

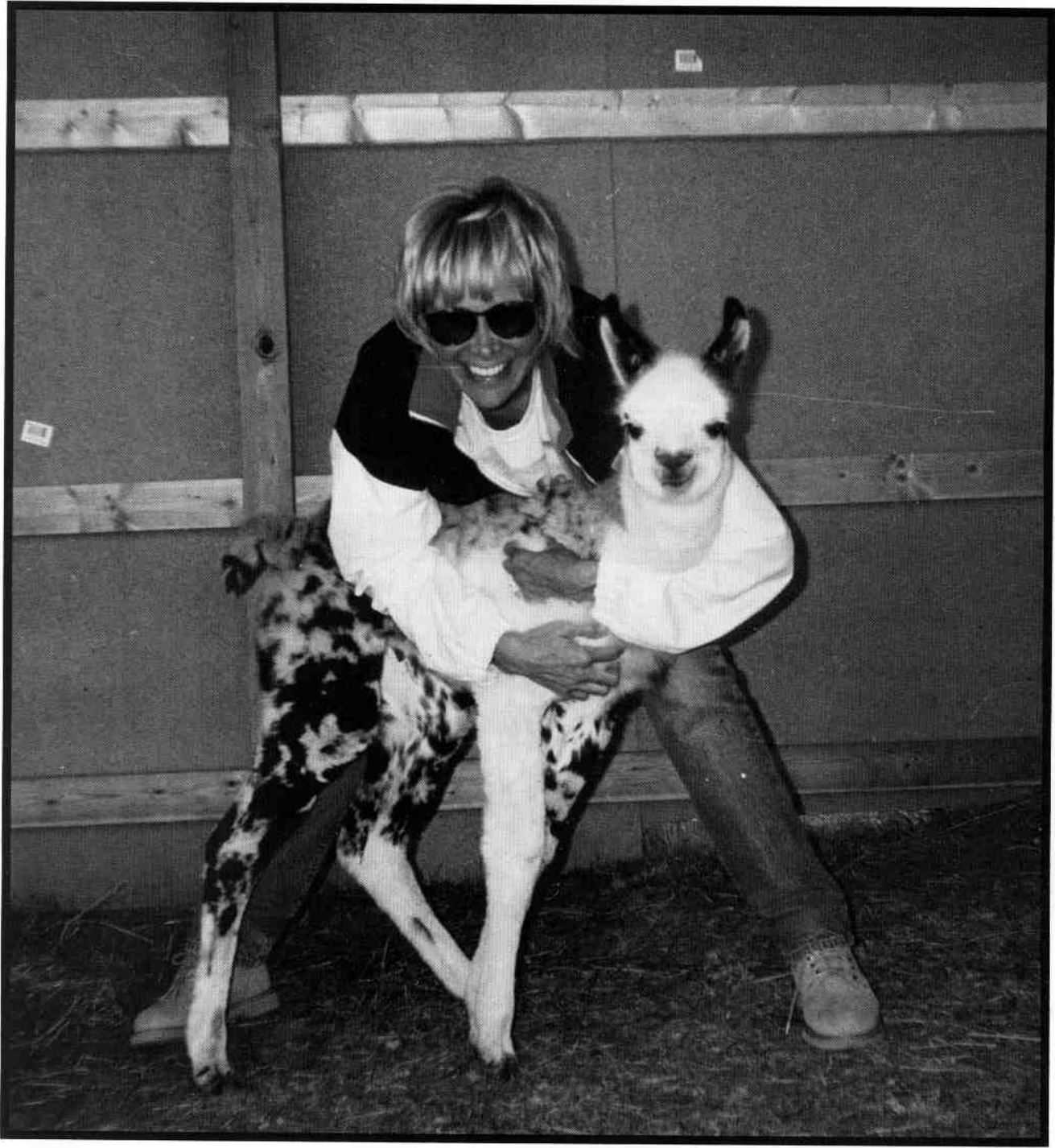
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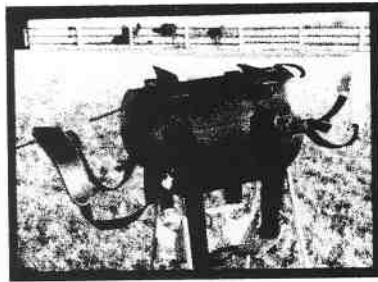




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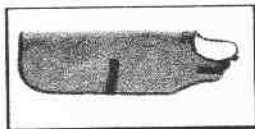
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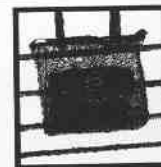
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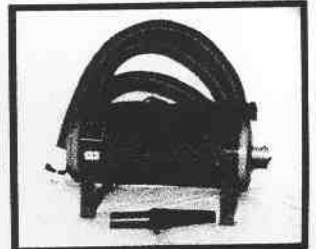
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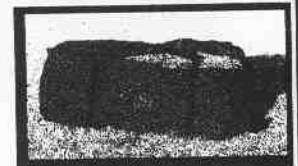
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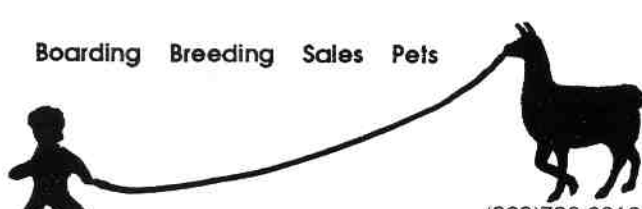


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To Ron and Marie Hinds for the years and the many hours spent putting together the RMLA Journal. Ron has notified the Board that because his personal business ventures are doing so well, he can no longer commit the time necessary to produce the Journal. We thank him very much for his past work on the publication and wish him continued success with his business.



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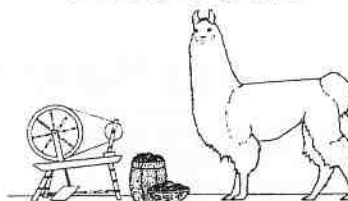
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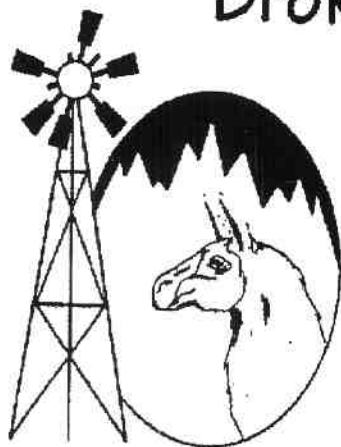
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Fiber at the Fair

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Karen Kinyon and Chris Switzer had an enjoyable day judging, on August 9, 1999, at the Laramie County Fair in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Karen judged the knitting/crocheting category, as well as the felting category. Chris judged the handspun yarns and the hand-woven items.

The Best of Show award went to an off-white felted hat, made from alpaca fiber, featuring pressed flowers in the surface of the felt. Under the brim were wisps of blue. This hat was also judged best in its' category. Also shown was a very nice llama hat.

A blue handspun silk yarn was crocheted into a lacy shawl for the top prize in knitting/crocheting. The handweaving winner was a gray and beige shadow-weave scarf, done in silk. The winner of the handspun yarn category was a skein of light, fluffy, white alpaca fiber, submitted by the same person who submitted the felted hat.

Both Karen and Chris want to encourage more entries in all categories at county fairs, state fairs, and fiber-related events. Both llama and alpaca fiber should be well represented at these fairs.

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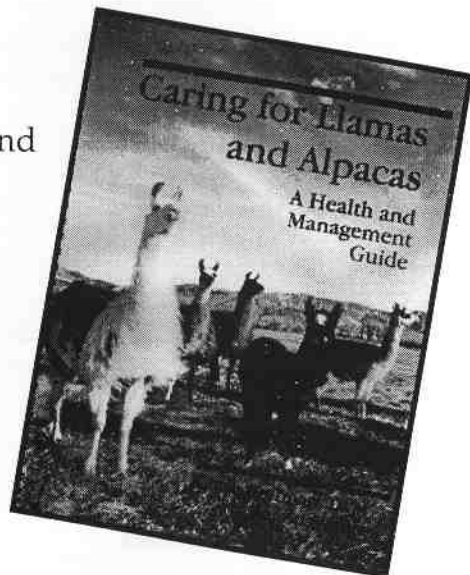
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And Then There Were Two

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Who would ever believe that an organization which teaches blind people to cross-country ski would be the organization which introduced me to llamas?

In 1978, I participated in a cross-country ski event sponsored by the Sons of Norway, called Ski for Light. I could never figure out why it was called Ski for Light, but I certainly do know about the friendships it creates. Through Ski for Light, I have come to know many wonderful people and the program has expanded from cross-country skiing and winter sports to summer events as well. One of these summer events, called Trekk for Light, began in 1995.

Trekk for Light is a week-long backpacking trip which teamed a sighted guide, a blind person, and a llama to carry most of the gear.

I love outdoor activities such as camping and backpacking, and I thought it a wonderful adventure and a great way to get to know a llama. I had such a great time that year that I did the trekk again in 1998, and I now own two llamas.

My first backpacking trip was with the Girl Scouts, when I was in high school. My Girl Scout leader recalls I told her I wanted to write a book called I Was a Teenage Pack Mule. All of us were carrying only about 47 pounds in our packs, but to a first-timer, it seemed a lot. All of our packs were supposed to get lighter because of the meals we were eating, but my sister's got heavier because she was collecting rocks. But I digress.

