



# CCA NEWSLETTER

## Chair's Report Spring 2024



Let's get it out of the way straight off. The rain needs to stop and the mud needs to go away. There, I have said it. Nothing more to add except that I hope you and all your alpacas are surviving it!

Here at Dark Sky Alpacas, we have been busy halter training and getting ready for show season. We are also getting focused on birthing and starting to think ahead about matings for next year – both of which are always exciting. As we have had some enforced time indoors J Tom has been busy studying all the latest research on colour genetics and created a really useful tool called the Dark Sky Genie which makes mating predictions based on the colour testing we have done across the herd. If you would like to read more about it or get a free demo copy of the tool, take a look at [darkskyalpacas.com](http://darkskyalpacas.com).



As it is not just us that's been busy - an awful lot has been going on since our last newsletter and I hope you enjoy all the features in this edition.

The BAS National Show took place between 22nd and 24th March and we hear from all the CCA members who took part – as you will see it was both enjoyable and successful for all!

We also have a lovely update on the twins at Rosecraddoc and Sandra celebrates 10 years of the Crewenna herd. Sarah gives some advice on how to manage any medicines you keep for the alpacas and there is a reminder about shearing time which is almost upon us! There are also details of various alpacas for sale and seeking new homes to tempt you into some additions to your herds.

At this year's AGM we welcomed 3 new committee members – Hannah and Alex Price from Little Acorn Farm and Teresa Hawkin of Rosecraddoc. It's great to have them on board and we have a really good team who are all committed to helping you make the most of your CCA membership this year. The AGM minutes have been sent round and posted in 'files' on our Facebook page, so please do have a read if you were not able to make the meeting in person.

Hot on the heels of the AGM, we had a lively and very enjoyable members lunch at the Plume of Feathers in February and it was lovely to meet Dee Harrington (and her daughter) who is a new member and keeps Llamas – so we can now properly live up to our group name as the Cornwall Camelid Association!

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One of the hottest topics on our agenda for 2024 has been the halter show – or more accurately lack of it. Teresa led a small working group to revisit all the options and see if there is a sensible way for us to put on a show this year. After many hours and a very thorough process they reluctantly concluded that there is not – so we will be turning our attention to 2025 and endeavouring to make sure that the Halter Show returns then, with a vengeance!!

CCA Calendar of Events 2024				
	Event	Date	Price	Location
January	AGM	30/1/24		Zoom call
February	Suri Fleece Day	10/2/24	£10	Exeter
	Members Lunch	18/2/24		Plume of Feathers, Mitchell
March	Spring Newsletter			
April	Birthing Refresher	26/4/24	FREE	By Zoom
May	Fleece Education Day	4/5/24	FREE Optional lunch @ cost	Polgrain Alpacas
June	Summer Newsletter			
July	Cornwall Fleece Show	20/7/24	Entries via BAS	Polgrain Alpacas
August				
September	National Alpaca Farm Day	Date tbc		Own farms
	Autumn Newsletter			
October / November	Vet Day	Date tbc	Tbc (circa £30)	Carpalla Alpacas
December	Xmas Newsletter			

In the meantime, our events plan for 2024 still looks great.

Sarah Finch, our honorary vet, is kindly hosting a zoom call free of charge in April for anyone who has cria due this year and would like a birthing 'refresher'. Please feel free to send in any particular questions or topics in advance.

In May, we have decided to focus our Education Day on understanding fleece. Jay Holland, BAS Judge and Judge Trainer, will be with us to give a masterclass on how to assess fleece and give advice on skirting. See the feature later in the newsletter for all the details. Again, we are going to put this event on free for members, with an optional lunch available at cost.

The official Cornwall Fleece Show, open to BAS members across the country, takes place a week later this year in order to give people a little bit more time post shearing to choose their entries. Last year we had a fantastic array of entries from CCA members and we hope that will be the case again this year.

Heather and David have kindly offered to host both the Education Day and the Fleece Show this year, for which we are very grateful. They will be very happy to show visitors around their lovely farm on request and to give more information about the alpaca packages they have available this year (see advert later in the newsletter).

