the normal range (in balance with the other minerals, of course) then we have low parasite pressure.

Cattle have a high tolerance to copper so it is easy to dose them with high levels of DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> SOD or copper/cobalt combination. Sheep on the other hand have a very small "gray area" where copper is concerned. In other words, the level of safety to toxicity is small. Copper is very necessary in sheep, but since some farms have lost their entire flock with too high dosage, they tend to go the other way and cut copper out of the diet which is just as dangerous.

If it were my flock, I would add DYNAMITE<sup>®</sup> SOD a little at a time until I got satisfactory results in the health of the animal and condition of wool.

The question might arise: why isn't the copper in Dynamite enough? Well, most of the time it is... but in some cases a mineral in the feed, soil or water could suppress the function of copper in the body. An example is molybdenum in hay raised in high pH soils or zinc from galvanized water tanks.

I would personally be conservative with chemical wormers and try to get a balance in my feeding program. Sheep are very sensitive and will give up their spirit easily, so they must be treated gently and with sensitivity. PGR has been used successfully many times with market lambs, adjusting the levels to their requirements. Start at very low levels... 1/2 cup or so & work up."

I hope this finds you all well.

Jim