When you can't see where you are walking, you can't stop every time you would like a better footing. You just have to balance the best you can and take another step. Guides can try to alert you to rocks or roots, but when these are everywhere, you're going to step on them anyway. If you are carrying extra weight on your back that you aren't used to, it makes this even more difficult. I was thrilled to be able to enjoy packing and camping without this extra weight.

In 1995, my guide's name was Joann and our llama was Suncharo. In 1998, I went with Bill and Brewster. The llamas came from Buckhorn Llama Ranch, owned by Stan Ebel. Brewster and Suncharo carried between 60 and 80 pounds of our gear, leaving us to carry on our backs only what we would need during the day. We hiked and camped in the Rawah Wilderness Area. Along with the beauty that our guides described, it was among the hardest hiking I have ever done. I am not sure I could have done it without our llamas. I guess it's not too much of a stretch to understand why I wanted to own llamas someday. My husband loves packing and camping, too, so I didn't think it would be too hard to win him over.

In 1999, the leaders who have put together Trekk for Light for the past four years took a break. Trekk for Light has introduced more than 20 guides and blind people to our Rocky Mountains, packing, camping, and llamas. It is a tremendous amount of work to put together meals and plan campsites where there is water and enough grazing area for the llamas. In 2000, we would like to find a new area to explore. The Rawah is pretty hard hiking, and therefore is difficult for some

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blind people who have lived in the city all their lives to endure. We are looking for an area of about twenty miles to hike and camp with llamas, and would be an easier hike than the Rawah Wilderness Area.

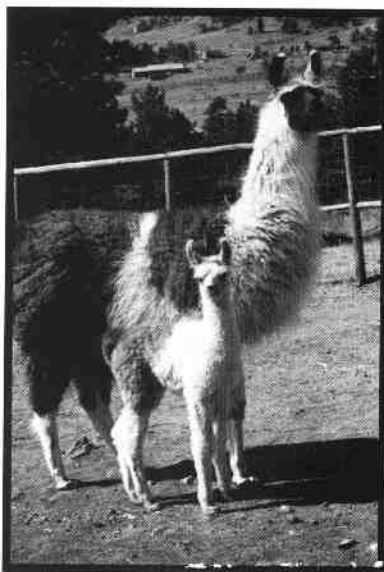
As you can tell, I never wrote the book I Was a Teenage Pack Mule, because if I had, I would be a better writer! I wanted to write this article to express my enthusiasm for llamas to pack with and for pets, and the Trekk for Light project. I am hoping some of you may be able to help us find another location for a trip in 2000. If you have any suggestions, please contact me at 303-321-2646 or mail to 444 S Niagra, Denver, Colorado 80224.

The Ski for Light event I attended in 1978 was an international event. Along with teaching blind people how to cross country ski, it also encouraged smaller regional events. Trekk for Light is a summer event organized by the Colorado Regional Ski for Light association. Both the Colorado Regional Ski for Light and the International Ski for Light organizations are non-profit organizations, and both are holding their 25th anniversary cross-country events in Colorado this winter. If you are a cross-country skier and are interested in guiding a blind skier at one of these events, please contact me at the above address or telephone.

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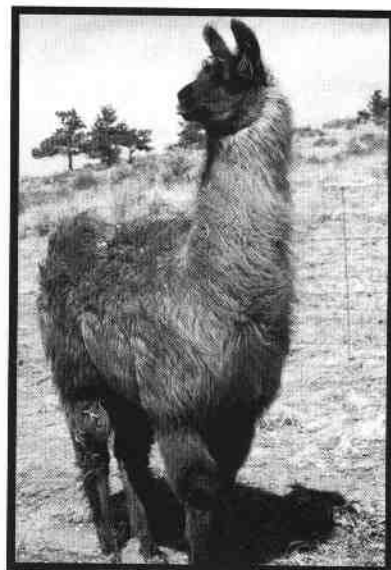
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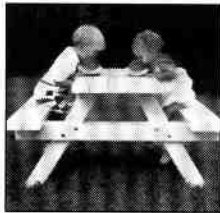
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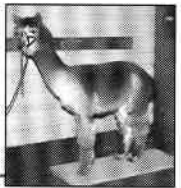
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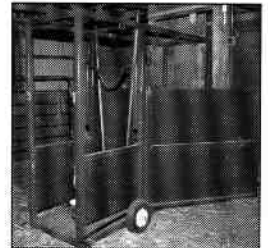
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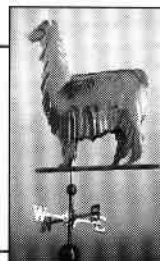
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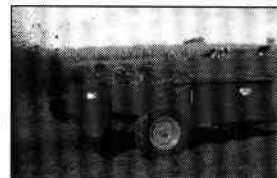
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Packing and Trekking, from Across the Pond

Michael and Sandra Keeker, Hilltop Llamas

Capernwray, England

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How did we get involved with llamas? Well, many years ago when I used to do a lot of cycling I came across these wonderful creatures in a field just outside Blackpool where we lived. I was enchanted with the elegance and grace of these two llamas, but having no land and living in a city, they would remain a dream for many years to come.

Twenty years on and our dream became reality when we moved to the country and bought a cottage with two acres of land. The cottage dated back to 1640 but required major renovation.

Because I export Axminster wool carpets to the casino and hotel markets on a worldwide scale and know a lot about wool, I thought we would keep rare breeds of sheep. When we looked into it, it became apparent that they required a lot of attention. Then we both remembered the llamas we had encountered many years ago.

We then started to look for llama breeders and made contact with the British Camelid Association. Everyone told us the same thing: that they were relatively vet-free and were not difficult to keep. Our very first visit was to Lowther Llamas in Scotland, to meet Ann Knowles Brown, one of the U.K.'s leading breeders. Here, Ann has a herd of about 50 llamas and it was then that we fell in love with them. After visiting many more llama farms, we returned to Ann's 18 months ago and purchased three females and two gelded males. One of the females was bred to have a cria in spring. Before we could bring them home, we had to re-fence all our land and rebuild our barn as it was falling down. This was all achieved in a month, and we were at last ready to have our llamas delivered to us.

On the day they were to arrive you would have thought we were behaving just like two children waiting for a present, and us two grown middle-aged people! At last they arrived and were unloaded into the field. Even though it was winter and cold, we spent all that day in the field with them. In many books, many authors had said the same thing, these animals are very special and will take over your lives. Well, it started on that very first day.

Before we decided to go ahead and purchase our own llamas we had bought all the main books, especially Murray Fowlers book on Camelids. In fact, we actually bought two copies of the books, one for us and the other for our vet. These books were brought direct from Clay Press in California. The books given to our vet were Murray Fowler's and Caring for Llamas and Alpacas. As this was our vet's first experience with llamas, we wanted to help her as much as possible. All our llamas came with complete medical records and dates and details of their vaccinations. So with minor adjustments we were able to plan for the year ahead and their vaccination requirements. Our most important aim is to have completely healthy animals at all times.

Earlier in the year we had suffered the loss of Sandra's mother, so this was a sad time for our family. Still trying to come to terms with our loss, within a matter of weeks our first cria arrived and what a day that was.

It all started at around 7.30 am when Sandra looked out of our bedroom window and saw the mother sat

staring at this white object that was very still. Immediately we ran down to the field, and realised that this object was actually her baby, which was very cold and near to death.

The beginning of April had been quite warm but today had a cold wind blowing. We quickly cleared the mucus from the baby's airways and carried her to the barn. We rang our vet and she arrived 10 minutes later. Meanwhile were rubbing the baby and using the hair dryer to try and raise her body temperature. Also we had infrared lights over the top of her. It took a good hour before she started to respond, but her mother was just not interested. The vet managed to get some goat's colostrum into her, and she began to warm up. The vet believes that if we had found her ten minutes later she would have died. For us this was a traumatic event, but something very special. We called her Georgie Girl, and today she is a very healthy young llama.

At this time we had just started to renovate our house when 12 acres of land was offered for sale opposite our house. Well, we had to buy it. Land is very difficult to purchase in the UK and this was a once in a lifetime opportunity. Very fortunately, we were able to do a deal outside the auction and we became the owners of even more land. The first thing we did was to build a barn and some large concrete areas outside of the barn. Once this was completed we moved the llamas into there new home. We then purchased a female with a female cria at foot, making our herd eight in total.

We finished the inside of our house just before Christmas and then started to plan our breeding programme over the Christmas period. By March we had found a beautiful black male and also three females at Routen Llamas in the Lake District. All these llamas had excellent breeding lines, so we bought all four of them. These were all brought back and put in our two-acre field till they settled in. Two weeks later we visited our daughter in the Bahamas for a fortnight, leaving the llamas with my parents and friends. On our return we found one of gelded males was not well. We called our vet straight away. On her arrival we isolated him in the barn and he was given injections. That night I sat with him till 1:00 am and left him looking ok. I leave at 6:00 in the morning to go to my office, but before I left I went to the barn and he was laid down. On closer inspection, we discovered that he had just died. We were both just devastated. The vet came at 8:00 am and thought he had died of a respiratory problem. I was not convinced, and for the well being of the herd and also for my vet to learn, I asked that a post-mortem be carried out.

