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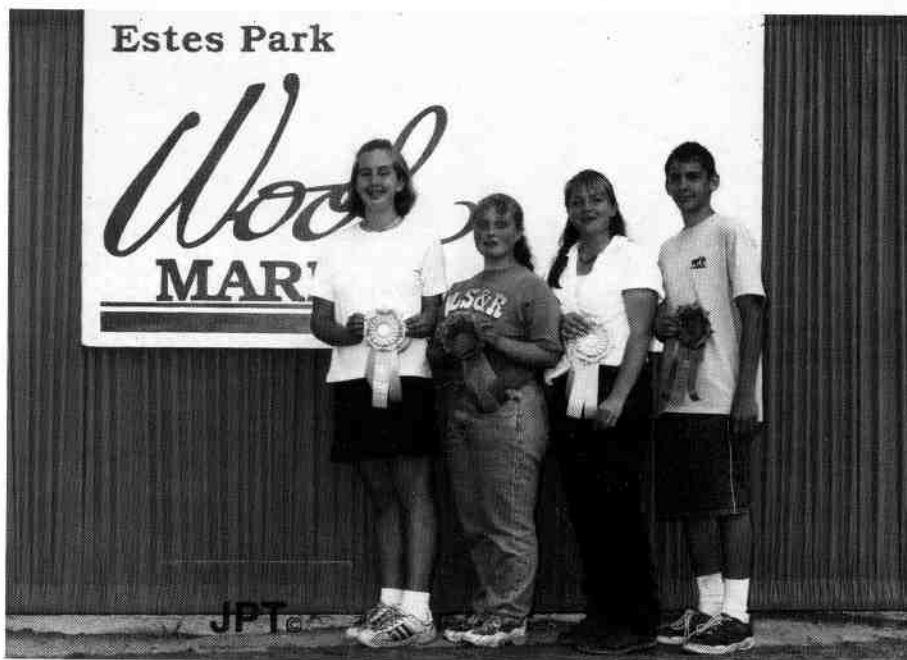
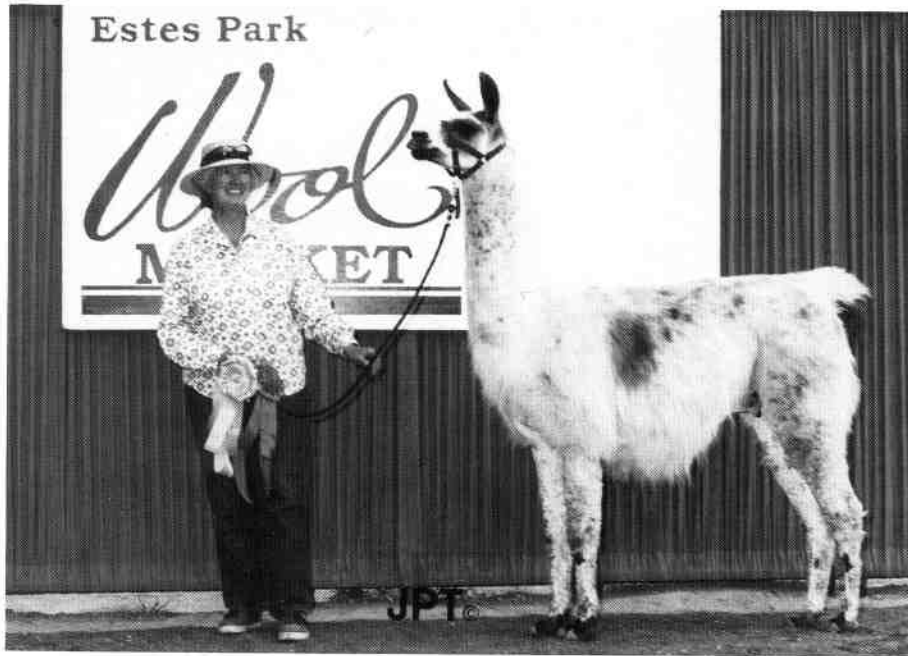
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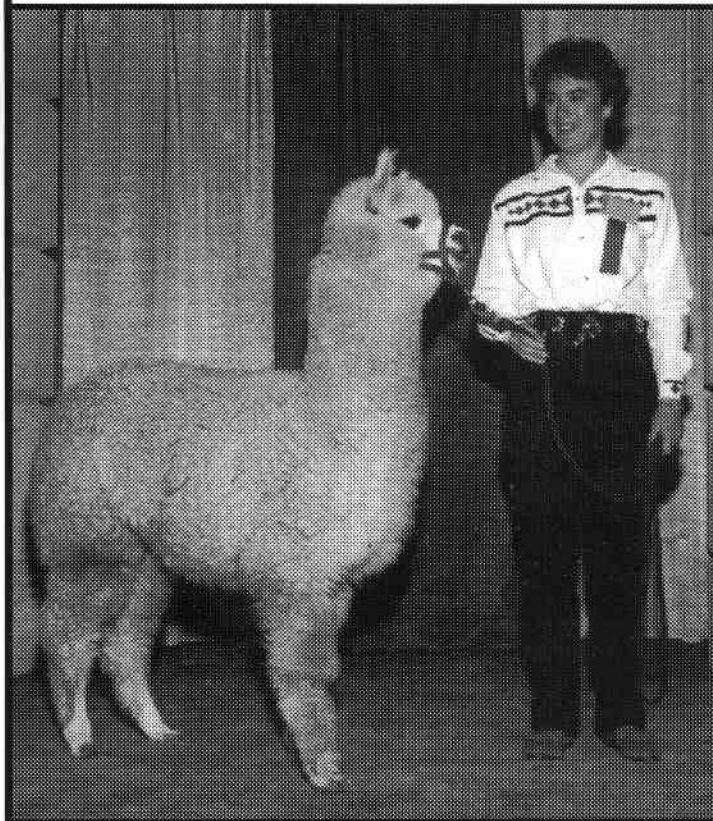
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Top: Bobra Goldsmith, Rocky Mountain Llamas, Longmont, CO with Grand Champion Performance and Halter Reserve Champion, Light Wool, Rocky Mountain Bounce.

Bottom: Youth Performance Champions. (L-R) Heather Grimm, Intermediate Reserve Champion, Adrienne Bergenfeld, Intermediate Grand Champion, Deidre Baird, Junior Reserve Champion, Matt Anderson, Junior Grand Champion

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- Golden Gate Escape-Llama Packers Weekender September 25-26, 1999 Contact Jan Redenbarger 303-442-0140

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- Fiber Co-op, Taos Wool Festival, Taos, New Mexico October 2-4, 1999 Contact Karen Kinyon 970-484-6241
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- ALSA Regional Llama Show, Denver, Colorado October 16-17, 1999
- RMLA Annual Meeting and Mini-Conference, Grand Junction, Colorado October 23-24, 1999 Contact Judy Sealy 970-241-7921
- Fiber Co-op, RMLA Fall Conference, Grand Junction, Colorado October 23-24, 1999

NOVEMBER

- Fiber Co-op, ALSA Grand Nationals, Columbia, Missouri, November 12-14, 1999

JANUARY

- National Western Stock Show Llama Show, Denver, Colorado January 8-9, 2000 Contact Jerry Dunn 303-277-1129
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Letters to the Editorial Staff

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Dear Rocky Mountain Llama and Alpaca Association:

What a success our 1999 Wool Market was! Approximately 10,000 people enjoyed the Wool Market this year. Our success depends upon sponsors like yourself!

The weekend weather was great and the crowd seemed to have a wonderful time. Thank you again for your support and we hope you will support us in 2000!

Sincerely,

Linda Hinze
Event Coordinator

RMLA Web Site

(via e-mail)

To the Board of Directors and Membership Committee:

Thanks for the work you do. Your efforts in getting my information into the RMLA web site has resulted in two customers. I know everyone's time spent in this effort is volunteer so I just wanted to let every one know how I appreciate it.

Mark Horst

Play, Pack, Drive, Show!

Jerry Dunn, Vice President and Events Chair

Bear Track Farm, Golden, Colorado

As this photo attempts to suggest, I have been working to get organized for the year. (The pack string with a mind of it's own.) I hope you have looked at the list of events that RMLA is sponsoring for 1999 and highlighted the events you and your family are interested in attending. The events are pretty well balanced between fun events, conferences/clinics, and shows. One of the events that was particularly successful for the folks in southwestern Colorado was the Four States Agriculture Expo in Cortez, Colorado in March. Nearly 10,000 spectators attended over a three-day period. Llamas and Kids in the Park was held in March. We had about 30 people with their llamas and alpacas. The weather was great this year, no one froze during lunch!

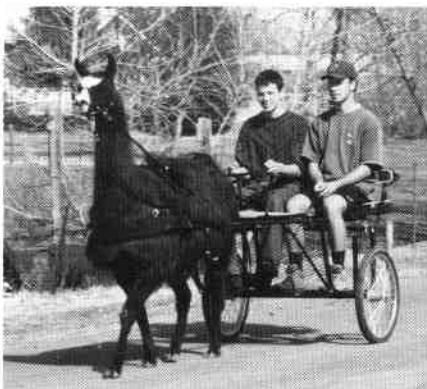


Jerry and the pack string.



Llamas and Kids in the Park was an entertaining day for children and adults alike.

In April, the Driving clinic at the Bear Track Farm was busy with six participants for a two-day clinic.





Having fun at the Jellybean Classic.

May featured the Jelly Bean Classic at the Indiana Equestrian Center in Arvada. Everyone ate lots of jelly beans at each obstacle and the animals(totaling about 95) were able to socialize while they played with their handlers. The potluck lunch was delicious as predicted. The LOCC Spring Show in Colorado Springs was also a great success.



Unloading, the proper way!



Under the tent, at full speed.



Over the bridge.....



To the human's reward!

Not all llama happenings are sponsored by RMLA, but I hear about many informal get-togethers with llama and alpaca owners. Walks in the park, driving a llama through the neighborhood with a friend from Germany, birthday parties, and school visitations. What a great way to advertise what we do with our animals.



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Committee Report: The RMLA Fiber Co-op

Karen Kinyon

Double K Diamond Ranch, Fort Collins, Colorado

RMLA Fiber Co-op Trailer Debuts at LOCC Spring Show



The RMLA fiber trailer, inside....



.... and out! Look for it soon at a show near you.

The Fiber Committee would like to extend thanks to the Board of Directors of RMLA for the recent purchase of a 6'X12' tandem axle trailer for the RMLA Fiber Co-op Booth. With this addition, the booth fixtures and inventory are completely secure, waterproof and rodent-proof. This trailer is outfitted with the necessary hitch, pigtail, etc. so that the booth now is completely portable and ready to travel. The trailer can be pulled by any mid-to full-sized vehicle. It made it's debut at the LOCC Spring Show and the Estes Park Wool Market. It has the RMLA logo on both sides and is a great marketing addition as well. The trailer and booth will be seen at a variety of events through the rest of this year.

Handspun Skein Contests at the Estes Park Wool Market

by Karen Kinyon and Chris Switzer

The Estes Park Wool Market has a very popular handspun skein contest. Spinners compete by showing how well they can create skeins of yarn suitable to a specific purpose. The contest has a variety of classes of which llama and alpaca are included. The judge was Stetson Weddle from Forest Falls, California; the organizer, Geri Smith from Estes Park.

There were three entries in the llama class this year. Judy Cox-Sample from Conifer won the RMLA sponsored award for Best Handspun Llama Skein. Bernice Minnion of Grand Junction won the award sponsored by Double K Diamond Llamas for Best Use of Llama Fiber.

There were seven alpaca skeins entered; four were all alpaca, two were blends, and one a novelty yarn. No suri skeins were entered. Claire Walker took 1st place in the alpaca category and also Grand Champion over all. Judy Edeghoffer from Pleasanton, California took second place. Third place was awarded to Cynthia Ti-

ger of Loveland, Colorado.

There were also seven mohair, two cashmere, two Angora Rabbit, and 17 sheep's wool skeins entered in three classes. There were no youth entries this year, which is unusual.

The year 2000 will be the 10th year for the Estes Park Wool Market, so let's have a really good showing. There is a special Suri Award and a sample swatch class. How about a finished project class? Let's get those 4-Her's involved for the youth division and show them what we can do with llama and alpaca fiber! For more information about entering your handspun skeins for judging, contact Karen Kinyon at (970) 484-6241 or Chris Switzer at (970) 586-4624.