BAS will be sponsoring the National Farm Open Day/s again sometime in September (dates tbc) – members who have participated in this previously highly recommend it as an opportunity to attract and engage the public and prospective new alpaca owners.

And last, but not least, our annual Vet Day will take place towards the end of the year, hosted once again by Nigel and Margaret at Carpalla Alpacas. Dates will be finalised asap and costs are likely to be similar to last year. All are welcome, as are topic suggestions.

I do hope you find something (or many things!) on the calendar appealing and useful and look forward to seeing you at some point in the year.

In the meantime, enjoy the newsletter ... and roll on Spring!!

Wendy Scott  
CCA Chair



## Mabel and Maud – An Update on The Rosecraddoc Twins

You will be pleased to hear that the twins are doing great and Maud's leg (left front) is looking pretty good! It continued to improve after her splint was removed. We were doing lots of physio and building up the muscles/strengthening the tendons by gradually increasing their exercise space - from a pen in whichever paddock the other mums and cria were in, to an ever-increasing section of a raceway, and then to our "central reservation" (an area between our females paddocks with catch pens in).



Eventually, Mum Mojo and the twins went into a small paddock of their own, next door to the other mums and cria. They only stayed there for a few days (just to curb any over-exuberance from Maud with being able to run and play with the other cria) and then moved into the female herd properly. There was no holding her (or Mabel) back once that happened and they were often seen leading the cria zoomies!

They still came indoors in their pen overnight so that mum Mojo (and the twins) could be topped up with an extra feed/ad-lib alfalfa and had access to their own hayrack. This worked a treat for keeping condition on Mojo – she didn't drop below a BCS of 3 throughout (I swear by chopped alfalfa)!

The three of them would quite happily trot in when called for their tea. And they would snuggle up together overnight, either as a family or just the twins - it was very cute to see them like it on the livestock camera!

Then, in no time at all, they were suddenly 6 months old and it was time for weaning! I have to admit, I always dread weaning (although it's normally not as bad as I expect) - but this felt like the hardest ever!!! Over the years, we've found the best approach for us to weaning is:



1. Ensure all cria are regularly eating solid feed and in a routine of coming for their feed (e.g. into a pen or to a dedicated trough). A creep pen is a wonderful thing if you are able to set one up as the cria can naturally top themselves up (ours is indoors and we try and keep it topped up with dried, chopped alfalfa between feeds).



- Remove the mums from the group, rather than the cria. This means the cria stay in a familiar environment and with all the other cria/females. It also means we can wean in stages (this year we had a later birth so that mum stayed in the main group for a month longer than the other mums)
- Do FECs/parasite treatments a couple of weeks after weaning in case the stress of weaning has caused a bit of an explosion.

Anyway, I needn't have worried - the twins took it in their stride and didn't really look back.

We were able to convert the twins overnight pen to the cria creep pen so it was familiar to them, which worked a treat. The photo is on the evening of weaning, with all the weaned cria happily tucking into their food as though nothing had happened!

Mum Mojo, hung around the fence line on and off for the first day (I wonder if it was more of a wrench for her with there being 2 of them) but was soon distracted with food!



We wean quite softly, with mums and cria either side of a fence line rather than removing them from sight totally. Originally this was because of one of our early females being very bonded with her cria – she was fine separated by a fence line but when I tried moving her a couple of fields away she actually jumped the fence to get back to her cria!!!

This soft approach has worked for us over the years so we've stuck to it...

I'm sad to say that the twins tend not to cuddle up together at night anymore (they sit with any of the other cria or some of the younger females). But they are as confident and cheeky as ever and between all the rain, have even started halter training.



## at Polgrain Alpacas on 4th May - Lower Polgrain Farm, St Wenn PL30 5PS

**From 10:30am to 3pm**

All CCA members are warmly invited to come along for an informal day learning all about alpaca fleece. One of the most precious assets of these wonderful animals is that, whatever else we keep them for, they all have amazing fleece!