This all happened on a Monday, and on that Tuesday we were informed that it may have been bovine TB. Within the week we had a Ministry of Agriculture restriction order on the movement of the seven llamas on the 12 acres. As the other four have not been in contact with the others, they are OK. Three and a half months

on and we still do not no the outcome and still have a restriction order on us. This particular llama we had only had for six months, so we have no idea were this infection has come from as this area is supposed to be free from this infection. The only information we have been given is that the ministry say they are 80% sure it is not bovine TB but at this stage will not confirm this. If it is we are told they will have to destroy the 7 remaining llamas. We are just praying this will not happen, because for us these are pets and we are fortunate that it is not commercial venture for us. We just love these wonderful creatures.

This year has been difficult because we have not been able to start our breeding programme and everything is on hold to the restriction is lifted. But we must look forward to the future with optimism and hope everything turns out ok

On a general front we feed our llamas a supplement of goats mix and alpaca pellets mixed together. We give this to them for a period of 6 to 8 months depending on the weather conditions. Also hay is also given at the same time. Because we have so much land we divide into different paddocks so they have. (not got to much grass in summertime, that is if we get a summer in the UK.

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Our vet has learnt very fast and we have a proper health plan for all the llamas. They are wormed twice a year and also have clostridium vaccine at the same time. Both are by injection. If we have very wet weather we also vaccinate for liver fluke. Up to the death of our gelded male we all thought we were doing fine.

Our barns are very basic. Both are three sided structures of an approximate size of 36 ft x 15ft with a further canopy of 12ft x 36ft. The area inside and out is covered by loose stone/gravel. Outside the barns we have now made even larger areas of stone/gravel so we get rid of muddy areas around the barn in wintertime. The barns are timber framed sheathed in galvanised steel sheets. These are then painted with bitumen paint. We have found our barns to be a great success. Within the barn areas we have incorporated catch pen and training areas. We also have a food and hay storage area near the barns.

Most of our fencing is sheep fencing to a height of three feet followed by two or three strands of wire to a total height of six feet. The reason for the six feet fence is that our full male can jump 5ft easily. When he first arrived Sandra spent most of her time trying to get him onto our land. At the time I was in the Middle East so can only to imagine the names I was being called. I returned to the UK at the end of this trip to drive up our country lane to be passed by Black Knight running down the road hotly pursued by Sandra. From that day we raised all our fences.

We have found that your magazine is very informative for us, with plenty of helpful information for us. Also the members we have contacted have always been so helpful. Our main regret this year has been we have not been able to do any trekking. Hopefully we will be able to start this shortly if the restriction on us is lifted.

If any of your members visit England we are one hour away from Manchester airport and we would love to see any of you, we always have a spare room. Please remember we are new to these wonderful creatures and still have so much to learn but to return from a stressful sale trip the relaxation one gets from being near the llamas is just amazing.

And a footnote to the Keeler's story, courtesy of Sandra:

Today, Friday the 27th of August, we received some good news. After 18 weeks we were told that the llama that died did not have bovine TB and that the herd is all clear. That is the best bit of news we have had this year. Also, Vanessa gave birth on the same day to a beautiful female cria, she is very healthy and predominately white with some black markings. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

Collecting funny llama behavior stories...e-mail to the Journal at brokenwindmill@bwn.net.

Let's share the fun of having llamas!

Membership Report

Bob & Barb Hance, Wheat Ridge, Colorado

We are completing our second year as Membership Chair, and it always amazes us how many new members join during the year. Every time the fiber co-op booth goes someplace, we get 2-3 new memberships. With the ILA having so many problems, people need other learning sources, and RMLA fills lots of these needs.

This year the article that Cindy Ross wrote about her family's trip along the Colorado Trail appeared in the Boy Scouts of America Magazine, and she included our phone number as the Membership Chair for RMLA. This has created about six new members, and a number of inquiries about packing and who does packing trips. With this in mind, we urge any of you who are commercial packers to be sure to advertise in the "2000 Service Directory", so folks can find you!

Many of the inquiries we receive come from people who want to own Llamas or Alpacas. How better to let them know about your breeding operation than an ad in the "2000 Service Directory"?

Don't forget to advertise in the Journal, look how many people we reach!

NEW Memberships thus far in 1999 include: 12 Juniors, 39 Individuals, and 21 Ranches. We have sent over 30 inquiry packages, which led to many new RMLA memberships.

By area and state, here is the breakdown:

West Coast:

Alaska, 1; Washington, 6; Oregon, 5; and California, 10

East Coast:

Massachusetts, 1; Vermont, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; Tennessee, 2; and Florida, 1

Mid Continent:

North Dakota, 1; South Dakota, 3; Minnesota, 3; Michigan, 3; Illinois, 1;

Ohio, 2; Nebraska, 9; Kansas, 11; Iowa, 1; Missouri, 1; Arkansas, 3; Oklahoma, 10; Texas, 19

AND in the Rocky Mountains:

Idaho, 4; Montana, 9; Utah, 17; Arizona, 8; New Mexico, 29; Wyoming, 45; Colorado, 369
plus 2 members in England and 1 in Italy.

Don't forget to renew your membership today! The renewal form can be found in this issue's centerfold. For directory listing, all renewals must be received prior to December 31, 1999.

Llama Work Party For A Birthday Wish

Jerry Dunn, Bear Track Farm, Golden, Colorado

Sandy Priester contacted me in August and asked if I could help fulfill a birthday wish for her husband Bob. They had purchased 14 acres of mountain property with a plan to build a summer home and needed to build a perimeter fence in order to keep their neighbor's cattle out. Bob's request was to have over 140 six foot T-posts and 6 spools of barbed wire transported to the top of their property by some means other than himself.

I agreed to go take a look at the potential project and determine if we would be able to take it on. I loaded Bullet in the van, threw in a pack with a lunch and my water bottle. When I arrived at their property Saturday morning, the Priesters were very excited by the prospects of the llama work party. Their property was beautiful with many varieties of trees, wildflowers, birds and fresh evidence of deer, elk, and bear.

Bob had already carried several T-posts and 2 spools of wire up the hill and put in a line of wire over the previous weeks. His request to have help came when the project began taking more out of him, and his time, than he had prepared himself for. I was impressed with his determination as I looked at the large pile of T-posts and spools of wire on the ground at the base of the steep hill.

I took time to answer the usual questions about llamas and then got to work. Bullet and I spent the day walking the property with Sandy as she shared stories of their wildlife sightings and their future plans for the property. We walked along a crude footpath several times with Bob to identify the drop off locations for the posts and the wire. The suggested direction for transporting the hardware was steep the first 70 yards and less steep the remainder of the distance. The majority of the T-posts and wire needed to be transported up to the "big tree" (a 50' Engleman spruce) and the remainder to the "bird house station" on the edge of the meadow. I was pretty sure we could do it, so we struck a deal.

The project was going to require some creative problem solving. I called Bobra Goldsmith, remembering that her llamas over the years had carried some unusual loads, such as trail markers, T-posts, bed springs, and tools for trail crews. I experimented at home with some of her ideas and finally came up with my own idea using the Timberline pack frame and two pair of matched saddle cinches. (photo 2) The load was secured by forming a cradle with the cinches around the poles. Bullet and Batu practiced walking up and down our driveway with 8' fence posts. (photo 3) It was working so well I strung them together for a little added challenge. My neighbor, Gary, leaned on his fence watching me work through the problem and laughing, saying "Now there's a wreck about to happen!" I smiled. There was to be no wreck with this plan. We were ready to go to work on the mountain.

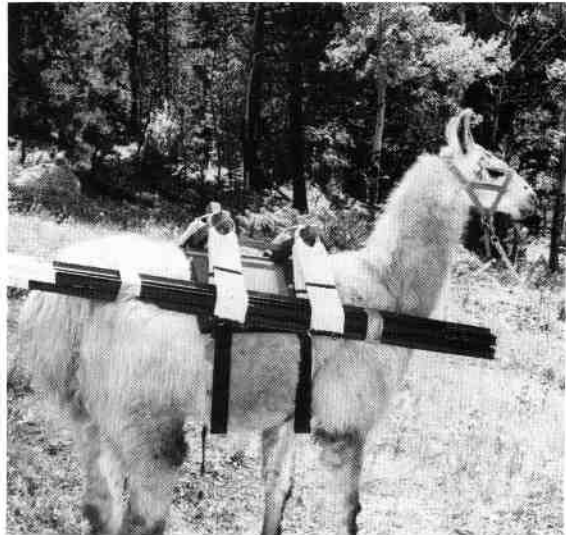
Each 6' foot T-post weighs about 7 pounds and are banded in bundles of 5. Even though my boys were in reasonable shape from being on the trail all summer, I felt that over 70 pound loads were too much to deal with for this job. The loading and off-loading for me was going to become a challenge at the very least by the end of the day. Bob and I duct-taped the posts into bundles of four, making the loads closer to 60 pounds. Duct taping the bundles made it easier to load and unload. (photo 4)

The first time I went up to the property by myself to experiment with my idea. I tried to keep the loading and unloading as simple as possible in order to conserve energy and time. The llamas were amazing. We transported 5 loads that day with the llamas strung together. (photo 5) At first the poles would slip out when the terrain became too steep. Apparently in the process of taping the T-posts together we turned all of the ridges to the inside and consequently it made the poles slip easier in the cradle, but the llamas soon figured it out. If a load would slide out they would stop and wait quietly while I made the adjustment and off we went. They quickly learned how to move with the loads through tight spots, maneuver around trees and step over big logs without the posts shifting.

