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## CEO NOTES

### **Looking after your cria**

I was reminded this week of the best and worst of people when they look after (or not) their new cria when they arrive. Several people were in contact of all sorts of reasons but somewhere early in the conversation they said something like "I might have to go because..... I have a cria arriving/ vet coming/ need to check on my sick cria". Obviously I said "I understand, you do what you need to do". It was clear how much these owners cared for each new life and wanted to do the very best for their alpaca.

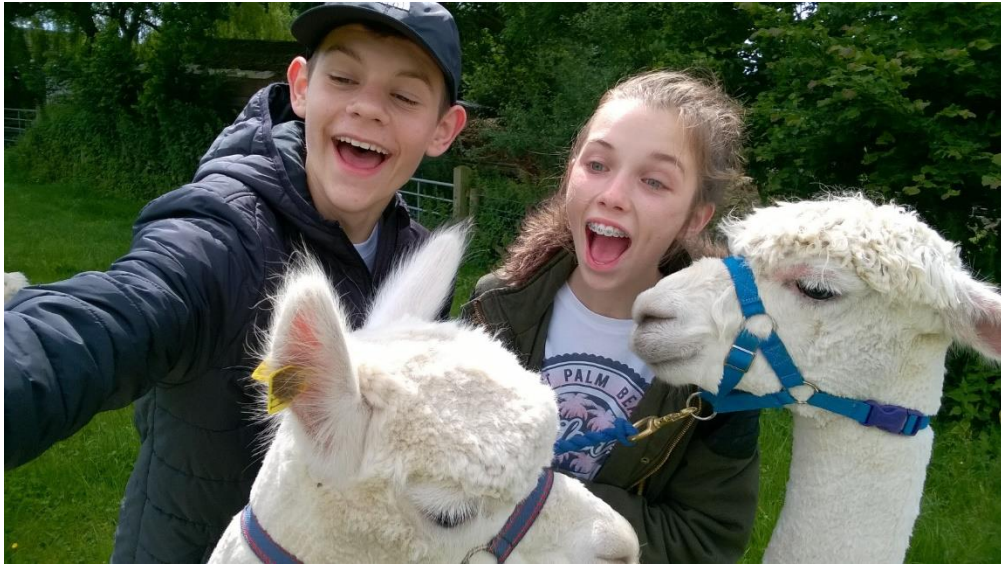
At the other end of the scale two stories of neglect came my way with requests for action. I can't reveal the details but the thought that popped into my head was "How sad these people can't look after their animals properly and what a shame that someone else had to step in to resolve the problem". I know that the vast majority of the BAS membership care for their animals well and are more than willing to help and if necessary call out people who don't do a good job. So keep up the good work and continue to help your neighbours and if you need help please ask.

### **BAS Board Blog**

The latest entry to the Blog spot is from Kate Brookes who writes a blog grateful for experts. You can find the entry [here](#).

You can email about this or anything else using [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)

*Duncan Pullar*  
BAS CEO



## Trekking Code of Practice

I have had a few enquiries from members who are receiving inspections from their Local Authorities with regard to their Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations .

BAS member experience to date of going through the "vetting process" has shown that being signed up to the **BAS Trekking Code of Practice** is a very good thing to do to demonstrate your competence to run an alpaca business for the public. You can see more on the BAS website click [here](#) for the BAS web page on the trekking COP or ask Duncan for information. [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)

The Regulations are administered by your Local Authority and came into force on 1 October 2018. If you run, or are thinking of starting, a trekking or a petting business you need to register.



## Reference Documents by Mr Cameron Holt

Mr Cameron Holt has published a number of documents on alpaca fibre that have shaped the way alpaca owners around the world have developed. The BAS has used a good deal of the information in the past.

Cameron has decided it is time to "wind-down" and has decided to shut down his website where much of the work was accessible. In a very generous act Cameroon has kindly loaned his back catalogue to the BAS for the use and benefit of BAS members.