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Join Karen Kinyon and Chris Switzer as they offer two more fiber seminars featuring llama and alpaca wool in the beautiful Masonville Valley. The Buckhorn Llama Store will host this event on Saturday, October 16, 1999 from 9 am to 4 pm. Bring your own snacks, drinks, and brown bag lunch and learn to make a felted llama hat or do some beautiful Christmas weaving. Chris will teach on the Rigid Heddle and Inkle Looms. Karen will show how to make a felted llama or alpaca hat from start to finish. You will leave with finished projects and instructions for future use. Each class will last all day, *so participants must choose only one class*. Cost for each class is \$42.00 for instruction and \$12.00 for materials. A brochure with full details is available from Karen or Chris. Call Karen (felting) at (970) 484-6241 or Chris (weaving) at (970) 586-4624. Don't miss this chance to enjoy two more wonderful projects using llama and alpaca wool.



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Discovering Llamas

It all began the summer of 1978 when we were staying at my father's ranch in Northern California—I mean north, like five miles south of the Oregon border. Stephen Biggs, a college professor like us, had decided to quit the academic world and start the second commercial llama trekking business in the U.S. Steve was an enthusiastic backpacker and outdoorsman but was a city boy who had never even owned a dog in his life—let alone a llama or any other large animal. But he was beginning to acquire llamas for his future pack string. Steve knew I was an avid horsewoman for 30 years who had done much of my own training. Although I had now been horse-less for five years, I always rode when we were at Dad's, and I was helping a neighbor's daughter with her colt. My first encounter with any llamas was at Steve's sister's house in Montague, where he was going to keep llamas until he found a country place of his own. When we went to the pasture fence to see his first acquisitions, an adult pair, they came to greet us. The male gently sniffed and blew me on the cheek. Then he stood back and rather brashly inspected me intensely from head to toe for a good minute or more. I've often said that had he been a man, I'd have felt inclined to slap his face. How familiar are we now with this type of greeting!

One late July day Steve phoned to say that he had acquired a ten-month old male llama, and he couldn't get it to walk in water. "Bring it up to the ranch," I said, "We've got water running all over." The next day Steve drove up in a Toyota pick-up with a home-built peaked-roof camper. He opened up the back, handed me a lead rope attached to the young llama and said, "Here, you teach it." I led it to a shallow depression in the lawn where some irrigation water was flowing through the yard. I pulled, the llama balked. I let him look a little and pulled again. He still balked. The third time I insisted more firmly and he jumped right across. I turned him around and he followed me across the water with no hesitation at all. Next I led him out onto the broad, hillside pasture, where irrigation water was flowing freely. He followed me easily. We came to a broad, shallow ditch about three feet wide. I crossed and the young llama leaped across elegantly with no fear or hesitation. We re-crossed and returned to the yard where Steve was waiting. I was really impressed with how fast this young llama learned. Then I had all kinds of questions: How do you reward a llama? Discipline a llama? What do they like? What don't they like? Steve didn't have any answers.

The First Three + Hidalgo

Two weeks later we were at home and visiting the county fair in Longmont during the sheep show. In June I had gone with my mother, a hand-spinner and weaver, when she picked up some llama wool. Where did that come from, I wondered. A sheep breeder friend of my mother pointed up in the stands by the show ring saying, "There's my sheep shearer who sheared the llamas." I went up to talk to him. "Yes, there was a family who had a few llamas I sheared a couple of years ago. Oh! There's the daughter in that family." I went to ask her about their llamas, but she told me they had moved their farm, didn't use the llamas and had sold them back to the man they got them from. "He had 40 llamas, and the males were \$250." That was a lot better price than Steve was finding out West, so I thought that might be a good source of males for his pack string. The girl, 12 years old, couldn't remember the name of the person they got the llamas from and took me to her mother. It was Dean Drake, an exotic animal dealer, somewhere south of Colorado Springs. Later the mother gave me the man's phone number.

When I called, Dean Drake said, "Well, I used to have 40 llamas, but I was a little hard up and somebody came through and bought them. Now I only have three. (That "somebody" was from the Patterson ranch.) You can come and look, but I need them through Labor Day, as they are in the small zoo I have beside my restaurant near the Royal Gorge." A couple of days later my folks, my good friend and horse buddy, Dorene Leon-

ard, and her mother and I all took a drive down to Dean's restaurant. He treated us to lunch and then took us out to see his little menagerie. In a shaded enclosure among several kinds of animals there were three young llamas, a black and white male, an appy female, and a male with red blanket on white with black mask. My first thought when I saw the black and white male was, "What a handsome llama!" Fortunately, this was not a petting zoo, and I could not get my hands on that llama. The female, the other, smaller male and sundry pigmy goats were eating hay out of a tub, and I could get closer to them. With a little maneuvering I did manage to hold the female by the neck for a minute. She was a light beige with spots and had a beautiful face.



Handsome, Fancy, and Pequeño

We took a quick look at two young camels in the pen who were being fed milk from quart bottles by Dean's son. There was a bear in a cage nearby. The next thing I knew I was about to put down a deposit on the handsome black and white male and the female, whom Dean had named "Fancy," when my mother interjected, "But you can't just leave that other little fellow!" She was right, of course, so I made the deposit for all three. The prices were \$500 for the males and \$2000 for the female, which, it turned out was the standard at that time.

We went home and I asked my folks, who were pasturing other people's horses, if I could use the small pasture and shed for the llamas—sure. So I prepared by putting field fence where there had been just two strand electric fence for the horses and eagerly waited for Labor Day to pass. Then on Aug 27th, Dean phoned to say that he had to come up to Denver the next day and he might just as well bring up my three little llamas. I was thrilled. The next afternoon Dean drove in with a pickup with a rack on it, backed up to the gate and let the llamas jump out. I was ready with my camera; the family, with their dog Morgan on leash, and all the boarding horses lined up to observe the new arrivals. Fancy was the one to approach the dog with curiosity. But soon the three were happily munching on grass, which they had not had access to in the zoo enclosure. Over the next few days I tried various names for the black and white male, but the only name that stuck was Handsome. And it was he who became my first stud and my often-plagiarized logo llama. The other little fellow was named Pequeño, being the smallest.

As was typical in those days, exotic animal dealers kept no records of birthdates, parentage, or even where the llamas came from. And of course, they were not trained at all. Later, through observation of developing of teeth, it was pretty much confirmed that Handsome was about eight months, Fancy six months and Pequeño four months old when they came to us. Having been in the zoo enclosure with people wandering through, they were quite relaxed around people, but they still avoided my approach in the pasture. Soon they were used to my being close to them when I shut them in their shed. Then I taught each one to lead, beginning with Pequeño, using just a neck rope fixed so it would not tighten. There were no llama halters available at that time, but they all learned to lead quickly with just the rope.

Shortly after the arrival of the three llamas, I phoned Steve Biggs to tell him the news. He cautioned that I must separate the female from the males right away, lest she get bred too young. I tried separating them once by shutting Fancy in their shed, but she tried to crawl under the door, and they all hummed so pitifully that I let her out again.

A couple of weeks later some friends dropped off a *Bird Gazette* magazine, which they said showed a llama gelding for sale in the classifieds. "Hmm!" I thought, "He could be a companion for Fancy, if I really must separate her." I telephoned the Nebraska number. The gelding was four years old, price \$450. The owner said he had to come to Denver for some business and he would be glad to deliver the llama for \$25. I said fine. This llama, too,



Hidalgo's arrival

arrived in a truck with a rack, which was opened at the gate to the shed and pasture. He jumped out, and I saw a big tall, white llama with long legs and a longish horsey head and big feet. Somehow I had the vague impression I had acquired a four-legged ostrich. He went through the shed into the pasture. When the young llamas saw him they ran to him and stuck their heads under him as if he was their long-lost mother. Oscar, as his name was then, was astonished and rotated his rear end away from the babies to the point where his front legs were actually crossed. He scowled at them some, as if to say, "Hey! I'm not your mother!" But he was kindly and did not spit or kick. I soon discovered what a nice gentlemanly fellow he was and changed his name to Hidalgo, meaning a nobleman, or noble and courteous.

I felt Hidalgo was too big to try to train to lead just with a neck rope, so I got a small horse halter and revised it to suit Hidalgo's big head. The first time I haltered him I used the ruse of carefully placing the halter in a bucket with grain, and managed to fasten it on while Hidalgo indulged in the grain. Once that was on and I had attached the lead rope, I discovered that he led perfectly well. The man who brought him had bought him as a yearling and didn't know that he was halter trained—and never tried.

The Next Four

It wasn't long before Dean Drake phoned me from Missouri, where he was because of a death in the family. He said he found some llamas in the estate of someone there, an adult pair, with the female pregnant, and a yearling pair. Would I be interested? He could bring them to me. "Yes," I replied. Then I asked my folks if I could use the larger pasture behind the paddock where the four llamas were, as it was already getting too small. So I added field fence to the perimeter of that pasture and was highly amused when I turned the four llamas out into the larger space. Hidalgo did sunfishing leaps, which, it turned out, he did anytime he was particularly delighted about something. Handsome, Fancy, and Pequeño, who had never been in such a nice large space before, went exploring.

By this time, with my stepfather's help, I had remodeled a 5'x 8' open-topped trailer with a rack and roof. When Dean arrived with such a long trailer that it couldn't enter the driveway, he parked along the road and we had to back my small trailer up against the rear of his. First the two yearlings were shuffled into my trailer and delivered into the paddock. Then the operation was repeated for the two adults, who were in the front section of his trailer. The female, who had been spitting furiously at the white male with her, was put in with the others, but the male, who was haltered, was put into the neighboring corral with a stall.

The adult female, with a red body with creamy underside and gray-brown face with just a small star on the forehead was so tall and elegant that I named her Regal. She settled in quickly and became the "queen" of the small herd. In fact, she was quite officious and even rather threatening when I went out into the pasture the first few days. The first time I went out, she stalked me in a haughty, stiff-legged walk, with ears back, head and nose high. Instinctively, in self-defense, I raised my arm up with flattened hand toward her. She stopped, and as I slowly lowered my arm with palm up, Regal lowered her head and almost touched my palm with her nose. This became a ritual between us until she felt more trusting and comfortable in her new surroundings.

The yearling pair was comprised of a solid black male whom we named Jet, and the female, red blanket up the neck over white became Flicka. When Dean put the fairly wooly, white, adult male into our corral, he cautioned me that I might be careful around this male, as he had done a lot of pacing along the fence where he had been. I

gave him hay and water in his stall, and he could see the other llamas from his corral and seemed calm. Two days later, when the other llamas were out in the larger pasture and did not need their shed in the smaller paddock for the day, I shut them in the pasture and then easily haltered the male and led him into the paddock where he could graze. Later in the afternoon I caught him again and returned him to his corral and tied him to a post while I went to bring more hay. When I approached the corral he suddenly reared up and came down with his left front leg over his lead rope. With all his weight on the lead I could not untie it, so I whipped out my pocketknife and cut the rope, freeing him. When I tried to bring the hay in to him he screamed and spat green. All I could do was dump the hay over the fence. From that day on, the only way I could put hay and water into his corral was to get my stepfather to approach the corral at the other end to try to distract the llama. My stepfather would put on an old raincoat and carry a garbage-can lid to ward off the green that would rain down on him. I had my first "berserk" male. My folks dubbed him "Spitfire."

A few days later I was carrying my rake and shovel some distance away in the outer corral when Spitfire started screaming at me. Walking by, I raised the handle of the rake and grumbled something like, "Oh shut up!" At my gesture, even at that distance, Spitfire, cowered down, and suddenly I realized what a pitiful condition this llama was in. He was both aggressive and afraid at the same time. No doubt any human looking after him would have had to protect himself from this seeming maniacal llama who guarded his territory so fiercely and yet screamed and shrieked in terror. In the next couple of days, I found it interesting that whenever Spitfire was screaming and upset, Hidalgo was concerned and very agitated. He would come right up to Spitfire's corral and hover over the fence, almost as if he wanted to get in.

It was clear after just a few days that Spitfire could not be easily managed. I phoned Dean Drake, who immediately said he'd come and take Spitfire back to his place and keep him till he found another situation for him. Serendipity struck just a few weeks later. I received a call from a Strat Stephan in Durango. Did I have any adult breeding males that I would trade for a yearling male? He needed a new stud. Well, no, I didn't have any males old enough to breed—except for the Spitfire who was down at Dean Drake's. I told Strat about Spitfire's behavior and how he was difficult to manage. "No matter," Strat responded, "I'd just turn him out with the females on 300 acres." The next week he brought me the yearling male, all black. He had on a horse halter and was tied in the rack on Strat's pickup. He was unloaded into our corral and was a little spooky as I went to take the halter off. And so the name Spook fell on him. As it turned out, he was totally untrained. On his way home Strat stopped at Dean Drake's and picked up Spitfire.