The second day, Ben Riggs came along with me to help. (photo 6) This time we would move six loads of T-posts as well as transport four spools of barbed wire. Bob's plan was to mount the spool of wire on a dolly and secure it with bailing wire and have the llamas pull the dolly up the hill. Batu and Bullet are both drivers so this worked out well. They wore the breast collar from their driving harness and extensions for the traces were made with nylon rope and a couple of pieces of connecting hardware. (photos 7 **A,B,C**) The traces were attached to the handle of the dolly and the weight of the wire kept the dolly balanced and the handle well off the ground. Either Ben or I would lead one of the llamas and Bob would walk along to keep the dolly from rolling sideways when we hit logs, rocks, or Potentilla bushes. (**photo 8**) Batu and Bullet moved steadily up the hill with each trip.

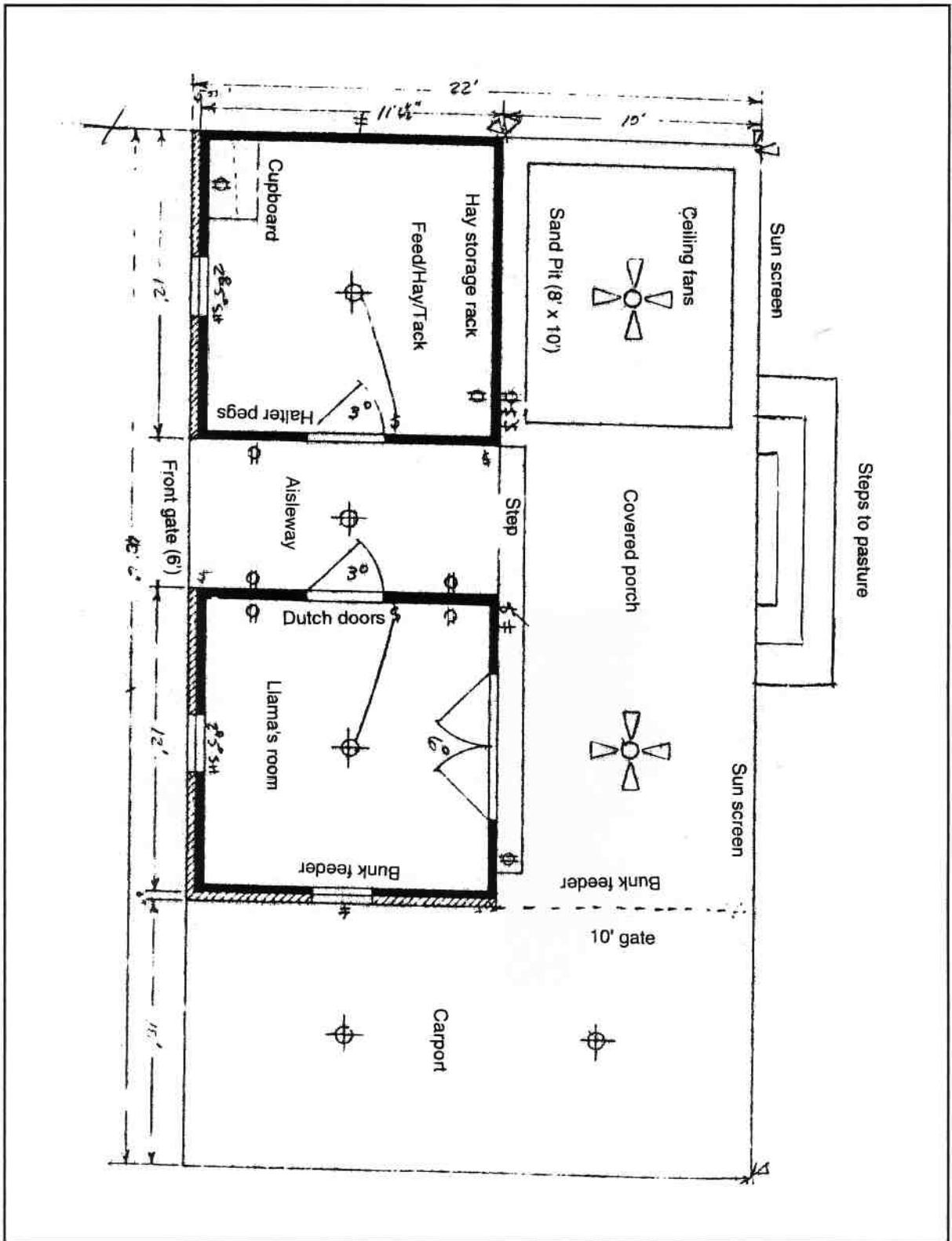
We finished the job before the late summer rains came down the valley. Waiving good-bye to Sandy and Bob, we loaded the llamas in the trailer. Having made a birthday wish come true, the llamas, Ben and Jerry, returned home very tired and a job well done.







Barn Layouts: The Small Ranch



RMLA

Membership Renewal Packet

Reminder: If you are planning to move or need to change your telephone number or e-mail address, please let us know!

You can e-mail your changes from www.rmla.com to our membership committee.

This is a reduction of the blueprint for our 'mini-barn.' We built this barn five years ago to house our two geldings. The barn floor is poured concrete throughout, which aids in keeping toenails trimmed. It is cool for the llamas in summer but they also each have an indoor/outdoor carpeted mat with rubber backing and they use these mats all winter long. During severe cold snaps, I add another length of deep pile carpet under each mat for extra insulation.

The exterior of the barn is cut dressed limestone on three sides, and siding on the pasture side. The roof has a ridge vent which provides great ventilation.

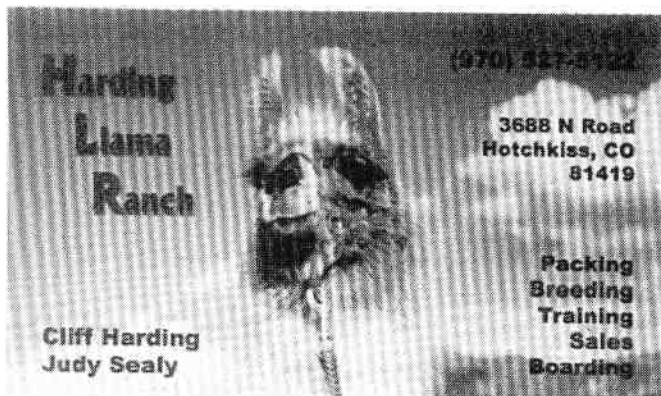
There is an 8'x10' sandpit built into the deep covered porch area which is kept wet all summer. One 29" roll-around fan sits on the diagonal on the outside corner, blowing over the sand. Another is along the 10' gate, and a third is kept inside the barn itself, by the front window. The llamas spend 99% of their time around the porch area, only going inside the barn during heavy rain. One llama eats inside, and the other in the porch area as they eat at different rates. This keeps them from fighting over food.

Hay is stored in the feed room on a rack made of metal poles and concrete blocks in order to keep the hay off the floor. Some meds, feed, electrolytes, grooming articles, etc., are kept inside the cupboards in the corner. A telephone is there, too. Halters are kept on the pegs just inside the Dutch door, easily reachable without opening the bottom of the door.

The ceiling fans were an idea that flopped! They don't adequately move air even though they are large fans. They are probably too high up to make a difference. The carport, originally designed for our van, now houses the chipper/shredder, extra fencing material, and some potted plants.

