



**2018**

# Winter Wonderland Alpaca Show

Founders Pavilion at the Australian Rural Education Centre

Cassilis Road, Mudgee

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

Show Convenor: Judith Kain

Phone: 0449181535 or 63721714

## **EXIBITOR INFORMATION, ENTRY FORM AND SHOW SCHEDULE**

**Closing Date:** Entries close 1700 on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. No faxed or late entries will be accepted

**Entries:** **Via eAlpaca**

**Exhibitors details** Jennie Menzies  
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**Payment Options:** AAA NSW Region

**Halter Prizes:** Supreme Champions - Trophy  
Best In Colour-Trophy  
Age Championships - Ribbon

**Judge:** Shane Carey

**Penning:** Alpacas can be penned between 1600-1830 on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Alpacas not arriving on Friday must be penned by 0730 on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>. Late arrivals may be disqualified. Please contact convenor directly advising of any delays. Inspections will start from 1500 Friday and 0730 Saturday. Exhibitors to remain at pens until inspections have been completed.

- Judging:** Alpaca judging to commence at 9.00 am sharp on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2018  
Suri classes  
Supreme Suri  
Best in Colour (Suri)  
Suri Sires Progeny
- Suri Wethers.  
Huacaya Wethers
- Huacaya classes  
Supreme Huacaya  
Best in Colour (Huacaya)  
Huacaya Sires Progeny
- Removal of Exhibits:** Exhibitors are to remain until the completion of all judging on Saturday, unless prior approval is granted by the convenor.
- Canteen:** Morning and afternoon tea will be available  
Coffee will be available throughout the day and Hot Food will be available for lunch.
- Overnight:** Alpacas may be penned from 1400 on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August  
All alpacas are to be removed from the site by 1pm Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August  
Overnight security is not available and animals are left at the owner's risk, however the pavilion will be locked.
- Camping:** Campsites are available onsite at AREC. Camping is \$12 per night. Amenities available.
- Sponsorship:** Sponsorship is a vital means of raising funds to assist with running our show and ensure its' longevity as well as providing exhibitors with promotional opportunities.  
A number of Sponsorships are available namely Gold, Silver, Best in Colour and Champion.  
Please contact the Judith Kain for details.
- Dinner:** **Exhibitors are invited to meet for dinner on Friday 3rd at 6:30pm**  
**The Venue is the Lawson Park Hotel 1 Church St, Mudgee**
- For Sale:** Official "For Sale" sign for pens will be supplied to studs at the cost of \$20  
No other advertising allowed according to Rule 54 in the Showing and Regulations Manual  
Only stud signs allowed on pens.

## **GENERAL REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

### **Conditions of Entry**

The General Regulations appearing in this schedule form part of the AAA Ltd. approved conditions of entry. In the event of any inconsistency between the General Regulations and these conditions, the General Regulations shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency *unless the General Regulations*

*provide otherwise*. This show will be conducted under the Rules of the Australian Alpaca Association Ltd. as set out in the current AAA Ltd. Showing Rules Manual.

All exhibitors should read the conditions on the entry form and ensure that they can comply with those conditions before signing the entry form, particularly noting the condition dealing with animal health. A separate health declaration will be provided for signature and return with the entry form. Failure to sign the entry form will render all alpacas of an exhibitor ineligible to be exhibited. Please note that only the registered owner of an exhibit or his / her authorised agent may sign an entry form. The registered owner of an exhibit must be a financial member of the AAA Ltd.

Alpacas travelling interstate must comply with that State's Department of Industry requirements.

### **Period of Exhibition**

Alpacas must be penned by 0730 on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August at AREC and may not be removed from the showgrounds until after the completion of judging for the day.

### **Preparation of Exhibits and Cleanliness of Stalls**

Exhibitors must keep the stalls allotted to their animals clean, and give proper attention to their stock throughout the show. Exhibitors must provide their own feed, and feed and water containers. At the end of the show could exhibitors please clean out their pens. Information will be provided as to where straw should be placed at the end of the show.

### **Fans**

Please contact the convenor if you wish to use a fan during the show as there are limited power points and planning is required to ensure pens requiring fans will need to be placed nearby same. Fans and any other electrical equipment must have a current compliance certificate attached.

### **Advertising**

Promotional material is permitted within the bounds of the standard pen height for the show. For sale signs are not permitted unless they are the officially supplied "For Sale" signs. Display/ promotional alpacas are not permitted. Ribbons won at any other previous show are not permitted. Commercial exhibits or trade stalls are available and can be arranged in consultation with the Convenor.

A handler shall be deemed to be incorrectly attired if his/ her dress or the animal being led displays any information capable of being construed as advertising for any stud.

### **Companion animals and dogs**

Special permission to bring a companion alpaca must be obtained from the Convenor or Chief Steward prior to submission of the entry form, otherwise no companion alpacas will be permitted. No dogs are

permitted into the precinct of where show animals are being penned or shown in the ring. Guide Dogs are exempt.

### **Inspection of Exhibits**

All alpacas must be registered with the Australian Alpaca Association Ltd. and carry an approved brass tag showing the alpaca's IAR number. No wether may have any visible genetic faults or visible physical disfigurement.

No animal shall be eligible for exhibition if it is not entire (except for wethers). All genitalia shall be complete, properly formed and proportioned for normal reproduction.

