



BAS Weekly Newsletter **Timely Advice & Current News**



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CEO NOTES

AGM News

Some members have expressed concerns that they may have ticked "abstain" when they meant to tick another box or none at all. If you wish to change your vote then you can do that by sending me a copy of your voting receipt that confirms the votes you cast along with what you meant to do and I will add/ subtract as appropriate when I add in the postal votes to the on-line voting. If you wish to make a change I must receive your new position and the voting receipt before the voting closes on 22 November 2020.

At the time of writing 235 members have cast there votes. If you have not voted yet there will be reminder emails with all the details. If you are having any trouble please contact me so you can exercise your right to vote. Some people have experienced a situation with the voting boxes being in a different order so please check carefully you are ticking the box that you mean to. Because the system we use is a secure system I can't now amend that order.

You can email about this or anything else on ceo@bas-uk.com

Duncan Pullar

BAS CEO

Dog attacks...

I received news this week of another dog attack on alpacas in their own field. Whilst I don't want to go into specific details I can say that luckily the owners were near by and were able to intervene. A dog owner did appear.

If this unfortunate experience should happen to you then there are a few things you should know that will help:

Depending on what is happening you should:

1. Stop the attack by any reasonable means
2. Call the vet to treat any injuries
3. Collect evidence – take pictures, “arrest” the dog if possible.
4. Take contact details from the dog owner, if present, and witnesses if there are any.
5. Report the incident to the police

Previous work has shown

- In the majority of those incidents alpacas were injured
- In 30% of incidents at least one alpaca was killed or died as a result.
- In 25% of the incidents, in which alpacas were in cria, they aborted.
- Generally incidents happen in field with NO footpath in the paddock
- Two dogs were shot or put down as a result of an attack (Please note shooting dogs which are attacking your ALPACAS could result in a criminal prosecution against YOU)
- In one third of the incidents the dog was with a person
- Average cost to owners of vet fees, where a vet was required, was around £600
- Average costs to owners around £2500

You can print your own "dog-on-lead" poster from the BAS website <https://www.bas-uk.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/dogs-on-lead-poster.pdf>

Show opening and closing dates ...

Show name	Show Dates	open	close
Northern Fleece Show	5th Dec	1st Oct	1st Nov

Summary of Show dates

Event	Date
F Northern Fleece Show	5 December
F Welsh Winter Fleece Show	6 Feb 2020

2020 Show Diary



Make a note in your diary!

(New information in red)

2020 Dates

Northern Fleece Show

Date: 5th December

Judges: Rob and Shirley Bettinson

Organiser: Bob Crosbie

Fee: £24

Show judging :Walkerburn Village Hall

Fleeces to be delivered to: Westyett Alpacas, Pauline Robson, Westyett Farm, Lanark ML11 8NT

Fleeces should arrive by 30th November at the latest, but should not be sent to arrive before 20th Nov to minimise returns in case of COVID restrictions changing. Please provide postal address for those wishing for fleeces to be returned by courier (invoices will be sent by email).

Restrictions currently prevent the winning fleeces being available for display locally after judging.

Welsh Winter Fleece Show

Date: 6 Feb 2021

Opens: 23 Nov 20

Closes: 4 Jan 2021

Location: TBC

Judge: TBC

Cost: £24

Address for fleeces: Michael Henderson, Brooklyn, Lancaster Rd., Cockerham, Lancaster, Lancashire. LA2 0DZ. No later than 31 January 2021

2021 DATES

BAS National Show

Date 26th, 27th and 28th March 2021

Scottish Alpaca Championships

Date: Sat 24 April 2021 & Sun 25 April 2021

Location: Lanark Auction Mart

Halter Judge: Barbara Hetherington

South of England Spring Alpaca Show

Date: Saturday 24th and Sunday 25 April 2021.

Location: Ardingly

Judge: Jo Bridge



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