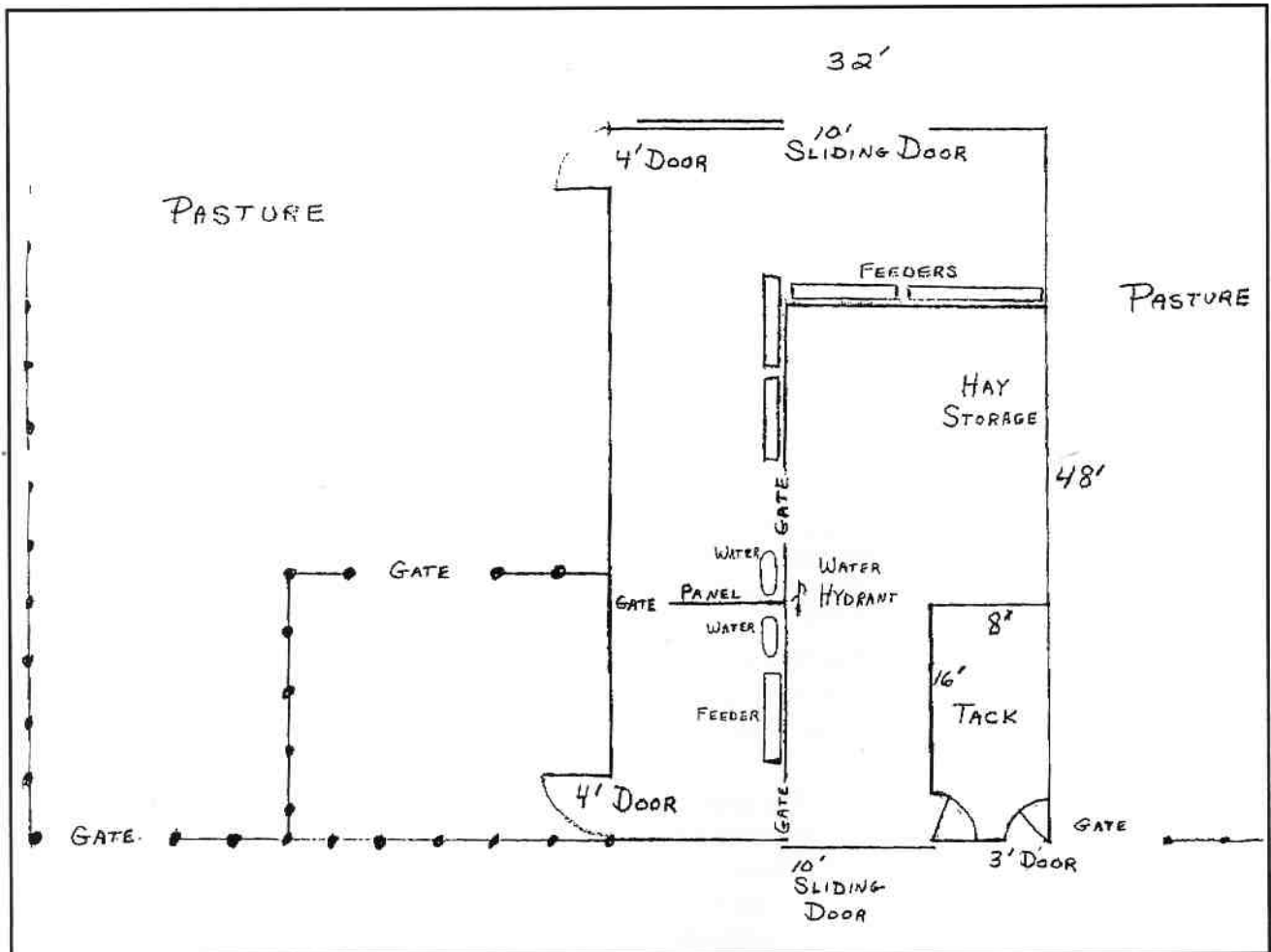
The barn has a good overhang on the pasture side and eaves, troughs, and downspouts to carry rain away from the foundation. The porch has drop-down shade cloth curtains across the pasture side, leaving open access to the pasture. The pasture area is about 1.3 acres, divided into two sections. It forms an "L" around the barn. We fenced to 8' in height to keep out deer, and that has been effective. The dogtrot area between the two rooms in the barn can be closed off with a moveable gate to confine a llama for short periods. If needed, the bottom half of the dutch doors also meet to make an even smaller space for confinement.

We have lots of electrical outlets both at floor and counter-height. The barn has two security video cameras on the porch, since the side of the house that faces the barn has only one window. We love watching the llamas on the monitor in the kitchen. We can also turn on the barn lights from the house, which is very convenient in winter when the sun sets early. There are hose bibs on three walls of the barn.



—Karen Conyngham
San Antonio, Texas

Barn Layout: The Average-Sized Herd



This is a drawing of our ladies/cria barn. A gelding llama and a wether angora goat also live with this group.

We have rearranged this barn several times over the past few years and find this current arrangement works very well for us.

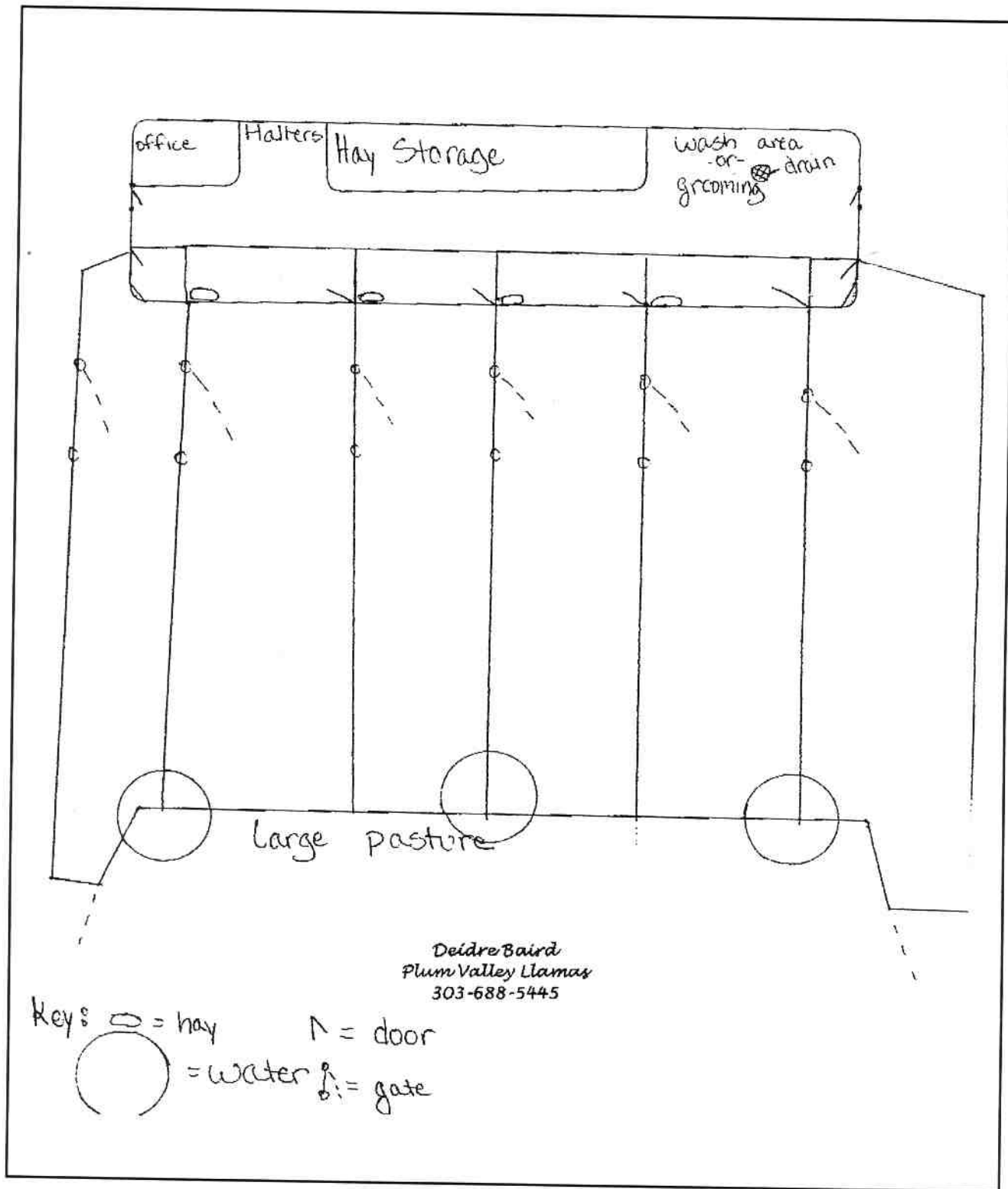
The building itself is 32'x48'. The sliding doors at each end provide excellent summer air circulation as well as tractor access. In the winter and during rainy periods, the sliders are closed and the side doors left open. The animals have access to either pasture or barn, as they wish, at all times.

When needed, the front left portion of the barn can be closed off and used, for example, as a small birthing area; yet it maintains access to both the barn and the pasture area.