And Another Three?

October 29th, two months after my first llamas arrived, I received another call from Dean Drake. He had available a pregnant female and two young males. OK, I'll go look. This time I drove down with my now llama-ready trailer. My folks went with me. There was a nice tall female, white with red blanket, and two yearling males, one black, rather woolly, and another with a roan blanket and a cloudy bit of blue in one eye. Because my mother was a spinner I thought I'd take the black one along with the female. But again my mother said, "But you can't just leave that one here alone." Of course not! So we brought home the three. The two young males were quickly named Woolly and Cloud—the latter because of the bit of blue in the eye. The female was already named Lady. She was said to come from Kansas and was due to deliver in the spring. Ha!



The very next weekend we were building addi-

Hidalgo sunfishing.

tional shed space for the growing herd. Lady, Wooly, and Cloud were still separate from the others. I noticed the two young males following Lady around and sniffing at her rear. I went to see what was happening. Luckily, I grabbed my camera: Lady was delivering. It was a classic, standing birth, baby humming, shaking its' ears. It arched its' neck with head up as it was poured gently on to the ground, front feet first, shoulders, body, hind legs. As it rolled and struggled to get up, the males watched at a respectful distance and I took a series of pictures. Within a short time the baby, promptly named—guess what—Surprise, was on her feet and nursing. It was 45 minutes from beginning of birth to nursing baby. Fortunately, it was our wonderful warm fall weather, for Lady was not about to let anybody near her baby.

So there I am with 13 llamas, just two months and a week since I my first ones arrived. I was captivated. Spook, the biggest of my young llamas, quickly learned to be haltered and led, now that I had devised a llama halter that worked. Then came lessons for Flicka, Jet, Wooly, and Cloud. I tried various horse-training techniques I was familiar with, and I let the llamas teach me what worked and what didn't. I was teaching them—and they were teaching me. It was fascinating how fast they learned. I was captivated: and this was just the beginning.

November—Now Another Three

A last call from Dean Drake. He had available two pregnant females, 27 and 30 months old, plus an adult male. Hmm—that one would be old enough to rebreed Lady, thought I. This time Dean came again with his long trailer and discharged the three llamas into our front hay field almost before I knew what was happening. That wasn't where I wanted them, so with his son's help we herded them into our middle pasture, separate from the others. When I got a good look at them, I began to wonder. They were supposed to come from the East somewhere. Though I certainly did not know llamas well, the females looked more to me as if they were 27 and 30 years old. I remarked on this to Dean. He said if I didn't want them, he'd take them back now. No, I'd keep them. One female was white with brown saddle and just some gray on her lower jaw, "Funny Face." The other was solid dark brown with a blaze face—Brown Velvet. The male was solid light cinnamon with gray face and legs and fine medium wool. We named him Satin. He was said to have been used in parades when he was younger.

The next day when I went out into the middle pasture to check on the females, who were towards the back of the pasture, Satin came hurrying along to "accompany" me, his head and neck extended in a low snaky position. When I got a little closer to the females, he went ahead and suddenly planted himself between them and me. While I certainly didn't know much about llama behavior at that time, this was clearly a threatening attitude. I was not to get closer to "his" females. I retreated. As I went around the outside of the pasture fence to see the females and take them some hay, he blocked my every move. In a couple of days, I found I could easily entice him into the small paddock adjacent to the middle pasture and leave him there while I tended to the females. Then I would let him out. But on the third day he would not go out and would not let me refasten the gate. I held out a loop of a lead rope I had with me. He bit it. I opened the gate wide, hoping he'd go to the females, but he just cornered me there. I could push the gate towards him and he'd retreat into the paddock, but wind was blowing so that the gate would not stay shut without latching it. If I opened it wide he cornered me. Finally after about 20 minutes, some llamas from the neighboring pasture came close to the paddock and distracted him. I climbed through the fence into their pasture, leaving the gate open for him to go out later. I now have my second "berserk" male. My folks changed his name from Satin to Satan. I had him for a year and found he could be managed by keeping a halter on him, calling him with a little grain and tying him to the fence when I wanted to go into his pasture. He led well and could be brushed but was not to be trusted in his pasture. A year later, Dean Drake gave me Satan's purchase price back in trade on a pregnant female.

And so it all began. With sheds prepared, we separated the males and females. Training and observing the interactions among the llamas became my overriding interest. The big, tall Hidalgo was trained to carry a pack—using my old pair of bike bags, which earned him the nickname of "High Pockets." Funny, but it worked. In February Regal had her baby, and Surprise's delight in having a young playmate was a constant pleasure. Funny and old Velvet had their babies in the spring, a female and male. Everything involving these intelligent creatures was an adventure, a discovery, and a learning process. Sally Taylor and Andy Tillman shared valuable information in those early months. The delight in learning more, sharing and exchanging information about llamas with others remains just as intense now, nearly 21 years later.

CMS, Late Bloomers and Other Female Llama Phenomena

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This is not a technical article written by an expert on llama reproduction. My only claim is to experience after 17 years of raising llamas. Please check with your veterinarian before trying any of the procedures described.

With that caveat, let's consider three areas on the subject of breeding female llamas:

At what age should they be bred for the first time?

How can you tell when a female is at her most receptive point of a cycle?

How does one recognize and solve problems?

Many owners are finding that it isn't necessary, or wise, for each female in their herd to have a cria every year. They also want to manage the breeding and due dates of the females they choose to be bred. Knowing these dates is helpful if a problem develops during the pregnancy. To accomplish this, "hand breeding" is required. It's the opposite of the system where the male is pastured with a group of females and breeds them at will.

About 15 years ago, when it was discovered that yearling females often could become pregnant, early breeding became the thing to do. It's described as "following Mother Nature's plan". There are also 12-year-old girls who can become pregnant. Our observation is that both species benefit by waiting until full structural growth and more mental maturity are achieved. This happens at about two years of age in llamas. We've had no infertility problems from delaying the first breeding until then. In fact, we feel so strongly about this that our purchase agreements contain the clause, "We guarantee this female capable of reproducing only if the buyer waits until she is two years old before having her bred." There's research to prove that the younger the female, the higher the incidence of dystocias and other problems. There are also horror stories of immature females forcibly and repeatedly bred until they developed a uterine infection which rendered them sterile.

The majority of female llamas become sexually mature between 12 and 36 months of age. They sometimes advertise the fact by flirting outrageously if there are males in an adjacent area. The female who raises her tail and walks slowly, stands or sits next to the fence, is reacting to the hormones in her system. They may even inspire her to attempt to get into the males' area. Her confident behavior is quite different from the youngster with tail held over the back, head and neck bowed down and legs bent in a submissive crouch while following an adult male. That behavior is an expression of the self-preservation instinct.

If your two-year-old female isn't flirting, there are other ways to determine her readiness. The most effective is to allow her to observe another female being bred. Bring her into the area after the male is settled and let her walk around the pair. She may sit down, especially if she's watched other breedings from behind a fence. This "education program" will also make her first breeding easier.

If observation isn't possible, at least let her get acquainted with the male with a barrier between them. Is she confident or submissive? Watch her reaction every other day for up to 10 days. If she's cycling, she'll become interested in him. If not, wait another month or so and try again.

An uneducated female will often respond with CMS – the Confused Maiden Syndrome. When the male

attempts to breed her, she doesn't know what to do and either braces her legs or tries to get away. An overly aggressive male can intimidate her into sitting down. If it isn't her idea, don't allow him to breed her. The chances of a forced breeding resulting in pregnancy are remote.

Here's something we learned from a talk given by Dr. Norm Evans: if an experienced female sits down on her own volition, within 30 seconds of being exposed to the male, she has a ripe follicle and will become pregnant from that one breeding. This is true of inexperienced females also. If she doesn't sit, we stop the proceedings after 30 seconds and try again every other day until she does respond within the time limit. After seeing Dr. Walter Bravo's slides of the scarring that each breeding causes to the uterus, we'd rather have a frustrated male than an unnecessarily damaged female.

Another case is the late bloomer. As with humans, not all llamas mature at the same time. Several members of a female line in our herd weren't ready until three years of age. Their ovaries took that long to become functional. But, once they were mature, they had a cria every year without further problems. Before learning the 30-second guideline, we allowed them to be bred every other day for a total of three to five breedings. When this failed to produce a pregnancy, we had the female checked by our veterinarian, Dr. Tim Thompson. He determined, by rectal palpation, that the ovaries were still too small and advised waiting six months. Time eventually solved the problem.

Whatever breeding schedule you use, if it doesn't result in pregnancy within a few tries, consult your veterinarian. Immaturity, infection, poor condition (either too fat or too thin), or prior injury are all possible reasons.

We learned about prior injury from a llama brought to our farm. She'd been open for over two years, so we knew it would take some time to get her cycling again. The plan was to put her in a pen with the male every other day, but not allow breeding to take place until she sat down willingly. Then she would be bred every other day until she refused. After a refusal, we would wait until the fifth day after the breeding to confirm that ovulation had taken place. If not, back to square one. We feel this aggressive method is only justified in cases where the female has been open for over a year. She may go through two or three cycles of being bred and ovulating before producing a ripe follicle and becoming pregnant.

This female's initial reaction was one of aggression towards the male. We weren't surprised since she also chest butted and wrestled with another female that accompanied her to the farm. We've observed this type behavior in females left open for a year or so. On the third attempt, she sat after about a minute but jumped up before the male was settled. Not quite ready. Two days later, she went down within 30 seconds but leaped away when the male penetrated. We were out of reasons for her behavior and called Dr. Thompson. Ultrasound revealed a web of scar tissue from an undetected injury during the birth of her last cria. It was physically impossible for her to be bred.

This leads to a final point: a female llama should show no signs of discomfort or stress while being bred. If she does, something's wrong. Stop the breeding and identify the cause. Injury or infection are possibilities. Timid, inexperienced, or already pregnant females can be forced down by a male who won't take "no" for an answer.

The female who rolls over on her side, while the male is attempting to penetrate, may be taking evasive action. If she sits willingly, but goes over after several minutes, she's probably reacting to the male's weight. A visiting female sat for one of our studs almost instantly. About three minutes later, she tried to roll over, made distressed sounds and then jumped up. Her cria had been weaned the day before and the

pressure on her udder became unbearable. She did become pregnant from that one breeding.

Conclusion: observe and learn your female's normal behavior and cycles. You'll then be able to tell when and if she's ready to be bred.

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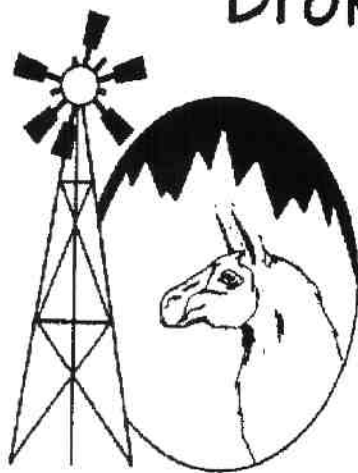


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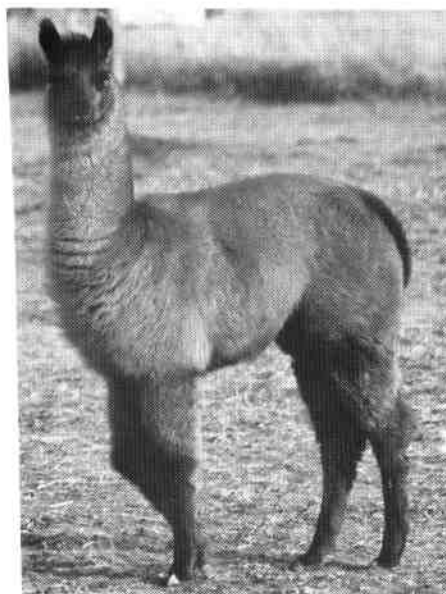
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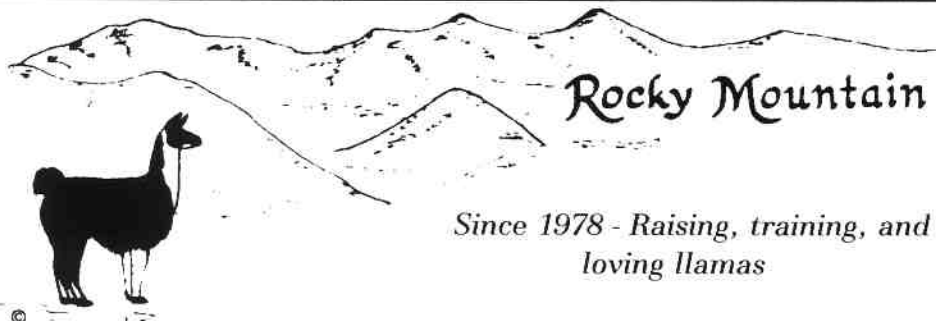


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Breeding Behavior in the Adult Male

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Animal behaviorists are often asked to evaluate an animal's behavior and then advise a method of treatment to correct the behavior. Unfortunately behavior is not always a black and white issue as there are many variables involved. A behaviorist must first determine if the behavior is one which is learned or which is hard-wired into the animal; then, is it normal in the wild context but not in a human/animal relationship?

