



# AMERICAN CORMO SHEEP



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Dear Mrs. Seal

Thank you for your letter regarding the Cormo sheep. Enclosed is a copy of a brochure on the Cormo breed as published by I.K. Downie in Australia. Mr. Downie gets 105 to 110% lamb crop on 15,000 ewes using open range unassisted lambing. Experience in Colorado using controlled shed lambing has resulted in 180% lamb crop.

The Cormo has been successfully crossed on the Columbia and Rambouillet with the following results: Easy lambing, fast maturing, open faces, longer staple and higher yielding fleeces. The Cormo requires approximately 40% less feed than a Columbia. Cormos appear to thrive in various degrees of weather, from winter to summer.

The Cormo association is small at this time, but the interest in the Cormo breed is soaring. The association has no written By-Laws, but there is a mutual agreement that the Cormo should not be promoted as a show sheep. The reason for this, is due to the desired effort to keep the breed as pure as possible. Registration fees are \$3.00 per animal, transfer of owners is \$2.00 per animal. A fee of \$6.00 will be charged for all late registrations.

June 23-26 Utah State University will bCCe holding a conference "Wool on a Small Scale". This conference was designed for wool growers and crafters. I have enclosed the flier on the conference. Printed copies of the conference proceedings will be made available at a minimal cost.

During this conference the Cormo association will also be meeting to discuss By-Laws, fees, membership dues and other information pertinent to the association.