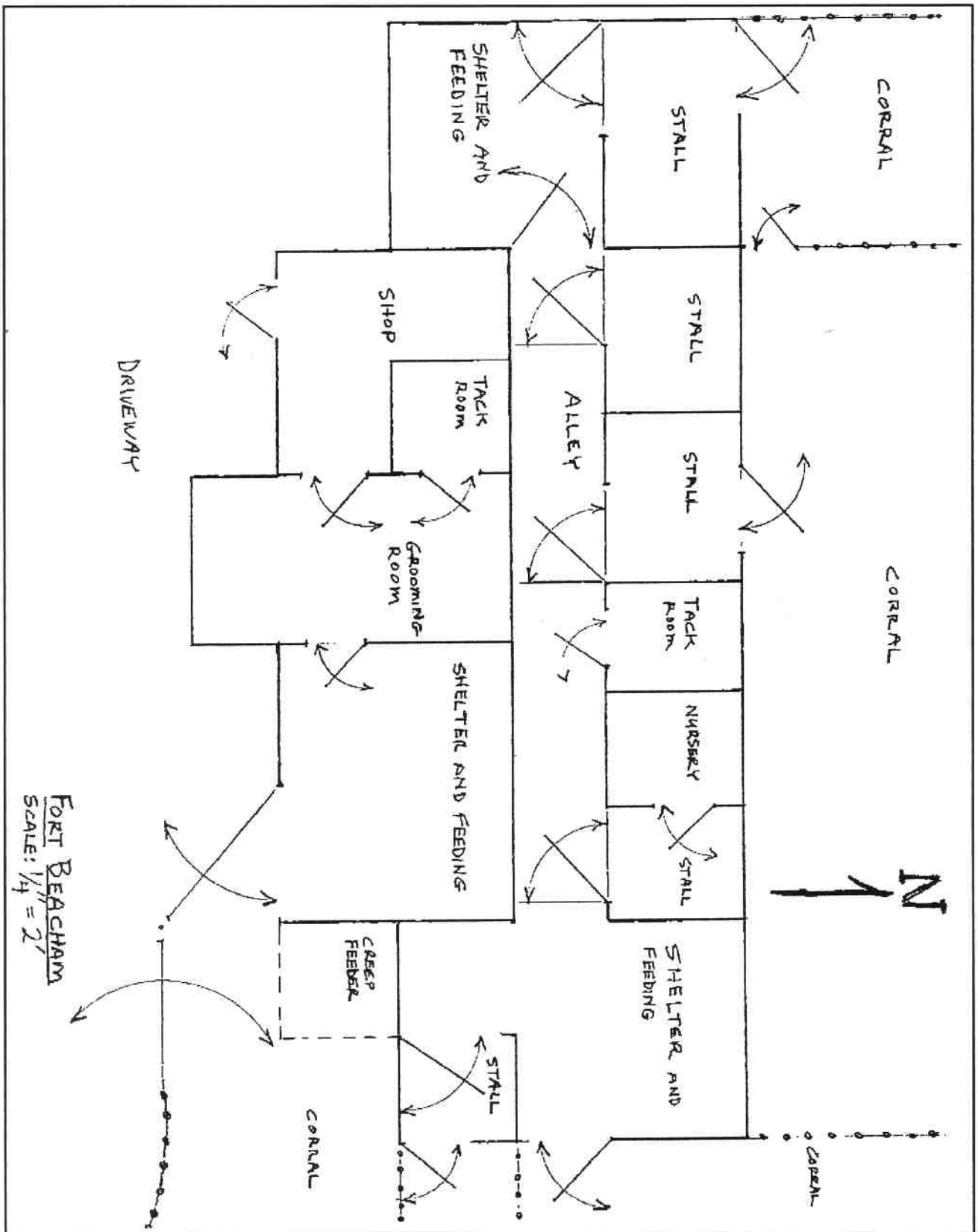
We have a separate barn for males of various ages. They don't share a common fence line with the ladies, yet they can still see them.

—Jan Adamczyk, Kiowa Creek Llamas

This summer, I visited llama ranches around Bend, Oregon. I noticed many different pasture layouts. One design that I saw was used the most, and which made sense, had one barn at the end of all the pastures. This stored hay, grain, etc. There were five or six pastures, side by side, and a larger pasture at the end of these runs. The owners kept a few pastures empty so they could rotate the llamas and the grass had a chance to grow back. —Deidre Baird, Plum Valley Llamas



Barn Layout: The Large Herd



FORT BEACHAM
SCALE: $\frac{1}{4}'' = 2'$

The Barn at Pheasant Hill Farm, Boulder, Colorado

Our barn has grown along with the herd and can now shelter over 80 llamas during inclement weather. It's a tri-level building, situated on a hill. The area from the shop to the corral with creep feeder is on the same level as the driveway. All other stalls and corrals are on the lower level. There's a hay and general storage area, not shown in the drawing, that covers both levels.

It's a pole barn with the majority of the poles set 4 feet deep on 8-foot centers. The 2 x 10 floor joists and 2 x 8 roof rafters are supported at each end by double 2 x 12 purlins. Poured-concrete retaining walls, on the south side of the alley and the feeding areas at either end, are also paneled with 2 x 10's. The exterior and interior wall structures are 2 x 6 stringers paneled on each side with 5/8 plywood. This barn is known as "Fort Beacham" and does not move during 80-mph wind storms. Our original plan called for cedar siding on the exterior -- until we discovered the llamas' affinity for chewing on it.

The interior gates are double Dutch-style, made from 2 x 6's and plywood. They're hung so they can close off sections of the alley as well as a stall. This makes it possible to expand or decrease housing areas as needed. It also makes it easy for one person to move llamas between areas. The upper gate sections, and 8' x 8' sliding doors at each end of the barn, are used to control ventilation.

Males are kept in the northwest section. Females and crias are in areas that open to the south and east. There's an automatic waterer for each group, supplemented with buckets. Feeders are either wall-mounted wood bunks or freestanding metal units.

You're welcome to stop by anytime for a tour of "Fort Beacham" and to see the latest addition.

— John and Sharon Beacham



BARN MANAGEMENT- ANOTHER VIEW

by Lynd & Jeanne Blatchford, Greenbriar Llama Karma Farm

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In the last issue, Katie Parker and Kick LeDuc of Pondview Llamas provided us with some interesting and helpful information on barn management. They asked that anyone with better ideas share them. We do not have any better ideas but we can add the perspective of new llama owners... our mistakes and successes. We have expanded the topic to also cover some of those items a new or prospective new llama owner should consider when starting up.

We recommend that prospective new llama owners visit a number of llama farms to observe a variety of approaches to barn management. We have concluded that llama owners are very innovative and are able to adapt their facilities to the needs of their llamas.

FLOORING

Our first, and biggest, mistake was to use sawdust on the floor. It would work itself deep into the coat of the heavier woolled llamas, particularly on the back of the neck. On the positive side, it is absorbent and has some great insulating properties. If you are raising light woolled llamas, you may wish to it consideration.

The Llamas loved the sawdust. They liked to roll in it. If given a chance to vote on flooring our llamas would have definitely voted for the sawdust.

When we replaced the sawdust with sand, we found:

- It did not take long for any sawdust in the coats of the llamas to work itself out.
- The llamas quickly removed hay from our hayracks and spread it out over the sand to serve as bedding. Very little hay ended up on the floor when we used sawdust (after I had put in some custom designed hayracks).

HAYRACKS

The hayracks in our barns when we moved in were the traditional barred hayracks. We observed the following deficiencies:

- The racks were too short. One or two adult llamas would monopolize the rack.
- There was a lot of spillage of hay.
- The crias found it difficult to get at the hay.

We designed our own hay feeders. Rather than being open at the sides and bottom, they are open only at the top with a cut down area at one end to enable the crias to gain access to the hay. They butt up against the walls. We used plywood and 2" x 4' studs to construct the feeders. The tops of the feeders are 33" off the ground and the bottoms are 12" off the ground. The cutouts for the crias are 14" wide and 10" deep. The distance from front to back is 20" at the top and 12" at the bottom. The tops of the feeders and the cria cutouts are all framed with 2" x 4"s. The length is constrained only by the available space. The llamas enjoy digging down into the hay. While we still have some hay spillage, it is materially reduced from the spillage we had been experiencing.

WATER

Katie and Dick mentioned the desirability of having a source of water available in the barn. We wholeheartedly concur. Our barn connects with one set of pastures and an open shed-like structure connects with another set. In the most recent cold snap the non-freezing faucet in the shed froze. A five-gallon bucket of water can become quite heavy if your have to carry it any distance.

To prevent the llama's water from freezing, we use heated buckets. This works well for our herd size (currently nine llamas) but is impractical for a larger herd. We have three buckets, which is sufficient for our herd. I check the water levels twice a day.

COMMUNICATIONS

It is highly desirable to have a telephone in your barn. If you need to talk to your vet or you are waiting for a call from a prospective buyer, it can be essential. Katie and Dick installed an underground telephone line to their barn. Our barn and shed do not have telephone connections. We have several portable phones. The base station for one of these phones is located in the second floor of

our home. It's signal easily carries to both the barns and the shed.

CHUTE

A chute is on our recommended list of llama accessories. It is most helpful when you are trimming toenails, doing heavy grooming on a skittish llama or performing medical care on the llama.

Most llama owners we have visited have constructed their own chutes and many of these have used pipes as their preferred construction material. Dick LeDuc has built wooden chutes, which are aesthetically pleasing as well as being utilitarian.

We are not similarly talented and ended up acquiring the Mallon chute. We bolted the chute to the floor of our main barn. Unless your chute cannot be tipped, we strongly urge that you bolt it to the floor for both your safety and the safety of your llama. The Mallon chute comes with back and belly straps and a video on how to use them.

SCALES

The other accessory, which we feel is necessary, is a scale. Scales are expensive and if you are handy with your hands you may wish to construct a platform scale. We purchased a digital platform scale because we had neither the time nor talent to build our own. The platform fit very neatly within the Mallon chute. This worked out quite nicely since it reduced the space taken up by these accessories and it facilitated weighing our llamas.

The digital scale readout can be dampened making it easy to read, even if the llama being weighed is rambunctious. We routinely weigh our llamas each month and, weigh one or more of them more frequently if there is something of concern. For example, when they went off pasture in the beginning of the winter I weighed them every several weeks to determine if I was too generous with their feed.

CRIA CREEP

We built a cria creep in one corner of our main barn. Our crias, after some initial work, adopted the creep with enthusiasm. We have seen a variety of creeps in our farm visits. The entrance to our creep is 22" high by 18" wide. There is a 7" high wooden flap at the top of the entrance. This flap is hinged and is held in a down position by a bungee cord. Thus the exiting space can be as high as 29", which can be helpful if a cria gets spooked or an adult somehow gains entrance.

We have one llama, Marie, who is very adept and getting into a creep. We have concluded that she kushes and wiggles to get her to where the food is. To frustrate the action I place a 2" x 4" at the bottom of the entrance with the 4" side extending upwards (the 22" measurement of the entrance is from the top of this 2x4). This worked quite well and the crias learned to step over it.

