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CEO Notes

Colour Charts

I have had a couple of emails in the last week asking, "where can I buy a colour chart". The answer is that they are available to buy through the "Manage my herd" part of the registry. Go to the Menu and then click on Merchandise.. .

Northern Ireland

We have a date for the Introduction to alpaca assessment course in Northern Ireland - 30th Sept. Book a place by emailing Duncan using ceo@bas-uk.com .

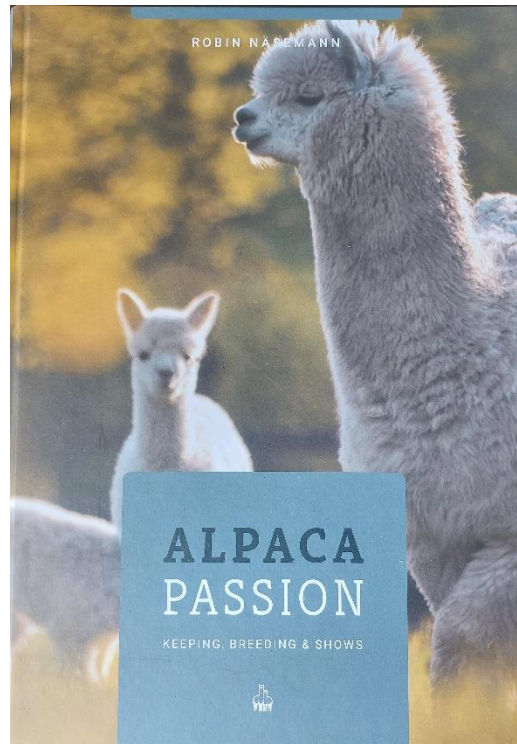
Show Entries

The following shows are currently open and looking forward to your entries.

- Royal Three Counties halter,
- Cornwall Fleece
- Three Counties Fleece.

Duncan Pullar

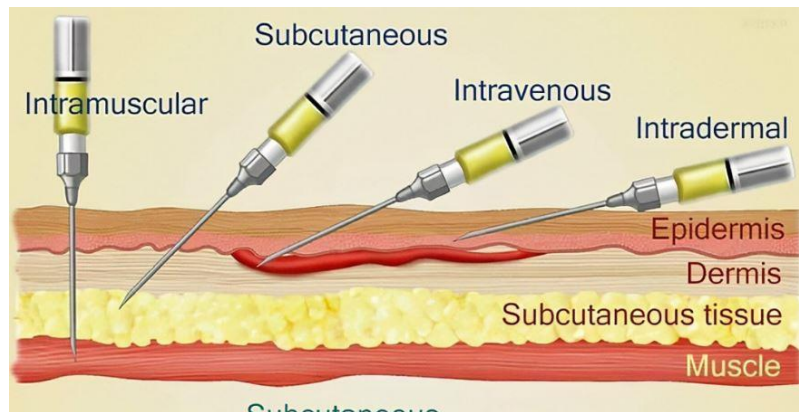
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Alpaca Passion - a book by Robin Nasemann

BAS has a limited supply of the above book. If you would like a copy then please email Duncan using ceo@bas-uk.com. Cost including P& P is £60

Robin is German alpaca breeder and judge (USA qualified). He says, "This book will help you better understand what is important for breeding alpacas: How come alpacas were even better in Inca times than they are today? What does it take to turn fleece into a sweater? Why is my cria white? And how do I recognize a good breeding sire?"



BAS Webinars

There is a great resource of information available to members via the Webinar recordings.

We have two birthing webinars from leading vets as well as a range of husbandry webinars that could help you as the season progresses.

Other titles cover how to do injections and tips for more successful showing.

You can find the full listing in the Members area of the BAS website.

[Webinar Details and YouTube Links – The British Alpaca Society \(bas-uk.com\)](#)



Woodland Creation Offer

[England Woodland Creation Offer - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Schemes in Scotland Wales and Ni are also available

[Scottish Forestry - Woodland creation](#)

[Natural Resources Wales / Get help to plant trees and create woodland](#)

[DAERA forestry grants | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs \(daera-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Landowners, land managers and public bodies can apply to the England Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO) for support to create new woodland, including through natural colonisation, on areas as small as one hectare. You could receive up to £13,000 per hectare to support your woodland creation scheme.

Find out if you are eligible

EWCO is open to owner occupiers, tenants, landlords and licensors who have full management control of the land in the application (if you don't have full management control you will need consent from those who do).

Joint applications, multiple land managers and applications on common land and areas of shared grazing are eligible.

Land is eligible if it is:

- in England
- within the full management control of the applicant (or, where applicable, any counter-signatories)
- not already classified as woodland
- not subject to any existing legal requirement or obligation to create woodland
- not subject to a dispute between landlords and tenants
- not currently within an existing grant agreement that has more than five months left to run at the time the EWCO application is submitted (if the land or part of it is in an Environmental Stewardship agreement it may be possible to transfer the land into EWCO as long as certain conditions are met)



Introduction to Alpaca Assessment

A series of one-day face-to-face "Introduction to Alpaca Assessment" courses are planned for the Summer. Details are still being firmed up but the plan is to run as many as needed.

A minimum of 8 delegates per event is required to ensure they run. Some changes may be needed to accommodate popularity/ demand.

Date	Venue	Tutor	Number signed (min needed 8)
27 May	Surrey (RH5 5QT)	Mary Jo Smith	8
3 June	South Wales (SA20 0UW)	Jay Holland	8
15 July	East Midlands (TBC)	Julia Corrigan Stuart	0
30 Sept	Northern Ireland (BT76 0XJ)	Roger Clarke	2

Introduction to Alpaca Assessment

A one day course on alpaca conformation and fibre.

