



Michigan Alpaca Breeders Show Information

May 3rd & 4th, 2008

GENERAL INFORMATION

Saturday and Sunday - Public Hours 9 am - 4 pm.

All ages are welcome; Admission to the show is free.

No Dogs allowed (except those assisting physically challenged individuals). Owners will be fined \$100 for loose dogs.

Seminars

Come join us and learn all about alpacas. Seminars are free of charge. See the show schedule for exact seminar topics and times. Seminars will include: ABC's of Alpaca Ownership; Animal Husbandry; Tax Benefits of Alpaca Ownership, and All About Alpaca Fiber.

Demonstrations

Demonstrations will be ongoing through out the weekend.

Fiber Arts - Ruth Afflick Laity, Coordinator

See how alpaca fiber goes from the raw fiber to final product, including carding, spinning and weaving.

Felting -Suzanne Pufpaff

Join Suzanne for some make and take felt projects. Make and Take classes will be available both days.

There is a minimal charge for the make and take projects, payable directly to Suzanne.

Suzanne will also accept fiber at the show for processing.

Shearing - Dave Binkowski

Shearing demonstrations will be held throughout the weekend.

Sock Machine – Annette Taylor

Demonstrations of a sock-making machine will be held throughout the weekend.

Food Service:

A food vendor, the Davisburg Rotary Club, will be on site both days offering various foods, snacks and drinks. Please support them during the weekend. Proceeds help the Rotary Club support their community outreach program throughout the year

Advertising

This event will be advertised to the public in an effort to raise the awareness of alpacas and the beautiful fiber products that are made from their fleece.

Breeders Dinner:

Dinner is available Saturday night, May 3, at a cost of \$8 per person (\$4 for children 12 and under). Dinner includes Pizza, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. The Michigan Breeders Meeting will immediately follow dinner. Please see the Show Reservation form for dinner registration.

Host Hotel:

Comfort Inn
9040 Holly Road
Grand Blanc, MI 48439
(810) 694-0000

The rate is \$78.00 per night plus tax for a double room (for 2 adults, non-smoking rooms). \$10 extra charge for additional adult To receive this rate you must make Reservations by April 2nd say you say they are with the MI Breeders Show.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Registration Deadlines:

Open: Feb 15,2008 Closed: Mar 28, 2008 or when show is full
No refunds after Mar 28, 2008
No substitutions after April 12,2008

Sponsorships:

Gold	\$500	Gold Sponsors will receive 1 free stall
Silver	\$250	Silver Sponsors will receive 2 free animal registrations
Bronze	\$125	Bronze Sponsors will receive 1 free animal registration

In addition, sponsors will have preferred stall locations and their names will be announced throughout the day at the show ring.

Registration Limits per Farm:

Maximum of 6 alpacas (including companion animals)
Maximum of 3 alpacas (including cria) per stall.
9x9 ft Animal stalls – Limit 2
9x9 ft Farm display – Limit 1 *Please note: Due to Fire Regulations, NO Farm displays or permanent fixtures will be allowed in the aisles.*

Shared/ adjacent Stalling:

Indicate preference on Entry form and, if possible, please submit entry forms together. Note: To receive stalling in preferred stall area, both parties must be sponsors.

Check-In:

*Animals must be checked-in before **8 p.m.** on Friday, May 2, 2008. Animals not color-checked before 8:00 pm will not be allowed to be shown.*

Check-Out:

*All farms **MUST** agree to remain through the end of public hours on Sunday (4:00 p.m.) In case of emergency contact the Show Superintendent for permission to leave.*

Color/Compliance Check: *Color/Compliance Checks will be performed on Friday, May 2nd. It is the exhibitors responsibility to make sure their animals are color/compliance checked by 8:00 pm on Friday. Corrections to the classes and show schedule will be posted Saturday morning.*

Panels & Stalling:

As in previous years, pen panels are NOT being provided. You must bring your own.
Animals will be housed in barns with sod on top of concrete floors. The show arena surface is sod. Electricity will be available but you must supply your own extension cord.

*A limited number of panels will be available for rent on a first come, first serve basis at \$10.00 per panel. Contact Judy & Phil Maybee, PebbleBrook Farms
pmaybe@globaldsl.net
(248) 627-7066*

Panels can be ordered from Serendipity Alpaca Depot to be delivered for the show. Other equipment can also be ordered for show delivery to save shipping charges.