As an animal behaviorist I often deal with consultations involving what is acceptable and/or unacceptable mating behavior in llamas. In this article I will discuss two unacceptable behaviors which I personally have had to deal with and my choice of treatment.

Both cases involved males who had not previously been used for breeding and up until the first time with a female had never exhibited any unacceptable behaviors.

The first male when returned to the bachelor herd became extremely aggressive. He spent almost every waking hour fighting with any or all of the other males in the bachelor herd. In the wild, this is a necessary behavior if a male hopes to protect his harem from interlopers. In a domesticated situation it becomes unacceptable.

Since behavior is a heritable trait, just as is wool length and conformation it is a factor I consider in my breeding program. This type of aggression was not welcome in my herd nor was it what I wanted passed on to any offspring.

Many breeders will tolerate this type of behavior and deal with it by separating the male and placing him in a pen of his own. This is not the most humane answer from the standpoint of a herd animal as it can lead to elevated stress levels and thus a lowered immune system. My answer was to geld this male and separate him only until the testosterone levels had dropped in him and he was able to rejoin the bachelor herd.

The second male exhibited what could be described as a one-track mind. His interest in rejoining the females blocked out all other concerns to the point that he would run over anything in his way while running the fence line. His demeanor was not of aggression but more of one that he saw only the females across the pasture and nothing else. Here again for the safety and well being of all concerned I choose to geld this male.

I still have both these males and their behavior is very acceptable now. The first male is one of our pack llamas and the second male earns his keep by residing with the females and babies. His behavior with the babies has made him irreplaceable.

The first male didn't sire any offspring and the second male had a beautiful son who is now three. At this time he has not been used for breeding nor has he exhibited any unacceptable behaviors. His status as an intact male will be evaluated very closely and the behavior of his father will be part of the equation I use to make the decision to breed or to geld this animal.

Evacuation Plan for Fire and Flood

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[This plan was developed by Fran Etzkorn, retired fire chief for High Country Volunteer Fire Department (Gilpin County, Colorado) and Jerry Dunn, former High Country VFD fire captain.]

Do you have a plan that you have shared with your family and neighbors to evacuate your loved ones and animals in case of a disaster? Following are guidelines for such a plan.

Beginnings:

- Decide which animals are to be evacuated first. You may only get one chance! Remember the family house pets.
- Make arrangements for housing for your animals before a disaster.
- Family pets need I.D. collars and should be transported in travel crates with leashes available. Crate them before the confusion starts.
- Always back your vehicle into your driveway facing the exit, in front of your trailer if possible.
- Practice hitching your trailer. Check brakes and air in tires on a regular basis.
- Determine a safe staging area with extra stall panels.
- Practice backing your trailer into the loading area.
- Train all of your animals to lead and load into a trailer.
- Provide barnyard lighting with a back up in case the power goes off.
- Mark driving lanes for the rescuers with construction cones.
- Mark pick up point and/or the driveway with long streamers of surveyors tape.
- Provide orange vests with **ANIMAL RESCUE** printed on them with black magic marker. This reduces confusion if the fire company is there at the same time.
- Organize halters and lead ropes on a peg board in barn hallway.
- Print up a list of all of your animals and make copies. Photograph your herd and keep it with your master list. Organize your herd into groups (geldings, studs, moms and babies). Who should go first?
- Make plans for your animals if it is too late to transport them to a safe area.
- Get to know your volunteer fire department. Attend work parties and give them a copy of your evacuation plan. Ask for suggestions.
- Involve another reliable person, neighbor or close friend, in your plan. With one call that person can set your plan into action.
- Develop a phone tree of people who hopefully will not be involved in their own rescue. Provide a highlighted map to your place with the entry and exit plan. Make copies for all rescuers. Keep it simple and safe.
- Make a list of how many animals each rescuer can transport and safely house.
- Give each rescuer your vets name and telephone number.
- Keep a copy of all of the information on a clip board with extra pens and tape, orange vests, and a flashlight in a place where your number one helper can find it. This list is to document "who went where for later verification. You might not be home. One person should be in charge of the list on the clip board as the rescue begins.
- Carefully review your plan with all of the helpers.

Rescue People:

The volunteers need to be clear about their responsibilities. Encourage them to practice backing their vehicle and trailer. Suggest that they have a special backpack in their vehicle to include the following:

- Drinking water
- Emergency food and snacks
- Flashlights and/or head lamps
- Sturdy foot gear
- Hat, leather gloves, warm coat, rain gear, bandanna
- Shovel
- Extra lead ropes, stake lines, and halters
- Surveyors tape
- First aid kit



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Plan in Action:

- All markers in place
- Take a deep breath and stay calm!
- Begin catching and sorting animals
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The RMLA Journal Needs Your Help!

By now, you may have noticed that the August issue of the RMLA Journal which you hold in your hand is a little smaller than the last issue. The Journal can't be a success without the input of our membership, sharing stories and anecdotes about what we have learned from our llamas.

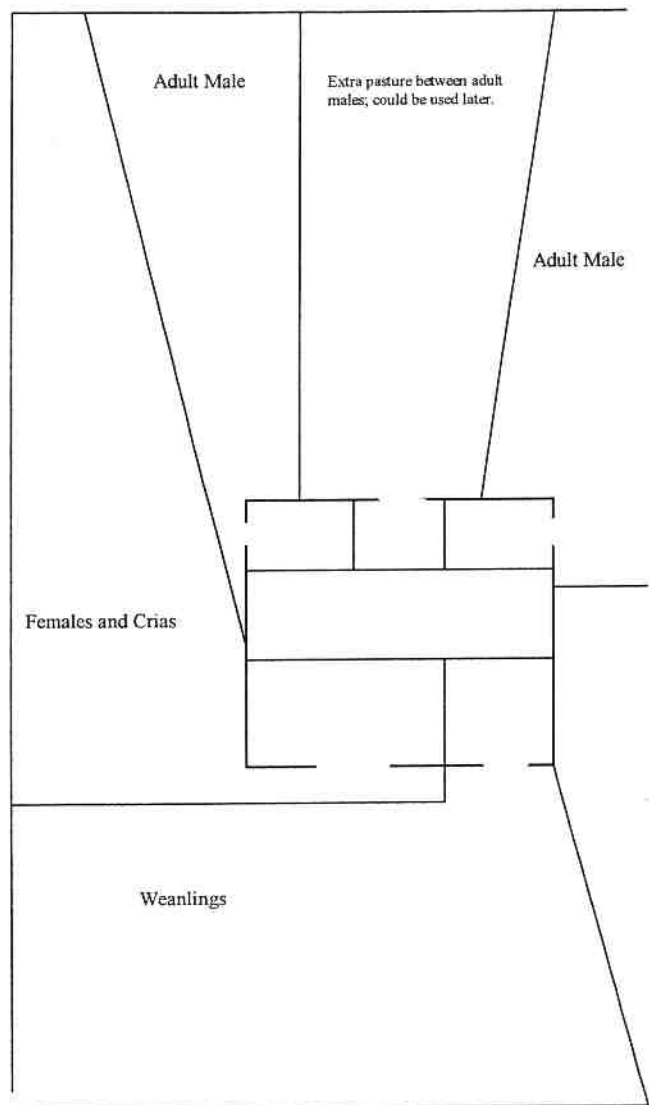
The primary goal of the Journal is to educate our membership. The organization has grown large over the past decade, with many new members also new to raising llamas and alpacas. There's a lot we can share with them; in the November issue, we will start with the basics of the well-equipped llama ranch.

How can you help?

The next issue will deal with barns, shelters, and pastures: a how-to manual for someone ready to add on, or starting from scratch. We want diagrams of your barn! They don't have to be fancy, just functional...show us where the stalls are, where the doors are, and how you store hay. Then show us how your pastures are arranged and how many animals you have in each. Here's a sample at right.

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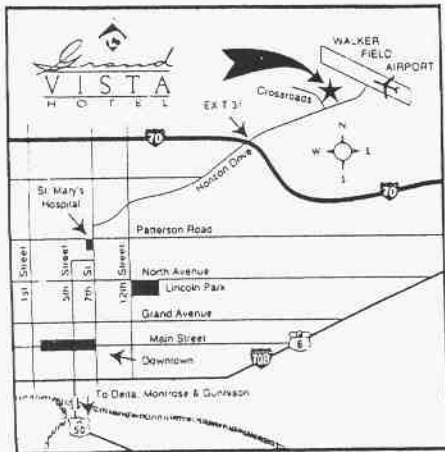
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Saturday classes will be held at the Grand Vista Hotel from 9:00am-4:00 pm. Happy hour and dinner will follow. The annual RMLA Business Meeting will conclude the evening.

Sunday classes and hands-on demonstrations will be held at the Knuckles' Tall Tail Ranch, located at 2970 A 1/2 Road in Grand Junction. Breakfast snacks will be provided by the Western Slope Llama Breeders.

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Follow I-70 to Exit 31, Horizon Drive. North on Horizon, following signs to Walker Field Airport. Crossroads Boulevard is on the left approaching the airport. Turn left and a quick right into the Grand Vista Hotel parking lot.



Reservations may be made by calling 800-800-7796. Please mention RMLA (group number 323952) to receive this special rate of \$55.00 plus tax.

Some of the classes offered require a materials fee. These classes are the Spinning, Knitting, and Scrapbook classes. Fees will be \$10.00 per person, per class. Please note that these classes are expected to last all day Saturday, so you must register for only one. Classes will be limited to a maximum number of participants, so be sure and register early to get the class you want.

Please note: RMLA does not directly endorse any methods recommended by our speakers. Consult your veterinarian before undertaking any new activity with your animals.

Fold this form in thirds, making sure the address on the opposite side of this page is showing. Include payment and tape together.

YES, WE WILL BE ATTENDING!

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RANCH NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____

Enclosed is a \$25.00 per person registration fee for the conference. We will have _____ people in attendance. Total enclosed _____

We will attend the following classes (include number attending each):

_____ Spinning

_____ Performance Training

_____ Knitting

_____ Cart Driving

_____ HealthCare

_____ Packing

_____ Fiber Grading

_____ ALSA Youth Judging Clinic

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It Happened on our Ranch: Urinary Difficulties in the Adult Male Llama

Teri Nilson Baird, Broken Windmill Ranch

Elizabeth, Colorado

In January, 1999, we took three llamas to the National Western Stock Show. In my effort to find the ideal number of animals to take to a show, I have been cutting down (one llama at a time) each show. (I have since found that for me, two is the ideal number.) I took one intact male and left the other at home, watching the girls.

My boys had been pastured together for over a year; they had gotten along very well until shortly before the show, when they had matured to the point where testosterone became a defining factor in their relationship. The fights had gotten louder and more frequent but we had seen nothing like what we saw that night when we returned the older boy to the pasture. The screaming was fierce, even when they were far apart; the physical knock-down, drag-out fight was the worst we've ever seen. I called a few friends for advice and each told me the same thing: conventional camelid wisdom is that they will work it out over time. (Note: once in a while, conventional wisdom does not apply. It depends on your animal.)

The next morning, someone was at the house and wanted to see the animals a little closer. We walked down toward the boys' pasture. A few fights had happened that morning but were nowhere near as long as the one the prior evening. I took a closer look at my older boy, who had just turned three a few months prior to the show. There was a lump on his jaw, and it seemed to hang down a few inches below his jawbone. I called my vet, who said he could be out the next afternoon.