We are really lucky to have Jay Holland with us for the day – he is a British Alpaca Society Judge and Judge Trainer and he loves sharing his knowledge with others!

Jay will talk about and show us how he evaluates fleece when it is still on the alpaca, including in the show ring.

Then we will move on to looking at shorn fleeces – which is a fabulous opportunity to see and touch a variety of fleeces, side by side.

You will learn about the score card used in fleece shows which is really helpful in breaking down all the different aspects that need to be considered – for example, fineness, density, brightness and length.

We will hand pick a number of fleeces, including some from different generations of a family, so that you can see a range of quality and how fleece characteristics can be bred for and improved over time.

You are also welcome to bring along any of your own fleeces that you'd like to take a 'guided' look at.

Finally, we will learn about the importance of skirting a fleece, either for a show or for processing, and how to 'noodle it' when you have finished to keep it in good condition – again, feel free to bring some of your own fleece along to practice on.

A 'pasty lunch' will be available for a small charge (approx. £5 per person), plus tea, coffee and biscuits – but do feel free to bring along something of your own if you prefer.

It would be really helpful to understand how many people would like to come along in advance, so we will email an invitation to everyone shortly and ask if you could RSVP. Thanks in advance and hope to see you there!





## CCA members were well represented at this year's National Show



Dark Sky, Little Acorn and Polgrain Alpacas were all competing amongst the 359 Huacaya and 200 Suri in the Halter Show

Alpacas of Cornwall, Carpalla, PowWow, Little Acorn, Dark Sky and Polgrain were all entered in the Champion of Champions Fleece Show and Carpalla and Dark Sky Alpacas finished off the set by entering products in the Fibre Zone

As members of the National Show committee, Tom and Wendy were also involved 'behind the scenes'. In the run up to the show, Wendy was responsible for the newsletters, Tom was in charge of sponsorship and was one of the commentary team throughout the show and together they were responsible for making sponsor videos for the big screen and photographing & posting up all the Halter Show Champions.

It's fair to say it was a busy few days! Here's what everyone had to say about their experience.



## Heather and David – Polgrain Alpacas

After attending last year's British Alpaca National Show as a visitor, we decided this year to bite the bullet and actually enter some of our animals. We only had a small team of 5 animals, all Suri, and weren't expecting anything other than a huge learning curve.

Dreading the long journey up to Telford, and our furthest so far with the trailer, it was smooth and straightforward. Arriving at the venue was exciting and we quickly got unloaded and set up in our pen. It was great to see Tom and Wendy from Dark Sky Alpacas and Alex and Hannah Price, along with Beatrice, from Little Acorns, a good contingent from Cornwall.



We were the first male animal in the first class on the first day, quite daunting, but Stormy wasn't placed and left the ring. It was a strong turnout for the white Suri Juniors with 9 animals in 2 classes, so we weren't really surprised and were proud of how he behaved in the ring as halter training hasn't been his favorite thing. We had another male entry the first day and the 3 girls on the Saturday. These were all placed with a 6th, again in a very strong class, two 2nds and a 3rd. We were really happy with this in our first show.

We also entered a fleece in the Champion of Champions fleece show, coming in 3rd position for the light class. It was great to see entries from Cornwall in both the fleece show and the fibre zone doing well.

We had a great weekend. We met some lovely people, who were very generous with their time and knowledge and hopefully we will be able to catch up with them again soon. It was great to be able to see so many amazing animals in one place and see exactly what it is we are trying to aim for.

If you're thinking of entering, but haven't yet, then I would say go for it. Being part of something is a great way to learn and the majority of people are friendly and happy to help. Congratulations to all those who took part and especially the Champions and Supremes, it takes a lot of work to get to that position. We all have to start somewhere, but I now have a lot of homework to do.