The documents are now available on the BAS website if you are interested in any or all of them

[Articles on Fibre – The British Alpaca Society \(bas-uk.com\)](http://bas-uk.com)



## World Expo Austria 2022 10-13th February

At the recent Board meeting attendance of BAS at the World Expo was discussed. The Board decided it would be a great opportunity to take a stand at the event to promote UK alpacas across Europe (and the world).

If you are planning to attend and would be happy to do a couple of hours on the BAS stand then please let Duncan know ([ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)) so he can add you to the list of "possibles" for stand duty.

There is a fleece show which BAS would encourage members to enter if they can, to demonstrate the quality of fleece produced in the UK.

You can find information on the event [here](#).

## Importing or Exporting Alpacas? Get an EORI number

If you are importing or exporting alpacas (or any goods) you will now need an EORI number. The website can be found [here](#).

### Who needs an EORI

You may need an Economic Operators Registration and Identification number (EORI number) if you move goods:

- between Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) or the Isle of Man and any other country (including the EU)
- between Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- between Great Britain and the Channel Islands
- between Northern Ireland and countries outside the EU

## **To apply for an EORI number....**

To apply for an Economic Operators Registration and Identification number (EORI number) you need your:

- Unique Taxpayer Reference (UTR) - [find your UTR](#) if you do not know it
- business start date and Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code - these are in the [Companies House register](#)
- Government Gateway user ID and password
- VAT number and effective date of registration (if you're VAT registered) - these are on your VAT registration certificate
- National Insurance number - if you're an individual or a sole trader

If you do not already have a Government Gateway user ID, you'll be able to create one when you apply.

## **Northern Ireland trade needs an extra form...**

### **Apply for an EORI number that starts with XI**

Before you apply, [check you're eligible for an XI EORI number](#).

You must have applied for a GB EORI number before you can get an XI EORI number.

Once you have your GB EORI number then [fill in an enquiry form](#), making sure you:

- tick the box to say you will be trading with Northern Ireland or are based in Northern Ireland
- tick the box saying your enquiry is a "Query regarding a current EORI number application"

[Get an EORI number - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)



## 2021 Event Diary



If you need information about any of the events listed below then please email

Duncan using [ceo@bas-uk.com](mailto:ceo@bas-uk.com)

Thursday	08-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Sunday	11-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Saturday	17-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Saturday	17-Jul	Affiliate Course - Devon
Tuesday	20-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Friday	23-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Monday	26-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Wednesday	28-Jul	Affiliate Course - Cornwall
Thursday	29-Jul	Affiliate Course - Shropshire
Thursday	29-Jul	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Saturday	31-Jul	Affiliate Course - Cornwall
Friday	06-Aug	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Thursday	12-Aug	Affiliate Course - Shropshire
Friday	13-Aug	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Saturday	14-Aug	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Thursday	19-Aug	Affiliate Course - Cornwall
Saturday	21-Aug	Affiliate Course - Shropshire
Saturday	21-Aug	Affiliate Course - Cornwall
Sunday	22-Aug	Affiliate Course - Cornwall
Thursday	26-Aug	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Friday	27-Aug	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Saturday	28-Aug	Affiliate Course - Devon
Sunday	29-Aug	Affiliate Course - Devon
Saturday	04-Sep	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Saturday	04-Sep	National Alpaca Farm Day
Sunday	05-Sep	National Alpaca Farm Day
Saturday	11-Sep	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Thursday	16-Sep	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Friday	17-Sep	Affiliate Course- Suffolk
Tuesday	21-Sep	Affiliate Course - Moray, Scotland
Thursday	23-Sep	Webinar Emma Taylor
Wednesday	03-Nov	BAS AGM

If you would like your BAS, Educational or Regional group **event** included in this section (not shows) please send details to Duncan.

## 2021 Show Diary



### **Make a note in your diary!** (New information in red)

Breeders considering entering more than one fleece show may need the organisers of one show to forward the fleece(s) to the next show the fleeces are entered for. Please could entries to multiple fleece shows advise the organisers of the plan to ensure they know those entries need to be despatched asap to the next show. Please ensure that all the necessary entry forms are included in the box separately to the forms for the first shows.