When he arrived that day, the boys were at it again. When there was a break in the action, we got the older one into the barn for a quick examination. I haltered him with a larger halter than he usually wore to allow for the swelling. We feared an abscessed tooth (it looked just like the drawing in [Caring for Llamas](#)), but our vet took one quick look at him and told us we needed to have his jaw X-rayed as soon as possible. He helped us get an appointment at CSU, and told me to separate the boys immediately. I have pastures that can be closed off quickly by gates, so we herded the girls back into the smaller pasture and gave our boy the larger pasture. I kept him in the rest of the day to try and keep him calmer. We went to CSU first thing the next morning, and X-rays confirmed a fractured jaw. They prescribed an antibiotic in the sulfa-drug family and an anti-inflammatory. Both were in pill form, so we learned how to crush them up, add molasses, and mix the concoction in with a little grain. He loved pill time, since I usually don't feed them grain, and I liked the ease of this method.

Obviously, the boys could not live together again. We set about figuring out how to reconfigure the stalls in the barn or the pastures. We thought we would move him to the smaller pasture, and had only to put up a few wooden boards to keep him from the girls.

We did that on that Saturday. We moved the big guy over to the smaller pasture and let the girls out in the larger pasture. Unfortunately, once the two boys saw each other across the barn they reared up, threatening to jump the panels enclosing the stalls. Water buckets went flying. I put the younger boy out in his pasture for the day and kept our injured boy inside.

The next morning, we went down to the barn to feed, water, and clean the stalls. We clean stalls every day as the llamas have decided that the barn we built to house them was actually the world's largest outhouse. I noticed that although the big guy had created a dung pile for himself, it wasn't wet. He hadn't urinated since we put him into that stall. Was he too close to the girls, I wondered? He tried to urinate while we were there, humming and straining. Not much luck. I was concerned because I know that sulfa drugs can cause urinary tract problems in humans, especially if the person is at all dehydrated. My boy hadn't had enough water to make me happy, so I thought that could be the problem. I called my vet again and left a message, hoping he was in town for the weekend.

He called back within 15 minutes. He recommended we call CSU right away, and let him know if we had a problem getting in on that Sunday. They would see him, they said, so we loaded up the trailer and left on the three-hour trip up to Fort Collins.

When we got there, another llama with similar symptoms was already there. They were working on him, and he didn't seem to be in nearly as good shape as our boy was. We walked around for a while, inside the building. My big guy was getting restless, so we went outside to walk in the falling snow. He decided it was time to urinate, and had absolutely no problem doing so. There was a steady stream and a new puddle in the snow, although he was still humming. We went back in and told the veterinary student who was looking after him until the vet on call could get to him. She ran out and tried to see if she could get a sample for testing, but no luck.

Finally it was his turn to be seen. They gave him something to calm him down as he was getting a bit panicky in the chute. The vet did an ultrasound of his bladder, which showed nothing. He was relaxed enough at that time to urinate again (in the chute) so they got the sample to test. They were looking for evidence of salts in the urine, which would indicate stones in his bladder. We waited around for the test results. Everything looked fine.

We took him home. Once again, he stopped urinating in the stall. I kept a close eye on him the next day; still no urine, and still humming and straining when he tried. The boys were still yelling at each other over the stall panels. In my effort to calm them down, I moved the sick guy back to the stall I had originally put him in. He walked right in and urinated. No straining, just a little humming. He hummed for several days afterward but then he was back to normal.

In short, we learned this: with this guy, just any dung pile won't do. It has to be his. What I should have done was to put his dung pile into the new stall with him so he would know it was all right to use it there.

I am glad that we have to do this clean-up chore daily, so I notice quickly if something is amiss. I spoke recently with the couple we met up at CSU and their llama was not so fortunate. Surgery did not work and they lost their boy shortly thereafter. We learned that it is important to monitor changes in their behavior as they give us lots of clues to their health by the way they act. We have a small enough herd that we can keep a fairly close eye on them, and we are lucky to be able to do so. If you notice something like this, even if the llama appears to be otherwise all right, I recommend seeking veterinary counsel just to be sure if you are uncertain about what is happening.

It Happened On Our Ranch is a new series designed to inform the RMLA membership of issues which we have learned about through trial and error; basically, to educate our membership about different behavior and healthcare experiences which aren't listed in the How-to books!

Contributions are encouraged. The subject matter must be llama or alpaca-related, although ranch maintenance articles are also appropriate. Not sure if it fits into this category? Send it in, and we can always publish it in another area of the Journal if that's a better fit.

BANANA BELT LLAMA CLASSIC

May 21, 1999

Hotchkiss, Colorado

Judges: Ray Howard, Halter Classes; Carol Hicks, Performance Classes

Light Wool Female

Juvenile

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. LaRue's Moring Glory | Keith and Dottie LaRue |
| 2. GSLR Tiger Lily | Sue Grimm |
| 3. Miss Flashy | Gerald Lee |

Yearling

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Rio Estrella de la Manana | Suzanne Hartung |
| 2. Teresa | Diane Holbrook |
| 3. Rainbow Valley Rosalita | Reid Langerman |

Two-Year Old

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Tabemash's Hocus Pocus | Sue Grimm |
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Adult

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Tabemash's Pocohantas | Mark and Cathy Wittrup |
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Grand Champion, Rio Estrella de la Manana;

Reserve Champion, LaRue's Moring Glory

Light Wool Male

Juvenile

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|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Rio Medianoche | Suzanne Hartung |
| 2. Sir Marvin | Larry and Deanna Lewellyn |
| 3. Rough&Rowdy Ruger | Matthew Keeran |

Yearling

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|---|---------------------------|
| 1. DLR Ranier's Randall | John and Jane Stout |
| 2. D's Pongo | Larry and Deanna Lewellyn |
| 3. Cloud Peak's Banana Hot Fudge Sundae | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |

Two Year Old

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |
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Adult

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Rainbow Valley's Invierno | Mary Summers |
| 2. Cloud Peak's Top Banana | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |
| 3. Rainbow Valley's Salsa | Reid Langerman |

Grand Champion, Rainbow Valley's Invierno;

Reserve Champion, Cloud's Peak Top Banana

Medium Wool Female

Juvenile

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Bobbie Socks | Rhonda and Brianna Livengood |
| 2. Stage Stop Ramblin' Rose | Sindi Henneman |
| 3. Kiowa Creek Oh Susanna | William and Janice Adamcyk |

Yearling

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Zydeco's Tulip | Sindi Henneman |
| 2. LRL Sequiro | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |
| 3. Houdini's Secret | Joe and Sandra Payne |

Two-Year Old

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|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Lollypop's Taffy | William and Janice Adamcyk |
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Grand Champion, Bobbie Socks;

Reserve Champion, Stage Stop Ramblin' Rose

Medium Wool Male

Juvenile

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Tall Tail Calipso | Robert and Jill Knuckles |
| 2. Willie B. Goode | Jim and Brenda Vance |
| 3. Touch the Earth Zushio | VanZandt/Shealy |

Yearling

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Ernie Juans | Gerald Lee |
| 2. Stage Stop Midnight Hour | Jim and Brenda Vance |
| 3. Caledo's Chili Mac | Larry and Sharon Carrier |

Two-Year Old

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. PHF Picacho's Rambutan | Larry and Deanna Lewellyn |
| 2. DLR Krimson Kodiak | John and Jane Stout |
| 3. Bitter Creek's The Texas Kid | Dick and Kim Murphy |

Adult

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|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Wisdom | Dick and Jo Sheehan |
| 2. Huckabee | Johnna O'Brien |
| 3. Champ RTC | Tim and Debra Swanson |

Grand Champion, Wisdom; **Reserve Champion**, Ernie Juans



Rainbow Valley's Invierno, Grand Champion Light Wool Male



Cloud's Peak Top Banana, Reserve Champion Light Wool Male



Rio Estrella de la Manana, Grand Champion Light Wool Female



Ernie Juans, Reserve Champion Medium Wool



Bobbie Socks, Grand Champion Medium Wool



Cloud Peak's Top Banana, Performance Grand Champion

Heavy Wool Female

Juvenile

1. Crickett's Black Eyed Susan
2. Enchante
3. Crickett's GI Jane

Bob Houseman
CarolAnn Tallmon
Bob Houseman

Yearling

1. Contessa, The Mane Lioness
2. Bradford's Saberina
3. Miss Harlee Quinn

Spike and Patricia Potts
Dick and Kim Murphy
Sindi Henneman

Two-Year Old

1. DBL Dip Chocolate Sundae
2. Roy-Dee's Red Feather Flicka

Rex and Dalene Reineker
Dee Stoddard

Adult

1. GNLC Kimmerly

CarolAnn Tallmon

Grand Champion, Contessa the Mane Lioness;

Reserve Champion, Crickett's Black Eyed Susan

Heavy Wool Male

Juvenile

1. Sharp's Silver Fox
2. Caffry's Buckshot
3. Neuvo Destino

Doug and Jamie Sharp
Dick and Kim Murphy
Barb and Dwayne Flinn

Yearling

1. Wheatfield Fudge
2. HLR Wally
3. Timberline Sego

Rex and Dalene Reineker
Cliff Harding
Wes and Mary Mauz

Two-Year Old

1. Wokini
2. Resero
3. Kahura Uyu Bardo's Jose Donoso

CarolAnn Tallmon
Spike and Patricia Potts
Dick and Kim Murphy

Adult

1. DDL Knight Flight
2. Aspen Hill Magnetism
3. DDL Blaze

Dick and Kim Murphy
Doug and Jamie Sharp
Robert and Jill Knuckles

Grand Champion, Wokini; **Reserve Champion**, Wheatfield Fudge

Non-Breeder

Two-Year Old

1. Zydeco's Spyder

Sindi Henneman

Adult

1. Sock
2. LDL Thor
3. CTF Shiloh

Robert and Jill Knuckles
Sandy and Amy Lockwood
Gary and Shawn Norman

Grand Champion, Zydeco's Spyder; **Reserve Champion**, Sock

Get of Sire

1. Zydeco's Cricket
2. WL Calbert Cheaney
3. Shilo Sensation

Bob Houseman
Rex and Dalene Reineker
Murphy/Bradford

Produce of Dam

1. WL Ice Cream Sundae
2. Redbud
3. Ali Starlight

Rex and Dalene Reineker
Bob Houseman
Suzanne Hartung

Performance Classes

Open Obstacle

1. Cloud Peak's Top Banana
2. Wisdom
3. Sock

Barb and Dwayne Flinn
Dick and Jo Sheehan
Robert and Jill Knuckles

Open Public Relations

1. Zydeco's Spyder
2. Cloud Peak's Top Banana
3. Rainbow Valley's Invierno

Sindi Henneman
Barb and Dwayne Flinn
Reid Langerman

Young Pack

1. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid
2. Zydeco's Spyder
3. Mir

Barb and Dwayne Flinn
Sindi Henneman
Moody Walker

Open Pack

- 1. Wisdom Dick and Jo Sheehan
 - 2. Cloud Peak's Top Banana Barb and Dwayne Flinn
 - 3. Bardo's Spenserian Christie Carrier
- Grand Champion Performance, Cloud Peak's Top Banana**
Reserve Champion Performance, Wisdom

Youth Performance Classes

Junior Showmanship

- 1. Jackie Vance
- 2. Nikki Milsap
- 3. Angela Corp

Junior Obstacle

- 1. Angela Corp
- 2. Jackie Vance
- 3. Emily Varela

Junior Public Relations

- 1. Angela Corp
- 2. Jeremy Fox
- 3. Richard Baker

Junior Pack

- 1. Angela Corp
- 2. Jackie Vance
- 3. Richard Baker

Junior Performance Champion, Angela Corp

Reserve Champion, Jackie Vance

Intermediate Showmanship

- 1. Brianna Livengood
- 2. Rebecca Walker
- 3. John Stout

Intermediate Obstacle

- 1. Matthew Keeran
- 2. Barbara Baker
- 3. John Stout

Intermediate Public Relations

- 1. Matthew Keeran
- 2. Heather Grimm
- 3. Barbara Baker

Intermediate Pack

- 1. Heather Grimm
- 2. Matthew Keeran
- 3. Barbara Baker

Intermediate Performance Champion, Matthew Keeran

Reserve Champion, Barbara Baker



Intermediate Youth Grand Champion, Matthew Keeran



Intermediate Youth Reserve Champion, Barbara Baker

Show Superintendent, Dottie LaRue

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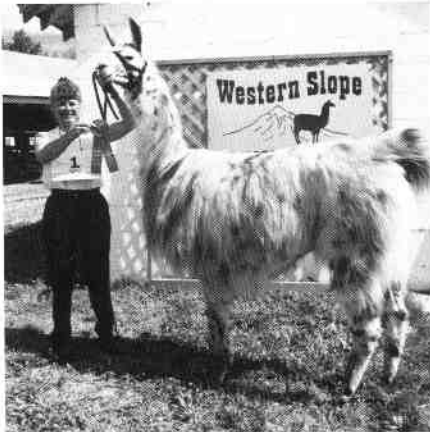
WESTERN SLOPE LLAMA CLASSIC