## Nigel – Carpalla Alpacas

I visited the National show this year and enjoyed nearly three days of total alpaca immersion. I decided to enter a fleece in the champion of champions show again and although we didn't place highly we still got positive feedback on its quality. The standard was very high this year. The micron was tested so no guessing needed from the judges. Congratulations to Sandra for reserve champion white fleece with Corinthian.



We also showed our yarn for the first time receiving a third place in a big class with very positive feedback. The lace weight black that won had the most exquisite handle to it.

Margaret got a second for her crochet scarf and third for her fingerless mittens in a big class.



The Acton Hill fawn, junior boys were also at the top of the tree in my opinion. Stuart and Angela won both champion and reserve fawn males with two lovely Fowberry Constantine boys. Must also mention Little Acorn here as Archer was up there winning his class so well done.

Of course Inca were at the top in the black Huacaya classes again and one of their juniors was pulled forward by the judges for further inspection in the champion line up.

I couldn't keep on top of everything as there are two rings going all the time but I did manage to update my knowledge of where the industry is with the quality of animals. There was a huge generosity of spirit towards me looking at animals at the show with everyone more than happy to let me gently open fleeces to have a better look and feel the handle. I really enjoy being at the exit of the rings and educating myself as to what is winning.

I will leave the Suri report to others but congratulations to Dark Sky on your successes. All in all a very enjoyable trip and very educational.

## Tom and Wendy – Dark Sky Alpacas

We had a fabulous weekend – it was great to catch up with old friends and meet lots of new ones!



Team Dark Sky put on a good show in the ring - we were very proud to be awarded Champion Light Suri Male with Dark Sky Ziggy, Champion Grey Suri Female with Dark Sky Pinot Noir, Reserve Champion Grey Suri female with Dark Sky La Niña and Reserve Champion Brown Suri female with Dark Sky Hnoss.

All the rest of the team were placed in some extremely competitive suri classes - and we even made an appearance in the black Huacaya competition and made the front row.

The standard of Suri competition from the Halter Show was continued in the Champion of Champions Fleece Show with some stunning fleeces on display. Our entry in the white class was just outside the champions but we were all blown away by the exceptional C-S Alpacos 'Happy' who took Supreme Suri with a stunning 86.5 points



We were delighted to be awarded first place in the Fibre Zone for our Tartan Alpaca Scarf and my crafting skills finally came to the fore with the Dark Sky Gnome!!!

Over the course of the show we had lots of interest in all our Tartan products – with the flat caps being a firm favourite – we have a new batch on order of which a fair few are already reserved!

Overall, a fun weekend and great to spend time with all our CCA friends – it was great to share in each other's successes and be there to support each other in the ring.





## Hannah and Alex - Little Acorn Farm

As we set off on the long drive to Telford, I've got to admit to wondering what on earth we were letting ourselves in for and serious imposter syndrome was setting in. However, a half way pit stop for coffee at Starbucks and we were very pleased to see the Dark Sky team roll up next to us and Tom and Wendy offered some words of wisdom and some much needed moral support.

Arriving at the show and setting up was actually very calm and easy. We were lucky that several other breeders that we knew had pens near us so they pointed us in the right direction for anything we weren't sure of. The alpacas took it in their stride as always, and quite happily settled in their pen munching on their haylage and surveying the view.

The actual showing was quite daunting at first but having the support and camaraderie of our fellow CCA members made us feel at ease and definitely helped with the nerves.

Speaking of nerves, the pressure certainly got to one of our intermediate boys who decided to hide away one, and then both of his precious jewels! So we spent the morning pondering what we should do if the much needed vegetables did not make an appearance in time for his class. Luckily, everything 'fell into place' quite nicely and the judge was more than happy with his handful of little acorns and Snap was awarded a 3rd place rosette.

Another of our Suri intermediate boys Little Acorn Lucas was awarded 2nd place and our little Suri girl Wren got a 6th place rosette.

