Suggested Yearly 'Shepherd's Calendar'

| onth | 1                       | 2              | 3                    | 4              | 5               | 6              | 7                   | 8         | 9                | 10           | 11             |  |
|------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------|----------------|--|
|      | 2-3 Wks before Breeding |                | Gestation 145-149 d  | ays (5 months) |                 | Lambing        |                     | Lactation |                  | Weaning      | Open Ewes      |  |
|      | Condition Score Ewes    | Begin Breeding | Maintance Diet for 2 | 1/2 months     | 5-6 Wks before  | Lambing        | Adjust Ewe Diet for | r # Lambs |                  | Decrease Ewe |                |  |
|      | Cull Problem Ewes       |                | 2 Wks after Breeding | ş              | Increase Ewe    | Shear          | singles             | Twins     | Triplets         | Energy to    | Maintance Diet |  |
|      | Begin Flushing Ewes     |                | Taper off grain      |                | Energy          | Vaccinate      |                     |           |                  | Increase     | Roughage       |  |
|      | Deworm Ewes & Rams      |                | for ewes and rams    |                | Decrease        | Deworm         |                     |           |                  |              |                |  |
|      | Check Rams              | Marker on Ram  |                      |                | Roughage        |                | Creep feed for Lam  | lbs       | Lambs on Pasture | or Feedlot   | 1              |  |
|      | Prepare for breeding    | for 17 days.   |                      |                | Condition Score | Adjust Diet    | Ear tag             |           | Vaccinate        | Booster shot | Market         |  |
|      | Trim Feet               | Switch Rams    |                      |                |                 | Cull Open Ewes | Tail docK           |           | Deworm           |              |                |  |
|      | Increase ration         | after 17 days  |                      |                | Prepare barn fo | r Lambing      | Weigh               |           |                  |              |                |  |
|      |                         | Change Marker  |                      |                | Purchase Lambi  | ng Supplies    | iodine navels       |           |                  |              |                |  |
|      |                         | Colour         |                      | Remove Rams    |                 |                | injections          |           | Deworm rams      |              |                |  |
|      |                         |                |                      |                |                 |                | Castrate            |           |                  |              |                |  |
|      |                         |                |                      |                |                 |                | Record              |           |                  |              |                |  |