

2025

Grafton Age Championship

ALPACA & FLEECE SCHEDULE





Australian Alpaca Association



JUDGE : Tarayn Mathews

Closing Date: 19th APRIL 2025

FLEECE 9TH MAY 2025 HALTER 10TH MAY 2025

GRAFTON ALPACA SHOW SCHEDULE 10th MAY 2025

FEES

Animal per class **\$18.00 (GST inc.)**. Fleece per class **\$12.00 (GST inc.) Pen cost \$10.00 (GST inc.)** Sires Progeny Classes: **\$10.00 (GST inc.)** per class group of **TWO** Progeny.

ENTRY PAYMENT

Electronic Payment through online eAlpaca. www.ealpaca.com.au

ENTRY TO SHOWGROUNDS

TICKETING ONLINE - Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Society Ltd. Please note <u>www.graftonshow.com</u> for ticket details.

DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS

All fleeces for judging to be posted or delivered to the Grafton Show Secretary by FRIDAY 2ND MAY 2025 (Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Society Ltd, PO Box 61, GRAFTON NSW 2460)

Alpacas have access into the Showground on Friday 9TH MAY or from 6am on Saturday 10TH MAY 2025 All alpacas must be penned no later than 8.00 am on Saturday morning. ALL VEHICLES ONCE UNLOADED ARE TO BE PARKED OUTSIDE THE SHOWGROUND IN VILLIERS STREET.

ENTRY & HERD HEALTH DECLARATION FORMS

All exhibitors should note the Declaration on the eAlpaca entry form, and ensure that they can comply with all the conditions, particularly noting those dealing with animal health. Alpacas travelling interstate must comply with NSW Department of Industry requirements. A health certificate and travel permit must be obtained prior to entry into NSW for interstate breeders. All Queensland exhibitors must travel with a waybill or travel permit. Contact your local DPI.

Grafton is in a tick free zone of NSW. All stock entering these grounds MUST be tick free.

Ex-tick infected areas: Exhibitors must contact their local animal health authority at least two weeks prior to the show to ensure all required paperwork and tick treatments are organised.

Ex-tick restricted areas: Exhibitors should contact their local stock office at least two weeks prior to the show to arrange necessary paperwork/treatments.

Ex tick free areas: Require a completed I only.

SHOW CELEBRATION: Saturday Night; Grafton RSL Mary Street Grafton – 7.30pm.



GRAFTON ALPACA SHOW GRAFTON SHOWGROUND (Pic ND 285699)

ALPACA SECTION SCHEDULE

(Type of Show – Age Halter, Fleece)



JUDGING

Fleece Classes – 9^{TH} MAY 2025 Halter Classes - 10^{TH} MAY 2025

ENTRIES CLOSE: 19TH APRIL

JUDGE: Halter Classes – Fleece Classes – TARYAN MATHEWS TARYAN MATHEWS

COLIN GLASSER

HEAD STEWARD:

CONVENOR:

PAULINE GLASSER 0419986554

ENTRIES & FEES PER:

eAlpaca.com.au.com.au

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The General Regulations of *Grafton Alpaca Show* appearing in this Schedule form part of these AAA Ltd. approved conditions of entry. In the event of any inconsistency between the General Regulations and these conditions, the General Regulations shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency unless the General Regulations provide otherwise. This Show will be conducted under the Rules of the Australian Alpaca Association Ltd. as set out in the current AAA Ltd. Showing Rules Manual. All exhibitors should read the conditions on the entry documents and this schedule and ensure that they can comply with those conditions before completing the entry form, particularly noting the condition dealing with animal health. Failure to complete the online entry form will render all alpacas of an exhibitor ineligible to be exhibited. Please note that only the registered owner of an exhibit, or his/her authorised agent may complete the entry process. The registered owner of an exhibit must be a financial member of the AAA. Alpacas travelling interstate must comply with that State's relevant Department requirements.