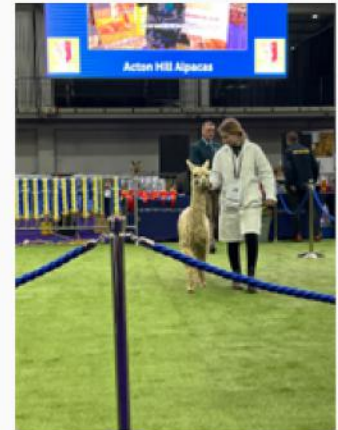
We were especially nervous for Archers class as the competition was strong, but our Popham stud did us incredibly proud coming 1st place in his class. The judges oral reasoning couldn't have been better, opening with "A clear winner in this line up". Needless to say, this was absolutely the highlight of the show for us.

We were also delighted to see a daughter (Lane House Peony) of our White stud male Houghton Bond awarded 1st place in the Adult Female Light class, an absolutely stunning looking female. Wonderful to see our boys progeny also doing so well.

It was great to catch up with Tom and Wendy and to have the chance to get to know Heather and David a bit more. Nigel was always on the sidelines ready to cheer us on and give a celebratory hug (thanks Nigel!). The wonder of YouTube meant that we also had support from home, I know Rosalind was watching and celebrating our successes and of course I have to thank Felicia and Gary for all their support before and during the show. I know they were watching on YouTube and were also delighted with Archer getting 1st place.

All in all the show was wonderful. Very eye opening and a huge learning curve. It was great to see Archers fleece lined up with all the other champions in the Champion of Champions Fleece show. Huge congratulations to Sandra for her reserve champion white fleece - absolutely stunning.

We will look forward to next years show, we came away feeling proud of our achievements and of the achievements of our other CCA members. I think we all did Cornwall proud.





## Crewenna herd at Alpacas of Cornwall

CREWENNA CORINTHIAN takes Reserve Champion White Fleece with an impressive 84 points scored. This was the overall 3rd highest scoring fleece, an amazing result.

Corinthian qualified by winning 1st and Champion White Fleece at Cornwall Fleece Show 2023 and overall Supreme Fleece.

## Alpacas of Cornwall - the first 10 Years



Well that 10 years flew by! April 2014 we started on our journey in alpacas. In that decade we have achieved way and above that which we believed possible. The first four girls arrived to start the Crewenna herd, then there were more, then cria, we imported seven from New Zealand to expand our genetic pool, purchased two elite white females from Fowberry and EPC direct and focussed on our breeding, genotype becoming an obsession.

An apparent need for Cornwall's alpacas to be sheared in May/June soon became apparent; whilst the breeding herds were prioritised in May, most of the pet groups were waiting till late June and July for a shearing visit. We had purchased our own ropes and clippers to do our herd, but soon requests to shear outside soon poured in and Allen started building his client base across Cornwall and West Devon which grew year on year. He spread his wings to shear in Spain, Portugal and France, even visiting Sweden to step in for one of the European shearers who was injured.



I developed my interest in the natural coloured fleece to yarn to products, having a single colour batch spun each year. I identified some knitters, weavers to produce some items for me and after a brief conversation with Marta at Alpacapella Jewellery, sent her some of my yarn which she designed and produced bangles, pendants and other items of jewellery for me and to expand her new business. My yarns have won many podium places, as the quality improved so did our placings. I was extremely proud of a natural grey and natural 4 ply throw, a one-off flagship item which took Best in Show at Heart of England Craft Show. Ongoing we export our fleece and yarn to a high-end Danish knitwear company, with regular clients in France and Spain who are seeking specific colours in the highest quality.

I like to judge the success of our breeding program in the improved quality of our fleeces, lower microns and sd, greater cut weights and beautiful handle. Our first National Champions sash was so special, in 2017 when Amadeus won Champion Black Male beating over 50 other black males to the top slot. We have followed up with four National Champion and Reserve Fleece sashes in black and grey, consistently scoring high points. Other notable awards have been a Supreme Champion Fleece with Corinthian, two Judge's Choice awards for Amadeus and Corinthian and numerous other Champion sashes...so proud of our achievements.

Awards and sashes aside, we pride ourselves in being the 'alpacas up the road' in our quiet West Country location. I am looking forward to the next few years.

