



AMERICAN BORDER LEICESTER ASSOCIATION

2026 Polly Hopkins Futurity Contest

CONTEST RULES

Eligibility: All junior members 21 years old as of January 1st and younger with paid membership are eligible.

Nominations: All ewes must be registered and nominated by the breeder, unless renominated by the youth owner as a yearling. All nominations must be accompanied by the \$20 fee. Nominations must be postmarked by June 1st.

- **Divisions:** Four divisions are offered, with four classes in each.
 - **Division #1:** Bred & Owned Ewes
 - White Yearling Ewes
 - White Ewe Lambs
 - Natural Colored Yearling Ewes
 - Natural Colored Ewe Lambs
 - **Division #2:** Purchased Ewes
 - White Yearling Ewes
 - White Ewe Lambs
 - Natural Colored Yearling Ewes
 - Natural Colored Ewe Lambs
 - **Division #3:** Ram Lambs
 - White Bred & Owned Ram Lambs
 - Natural Colored Bred & Owned Ram Lambs

- **Definitions:**
 - Bred & Owned: Animals born from a dam that was owned individually by the junior exhibitor at the time of the mating.
 - Purchased: Animals purchased either privately or through public auction and transferred individually to the junior exhibitor.
 - Yearling: Animals born 9/1/24 through 8/31/25
 - Lamb: Animal born 9/1/25 through 6/1/26

All animals regardless of division entered must be solely and individually owned by the junior member

Points & Placings

- Any shows after 4/1/26 are eligible for futurity points. Animals must be nominated before the show takes place for it to count towards the futurity.
- Points are not transferable between animals or exhibitors
- Youth may show more than two nominated in each division but they will only receive premiums for the two highest placing animals
- Futurity nominated animals must be exhibited/shown by the youth to receive futurity points. If a youth has two futurity nominated animals entered in the same class, the second animal must be handled by another youth.
- Point record forms must be completed and signed by the superintendent or secretary of the show. Forms must be submitted electronically within 10 days of the show to be counted.
- A futurity animal may earn points from both open and junior shows at the same fair when a different judge is involved or the shows are held on different days.
- A futurity animal may compete in an unlimited number of shows. Youth are encouraged to send in all point record forms from all shows, but only the top five point cards for each animal will determine the final score and placings. In the case of a tie, the sixth highest scoring point card may be counted.
- Futurity entry fees and monetary donations towards this contest will be prorated between all classes based on total number of entries.
- Placings will be calculated following the NAILE Open Border Leicester Show and results reported in the following ABLA newsletter.

Futurity Point Scale

<u># in class</u>	<u>Placing in class</u>
	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
1	1
2	2 1
3	3 2 1
4	4 3 2 1
5	5 4 3 2 1
6	6 5 4 3 2 1
7	7 6 5 4 3 2 1
8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
9	9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
10	10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Futurity Champions: A champion title will be awarded within each division.

Awards: Payout checks and any physical awards won will be mailed to youth following final placing calculations.

Electronic Submissions only: ablafuturity@gmail.com



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NOMINATION FORM

Must be postmarked by June 1st, 2026 to be eligible for this year's futurity contest

Animal Information

Registered Name: _____ ABLA Registration # _____

Barn Name: _____ DOB: _____ Sex: _____ Color: _____

Breeder: _____

Owner: _____

Youth Information

Name: _____ Age (as of Jan 1st): _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Nominating person's signature: _____

Please make sure all above information is complete and correct and this form is signed.

All nominations must be accompanied by the \$20 nomination fee. Make checks payable to "ABLA".

**Mail nomination form and check to:
Stephanie LaRoche, ABLA Treasurer, 457 Battle Street, Webster, NH 03303**

Nominations are due June 1st, 2026.



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POINT RECORD FORM

Must be electronically submitted within 10 days of the event for points to be counted.

Youth Exhibitor: _____

Animal Barn Name: _____

Registered Name: _____ ABLA Registration #: _____

Name of Event: _____

Date of Show: _____

Town/State: _____

Official Judge: _____

Class: _____

Placing: _____ of _____

I do hereby verify and certify all the above information to be true and correct.

Secretary/Superintendent of Show:

_____ Date: _____

Telephone #: _____ Email: _____

Submit completed form to: ablafuturity@gmail.com

It is the responsibility of the youth to ensure point record forms are submitted in a timely manner. Forms must be electronically received within 10 days of the event.