Period of Exhibition - Alpacas must be penned by 8AM on 10^{TH} MAY at GRAFTON SHOW GROUNDS - VILLIERS ST GATE. and may not be removed from the event grounds until the convenor advises at the end of the show.

Biosecurity - Exhibitor / Competitor Responsibilities

Exhibitors and competitors are responsible for understanding and discharging their obligations in relation to animal welfare, traceability and biosecurity of livestock and animals within their care.

- Exhibitors / competitors must not bring sick or injured livestock to an event.
- Livestock are loaded and transported in accordance with the <u>Australian</u> <u>Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Land Transport of Livestock</u>, including the <u>Is the Animal Fit to Load guidelines</u>.
- Livestock attending the event must be accompanied by the relevant state/territory movement document/s. Check if the South Amercian Camelid Health Declaration and Waybill is required in your area. The <u>South American Camelid Health Declaration and Waybill</u> is required to be completed by all participating Alpaca CheQA studs. If required this document is to be provided either electronically <u>cpg4764@bigpond.net.au</u> or hard copy on the day to a nominated person within the event committee.
- All alpacas must be appropriately identified according to state legislation, including IAR tag or NLIS tag as applicable.
- Livestock are not permitted to graze in shared areas. Grazing at the grounds is at the risk of the exhibitor.
- Do not allow livestock or companion animals to share common water sources (where practical).
- Ensure livestock and companion animals go into a clean yard or pen upon arrival.
- Facilities in which livestock and companion animals are housed are to be kept clean and free of manure for the duration of the event. This includes feeding and watering facilities.
- Exhibitor / competitor vehicles that are onsite should be clean of gross contaminants such as mud and manure

- Exhibitors must supply fit-for-purpose livestock feed for ruminants that does not contain restricted animal material (RAM).
- All exhibitors / competitors should minimise unnecessary contact with other exhibitors' / competitors' livestock and companion animals and should wash hands thoroughly after handling animals.
- Exhibitors should also limit sharing of equipment and tack. Any equipment bought onto the site must be brought to the event clean.
- Livestock and companion animals that become sick whilst at the showgrounds are to remain in their housed area or the dedicated isolation pen and must be reported to the Chief Steward/Event Biosecurity Manager or Event Veterinarian immediately. Keep other livestock, companion animals and people away from the animal until directed by the Event Veterinarian or Chief Steward/Biosecurity Event Manager.
- Livestock returning home should be isolated for 10-21 days and kept under observation for any signs of disease.
- Exhibitors are responsible for complying with NLIS, animal movement requirements and other biosecurity requirements where applicable.

At any time that a vet is called to an alpaca during a show the Chief Steward or Convenor will include details of this in their Convenor Report submitted to the Showing and Judging Committee and AAA Office post show.

Advertising

Advertising/promotional material is permitted within the bounds of the standard pen height for that show. For sale signs are not permitted. Display/promotional alpacas are not permitted. Ribbons won at any other previous show are not permitted.

Paid commercial exhibits/sponsors are an exception to the above and are to be arranged in consultation with the relevant Show Committee.

A handler shall be deemed to be incorrectly attired if his/her dress or the animal being led displays any information capable of being construed as advertising for any stud.

Companion animals and dogs – <u>Rule 53 Showing and Judging Rules Manual</u> Special permission to bring a companion alpaca must be obtained from the Convenor or Chief Steward prior to submission of the entry form, otherwise no companion alpacas will be permitted. No dogs are permitted into the precinct of where Show animals are being penned or shown in the ring. Guide Dogs are exempt

Inspection of Exhibits Rule 30 & 46 Showing and Judging Rules Manual

All alpacas must be registered with the Australian Alpaca Association Ltd. And carry an approved brass tag showing the alpaca's IAR number or NLIS Tag. No alpaca may have any visible genetic faults or visible physical disfigurement.

No animal shall be eligible for exhibition if it is not entire (except for wethers). All genitalia shall be complete, properly formed and proportioned for normal reproduction.