SANDRA MURIEL, ALPACAS OF CORNWALL, the Crewenna Herd.

## Alpacas Welfare - Coccidia and more

### Coccidiosis in Alpacas

Coccidiosis is a parasite that can be mild to severe in alpacas. It is one of the alpaca diseases that you should be aware of as it can affect your herd. Alpaca health is important for a happy herd. Below are questions and answers to help you understand what this parasite is and how it affects your alpacas.

What are coccidia? Coccidia are microscopic one celled organism that live and reproduce within the cells that line the intestinal tract of your alpaca. They are parasites not worms.

How are coccidia transmitted? Coccidia are transmitted to other alpacas by infected faeces.

What are the symptoms? When an alpaca's immune system is weakened, it is unable to keep coccidian in check and the organism increases its reproduction. The increased amount of coccidia cause the cells lining the intestine to rupture. When large numbers of the cells are destroyed, you will see diarrhoea and dehydration. Appetite loss is possible. If the infection is severe, you may see bloody diarrhoea.

Are all my alpacas at risk? While a coccidia infection may be seen in adult alpacas, younger alpacas are more at risk. A healthy alpaca keeps coccidia in check with it's own immune system. Young alpacas whose immune system is not fully developed, alpacas with poor nutrition, stressed alpacas, or alpacas that have other diseases can all be susceptible to coccidiosis.

How is it treated? Check with your local Vet. Corrid is commonly used as a treatment and to prevent this parasite. This medication does not kill this organism. It inhibits the reproduction of coccidia. By stopping reproduction, the alpacas own immune system is allowed to develop and take care of the infection.

Can my alpaca die from this parasite? Unfortunately, the answer is yes. In young alpacas it can take as little as 24 hours if the infection is severe. Do not hesitate to contact your Vet at the first signs of diarrhoea and keep corrid on hand.

How is a coccidia infection detected? The faeces must be examined under a microscope to detect the cysts.

Can I get rid of Coccidia? Once your herd is infected, coccidia is almost impossible to get rid of. You must manage the problem. You can treat your herd twice a year or you can treat only when there is a problem. Vecoxan or Baycox can be obtained from your vet or from animal suppliers. Consult with your Vet to decide which is best for your farm. Coccidiosis can cause death but it is treatable and can be managed if your herd becomes infected

## Managing your medicines, Sarah Finch

Please read attached file, Managing your Medicines, it is a really useful read to storing medicines, where and for how long.



## Shearing

Yet again shearing will be upon us soon, starting May and hopefully most will be sheared by mid July latest. This is important/vital for your alpaca, annually for the huacayas, some suri's can be left in two year fleece.

- Pregnant females are clean and checked before birthing season,
- All alpacas have the chance to gain some growth on their next fleece before Autumn,
- They are sheared from their current fleece before the temperatures get higher and they can be too hot and sweat.

If you are a new owner and not booked a shearer yet, then please do get in touch with one who covers your area.

Allen Muriel specifically covers Cornwall and up to Mid Devon. Mob: 07498 001169 or 07870 612559 or email [alpacasofcornwallsm@gmail.com](mailto:alpacasofcornwallsm@gmail.com) and put SHEARING as subject

Colin Ottery at Alpaca2 Shear, Mob: 07773 440354 Ring before the season starts as Colin covers all GB.

## For Sale - Seeking a good home Group of young males, nearly 3 years old

Four young males

3 Gelded and 1 intact

All born in 2021, they will be 3 years old this summer

All bred and bought from Pophams

GABRIEL, DEER HUNTER, WALDORF and MIDNIGHT

Up to date on worming and vitamins. Partly halter trained and friendly. A lovely group for new owners Or to expand your existing herd.

£1250 for the group. Contact Mike on [mikelucas50@hotmail.com](mailto:mikelucas50@hotmail.com)



## HERD REDUCTION - Polgrain Alpacas

Here at Polgrain Alpacas, we have decided to reduce the size of our herd of Huacaya alpacas, to concentrate on our Suri breeding herd. We have castrated males, intact males, breeding and non-breeding females. All females are currently open as we do not have a Huacaya stud. We have lots of colours and ages ranging from 2-13 years.

