

BAS Training Courses

REPRODUCTION AND STUD MANAGEMENT (1 day)

Selecting a stud male

- Selection factors – see also Advanced Alpaca Assessment
- How to find the right stud
- What sort of service
 - Drive-by, mobile, on-farm
- Checklist of considerations for stud service provider

Owning your own stud

- Pros and cons
- Care of stud boys

Providing stud services

- What is involved
- Marketing your services
- Ethics of stud services
- Covers per day

Basics of alpaca reproduction

- The follicular cycle
- Induced ovulation
- Gestation

Mating process

- Different mating options – pen, paddock, etc
- How to introduce the boy to the girl
- Mating behaviour and times

Spit offs and pregnancy diagnosis

- How to spit off
- Common behaviours
- How frequently to spit off
- Other pregnancy diagnosis methods
 - Ultrasound scan
 - Blood tests

Reproduction problems

- Not ovulating
- Not getting pregnant

Birthing – some basics here but refer to Husbandry Courses

- Normal birth process
- Contents of a cria box
- Common problems