The convenor, with the consultation of the Show Committee of a Show conducted under Association Rules, shall appoint a person, or persons, as a qualified inspector, or inspectors, who shall inspect all alpacas for genetic faults, colour class and IAR number and visible physical disfigurement.

*Note: If there is no IAR tag present in the ear of an animal exhibit, official Association confirmation must be provided by the owner to the Chief Steward that the ear tag has been recently lost and that a new ear tag has been ordered and paid for. Replacement tag orders and payments must be lodged with the National Office a minimum of one week before the date of the show. Failure to present such advice at inspection will result in disqualification of the animal.*

The inspector or Chief Steward will classify all entries for age, sex and colour and has the power to transfer an exhibit to the class which, in his/ her opinion, it should have been entered. The Chief Steward will combine or split classes as he/ she sees fit.

Alpacas not in their allocated pens and available for inspection at the official time may be disqualified by the Chief Steward. Exhibitors must be in attendance at the time of the inspection and will be required to assist. Animals are not to be moved from their allotted pen without approval from the chief steward.

Exhibits of huacaya must carry a minimum fleece length of 50mm and a recommended maximum length not exceeding 130mm. The minimum fleece length for suris is 75mm and fleece length will be assessed by the judge.

Exhibits shall not have fleece of a different colour to that of the blanket removed from an animal to a level below that of the blanket fleece.

Any alpaca found to have lice infestation must be removed from the showgrounds immediately along with any other alpacas present that belong to the same exhibitor.

### **Armbands**

Armbands must be worn to display the animals number. Armbands are available for purchase as per entry form for \$15.00. Arm bands purchased at prior shows can be worn as long as they are black with clear window to show numbers.

### **Exhibitor's meeting- Chief Steward**

The Chief Steward requests that all exhibitors attend a meeting in the show ring at 8:45am prior to commencement of judging on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August to be briefed on show procedures.

### **Judging**

Judging will commence promptly at 9.00 am on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August. The judge's decision shall be final. She may choose not to award a prize or prizes in a class.

A handler/ exhibitor may not discuss with the Judge their alpacas or proposed exhibits prior to, or during the show judging.

All handlers leading stock in the judging ring or parade shall wear a white coat over long trousers or long skirts, with clean dress shoes or boots. The Chief Steward may disqualify an exhibit for incorrect attire of the handler.

All handlers showing animals must be competent in the handling of their exhibit, or removal from the ring may be requested by the Judge.

All exhibitors shall, obtain their pen position and animal exhibit card numbers from the Shed Steward. The animal exhibit number card of the exhibit must be worn in an armband and clearly displayed by the handler whilst in the show ring. Exhibitors must supply their own armbands or purchase one for use. The age of the alpaca and the age of the fleece, in months, will be displayed on the card.

All exhibitors must place their animals in the pens allotted by the Show Stewards and must not be moved or removed except by order of the Chief Steward.

### **Correct Animal Colour Classifications**

An alpaca is to be shown in the appropriate colour class, when it is predominantly that colour. Any colour variations will be assessed at the time of inspection. The Chief Steward has the final decision as to what colour class an animal will be exhibited.

### **Sire's Progeny Class**

The class is for two progeny by one sire. There shall be at least two entries in the sire's progeny class before the class will take place.

A sire's progeny entry cannot contain a wether, but may be a group of males, females or males and females. Progeny need not be owned or bred by the one exhibitor, but all must be the progeny of the one sire and drawn from ordinary classes. All progeny must have been entered as animal exhibits in the same show as that in which they are to be exhibited as Sire's Progeny.

Only one progeny from any one dam may be shown in each Sire's Progeny Group.

In addition to displaying the Progeny Group entrant number, all members of the Progeny Group are to display their initial exhibitor number from their halter class in the same show, including the number of the exhibit, age of exhibit and months of fleece growth.

## **Wethers**

It is a requirement for wethers to be registered on the IAR to compete at AAA Ltd. run shows.

## **Protests**

Only an exhibitor may lodge a protest against another exhibitor or Show Official. The protest shall be lodged in writing together with a deposit of \$50, which shall be refunded if the protest is upheld. The sole grounds for protest shall be a breach of the Show Rules. Protests shall be lodged with the Chief Steward or Show Convenor within one hour of the end of the day's showing (when the last animal leaves the ring).

The Chief Steward or Show Convenor shall set up a Protest Committee prior to the commencement of the Show. The Committee shall comprise the Chief Steward as the Chair and two ordinary members not associated with the alleged incident. If and alleged incident occurred resulting in a protest in a class where the Chief Steward was exhibiting and his or her exhibit may have some bearing on the outcome of the protest, then the Chief Steward would stand aside and be replaced by the Show Convenor or another suitable member. A meeting will be convened within 30 minutes of the protest being received. The Protest Committee shall immediately investigate the protest and if found to be valid, initiate appropriate action.

Complaints against Judges are to be put in writing, within one week of the alleged incident, addressed to the AAA Ltd. National Secretary, c/- AAA Ltd. National Office accompanied by a \$50 fee, which will be refunded in the event that the complaint is upheld.

**Note: Exhibitors are reminded that good Bio-Security practices are your responsibility**

## **Wishing you all a great show**