All animals are BAS registered and completely up to date with all husbandry. Some are well halter trained and others need more practice.

If you are looking for a starter herd or animals to add to an existing herd, please get in touch and we will be able to help you.

Heather Lester 07717 852610 and  
David Lester 07535 615446 at Polgrain Alpacas  
[dhlester@yahoo.com](mailto:dhlester@yahoo.com)



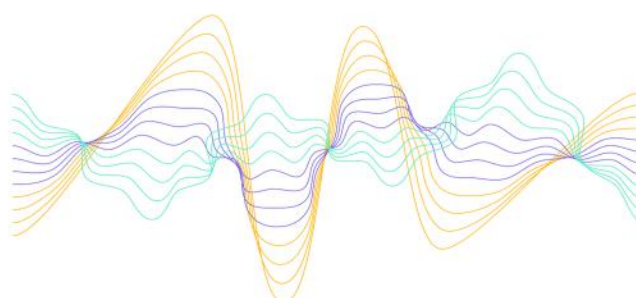


## Left behind at the Vets Day 2023

After our events, there is always something left behind by a visiting member or guest. At the Vets Day 2023, hosted at Carpalla Alpacas, someone left behind this black jacket. If it is yours, please contact Nigel.



## CCA Newsletters - frequency



It has been agreed that in the future there will be three newsletters, Spring, Summer and Autumn to cover seasonal issues. Then a Christmas newsletter which will primarily be a message from the Chair and any other urgent issues.



## Upcoming BAS Halter and Fleece Shows

Next 3 only, more can be found in the BAS Fortnightly Newsletter

### NWAG Alpaca Championships

Date: Sat 6th April 2024

Max 175

Fee £22 + VAT

Venue: Borderway Mart, Carlisle, Cumbria.

Judge: Roger Clarke

### Heart of England Spring Alpaca Fiesta

Dates: Friday 12th, Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th April 2024

Venue: Bury Farm Equestrian Centre

Judge: Mrs. Julia Corrigan-Stuart

Contact: [fiesta@heartofenglandalpacagroup.co.uk](mailto:fiesta@heartofenglandalpacagroup.co.uk)

### South of England Spring Live Alpaca Halter Show

Dates: 20th and 21st April 2024

Venue: South of England Showground, RH17 6TL

Judge: Mr Rob Bettinson

Ring Steward: Mr Garry Naish

Chief Steward: Mr Paul Wills

Organisers: Tony and Hilary Monkcom, [hilary@pinnaclealpacos.com](mailto:hilary@pinnaclealpacos.com)

Next Year's South of England Alpaca Halter Show is Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th of April 2025

### SCOTTISH ALPACA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates: 27th and 28th April 2024

Venue: Lanark Ag Centre, ML11 9AX

Judge: Tim Hey

Only people who have paid will be able to enter their animals.

### North Somerset Halter show

Dates: 6th May 2024

Venue: North Somerset Showground, BS48 1NE

Judge: Mr. Nick Harrington-Smith

Max entries: 6 per exhibitor

Max total entries: 120

Entries open: 25th March 2024

Entries close: 15th April 2024 or when maximum entries reached.

Entry fee £30 inc vat.

### Devon County Show

Dates: 16th, 17th and 18th May 2024

Venue: West Point, Clyst St Mary, EX5 1DJ

Judge: Tim Hey

Entries open: 18th March

Entries close: 7th April

Max entries :160

Entry fee: Devon County Show Member £21 inc VAT, visitors £29 inc VAT

### Northumberland Championship Halter Show

Dates: 25th May 2024

Venue: Bywell, near Stocksfield, Northumberland NE43 7AB

Judge: Barbara Hetherington

Entry Fee: £25 +VAT

Entries open: 1st March 2024

Entries close: 30th April 2024