

Easter Sheep and Goat News for 2018 – from the Cornell Sheep & Goat Program

Western (Roman) Easter is on April 1st and Greek (Orthodox) Easter is on Apr 8th 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 Cornell Sheep & Goat Program has compiled the following list of Easter sales. It is a good idea to 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 information 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 However, many of the listings are out of date so please be sure to call them to double check on info listed. **Be warned, the updated Easter sale info listed below has not been put on the Sheep Goat Marketing Website yet!**

EASTER Sales for 2018

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. March 21st, 11:30 AM lamb/kid by lb., bigger goats and sheep by the head, bring between 8 and 10AM if possible, 11AM latest
Commission: 10%

Empire Livestock Bath Market

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

Easter auction: Thurs. March 22nd, 6PM kids and goats by the head, lambs and sheep by the lb., barn opens 7AM, earlier you bring the better
Commission: \$8/hd.

Empire Livestock Central Bridge Market

Tim Miller
872 Rt.30A, PO Box 279
Central Bridge NY Schoharie 12035
(315) 440-9683
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Tues. March 20th 12:30PM, check in starting 8:30AM

Empire Livestock Chatham

Dave Burris
2249 Rt. 203, PO Box 2
Chatham NY Columbia 12037
(518) 350-1724 or (518) 392-3321
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Easter auction: Mon. March 19th 2PM, check in starting 8:30AM

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. March 26th 2PM check in starting 7AM or day before

Empire Livestock Gouverneur Market

Mike Jefferds and Steven Toomey
952 US Highway 11
Gouverneur NY Saint Lawrence 13642
(315) 287-0220 or (315) 484-4433 or (315) 854-1453
<http://www.empirelivestock.com>

Spring Round up Sale: Sat. March 24th 11AM, check in Friday Mar 23rd 8AM to 5PM

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. March 19th 2:30 PM

Finger Lakes Livestock Exchange

Ron & Barb Parker

3865 Rts 5 & 20 Geneva Turnpike
Canandaigua NY Ontario 14424
(585) 394-1515
flle83@yahoo.com, <http://www.fingerlakeslivestockex.com/>

Easter auction: Wed. March 21st 4PM, check in starts 7:30AM

Gentners Livestock Commission Market

Shirley Gentner
341 W. Main St.
Springville NY Erie 14141
(716) 592-4062
info@gentnerspringvilleauction.com,

Easter auction: Wed. March 21st ?

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 March 26th, 2PM, check in starts Sunday, or 8AM
Monday mornings

New Holland Sales Stables

101 W Fulton St
New Holland PA Lancaster 17557
(717) 354-4341

Special Goat Sale: Mon. March 26th 9AM, check in night before or 24 hour check-in. Sold by the head.
Special Sheep Sale: Tues. March 27th 9AM, check in night before or 24 hour check-in. Sold by the lb.