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## CEO NOTES

### Vitamin D

I have had 300 responses to the survey so thank you to those who took the time. Between you, it looks like you would need at least 700 bottles. I have passed that information on to Claire Whitehead. I will keep you posted on development as and when they happen.

### Shearing

I have been getting a few enquires about availability of shearers. If you are looking for a shearer there is a list on the BAS website here <https://bas-uk.com/alpacapedia/alpaca-shearers/>

If you are a shearer and want your name added to the list then please send me details.

### BAS Board Blog

Paul Hetherington thinks about some vulpine neighbours....<https://bas-uk.com/alpacapedia/the-bas-board-blog/>

You can email about this or anything else using [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)

*Duncan Pullar*

BAS CEO 07496 578781



## Husbandry for May/June

- Decide what you will do with your fleece prior to shearing
- Shear your alpacas, check and trim teeth, fighting teeth and toenails where required.
- Start to clear the fields of ragwort, thistles, burrs and young oaks or oak leaves.
- Cut and wrap hay and haylage from now until September.
- Body score, check jaws, teeth and look for evidence of mites, check toenails.
- Weigh new born cria and record the birth and weight and any other details.
- Cria need to be vaccinated against clostridial disease.
- Have your fleece samples analysed and join the EBV programme if you want to.

<https://bas-uk.com/members-area/welfare/husbandry-calendar/>



## National Alpaca Farm Open Day 2022

3rd and 4th September 2022

Following the huge success of the inaugural BAS UK **National Alpaca Farm Open Day the second one is now scheduled.**

The aim is to encourage anyone and everyone to come and meet alpacas. The second event is planned for the weekend 3rd and 4th September 2022.

We had 100 herds and 30,000 visitors last year so let's see if we can go bigger!!! The aim is to have 100 plus alpaca herds open to the public over the same weekend supported by a central promotional campaign in the weeks leading up to the event on September 3rd/ 4th 2021. Events on either, or both days, over that weekend will qualify for promotional support.

For BAS members who already open to the public National Alpaca Farm Day is a chance to boost awareness and for others it could be a first venture in promoting the animals that BAS members are so passionate about.

The plan is for all interested BAS members to register their event with BAS and have it listed on the BAS website to allow members of the public to find a local event. The size and type of event is up to BAS members to decide; it can be simple or “all singing and dancing”. It depends on what you can manage.

**Register your interest and get you free hats and signs. Plus this year a BAS branded travel mug for the open day**





This event is free to all BAS members. If you would like to be part of the BAS UK National Alpaca Farm Day email BAS CEO Duncan Pullar at [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com).

## 2022 Event Diary



If you need information about any of the events listed below then please email Duncan using [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)

Saturday	11 June	Affiliate Course - Devon
Sunday	12 June	Affiliate Course - Devon

If you would like your BAS, Educational or Regional group **event** included in this section (not shows) please send details to Duncan.

## 2022 Show Diary



Champions and judges from National Show 2022

### Make a note in your diary!

(New information in red)

Breeders considering entering more than one fleece show may need the organisers of one show to forward the fleece(s) to the next show the fleeces are entered for. Please could entries to multiple fleece shows advise the organisers of the plan to ensure they know those entries need to be despatched asap to the next show. Please ensure that all the necessary entry forms are included in the box separately from the forms for the first shows.

#### **Northumberland Championship**

Date: Friday June 3rd

Judge: Tim Hey

Entry Fee: £25 + VAT

Show site: <https://www.northcountysshow.co.uk/>

**West Shires Alpaca Group - Three Counties Halter Show**

Date: June 18th Huacaya and June 19th Suri

Judge: Roger Clarke

Entry fee: £26.40

Entries open: 25th April

Entries close: 31st May

Venue: Three Counties Show Ground WR13 6NW

Max entry 120 per day

Organisers:

[roger.mount@btinternet.com](mailto:roger.mount@btinternet.com) 07711044106

[jay@purealpacas.com](mailto:jay@purealpacas.com) 07722953635

[iain.c.sharp@gmail.com](mailto:iain.c.sharp@gmail.com) 07789257222

**CCA Cornwall Fleece Show 2022**

Date: 9th July 2022

Judge: Barbara Hetherington

Venue: Carn Tremayne Farm, Praze, Cornwall TR14 9PG.

Collection point - Sandra Muriel, Carn Tremayne Farm, Praze, Cornwall TR14 9PG

Please mark boxes CCA Fleece Show

Entries open - 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Close - 17th June or when entry level of 60 fleeces is reached.