*For more Information contact:
Serendipity Alpaca Depot
alpacadepot@sbcglobal.net
330-298-0198 or 330-298-9395*

HALTER AND PERFORMANCE SHOW

The halter and performance show is a certified AOBA Level 2 show (this show will be limited to 175 animals). All AOBA rules from the AOBA Show Division for the 2008 show season will be followed.

Show Divisions Membership: Must be purchased from the AOBA office. Your Show Division Number is listed in the AOBA Member's guide. If you are a new member, contact AOBA, 615-834-4195 for your number. It can not be purchased at the show. If you are not a member of the show division, there is an AOBA fee of \$75.00 per farm per event. This appears on the Entry form as AOBA Show Division Non-Member Fee.

Judge: Wade Gease from London Dairy Alpacas, Two Rivers, WI. will judge the halter and performance classes.

Comparative Judging option: The judging option for this show will be based on 50% fleece and 50% conformation.

Color Championships: Color Championship classes will be held if minimum numbers are met..

Each alpaca entered in and present at the show must:

- Be registered by The Alpaca Registry, Inc. **No pending registrations will be accepted.**
- Have a Buyers' Permission to Show Form (as applicable). Form is available on this web site or may be downloaded at http://www.alpacashows.com/FormsApps/AOBA_BuyersPermissionToShowForm.swf

Required for all alpacas entering the facility (companion animals included):

- All alpacas at the show must be micro chipped according to the ABOA show rules.
- Micro chips in the tail are unacceptable due to health concerns.
- Exhibitors will have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) (e.g. health papers) completed after April 4, 2008 for each animal transported to the show. This includes all companion animals.
- All alpacas must have their microchip number listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) (e.g. health papers).
- All animals must have a **Negative PCR test or VI test for BVDV (Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus) to enter the facility.** The negative results of the BVDV test must be indicated on the CVI and include the alpaca name, ARI registration #, microchip numbers, and negative PCR or VI BVDV test results.
- All alpacas must be entered in the name of the owner as it appears on the ARI Registration Certificate.
- **Bring a copy of your Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) with you to the show as it will be retained by the Show Superintendent as part of the show's permanent records**
- Note: Any animals showing evidence of diarrhea, runny noses or other illness will not be admitted to the show.

For questions regarding BVDV testing contact:

Sharon Winsauer

Sharon@Aurora-alpacas.com

517-641-6479

SHOW SCHEDULE

Color Championships:

Color Championships will be offered when there are a sufficient number of animals in a color group. Animals taking a 1st or 2nd place are eligible to be entered in the Color Championship class.

Saturday Morning

Shorn Classes

Juvenile

Yearling

Adult

Start of Halter Classes

Saturday Afternoon

Performance Classes

Sub-Junior

Junior

Adult

Continuation of Halter Classes

Sunday

Continuation of Halter Classes

Halter Show Order

Black, brown, fawn, white, gray, Indefinites, multicolors.

Male and female classes will alternate, as will Huacaya and Suri Classes

Color Champion classes, if offered, will be held at the completion of each color group.

Groups may be combined according to AOBA show rules

Volunteers:

Volunteers are needed for the show to go on. It is also an excellent learning experience. Please volunteer on your the Reservation and Entry Form.

Color/Compliance Checker - *Work in teams to verify Microchip numbers, health papers, fleece length and color.*

Needed Friday afternoon and evening.

Gate Keeper - *Call Classes to the show ring in a timely manner, check the entries are in correct class and line the class up in proper order by age (oldest to youngest). Gate keepers can show animals at any time.*

Needed on Saturday and Sunday. Two hour shifts, if we have enough volunteers

Ring Steward - *Assist the Judge in the ring. At the direction of the Judge, control activities in the ring, convey Judge's directions to exhibitors, assist in animal handling, record the placement of winners, etc. A great way to learn a lot. A Ring Steward may not personally show an animal after serving as Steward, but may serve as ring steward after showing. Needed Saturday and Sunday. Two hour shifts if we have enough volunteers.*

Shearing Help - *Needed Saturday and Sunday*

Other - *Set up and take down of Obstacle course. Saturday afternoon.*

Shearing:

There will be a limited number of shearings available at the show.

Shearing will be done by a team of shearers.

All appointments must be scheduled ahead of time.

There will be no show fleeces or show cuts done.

A representative for the animal must be present and helping while the animal is being shorn.

If you do not provide your own container there will be a fee of \$1.00 per trash bag.

Schedule your appointments at alpacabarber@gmail.com