May 22, 1999

Hotchkiss, Colorado

Judges: Carol Hicks, Halter Classes; Ray Howard, Performance Classes

Superintendent, Dottie LaRue; photographs by Teri Nilson Baird



Tabernash's Pocohantas, Grand Champion Light Wool Female

Light Wool Female

Juvenile

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. LaRue's Morning Glory | Keith and Dottie LaRue |
| 2. Miss Alberta Peachy | Joe and Sandra Payne |
| 3. GSLR Tiger Lily | Sue Grimm |

Yearling

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Rio Estrella de la Manana | Suzanne Hartung |
| 2. Rainbow Valley Rosaleta | Mary Summers |

Two-Year Old

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| 1. Tabernash's Hocus Pocus | Sue Grimm |
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Adult

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| 1. Tabernash's Pocohantas | Cathy Wittrup |
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Grand Champion, Tabernash's Pocohantas

Reserve Champion, Rio Estrella de la Manana

Light Wool Male

Juvenile

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Rio Medianoche | Suzanne Hartung |
| 2. Sir Marvin | Larry and Deanna Lewellyn |
| 3. Cloud Peak's Hot Fudge Sundae | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |

Yearling

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. D's Pongo | Larry and Deanna Lewellyn |
| 2. DLR Ranier's Randall | John and Jane Stout |

Two Year Old

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |
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Adult

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Rainbow Valley's Invierno | Mary Summers |
| 2. Rainbow Valley's Salsa | Mary Summers |
| 3. Cloud Peak's Top Banana | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |

Grand Champion, Rio Medianoche

Reserve Champion, Rainbow Valley's Invierno

Medium Wool Female

Juvenile

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|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Llamarge's Moonshine | Gerald Lee |
| 2. Stage Stop Minnie Pearl | Jim and Brenda Vance |
| 3. Stage Stop Ramblin' Rose | Sindi Henneman |

Yearling

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Sequine | Barb and Dwayne Flinn |
| 2. Houdini's Secret | Joe and Sandra Payne |
| 3. Red Hat's Lucie | Kathie and Bart Weller |

Two-Year Old

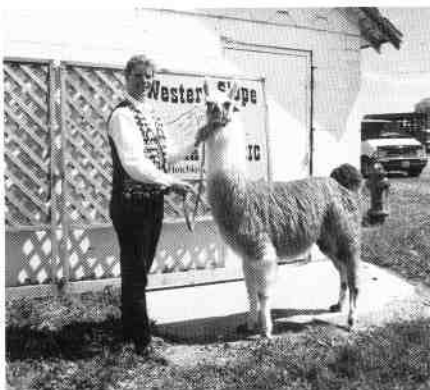
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| 1. Lollypop's Taffy | William and Janice Adamecyk |
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Grand Champion, Llamarge's Moonshine

Reserve Champion, Stage Stop Minnie Pearl



Champ RTC, Grand Champion Medium Wool Male



Tall Tail Callpso, Reserve Champion Medium Wool Male

Medium Wool Male

Juvenile

1. Tall Tail Calipso Robert and Jill Knuckles
VanZandt/Shealy
2. Touch the Earth Zushio
3. CMW Mr. Independent Mark and Cathy Wittrup

Yearling

1. Stage Stop Midnight Hour Jim and Brenda Vance
2. Caledo's Chili Mac Larry and Sharon Carrier
3. DLT Terrific Timothy John and Jane Stout

Two-Year Old

1. Bitter Creek's The Texas Kid Dick and Kim Murphy
2. Rosie's Duke William and Janice Adameyk
3. DLR Krimson Kodiak John and Jane Stout

Adult

1. Champ RTC Tim and Debra Swanson
2. SOL Dirty Harry Joe and Sandra Payne
3. Huckabee Johnna O'Brien

Grand Champion, Champ RTC

Reserve Champion, Tall Tail Calipso



Llamarage's Moonshine, Grand Champion Medium Wool Female

Heavy Wool Female

Juvenile

1. Crickett's Black Eyed Susan Bob Houseman
2. Black Liz Cliff Harding
3. Bittersweet Cardonnay Bob Houseman

Yearling

1. Contessa, The Mane Lioness Spike and Patricia Potts
2. Shilo Ridge Jenia Barbara Snakenberger
3. Teen Angel Joe and Sharon Payne

Two-Year Old

1. DBL Dip Chocolate Sundae Rex and Dalene Reincker
2. Roy-Dee's Red Feather Flicka Dee Stoddard

Adult

1. GNLC Kimmerly CarolAnn Tallmon

Grand Champion, Contessa the Mane Lioness

Reserve Champion, Crickett's Black Eyed Susan



Contessa, The Mane Lioness, Grand Champion Heavy Wool Female

Heavy Wool Male

Juvenile

1. Wheatfield Lightning Rex and Dalene Reincker
2. Neuvo Destino Barb and Dwayne Flinn
3. LRL Beau Barb and Dwayne Flinn

Yearling

1. Wheatfield Fudge Rex and Dalene Reincker
2. GVL Abu Simbel Doug and Jamie Sharp
3. Tall Tail Shavano Robert and Jill Knuckles

Two-Year Old

1. Resero Spike and Patricia Potts
2. Wokini CarolAnn Tallmon
3. Kahura Uyu Dick and Kim Murphy

Adult

1. Aspen Hill Magnetism Doug and Jamie Sharp
2. DDL Blaze Robert and Jill Knuckles
3. DDL Knight Flight Dick and Kim Murphy

Grand Champion, Resero

Reserve Champion, Aspen Hill Magnetism



Crickett's Black-Eyed Susan, Reserve Champion Heavy Wool Female



Resero, Grand Champion Heavy Wool Male



Sock, Grand Champion Non-Breeder



WL Calbert Cheaney, Get of Sire

Non-Breeder

Two-Year Old

1. Zydeco's Spyder Sindi Henneman

Adult

1. Sock Robert and Jill Knuckles
2. CTF Shiloh Gary and Shawn Norman
3. LDL Thor Sandy and Amy Lockwood

Grand Champion, Sock

Reserve Champion, Zydeco's Spyder

Get of Sire

1. WL Calbert Cheaney Rex and Dalene Reincker
2. Zydeco's Cricket Bob Houseman
3. The Boss Randy Cipriano

Produce of Dam

1. WL Ice Cream Sundae Rex and Dalene Reincker
2. Ali Starlight Suzanne Hartung
3. RV Sharon's Aurora Mary Summers

Performance Classes

Open Obstacle

1. Wisdom Dick and Jo Sheehan
2. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid Barb and Dwayne Flinn
3. Cloud Peak's Top Banana Barb and Dwayne Flinn

Open Public Relations

1. Cloud Peak's Top Banana Barb and Dwayne Flinn
2. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid Barb and Dwayne Flinn
3. Bardo's Spenserian Larry and Sharon Carrier

Young Pack

1. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid Barb and Dwayne Flinn
2. Mir Moody/Walker
3. PHF Picacho's Rambutan Larry and Deanna Lewellyn

Open Pack

1. Wisdom Dick and Jo Sheehan
2. Bardo's Spenserian Larry and Sharon Carrier
3. Rainbow Valley's Invierno Reid Langerman

Grand Champion Performance, Wisdom

Reserve Champion Performance, Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid

Youth Performance Classes

Junior Showmanship

1. Angela Corp
2. Emily Varela
3. Jenna McKinley

Junior Obstacle

1. Jeremy Fox
2. Richard Baker
3. Hannah O'Brien

Junior Public Relations

1. Jackie Vance
2. Richard Baker
3. Jeremy Fox

Junior Pack

1. Jackie Vance
2. Nikki Millsap
3. Richard Baker

Junior Performance Champion, Jackie Vance

Reserve Champion, Richard Baker



Dick Sheehan and Wisdom, Performance Grand Champion



Richard Baker, Junior Youth Reserve Champion,

Intermediate Showmanship

1. Brianna Livengood
2. Rebecca Walker
3. Barbara Baker

Intermediate Obstacle

1. Heather Grimm
2. Matthew Keeran
3. Barbara Baker

Intermediate Public Relations

1. Heather Grimm
2. Matthew Keeran
3. Barbara Baker

Intermediate Pack

1. Heather Grimm
2. Matthew Keeran
3. John Stout

Intermediate Performance Champion, Heather Grimm

Reserve Champion, Matthew Keeran

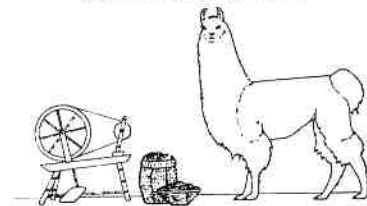


Heather Grimm, Intermediate Performance Grand Champion

Brushing your llama is a wonderful way to start desensitizing. Not only is this the time to be sure there are no burrs, hay stems, pine cones, etc., in the fiber, but grooming also further develops your working relationship with your llama.

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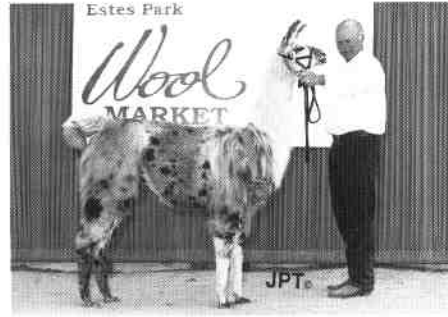
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Estes Park Wool Market, June 1999

Show Results



Rio Medianoche, Grand Champion Light Wool Male



PVLR Tabetha, Grand Champion Light Wool Female

LIGHT WOOL MALE

Juvenile

1. Rio Medianoche
2. We Be Jammin
3. HJ Cadfael's Texas Playboy

Suzanne Hartung
Don Lincoln
Jane Sheppard

Steamboat Springs, CO
Ruidoso Downs, NM
Beasley, TX

Yearling

1. Rocky Mountain Sergee
2. Cadfael's El Nino
3. E.L. Boreas

Bobra Goldsmith
Jane Sheppard
David Slothower

Longmont, CO
Beasley, TX
Calhan, CO

Two-Year Old

1. D's Pongo
2. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid
3. Mr. Freeze

Larry Lewellyn
Barbara Coffman-Flinn
Sue Grimm

Littleton, CO
Story, WY
Georgetown, CO.