Entries to arrive at collection between 28th June and 5th July. Not Before 28th June.

Entry fee £18 plus £2 BAS levy and VAT. CCA members will receive a £3 per entry discount.

**West Shires Alpaca Group - Three Counties Fleece Show**

Date: 23rd and 24th July

**Ellingham and Ringwood (Short Fleece Halter Show)**

Date: 13th Aug 2022

Judge: Shirley Bettinson

Venue: Somerley Park, Ringwood, Hants BH24 3PL.

Entries open: Mon 20th June 2022

Entries close: Monday 1 Aug 2022.

Entry limit: 120

Entry fee £20 inclusive of levy and VAT.

Organiser: Di Davies [didavies@alphaalpacas.com](mailto:didavies@alphaalpacas.com), 07739 382483 or 01308 488661

**East of England (Fleece) Show organised by EAG**

Dates: 20<sup>th</sup> & 21st August 2022

Limit on entries: 120

Judge: Mr Roger Clarke

Venue: Essex Young Farmers Centre

Entries Open: 29<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Entries close: 31st July 2022 or when full

Entry Fee: £16 EAG members: £22 non-members (prices include the BAS Show levy & VAT on the levy). Fees collected by EAG who will invoice exhibitors direct,

[treasurer@easternalpacagroupuk.org](mailto:treasurer@easternalpacagroupuk.org)

Fleece Delivery: Harley Laver, Elmlea, Cold Norton Road, Latchingdon, Essex, CM3 6HP by 11 Aug 2022.

Organiser: Harley Laver - [harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk](mailto:harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk) / 07934 463342

**Westmorland Show 2022**

Date: Wednesday 7th September 2022

Judge: Shirley Bettinson

Venue: Lane Farm, Crooklands, Kendal, Cumbria, LA7 7NH

Organisers: Steven / Tracey Ellershaw - [lythebrowalpacas@yahoo.com](mailto:lythebrowalpacas@yahoo.com) / 07710957107

**SWAG Halter & Fleece Show**

Dates: 17th & 18th September 2022

Venue: The Somerset County Show 1@ Taunton Racecourse

**HoEAG Autumn Fleece Show:**

Sunday 2nd October 2022

Judges: Mrs. Mary Jo Smith and Mrs Barbara Hetherington

**East of England Show organised by EAG**

Dates: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Limit on entries: 140

Judge: Mr Jay Holland



Venue: Beechwood Equestrian Centre, Rettendon Common, Chelmsford, Essex  
CM3 8DY

Entries Open: 1<sup>ST</sup> July 2022

Entries close: 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022 or when full

Entry Fee: £31.20 EAG members: £36 non-members (prices include the BAS Show  
levy & VAT on the levy GRASSROOTS WILL COLLECT FULL AMOUNT AND  
MEMBERS WILL BE REFUNDED THE DIFFERENCE BY EAG)

Extras: Pen Cleaning £40 compulsory but will be refunded if pen is cleaned. (EAG to  
collect fees)

[treasurer@easternalpacagroupuk.org](mailto:treasurer@easternalpacagroupuk.org) ;Electric Hook ups £35 (EAG to collect fees)

Arrivals are on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 between 15.00 & 17.00. Arrival is the day prior to  
the show only (except in exceptional circumstances)

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Organiser: Harley Laver - [harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk](mailto:harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk) / 07934 463342

### **Yorkshire Alpaca Group Halter Show**

Dates: 15th & 16th October

Judge: Mr Tim Hey

Venue: York Auction Mart.

### **Welsh Alpaca Show**

Date: 22nd October 2022

Judge: Julia Corrigan Stuart

Venue: Welshpool Livestock Market

Entry fee:£20 + vat

Entries open: 15th August

Entries Close: 8th September

Organisers: Susan Myerscough 07796 678637 and Michael Henderson 07793  
081388

Email: [susan@alpacas.wales](mailto:susan@alpacas.wales)

### **Midlands Championship Halter Show**

Date: 5th November.

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**BAS National Show 2023**

Friday 24th, Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th March 2023  
Telford.

**NWAG Alpaca Championships**

Saturday 1st April 2023  
Borderway Mart, Carlisle, Cumbria.  
Judge Mrs Julia Corrigan-Stuart

**HoEAG Spring Alpaca Fiesta:**

Friday 14th to Sunday 16th April 2023  
Judge: Mr. Roger Clarke



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