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CEO Notes

Win tickets to the National Show Dinner

You can win a pair of tickets to this year's dinner by correctly identifying this Board Member. When you have identified him/ her then email your answer to Duncan using ceo@bas-uk.com .



You find out what Board Members look like now (or maybe a few years ago) on the BAS website. [Board members – The British Alpaca Society \(bas-uk.com\)](http://www.bas-uk.com/Board%20members)

The winner will be picked at random from all the correct answers at 9 am on Wednesday 1 March.

You can contact me about the above or anything else using ceo@bas-uk.com

Duncan Pullar

BAS CEO 07496 578781



SCOTTISH ALPACA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023 FIBRE ZONE COMPETITION

Following on the success of our inaugural Fibre Zone competition in 2022, where the quality of items produced by the competitors was excellent, we are holding the competition again at our 2023 Scottish Alpaca Championship show on 22nd and 23rd April and are hoping for an even more exciting event.

As we all know the variety of uses that alpaca fibre can put to is limited only by your imagination so put your minds and your fingers to work and make something wonderful from the fibre that our lovely alpacas produce. The method of construction for any of the classes is also only limited by your imagination – weaving, knitting, crochet, felting or any other woolly craft you enjoy.

Preferably your entries will be 100% alpaca but we do understand that for some items a blend is more appropriate but it must be at least 50% alpaca. Please can you attach a label to your entry giving a breakdown of the blend or a confirmation that it is pure alpaca.

This year we are delighted that Juliet Miller of The Border Mill has accepted the challenge of judging your wonderful creations.

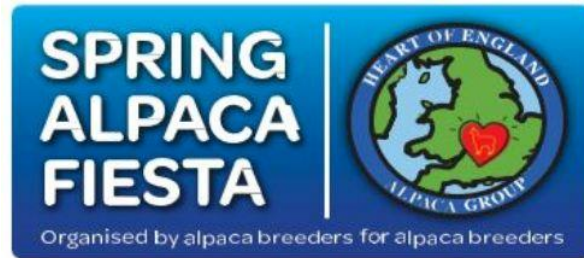
More information, together with the entry form, can be found on the Scottish Alpaca Group website Article posted on website, on SAG facebook, & on Scottish Championships facebook. [Link to Entry form](#)

[Fibre Zone 2023 entry form.pdf](#)

(scottishalpacagroup.com) https://scottishalpacagroup.com/images/FibreZone/Fibre_Zone_2023_entry_form.pdf" <https://scottishalpacagroup.com> or

contact pmrwestyett@btinternet.com if you'd prefer it emailed to you.





Friday 14th, Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April 2023

ENTRIES for numbers only (minimum of 3 and maximum of 25 per herd), are **open**, via Manage Your Herd, and will close on **Sunday 5th March** or when the maximum number of entries are received.

£29+VAT per Entry.

LAST FEW PLACES LEFT – ENTER ASAP TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT



Yorkshire Alpaca Group “YAG CHAT”

The first of our 2023 series of Zoom chats for YAG members, some of which are open to all BAS members.

Discussing Skin Imprinting and density measurement with Caroline Barugh and other members.

Skin imprint is a new simple sampling technique used to assess density. Taking a print of the skin using a putty, fibres are counted within a 1mm square to compare the number of primary to secondary fibres and how close they are in micron. Understanding density can help with breeding decisions and more. Discuss this and other ways of assessing density in a one hour session.

There is NO CHARGE for this event but please e mail liz@livanti.com to let her know that you will be attending.

Wednesday 1st March 2023

19.00 to 20.00 Please log on at 6.50 for a 7.00pm start

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82313317400?pwd=L202WWJpWVlpRmRnNHltR1dJdFIRQT09>



HoEAG Skirting & Noodling Workshop 2023

CHANGE IN DATE...

DUE TO CLASH WITH 3 COUNTIES HALTER SHOW.

NEW DATE: SUNDAY 11TH JUNE 2023

Unsure of how to skirt a fleece, or want to recap?

Want to present your fleeces to the best of their ability at shows, but don't know how to noodle?

Then this workshop is for you.

Run by BAS judges, Shirley Bettinson and Julia Corrigan-Stuart this is a practical workshop, starting with how to skirt a fleece and then explaining how to noodle them in garden fleece to keep them intact and present well for fleece shows for Judges to judge, or just to store them neatly. You can bring your own fleeces to work on, or there will be fleeces provided.

The workshop is being held at CS Alpacas, Yeat Wood Farm, Wotton Underwood, Bucks HP18 0RL and the cost is £10/person (HoEAG Member) and £15/person (non-member).

Julia Corrigan-Stuart

BAS National Show Stud Auction - Week

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Bidding on the auction for Week 4 started on Monday 20th February at 9am and closes at 8pm on Sunday 26th February.