Adult

1. Rocky Mountain Bounce
2. Bett's Greyfeather
3. Rainbow Valley's Invierno

Bobra Goldsmith
Bobra Goldsmith
Mary Summers

Longmont, CO
Longmont, CO
Placitas, NM

Grand Champion Light Wool Male Reserve Champion Light Wool Male

Rio Medianoche
Rocky Mountain Bounce

LIGHT WOOL FEMALE

Juvenile

1. Little Kasha
2. Twin Peaks Chey Anne
3. Kurmuchen

Julie Heggie
Bart Anderson
Patricia Burch

Laramie, WY
Platteville, CO
Tinmath, CO

Yearling

1. PVLR Tabetha
2. Rio Estrella de la Manana
3. GSLR Tiger Lilly

Lougene Baird
Suzanne Hartung
Sue Grimm

Sedalia, CO
Steamboat Springs, CO
Georgetown, CO



PHF Cadfael's Banner, Grand Champion Medium Wool



Winding Trail's Picabo, Grand Champion Medium Wool Female

Two Year Old

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| 1. GSLR Tabernash's Hocus Pocus | Sue Grimm | Georgetown, CO |
| 2. PVL R Tabernash's Lollapalooza | Lougene Baird | Sedalia, CO |

Adult

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| 1. Serenity Lane Ecole | John Cokely | Banson, AZ |
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Grand Champion Light Wool Female - PVL R Tabetha**Reserve Champion Light Wool Female - Little Kasha****MEDIUM WOOL MALE****Juvenile**

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1. Sanchez Creek's Colonel Chacal | Joe Payne | Florissant, CO |
| 2. Double J's Mighty Ajax | Julie Heggie | Laramie, WY |
| 3. PRLM Snow Man | Candy Montgomery | Castle Rock CO |

Yearling

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|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. PHF Cadfael's Banner | Sharon Beacham | Boulder, CO |
| 2. Tall Tail's Calipso | Robert Knuckles | Grand Junction, CO |
| 3. Ernie Juan's | Gerald Lee | Commerce City, CO |

Two Year Old

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| 1. DBR's Beau Brummel | David Kauffman | Castle Rock, CO |
| 2. Mir | Sarah Moody | Lamy, NM |
| 3. Mister Jay Tee | Patti Morgan | Arkansas City, KS |

Adult

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|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 1. SOL Dirty Harry | Joe Payne | Florissant, CO |
| 2. Champ RTC | Tim Swanson | Calhan, CO |
| 3. Power Ranger | Judy Sealy | Grand Junction, CO |

Grand Champion Medium Wool Male - PHF Cadfael's Banner**Res. Champion Medium Wool Male - Tall Tail's Calipso****MEDIUM WOOL FEMALE****Juvenile**

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|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| 1. Winding Trail's Picabo | Jan Redenbarger | Golden, CO |
| 2. Bitter Creek's Knight Feather | Dick Murphy | Divide, CO |
| 3. Zia Miss Ellie Bickle | Sarah Moody | Lamy, NM |

Yearling

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|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Lllamarage's Moonshine | Gerald Lee | Commerce City, CO |
| 2. PVL R Jasmine | Lougene Baird | Sedalia, CO |
| 3. Knights Feather Duster | Rose Mary Zeschin | Platteville, CO |

Two Year Old

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|---------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1. Lollypop's Taffy | William Adamecyk | Kiowa, CO |
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Grand Champion Med. Wool Female - Winding Trail's Picabo**Res. Champion Med. Wool Female - Lllamarage's Moonshine****HEAVY WOOL MALE****Juvenile**

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|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Lllamarage's Maserati | Mary Beth Hartsough | Platteville, CO |
| 2. Caffry's Buckshot | Dick Murphy | Divide, CO |
| 3. MGF Marco Polo | Jerry McRoberts | Gurley, NE |

Yearling

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|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 1. Simbel | Doug Sharp | Pagosa Springs, CO |
| 2. Llasen's Obadiah | Jim Sloan | Lander, WY |
| 3. Red Tail Thunder | D. Stoddard | Mesa, CO |

Two Year Old

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|------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. Resero | Spike Potts | Grand Lake, CO |
| 2. Signature | Tim Swanson | Calhan, CO |
| 3. SOL Sterling Silver | Roger Miller | Colorado Springs, CO |

Adult

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|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1. Cadfael | Sharon Beacham | Boulder, CO |
| 2. Mystique | Mike Wilkins | Geneva, NE |
| 3. Aspen Hill's Magnetism | Lynn Jacobs | Bismark, ND |

Grand Champion Heavy Wool Male - Cadfael**Res. Champion Heavy Wool Male - Resero**

HEAVY WOOL FEMALE

Juvenile

1. MGF Chi Chi	Jerry McRoberts	Gurley, NE
2. Llassen's Jackie Sue	Jim Sloan	Lander, WY
3. Sanchez Creek's Poloma Blanca	Joe Payne	Florissant, CO

Yearling

1. Contessa, Mane Lioness	Spike Potts	Grand Lake, CO
2. Cricket's Black Eyed Susan	Bob Houseman	Divide, CO
3. Llamarage's Chiquita	Mary Beth Hartsough	Platteville, CO

Two Year Old

1. Bardo's Symmer Splendor	Dick Murphy	Divide, CO
2. PVL.R Alouette's Sugar Magnolia	Lougene Baird	Sedalia, CO
3. Shalom's Elegant Ebony	Bob Ward	Gulnare, CO

Grand Champion Heavy Wool Female - Contessa, Mane Lioness

Res. Champion Heavy Wool Female - Cricket's Black Eyed Susan

NON-BREEDER

Yearling

1. Sharp's Johnny Walker Red	Doug Sharp	Pagosa Springs, CO
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Two Year Old

1. Shattuck	Lindsay Morgan	Arkansas City, KS
2. Bitter Creek's Echo's Legacie	Dick Murphy	Divide, CO
3. Cloud Peak's Polar Bear	Chandra Schwartz	Sheridan, WY

Adult

1. Tabasco Red	Doug Sharp	Pagosa Springs, CO
2. Sock	Robert Knuckles	Grand Junction, CO
3. Superstar	Doug Sharp	Pagosa Springs, CO

Grand Champion Non Breeder - Tabasco Red

Reshampion - Sock



Cadfael, Grand Champion Heavy Wool Male



Contessa, Mane Lioness, Grand Champion Heavy Wool Female

GET OF SIRE

1. Gandy Dancer	Mary Beth Hartsough	Platteville, CO
2. J-C's Bordeaux	Jim Sloan	Lander, WY
3. WL Calbert Cheaney	Rex Reinecker	Quinter, KS

PRODUCE OF DAM

1. LW Ice Cream Sundae	Rex Reinecker	Quinter, KS
2. Bonita		
3. Ali Starlight	Suzanne Hartung	Steamboat Springs, CO

Performance Classes

Pleasure Driving

1. Batu	Jerry Dunn	Golden, CO
2. Kaubo	Jerry Dunn	Golden, CO
3. Silver Bullet	Jerry Dunn	Golden, CO

Advanced Obstacle

1. Rocky Mountain Bounce	Bobra Goldsmith	Longmont, CO
2. Sunset Cadet	Bart Anderson	Platteville, CO
3. PVL.R Bardo's Dante	Deidre Baird	Sedalia, CO

Novice Obstacle

- 1. Rocky Mountain High Spirits
- 2. RM Jack's Thunder
- 3. RM Lightning Jack

Bobra Goldsmith
Patti Morgan
Patti Morgan

Longmont, CO
Arkansas City, KS
Arkansas City, KS

Advance Pack

- 1. Sunset Cadet
- 2. GLL Java
- 3. Rocky Mountain Bounce

Bart Anderson
Jan Redenbarger
Bobra Goldsmith

Platteville, CO
Golden, CO
Longmont, CO

Novice Pack

- 1. Sock
- 2. Whitetop
- 3. Spirit Wind

Robert Knuckles
Gregg Romens
David Howard

Grand Junction, CO
Colorado Springs, CO
Westcliffe, CO

Young Pack

- 1. Mir
- 2. Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid
- 3. RM Shattuck

Sarah Moody
Tara Schwartz
Patti Morgan

Lamy, NM
Sheridan, WY
Arkansas City, KS

Novice Public Relations

- 1. RM Jack's Thunder
- 2. RM Lightning Jack
- 3. Cadfael's El Nino

Patti Morgan
Patti Morgan
Jane Sheppard

Arkansas City, KS
Arkansas City, KS
Beasley, TX

Advance Public Relations

- 1. Rocky Mountain Bounce
- 2. Rainbow Valley's Invierno
- 3. Sunset Cadet

Bobra Goldsmith
Mary Summers
Bart Anderson

Longmont, CO
Placitas, NM
Platteville, CO

Performance Grand Champion - Rocky Mountain Bounce
Res. Grand Champion - Sunset Cadet

YOUTH

Junior Showmanship

- 1. Deidre Baird
- 2. Tara Schwartz
- 3. Emily Varela

PVLR Lollapalooza
Centaur's O'Ryan
Rosie's Duke

Sedalia CO
Sheridan, WY
Kiowa, CO

Intermediate Showmanship

- 1. Brianna Livingood
- 2. Adrienne Bergenfeld
- 3. John Stout

Avalanche
PPW Domino Spirit
Rainiers Randa II

Westcliffe, CO
Colorado Springs, CO
Glade Park, CO

Junior Judging

- 1. Deidre Baird
- 2. Tara Schwartz
- 3. Michelle Jacobs

Sedalia, CO
Sheridan, WY
Bismark, ND

Intermediate Judging

- 1. Adrienne Bergenfeld
- 2. Brianna Livengood
- 3. Gretchen Kauffman

Colorado Springs, CO
Westcliffe, CO
Castle Rock, CO



Tabasco Red, Grand Champion Non-Breeder



Gandy Dancer, Get of Sire

Junior Obstacle

- 1. Deidre Barid
- 2. Matt Anderson
- 3. Michelle Jacobs

PVLR Bardo's Dante
 Sunset Cadet
 Gold Dust

Sedalia, CO
 Platteville, CO
 Bismark, ND

Intermediate Obstacle

- 1. Heather Grimm
- 2. Adrienne Bergenfeld
- 3. Brianna Livengood

The Great Mr. Mutumbo
 PPW Domino Spirit
 Avalanche

Georgetown, CO
 Colorado Springs, CO
 Westcliffe, CO

Junior Pack

- 1. Matt Anderson
- 2. Diedre Baird
- 3. Michelle Jacobs

Sunset Cadet
 PVLR Bardo's Dante
 Gold Dust

Platteville, CO
 Sedalia, CO
 Bismark, ND

Intermediate Pack

- 1. Adrienne Bergenfeld
- 2. Brianna Livingood
- 3. Heather Grimm

PPW Domino Spirit
 Narcissus
 The Great Mr. Mutumbo

Colorado Springs, CO
 Westcliffe, CO
 Georgetown, CO

Junior Public Relations

- 1. Matt Anderson
- 2. Deidre Baird
- 3. Emily Varela

Sunset Cadet
 PVLR Bardo's Dante
 Rosie's Duke

Platteville, CO
 Sedalia, CO
 Kiowa, CO

Intermediate Public Relations

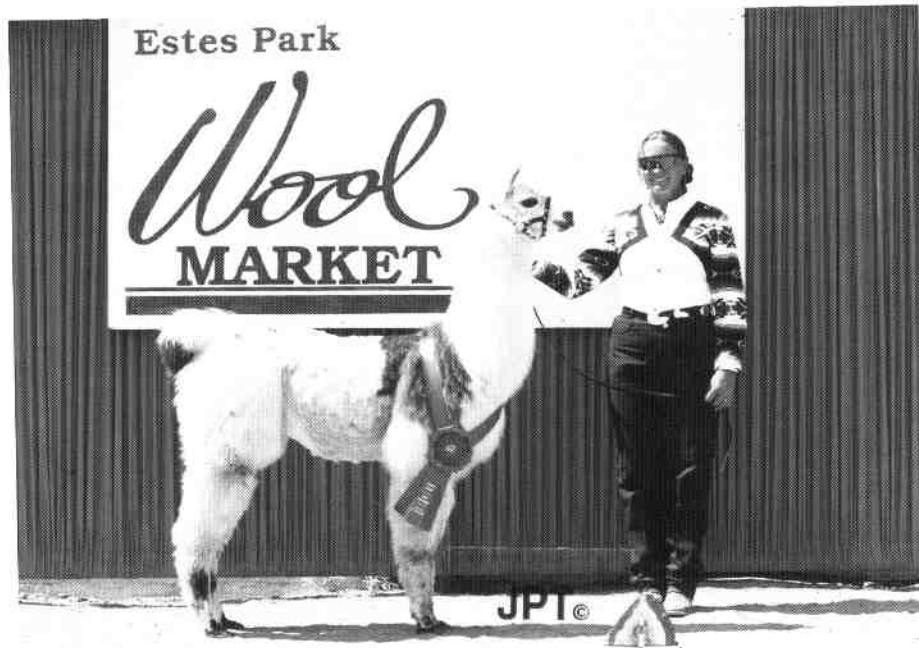
- 1. Adrienne Bergenfeld
- 2. Heather Grimm
- 3. Gretchen Kauffman

PPW Domino Spirit
 The Great Mr. Mutumbo
 Calico Kidd

Colorado Springs, CO
 Georgetown, CO
 Castle Rock, CO

Junior Grand Champion Performance - Matt Anderson
Junior Res. Grand Champion Performance- Deidre Baird

Intermediate Grand Champion Performance - Adrienne Bergenfeld
Intermediate Res. Grand Champion Performance - Heather Grimm



Grand Champion Novice Performance Llama, awarded by the Estes Park Wool Market

DOUGLAS COUNTY SUMMER CLASSIC ALSA YOUTH SHOW

July 11, 1999

ALSA Judge, Alaine Byers

Castle Rock, Colorado

Superintendent - Lougene Baird

The fifth annual Douglas County Summer Classic ALSA Youth Show was held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Castle Rock, Colorado. Twenty youth participated in this year's show, which was hosted by the Douglas County Llofty Llamas 4H Club. The goal of the show is for youth to have fun and learn all about what it takes to put on an ALSA show. Youth were involved in registration, fairgrounds negotiations, designing and setting up performance courses, stewarding, and running errands. The show bought all exhibitors and their families pizza for lunch. It was a fun day in the sun and the rain for all that attended. Thanks to Judge Alaine Byers for successfully guiding the youth through another wonderful show.