#### **Cornish Fleece Show - CLOSED NOW FULL**

Date: July 10th 2021

Judge: Roger Clarke

Venue: Dark Sky Alpacas

Collection point: Crewenna Alpacas

Entries to arrive at collection point, strictly between 28th June and 6th July.

Organiser: Sandra Muriel Mob: 07870

612559 email [alpacasofcornwallsm@gmail.com](mailto:alpacasofcornwallsm@gmail.com)

#### **Royal Three Counties Fleece Show**

Dates: 24th/25th July

Judge: Mrs Mary Jo Smith



Venue: Great Witley Village Hall

Entries Open: 29th May

Entries close: 30th June

Entry Fee: £16.20

Fleece delivery: Anne Cheston, The Orchards, The Village, Abberley, Worcs. WR6 6BN by 16th July

Organiser: Roger

Mount [Roger.mount@btinternet.com](mailto:Roger.mount@btinternet.com) or [snowhillalpacas@btinternet.com](mailto:snowhillalpacas@btinternet.com)

### **East of England (Fleece) Show organised by EAG**

Dates: 14th/15th August

Judge: Mrs Julia Corrigan-Stuart

Venue: Essex Young Farmers Centre

Entries Open: 1st May

Entries close: 31st July

Entry Fee: £16 EAG members: £22 non-members (prices include the BAS Show levy & VAT on the levy)

Fees collected by EAG who will invoice exhibitors direct, admin@merrifield-alpacas.com

Fleece Delivery: Harley Laver, Churchfield Alpacas, Elmlea, Cold North Road, Latchingdon, Essex, CM3 6HP by 11 Aug 2021

Organiser: Harley Laver - harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk / 07934 468842

### **South West Alpaca Group (SWAG) Fleece**

Dates: 16th September 2021

Judge: Mrs Mary Jo Smith

Venue: East Huntspill Village Hall, Church Road, East Huntspill. Highbridge TA9 3PQ

Entries Open: 16th July

Entries close: 21st August

Entry Fee: £20

Fleece Delivery: J.Newman, Apple Tree Farm, Westhill Lane, Bason Bridge. Highbridge TA9 4RF

Organiser: Judith Newman judith-newman@outlook.com 01278 795699

### **HoEAG Autumn Fleece Show 2021**

Judges: Tim Hey & Jay Holland

Judging days: Thursday 30th September and Friday 1st October

Open Day: Sunday 3rd October - details tbc

Entry details to be announced shortly

**East of England Alpaca Show 2021 organised by EAG**

Dates: 10th October 2021

Judge: Mrs Mary-Jo Smith

Entries Open: 1st July 2021

Entries close: 12th September 2021

Venue: Beechwood Equestrian Centre, Rettendon Common, Chelmsford CM3 8DY,

Arrivals: pm of 9th or early am of 10th. Judging on 10th

Show Organiser: Harley Laver- 07934463342, [harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk](mailto:harley@churchfieldalpacas.co.uk)

Entry fee including levy and VAT: £31.20 members and £36 non-members

Including Levy & VAT (GRASSROOTS WILL COLLECT FULL AMOUNT AND MEMBERS WILL BE REFUNDED THE DIFFERENCE BY EAG)

Max no. of entries: 140

Extras: Pen Cleaning, £40 compulsory but will be refunded if pen is cleaned. (EAG to collect fees)

Electric Hook ups £35 (EAG to collect fees)

**Yorkshire Alpaca Group Halter Show**

Dates; 16th and 17th October 2021

Judge: Mrs Barbara Hetherington

Venue: tbc

Entries open: 1st August

Entries Close: 31st August

Entry fee: £22 +VAT

**Northern Halter Show**

Dates; 30th and 31st October 2021

Judge: Tim Hey

Venue: Penrith Auction Mart

Entries open: 1st Sept

Entries Close: 17th Sept

Entry fee: £22 +VAT

Organiser: Ian Mitchell, [treasurer@bas-uk.com](mailto:treasurer@bas-uk.com), 07813 145013

**HoEAG Spring Alpaca Fiesta 2022**

Show Dates: Friday 8th, Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th April 2022

Judge: Barbara Hetherington

To be held at Bury Farm Equestrian Centre