We have constructed a creep entrance in our shed but only one cria has used it, even though the entrance is somewhat larger than the creep in the barn is. We have long since concluded that merely constructing a creep is not enough, you have to work with the crias to get them to accept it.

HEALTH RECORDS

What I lack in woodworking talent, I make up for in using the computer. We have a database we have developed for maintaining the health records of our llamas.

When we are expecting the vet to call, we print off the records of each llama. We immediately enter any treatments the llamas have received.

We record registration information, weights, medical and breeding history in our database. The database is changing as we gain experience in raising our llamas.

We keep a printed copy of their latest medical records just in case there is an extended power outage and we need access to their medical information.

GENERATOR

Our farm, like most, has well water. During the aftermath of the ice storm, our well pump was out of commission until we acquired a generator. We recommend adding a generator to your list of required equipment.

BARN LIGHTING

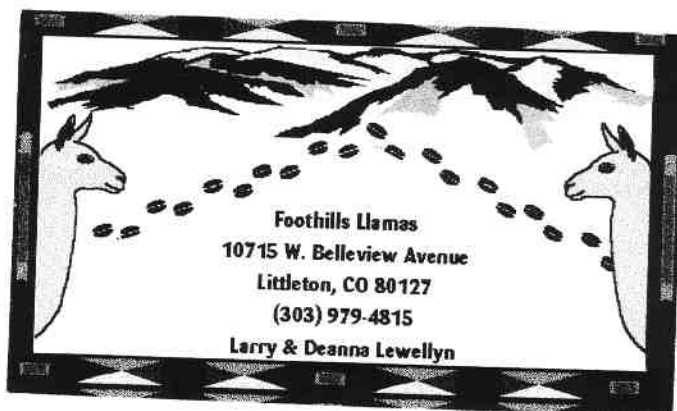
We discovered how poor the lighting in our barn was when our first cria was born. We recommend walking around the inside of your barn at night, taking a critical look at your lighting needs. Just because most crias are born in the morning, don't expect that all your crias will be so considerate.

KEEPING COOL

Although we have a prevailing breeze from the mountains, we found a fan to be a must. One of our llamas, Annalee, loves her kiddy swimming pool.

FARM EQUIPMENT

When you are working out your budget for acquisition of needed farm equipment, e.g., a tractor, consider going up one level rather than trying to scrimp. It is amazing how soon equipment you felt would be adequate, can become somewhat less so as your real needs unfold.



The Big Horn Classic Results

Basic Pack Trials

Sorpreso-Robert & Diane Tompkins, Cheyenne, WY

ALSA Intermediate Youth Judging

First-Chandra Schwartz, Big Horn, WY
Second-Kari McManus, Sheridan, WY
Third-Tiffany Coffman, Story, WY

ALSA Junior Youth Judging

First-Deidre Ann Baird, Sedalia, CO
Second-Tara Schwartz, Big Horn, WY

Adult Showmanship

First-Karen Beardon, Sheridan, WY
Second-Leta Rinker, Buffalo, WY

Youth Intermediate Showmanship

First-Tiffany Coffman, Story, WY
Second-Chandra Schwartz, Big Horn, WY
Third-Crysty Conklin, Sheridan, WY

Non-Breeder Two-Year Old

First-Cloud Peak's Polar Bear-Chandra Schwartz, Big Horn, WY

Heavy Wool Juvenile Female

First-Desiree Le Grande-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO
Second-Flojo-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-Pending-Blair & Norene Foulger, Powell, WY

Heavy Wool Female Champion

Grand-Desiree Le Grande-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO
Reserve-Flojo-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI

Heavy Wool Yearling Male

First-Brother Cadfael-Blair & Norene Foulger, Powell, WY
Second-LRL Lightning-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
Third-LRL Sam Centaurian-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Heavy Wool Two-Year Old Male

First-Wokini-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO
Second-Centageous-Jeanie Verhelst, Lodge Grass, MT

Heavy Wool Adult Male

First-DLLC Tatoo-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO

Heavy Wool Male Champion

Grand-Wokini-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO
Reserve-Brother Cadfael-Blair & Norene Foulger, Powell, WY

Light/Medium Wool Juvenile Female

First-Pending-Blair & Norene Foulger, Powell, WY

Light/Medium Wool Yearling Female

First-LRL Sequine-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
Second-Enya-Robert & Diane Tompkins, Cheyenne, WY

Youth Junior Showmanship

First-Shylan Bearden, Sheridan, WY
Second-Halley Coffman, Story, WY
Third-Deidre Ann Baird, Sedalia, CO

Sub Junior Showmanship

First-Braxton Tyree, Sheridan, WY
Second-Bridger Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-Meridith Rinker, Buffalo, WY

Sub Junior Obstacle

First-Bridger Zadina, Poplar, WI
Second-Danielle Guyton, Buffalo, WY
Third-Megan Watton, Denver, CO

Non-Breeder Adult

First-Cololama's Silver Bullet-Jerry Dunn, Golden, CO
Second-LW Ralph Lauren-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-Timberline's Natchez-Jerry Dunn, Golden, CO

Non-Breeder Champion

Grand-Cololama's Silver Bullet-Jerry Dunn, Golden, CO
Reserve-LW Ralph Lauren-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI

Heavy Wool Yearling Female

First-Liberty Moon-Carol Ann Tallmon, Florissant, CO
Second-MGF Chanson-Jerry McRoberts, Nebraska
Third-WCK KoKo-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Heavy Wool Juvenile Male

First-Paxtar-Jeanie Verhelst, Lodge Grass, MT
Second-MGF Nuevo Destino-Jerry McRoberts, Nebraska
Third-Pending-Blair & Norene Foulger, Powell, WY

Third-LRL Goose Bumps-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Light/Medium Wool Two-Year Old Female

First-Cloud Peak's Trace Banana-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
Second-Cloud Peak's Ice Princess-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI

Light/Medium Wool Adult Female

First-Cloud Peak's Cecila-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Light/Medium Wool Female Champion

Grand-Cloud Peak's Cecila-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
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Light/Medium Wool Juvenile Male

First-LRL Robert-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Light/Medium Wool Yearling Male

First-BH Carnegie Hall-Lougene Baird, Sedalia, CO
Second-Wyoming Chocolate Kiss-Kelly Nelson, Sheridan, WY
Third-Cloud Peak's Sundance-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Light/Medium Wool Two-Year Old Male

First-Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
Second-JJ-HH's Titleist-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-Rahkey-Crysty Conklin, Sheridan, WY

Light/Medium Wool Adult Male

First-PVLR Bardo's Dante-Deidre Ann Baird, Sedalia, CO
Second-Cloud Peak's Little Rascal-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI

Light/Medium Wool Male Champion

Grand-BH Carnegie Hall-Lougene Baird, Sedalia, CO
Reserve-Wyoming Chocolate Kiss-Kelly Nelson, Sheridan, WY

Produce-of-Dam

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Second-Cloud Peak's Centennial-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY
Third-Paxtar & Centageous-Jeanie Verhelst, Lodge Grass, MT

Get-of-Sire

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Advanced Obstacle

First-LW Ralph Lauren-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Second-Cloud Peak's Ice Princess-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-PVLR Bardo's Dante-Deidre Ann Baird, Sedalia, CO
Fourth-Cloud Peak's Polar Bear-Chandra Schwartz, Big Horn, WY
Fifth-Cloud Peak's Sisco Kid-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Novice Obstacle

First-MGF Chanson-Jerry McRoberts, Nebraska



Second-Cololama's Silver Bullet-Jerry Dunn, Golden, CO
Third-Timberline's Natchez-Jerry Dunn, Golden, CO

Youth Intermediate Obstacle

First-Ben Riggs, Golden, CO
Second-Chandra Schwartz, Big Horn, WY
Third-Kari McManus, Sheridan, WY

Youth Junior Obstacle

First-Deidre Ann Baird, Sedalia, CO
Second-Halley Coffman, Story, WY
Third-Courtney Brown, Florissant, CO

Advanced Public Relations

First-Cloud Peak's Little Rascal-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Second-LW Ralph Lauren-Marcy Zadina, Poplar, WI
Third-Cloud Peak's Cecila-Barb Coffman-Flinn, Story, WY

Novice Public Relations

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Advanced Pack

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Third-Cloud Peak's Polar Bear-Chandra Schwartz

Young Pack

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Novice Pack

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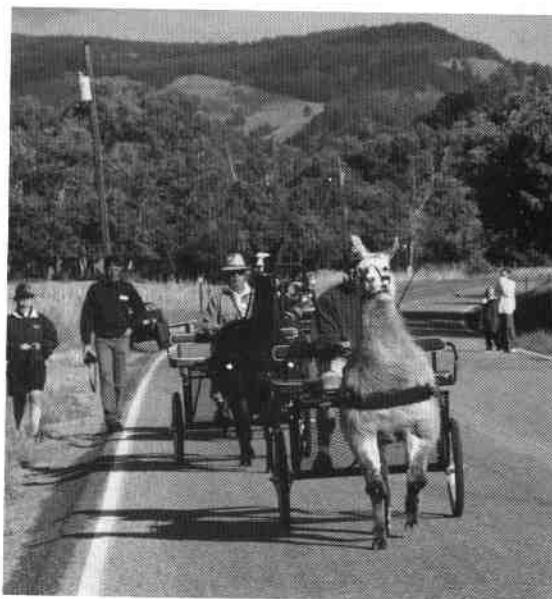
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Note from the Superintendents: The 2000 Big Horn Rendezvous has been scheduled for August 4-6.