Covering:

Basic conformation including teeth, stature, genitalia, legs, gait and body scoring;

Fleece – how to recognise the different qualities and traits of fibre including weight and value, fineness, density, crimp, uniformity, length, colour, amplitude and frequency and an introduction to histograms. You will have the opportunity to assess fleeces and discuss the merits of different qualities and styles.

Course notes will be provided including a glossary of terms.

There will be a maximum of 12 people on the day.

Cost: BAS Members £ 65 + VAT Non Members £85 + VAT

This course will only run if there is a minimum of 8 people signed up..

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE email Duncan
using ceo@bas-uk.com

Duncan Pullar

BAS CEO 07496 578781

2023 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

Sunday	June 4 th	Affiliate Course- Wrexham, Clwyd
Saturday	June 10 th	Affiliate Course- Devon
Sunday	June 11 th	Affiliate Course- Devon
Friday	June 16 th	Affiliate Course - Herts
Saturday	June 17 th	Affiliate Course- Cornwall
Sunday	June 18 th	Affiliate Course- Cornwall
Thursday	July 27 th	Affiliate Course- Glous
Friday	July 28 th	Affiliate Course - Herts
Sunday	July 30 th	Affiliate Course- Wrexham, Clwyd
Sunday	Sept 3 rd	Affiliate Course- Glous
Saturday	Sept 16 th	Affiliate Course- Devon
Sunday	Sept 17 th	Affiliate Course- Devon
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.

Show Diary



Champions and Judges from National Show 2023

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

Northumberland Championship Halter Show

Date: 27th May 2023

Venue: Bywell Hall, NE43 7AB

Judge: Mrs Shirley Bettinson

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 inc VAT

Organisers: Roger Mount, Jay Holland, Iain Sharp

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

iain.c.sharp@gmail.com

07711044106 – 07789257222 -07722953635

Trish Tatchell, trishtatchell@hotmail.co.uk, 07989 183126

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

Any entries to the Cornwall Fleece Show on 15th July AND Three Counties Fleece Show on 22nd/23rd July, please ensure they include their entry form and an address label for their fleeces to be forwarded to the Three Counties Fleece collection point in separately with their Cornwall entries, this will ensure your fleeces are promptly and correctly forwarded. You will be invoiced prior to despatch, for the onward courier.

WSAG Royal Three Counties Fleece Show -

22nd and 23rd July 2023

Judge: Mr Nick Harrington Smith

Entries Open: 13 May 2023

Entry fee: £18

Max Entries: 150

Venue and fleeces delivered to :Julie Avalon, Crabtree Orchard Alpacas,
Willow Road, Martley, Worcestershire, WR6 6PS

Email: crabtreeorchardalpacas@gmail.com

Mobile: 07970169895 Organisers: Roger Mount, Jay Holland, Iain Sharp
snowhillalpacas@btinternet.com, jay@purealpacas.co.uk,
iain.c.sharp@gmail.com

07711044106 – 07789257222 -07722953635

Trish Tatchell, trishtatchell@hotmail.co.uk, 07989 183126

Ellingham and Ringwood (Short Fleece Halter Show)

Date: 12th Aug 2023

Judge: Joanne Bridge

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

Entries open: Mon 12th June 2023

Entries close: Monday 12 July 2023.

Entry limit: 120

Entry fee £22 inclusive of levy and VAT.

Organiser: Wendy Williams alpacaadventure@gmail.com 01747 853180,
07977 342888

East of England (Fleece) Show organised by EAG

Dates: 18th & 19th August 2023

Limit on entries: 120

Judge: Mr Tim Hey

Venue: Essex Young Farmers Centre

Entries Open: 26th June 2023

Entries close: 31st July 2023 or when full

Entry Fee: £18 EAG members: £24 non-members (prices include the BAS
Show levy & VAT on the levy). Fees collected by EAG who will invoice
exhibitors direct, treasurer@easternalpacagroupuk.org

Fleece Delivery: Harley Laver, Elmlea, Cold Norton Road, Latchingdon,
Essex, CM3 6HP by 9th Aug 2023.

Organiser: Harley Laver - harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk / 07934 463342

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

Somerset County Show - Halter and Fleece

Date: 16th & 17th September 2023

Venue: Taunton Racecourse TA3 7BL

Judge: Mary- Jo Smith Fleece, Roger Clarke- Halter

Entries Open: 1 July 2023

Entries Close: 19 Aug 2023 (160 Halter places).

Entry fee Halter: £36 inc VAT and Fleece: £18 inc VAT

Organiser: Tim Hey timhey@incaalpaca.co.uk / phone 078755328827

Fleeces delivered to Southern Sands Alpacas, Southport Farm, Highbridge, Somerset, TA9 4HA by 27/8/23

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: 3rd July 2023

Entries Close: 13th Aug 2023

Organiser: James Stanger jamesstanger11@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

NEBAG Autumn Halter Show

Date: 18 November 2023

Judge: Cathy Lloyd

Opening Date 04/09/23

Closing Date 16/10/23

Max number of entries 175

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@beckbrowalpacos.co.uk

2024

WSAG Midland Show

27th January 2024

NWAG Alpaca Championships

Venue: Borderway Mart, Carlisle, Cumbria.

Sat 6th April 2024

Judge: Roger Clarke

South of England Spring Live Alpaca Halter Show

20th and 21st April 2024

26th and 27th April 2025