Showmanship Champions: from left, Halley Coffman, Junior Grand Champion; Gretchen Kauffman, Intermediate Grand Champion; Deidre Baird, Junior Reserve Champion; Brianna Livengood, Intermediate Reserve Champion.

Junior Youth Showmanship

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|------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 1. Halley Coffinan | Pistol Power | Story, WY |
| 2. Deidre Baird | Carnegie Hall | Sedalia, CO |
| 3. Emily Varela | Rosie's Duke | Kiowa, CO |
| 4. Kassie Hoover | Beau Homme | Colorado Springs, CO |
| 5. Danielle Van Keulen | Blanco Bart | Castle Rock, CO |

Intermediate Youth Showmanship

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|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. Gretchen Kauffman | Calico Kidd | Castle Rock, CO |
| 2. Brianna Livengood | Avalanche | Westcliffe, CO |
| 3. Tiffany Coffman | Tiny Tim Too | Story, WY |
| 4. Levi Kauffman | Beau Brummel | Castle Rock, CO |

Junior Youth Judging

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|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Deidre Baird | Sedalia, CO |
| 2. Ashley Fillmore | Elbert, CO |
| 3. Conrad Gerber | Larkspur, CO |
| 4. Travis Bohlen | Littleton, CO |
| 5. Parker Sherman | Sedalia, CO |

Intermediate Youth Judging

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Gretchen Kauffman | Castle Rock, CO |
| 2. Tiffany Coffman | Story, WY |
| 3. Levi Kauffman | Castle Rock, CO |
| 4. Brianna Livengood | Westcliffe, CO |



Youth Performance Champions. From left, Tiffany Coffman, Intermediate Grand Champion; Heather Grimm, Intermediate Reserve Champion; Halley Coffman, Junior Grand Champion; Deidre Baird, Junior Reserve Champion.

Junior Youth Obstacle

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|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. Halley Coffman | Pistol Power | Story, WY |
| 2. Deidre Baird | Dante | Sedalia, CO |
| 3. Emily Varela | Rosie's Duke | Kiowa, CO |
| 4. Mica Peterson | Prince Oreo | Colorado Springs, CO |
| 5. Parker Sherman | Gatsby | Sedalia, CO |

Intermediate Youth Obstacle

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|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Tiffany Coffman | Tiny Tim Too | Story, WY |
| 2. Heather Grimm | The Great Mr. Motumbo | Georgetown, CO |
| 3. Brianna Livengood | Avalanche | Westcliffe, CO |
| 4. Gretchen Kauffman | Calico Kidd | Castle Rock, CO |

Junior Public Relations

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|--------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. Halley Coffman | Pistol Power | Story, WY |
| 2. Kassie Hoover | Beau Homme | Colorado Springs, CO |
| 3. Deidre Baird | Dante | Sedalia, CO |
| 4. Jeff Van Keulen | Barbarosa | Castle Rock, CO |
| 5. Mica Peterson | Prince Oreo | Colorado Springs, CO |

Intermediate Public Relations

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|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Tiffany Coffman | Tiny Tim Too | Story, WY |
| 2. Ben Riggs | Bullet | Golden, CO |
| 3. Gretchen Kauffman | Calico Kidd | Castle Rock, CO |
| 4. Heather Grimm | The Great Mr. Motumbo | Georgetown, CO |

Junior Pack

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|------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. Halley Coffman | Tiny Tim Too | Story, WY |
| 2. Deidre Baird | Dante | Sedalia, CO |
| 3. Kassie Hoover | Beau Homme | Colorado Springs, CO |
| 4. Danielle Van Keulen | Blanco Bart | Castle Rock, CO |
| 5. Jeff Van Keulen | Barbarosa | Castle Rock, CO |

Intermediate Pack

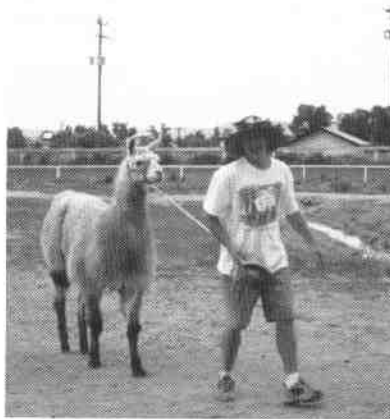
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| 1. Heather Grimm | The Great Mr. Motumbo | Georgetown, CO |
| 2. Ben Riggs | Bullet | Golden, CO |
| 3. Tiffany Coffman | Tiny Tim Too | Story, WY |
| 4. Lloyd Wamsley | Natchez | Golden, CO |

Junior Performance Grand Champion, Halley Coffman

Reserve Grand Champion, Deidre Baird

Intermediate Performance Grand Champion, Tiffany Coffman

Reserve Grand Champion, Heather Grimm



Ben Riggs enjoys his llama and shows well.

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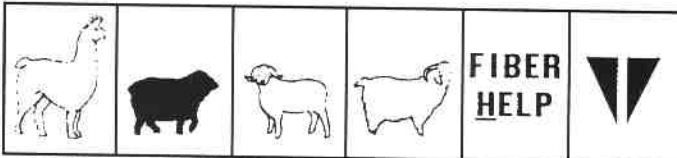
Len Hennig: directory should read 25 Female & 20 Male Llamas
Patience Powell: Farm name should read "Prairie Oaks Farm." e-mail should read: powell@inav.net
C. Peter & Doris M. Wagner: directory should read 7 intact males instead of 7 geldings.

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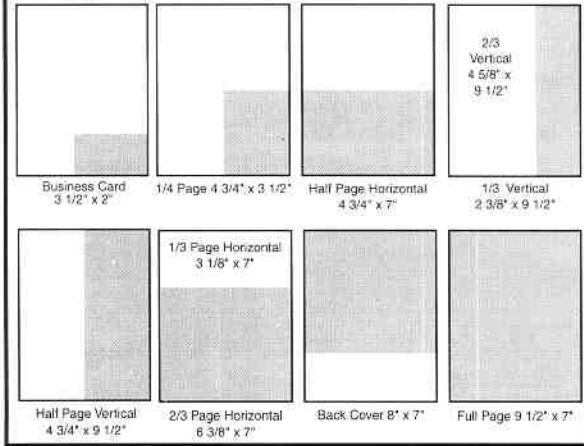
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Four-year old Masha Flinn has Cerebral Palsy. She was adopted from Russia two years ago by Dwayne and Barb Flinn. Masha cannot walk and needs immediate surgery to lengthen the tendons in her legs. She will be going to Shriners' Hospital in Salt Lake City for surgery at the end of October. She will be confined to a wheelchair and her family has no way to transport her.

The family is raffling off a female llama to help raise the money for a wheelchair-accessible van.

Name: MGF Meadowlark Lady DOB: May 14, 1997
 Sire: Misty Moon's Pliades Dam: MGF Meadowsweet
 Bred to: Bardo's Omar Khayyam (full Peruvian) for a May 2000 cria

The drawing will be held at the Grand National Show.
 To purchase a chance, please send a check for \$5.00 to:

The Masha Flinn Van Fund
 PO Box 541
 Story, Wyoming 82842

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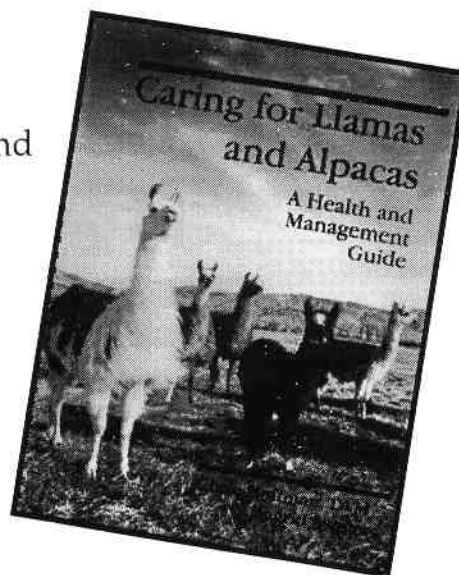
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Easy to add to feed or water

ITEM #084LL - 5 LBS. PRICE \$15.95



Corid Soluble Powder

For treatment of Coccidiosis that often affects young 2-20 month olds with diarrhea, weight loss & wool loss. Keep some on hand before you realize you need it.

ITEM #083 - 4 OZ. PACKET PRICE \$4.25
- 6 FOR \$25.00



Syringes

Complete with needles.

ITEM #092 - 3CC EACH \$.25
- BOX OF 100 18.50
- 6CC EACH .40
- BOX OF 50 19.50
- 12CC EACH .45
- BOX OF 50 21.50
- NEEDLES ONLY 100 11.50
- NEEDLES ONLY EACH .12



Lama Pro Micro Feed

Helps keep your Llamas & Alpacas eating. Microorganisms help maintain appetite during birthing, weaning, shipping, showing & sickness. Use when weight gain is indicated.

ITEM #087LM - 5 LB. BAG PRICE \$14.95
- 5 BAGS FOR \$69.00



Digital Thermometer

Easier to read and use than the bulb type. Beeps to signal that highest temperature has been reached. 4-7/8" long.

ITEM #094 - PRICE \$12.50



New! Cria Scale

Easy to use digital scale with special carrying sling/harness.

ITEM #073CS - COMPLETE PRICE (\$119.50)



Ivomec Injectable

ITEM #77A - 50ML PRICE \$41.95
- 200ML PRICE \$147.50



Adjustable Sling/Belly Band

ITEM #090 - PRICE \$59.00



Nolvasan

Recommended by veterinarians as safer than iodine and more effective in killing bacteria.

ITEM #098A - 250ML PRICE \$9.00
- 500ML PRICE \$16.00



Dose Syringes

For easy administration of liquids like liquid Safeguard, Corid, Electrolytes. Extender is 4" and easily goes into side of mouth. Holds 10, 20 or 50cc's.

ITEM #092A - PRICE \$12.95 EACH
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Record Notebooks

Llama or Alpaca Notebook plus 25 Forms keep all your records together - Genealogy, Birthday, Birthing, Worming, Vaccinations & other Vet calls.

ITEM #104 - PRICE \$23.50 (\$21.15)



Toe Nail Clippers

Lightweight, easy to use, and sharp..

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Electrolytes — Lama-Lytes

For times of stress and heat. Packets mix to 2 quarts.

ITEM #084LP - PRICE \$1.95 PER PACKET
- 12 PKGS. FOR \$19.95



Cria Care Kit NEW IMPROVED

With carrying case. 21 Items including Colostrum substitute, iodine, nipple, feeding tube, thermometer, electrolytes, cria care coat, jump start, etc.

ITEM #095T - PRICE (\$129.00) COMPLETE
ITEM #095W - WITHOUT CRIA COAT (\$99.00)



Safeguard/Panacur

The wormer most used for Camelids.

ITEM #079A - 25G TUBE PRICE \$5.95
- 12 FOR PRICE \$65.00
ITEM #079C - 10 LB. CRUMBLES \$47.50
- 1 DOSE PACKET PRICE \$2.99



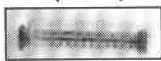
New Safeguard Liquid

ITEM #079L - 1000ML PRICE (\$119.00)
- WITH DOSE SYRINGE (\$129.50)

60cc Feeding Syringe

Invaluable if you tube, and to help give electrolytes, supplemental milk or other oral medications. Made for feeding tubes to fit on.

ITEM #095D - PRICE \$2.50 EACH



Fastrack Probiotic Paste

Use the paste form to start or for convenience. 80cc Tube Concentrate.

ITEM #086 - PRICE \$12.95 EACH
- 5 FOR \$55.00



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ITEM #109 - PRICE \$23.95

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ITEM #109N - PRICE \$24.95



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Llama or Alpaca Size. New with thinsulate weatherproof outside, soft inside.

ITEM #096 - PRICE \$30.00
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PRICES INCLUDE 2 DAY SHIPPING
AT NO EXTRA COST



Pritchard Nipple

This \$2.00 item can help save your cria and get the colostrum in.

ITEM #095H - EACH PRICE \$2.00
- 2 FOR \$3.75



Fresh Cattle Colostrum

Fresh first milk frozen - 12 oz. plastic bottle

ITEM #097 - PRICE \$12.00 PER BOTTLE
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