2000 Show News

Estes Park Wool Market

Lougene Baird, Llama Show Superintendent

It will not be too long before you will be receiving in the mail your premium book for the 2000 Estes Park Wool Market Llama show. The show dates are June 16th - 18th so mark your calendars and plan to attend. Workshops will again be listed in the premium book and will be held preceding the show. If you do not receive a book by February 15, 2000, call 970-586-6104. Linda or Teri will see that you get one. The deadline for all entries to be published in the show book is May 10th. Entries after this date will incur a late fee.

We have received wonderful feedback about last year's show. Because of the positive feedback regarding the scheduling, we will again run performance in the mornings and halter in the afternoon. If you have any suggestions that you would like to make, please call me. No idea or suggestion will be ignored. The EPWM Llama Show is your show!

Thanks to all of the wonderful volunteers that made your show run smoothly. It would have been a disastrous weekend without you - all 70 of you!

The Fairgrounds Coordinator, Linda Hinze, has hired your Judges for the 2000 show. Head Judge will be John McCullough from Ruidoso, New Mexico. Judge McCullough has judged many shows throughout the US and Canada including C.O.L.A., San Antonio, the Ohio State Fair and the Western Regional. He is also an Instructor for ALSA Show Clinics.

Sandy (Burt) Wilson is second Judge and is from Rough and Ready, California. Judge Burt has judged both US and Canadian shows, including LANA, C.O.L.A., Hartford, and the Pacific Northwest Exhibition. She has raised llamas since 1984, is an avid exhibitor and teaches showmanship clinics. Judge Wilson is the author of *Llamas, An Introduction to Care, Training and Handling*.

Several "Key" volunteer committee positions have been filled.

Kathy and Steve London will be returning as Keepers of the Gate. Bob and Joan Lyons will be traveling from San Antonio, TX, again this year and both will serve as Ring Stewards. Maureen Bergenfeld will spend many hours at the desk as Head Clerk. Larry Lewellyn and Rob Knuckles will co-Chair the Performance Committee to design and build new and repair exciting obstacles. Bobra Goldsmith has volunteered to design the Performance Class Courses. Her goal is to design more challenging performance courses.

Again this year we will reward our volunteers with priority stall assignments. The more time volunteered, the better the stall assignment will be. A few key positions remain unfilled. Should you be interested in working with other fine volunteers during this fun weekend please call me (303-688-5445) and we will find a spot that will suit your talents and time schedule.

Until then, show well and enjoy your family and animals. Happy Holidays to all of you.

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Candy Corn Classic

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Lloyd Wamsley helped set up a variety of obstacles such as stairs, backing, jumps (using irrigation pipe), duck under (a side roll sprinkler section), tire sections, dead fall, logs to weave around, a bridge over an irrigation ditch, a tarp to walk on and a "muddy" ditch to cross. We also have a gulch that has water in it where the adventurous could play in the mud, cattails, do a water crossing and make their way through a bower of plum trees to practice ducking in a natural environment.

Linn & Harley Jackson brought a male llama she had rescued from a junk yard and another young male. Len Hennig had a young male who had no experience away from home; Leslie & Steve Shubert brought their male; Jonna O'Brien brought her children, a friend and three llamas, one who gives her children rides; Jerry Dunn and the Wamsley family brought three young males; Julie Pero brought her friend and two geldings; Brian and Sherrie Glynn brought their two males and Ann Cook and Nikki Jones (llama owners-to-be) borrowed two of our geldings. Each llama did their best to navigate the various obstacles with the exception of the "muddy ditch" which proved too deep so each one launched over it rather than walking down into it.

Each participant brought a dish for a pot-luck lunch which proved to be the real highlight of the day for the humans participating. We shared pictures, llama stories and experiences. Julie Pero won the drawing for a llama hair lead rope and Mitch (a friend of the O'Brien family) made the best guess to win a jar of Candy Corn.

After lunch the llamas were loaded up and all headed for home, I hope, looking forward to another gathering in the year 2000 if there is enough interest and the weather is good.



Left, Wes and Mary Mauz,
Candy Corn Classic hosts

Right, Lloyd Wamsley,
through the woods



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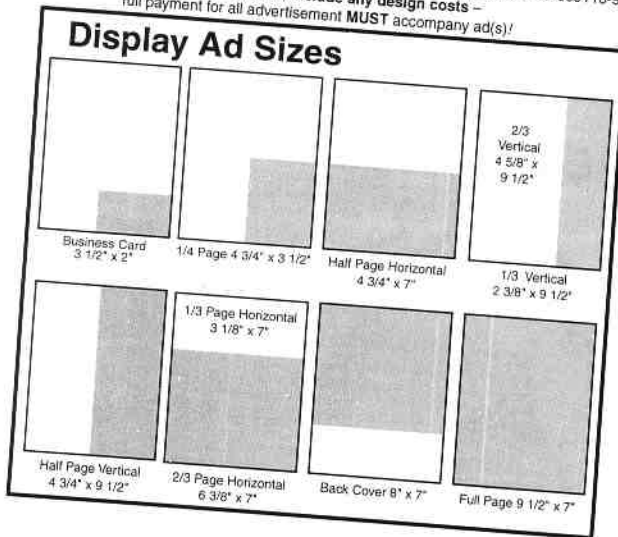
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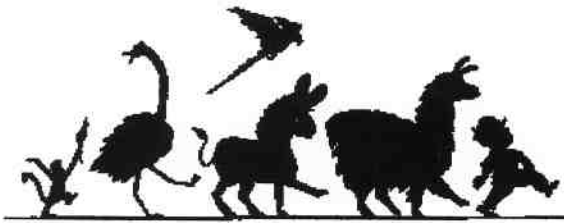
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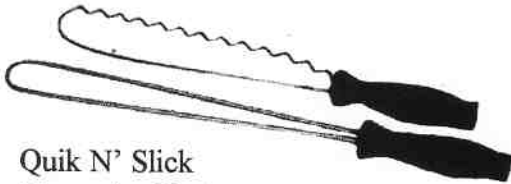
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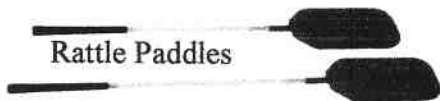


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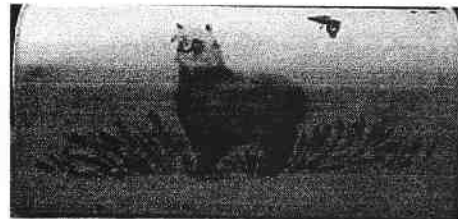
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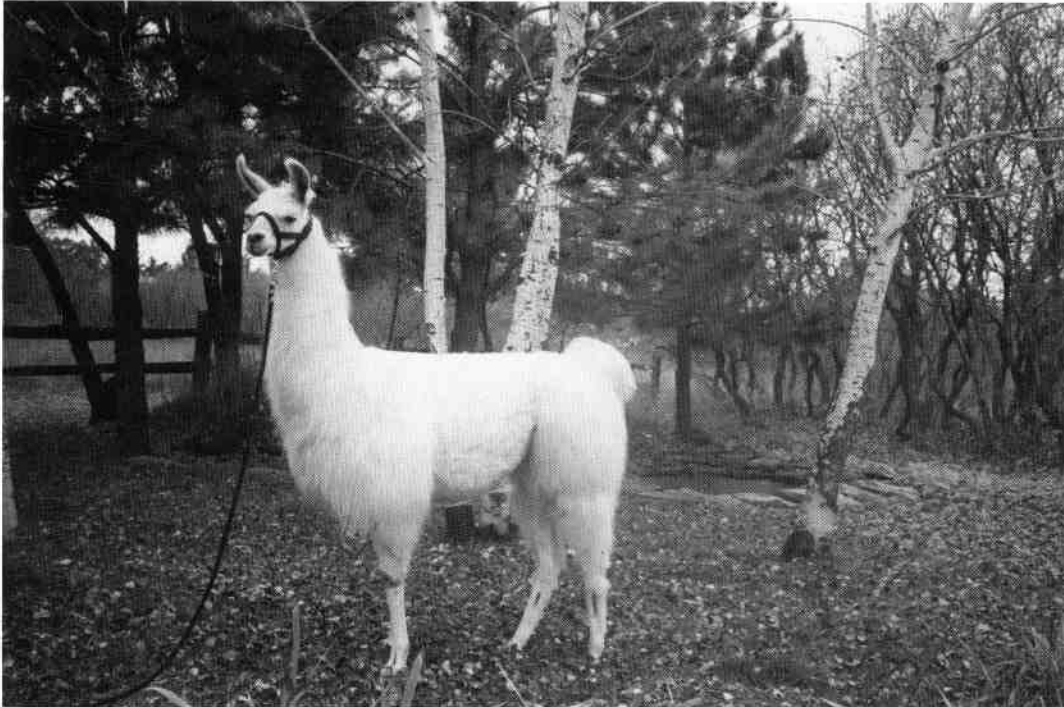
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