Week 4 studs below available from 9th Feb closes at 8pm Sunday 19th

Feb



Farm: [Inca Alpaca](#)
Stud Male: Inca No Strings
Registration: [BNBAS13464](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Solid Black
Current Bid: £620 [3 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Velvet Hall Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Velvet Hall Finisterre
Registration: [UKBAS36005](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Medium Grey
Current Bid: £400 [3 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [North West Suri Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Thistlesdown Khartoum
Registration: [UKBAS39269](#)
Type: Suri
Colour: Solid Black
Current Bid: £700 [10 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Putjade Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Kelmar Spot Magic of Putjade
Registration: [UKBAS39316](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Appaloosa
Current Bid: £300 [1 bid](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Classical MileEnd Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Artwork B.R. Macchiato
Registration: [UKBAS36236](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Solid White
Current Bid: £400 [4 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Hannahston Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Hannahston Drumnadrochit
Registration: [BNBAS15239](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Solid Medium Fawn
Current Bid: £400 [3 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Patou Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Inca Patriot
Registration: [UKBAS41872](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Solid Medium Brown
Current Bid: £300 [4 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)



Farm: [Fangdale Alpacas](#)
Stud Male: Fangdale Milo
Registration: [UKBAS36107](#)
Type: Huacaya
Colour: Solid Medium Brown
Current Bid: £490 [9 bids](#) [BID NOW](#)
Auction Ends: Feb 26 20:00
(3 days 5 hours 57 minutes)
[Full Details](#)

***We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of those farms how
have kindly donated
one or more sires for the 2023 auction.***

This links you to the studs on offer [Studs : British Alpaca Society BAS
National Show](#)

Please take a look at **TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE STUD
SERVICES AUCTION**



BAS Winter Webinar

Please find below the last confirmed webinars for the Autumn/ Winter series for 22/23

Where the presenters give their permission a recording will be made and posted on YouTube which can be accessed via the BAS Website members area. Click [here](#) to access previous Webinars.

Andrea Turner - Langford Vet

Birthing alpacas: forewarned is forecalmed

Birthing time is always stressful no matter how experienced you or your alpacas are, but feeling confident in your preparation and decision making capabilities can remove a huge amount of anxiety. During this webinar I will discuss how best to prepare yourself, your set-up and your alpacas for the birthing season and give some clear guidelines on how to know when to intervene or call for help.

Date : Mar 20, 2023

Time 07:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87831496146>

2022 Event Diary



If you need information about any of the events listed below then please email Duncan using ceo@bas-uk.com or go to the BAS website.

Affiliate courses

2023		
Saturday	March 4 th	Affiliate Course - Yorks
Thursday	March 16 th	Affiliate Course- Glous
Saturday	April 1 st	Affiliate Course - Devon
Saturday	April 1 st	Affiliate Course - Yorks
Sunday	April 2 nd	Affiliate Course - Devon
Sunday	April 30 th	Affiliate Course- Glous
Sunday	May 21 st	Affiliate Course - Yorks
Thursday	July 27 th	Affiliate Course- Glous
Sunday	Sept 3 rd	Affiliate Course- Glous
Thursday	Nov 9 th	Affiliate Course- Glous

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

2023 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.

2023

BAS National Show 2023

Champion of Champions Fleece Show

Fleeces on display at Telford 17th to 19th March 2023.

Prize giving Friday evening 17th March

Halter Show

Dates: Friday 17th, Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th March 2023

Venue: Telford.

Judges: Mrs Barbara Hetherington, Mr Roger Clarke, Ms Amanda
VandenBosch and Mrs Natasha Clark

NWAG Alpaca Championships

Saturday 1st April 2023

Borderway Mart, Carlisle, Cumbria.

Judge Mrs Julia Corrigan-Stuart

Entries Open: 01/02/2023 at 9am

Entries Close: 20/02/2023 or when maximum numbers reached

Fee: £25 + VAT

Max numbers 160

Heart of England Spring Alpaca Fiesta

Dates: Friday 14th, Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April 2023

Judge: Mr. Roger Clarke

Venue: Bury Farm Equestrian Centre

Opening Date For Numbers: 13/2/23

Closing Date For Numbers: 05/3/23

Opening Date For Names: 13/3/23

Closing Date For Names: 26/3/23

Entry Fee: £29 +VAT Minimum of 3 and maximum of 20 per herd

Electric Points: at £35+VAT each - maximum of 4 fans per supply and
compulsory

Pen Clean Up Service: at £40+VAT, which will be refunded if you decide to
do it yourself.

Scottish Alpaca Championship

Dates: 22nd and 23rd April 2023

Venue: Lanark Auction Market

Judge: Mrs Molly Gardner

Entries Open: 17 Feb 2023

Entries Close: 6th March 2023

Organiser: Stuart Ramsay

Spring Live South of England Halter Show 2023

Dates: 22nd and 23rd April 2023

Judge: Tim Hey

Entries Open: Friday 10th February 2023

Entries Close Sunday 5th March 2023

Entry Fee: £32 (NO VAT) Minimum of 3 Entries per herd

Venue: South of England Showground, Abergavenny Building, Ardingly

West Sussex RH17 6TL

Organisers: Hilary and Tony Monkcom

Pen Clean Up Service: £20 (NO VAT)

Electric Points: £30 (NO VAT) at least one is compulsory

North Somerset Show

Date: 1st May 2023

Venue: North Somerset Show ground BS48 1NE

Judge: Julia Corrigan Stuart

Entries: Open 13 March 2023

Entries Close: 10 April 2023

Entry Fee: £25 in VAT

Organizer: Garry Naish 07785 116211 : oakviewalpacas@aol.com

Devon County Show

Dates: 18,19,20 May 2023

Venue: West Point, Exeter, EX5 1DJ

Judge: Mr Nick Harrington Smith

Entries Open: TBC

Entries Close: 10 April

Entry Fee £29

Organisers Chas Brooke and Victoria Lee

chas@alpaca-uk.co.uk

Victoria Lee - hello@littleorchardalpacas.com

Northumberland Championship Halter Show

Date: 27th May 2023

Venue: Bywell Hall, NE43 7AB

Judge: Mrs Shirley Bettinson

Entries Open: 1 Mar 2023 9am

Entries Close: 28th April 2023 (or when maximum numbers reached).

Entry fee £25 + VAT

Organisers: Paul and Rachel Vaclik

rachel.vaclik@gmail.com 07990 871838

paul.vaclik@gmail.com 07802 829792

Royal Three Counties - 17 & 18th June

Date: 17th & 18th June 2023

Venue: Three Counties Show Ground, WR13 6NW

Judge: Mary- Jo Smith

Entries Open: 24 April

Entries Close: 31 May 2023 (or when maximum numbers reached).

Entry fee £26.40 + VAT

Organisers: Roger Mount, Jay Holland, Iain Sharp

snowhillalpacas@btinternet.com, jay@purealpacas.co.uk,

iain.c.sharp@gmail.com

07711044106 – 07789257222 -07722953635

Cornwall Fleece Show

Date: 15th July 2023

Entries Open: 12th May 2023

Entries Close: 14th June 2023

Max number of entries 60

Fee inc VAT (if known) £24

Judge: Jo Bridge

Fleeces Delivered to Sandra Muriel, Carn Tremayne Farm,

Praze, Cornwall, TR14 9PG

between 1st to 12th July 2023

WSAG Fleece Show -

21/22 July 2023

EAGFleece Show

19/20th Aug 2023

Westmorland County Halter Show

Date: 13/09/2023

Judge: Jo Bridge

Entries Open: 03/07/2023

Entries Close: 28/07/2023

Max number of entries - 120

Fee inc VAT TBC

Organisers: Steven & Tracey Ellershaw lythebrowalpacas@yahoo.com

Stokesley Show

<https://www.stokesleyshow.co.uk/>

This is a new show to be hosted by the Yorkshire Alpaca Group. The YAG 2 day Halter Show in Oct will still be taking place and those entering this show as well as Stokesley will receive an incentive (specifics to follow).

Date: Saturday 23rd September

Venue: Stokesley Agricultural Showground

Judge: Mr Tim Hey

Entries Open: tbc

Entries Close:tbc

Organiser: James Stanger jameslstanger11@gmail.com 07757687378

Heart of England Autumn Fleece Show

Judging: Thursday 28th & Friday 27th September 2023

Results: Sunday 1st October 2023

East of England Halter Show

7/8th October 2023

Yorkshire Alpaca Group Halter Show

Dates: 14th and 15th October

Judge: Roger Clarke

Venue: York Auction Mart,.YO19 5GF.

Entries Open: 17th July

Entries Close: 3rd September

Organiser: James Stanger jameslstanger11@gmail.com 07757687378

YAG have negotiated discounts on accommodation at the Holiday Inn Express in York with 20% off flex rate for rooms booked before 28th Feb and 15% off for rooms booked after March 1st - the booking

link is <https://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=EX&localeCode=en&hotelCode=YORUK&rateCode=AL21P& PMID=99502056&corpNum=787077128&cn=no&viewfullsite=true>

Welsh Alpaca Halter show

Venue: Welshpool livestock centre

Date: 21st October 2023

Judge: Barbara Hetherington

Entries Open: 14th August 2023

Entries Close: 17th September 2023

Organisers Susan Myerscough and Michael Henderson

WSAG Midland Show

4th November

NEBAG Autumn Halter Show

Date: 18 November 2023

Opening Date 04/09/23

Closing Date 16/10/23

Max number of entries 140

Judge TBA

Northern Fleece Show 2023

Date: Wednesday 29th November.

Judge: Mrs Mary-Jo Smith

Entry: £20 + VAT

Entries Open: :2nd October

Entries Close:: 1st November (or if the maximum of 70 is reached before that date)

Fleeces to be sent to: Beck Brow Alpacas, Beck
Brow, Ainstable, Carlisle, Cumbria, CA4 9RE
by Monday 20th November

Fleeces will be displayed on Sunday 3rd December at a morning fleece activity at Beck Brow Alpacas (free to NWAG members) followed by Christmas lunch at the Heather Glen Hotel in Ainstable.

If you are interested in attending the Sunday event please
email:barbara@beckbrowalpacas.co.uk



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