The Convenor, together with the Show Committee shall appoint a person, or persons, as a qualified inspector, or inspectors, who shall inspect all alpacas for colour, gender and IAR number to ensure they are entered in the correct class. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure their exhibit does not have any disqualifying faults.

NOTE: If there is no IAR/NLIS tag present in the ear of an exhibit, official Association confirmation either in hard copy or electronically must be provided by the owner to the Chief Steward that the ear tag has been recently lost and that a new tag has been ordered and paid for. Failure to present such advice at inspection will result in disqualification of the animal.

The Inspector or Chief Steward will classify all entries for age, sex and colour and has the power to transfer an exhibit to the class which, in his/her opinion, it should have been entered. The Chief Steward will combine or split classes as he/she sees fit.

The inspection of all alpacas will commence upon arrival or no later than **on arrival (consult convenor)** Alpacas not in their allocated pens and available for inspection at the official time may be disqualified by the Chief Steward. Exhibitors must be in attendance at the time of the inspection and will be required to assist. **The exhibitor or their agent is to bring each animal to be inspected to the side of the pen to facilitate inspection. Inspectors are not to enter the pens of any exhibitor unless they follow strict biosecurity measures (eg. Disposable booties or proper use of disinfectant mat).**

Short Fleeced Show Rules

a) suri fleece shall have a recommended minimum fleece length of 30 mm. b) huacaya fleece shall have a recommended minimum fleece length of 20mm.

Exhibits shall not have fleece of a different colour to that of the blanket removed from an animal to a level below that of the blanket fleece.

Any alpaca found to have lice infestation must be removed from the showgrounds, or if this is not possible, be placed into an isolation pen set up for this purpose, along with any other alpacas present that belong to the same exhibitor.

Exhibitors' Meeting - Chief Steward

The Chief Steward requests that all exhibitors attend a meeting in the show ring at **8.30** 10th may to be briefed on Show procedures.

Judging

Judging will commence at 9am

The Judge's decision shall be final. He/she may choose not to award a prize or prizes in a class. A judge may award a first ribbon in a class but choose not to award a Championship and/or Reserve Championship ribbon. A handler/exhibitor may not discuss with the Judge their alpacas or proposed exhibits prior to, or during the Show judging. All handlers leading stock in the judging ring or parade shall wear the official show ring uniform which comprises the AAA black shirt and/or the AAA black vest. The vest may be worn over the AAA shirt or a plain black shirt (with either long or short sleeves). These are worn with black trousers or a long black skirt and clean brown or black closed in shoes. All handlers showing animals must be competent in the handling of their exhibit, or removal from the ring may be requested by the Judge. It is recommended that small children not exhibit large animals that they cannot `control.

All exhibitors shall, on the day of the Show, obtain their pen position and animal exhibit card numbers from the appropriate Steward, unless previously forwarded to them. The animal exhibit number card of the exhibit must be worn and clearly displayed by the handler whilst in the show ring. The age of the alpaca and the age of fleece, in months, will be displayed on the card. All exhibitors must place their animals in the pens allotted by the Show Stewards and must not be moved or removed except by order of the Chief Steward

Fleeces

All fleeces being exhibited (including wether fleeces) must be from alpacas registered on the IAR/NLIS and be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. All exhibitors must be AAA financial members.

Fleeces are to be lodged *Secretary Grafton Show Society Prince St Grafton* **2460** If you are unable to do this, please ensure you drop off prior to one of the designated fleece drop off points. Only one fleece that has been shorn in the 18 months prior to the Show may be shown from any one animal. It is recommended that fleeces be placed in bags, made of satin or similar material, or heavy-duty plastic. Plastic garbage bags should be avoided.

Exhibitors, when submitting fleeces at the Show, must attach the appropriate identification document as requested by the convenor.

All Rule Violation, Misconduct and Protests

Refer Rule 39 & 40 Showing Rules Manual



Alpaca Fleece Competition Identification Form

Class	Name of Alpaca including prefix	IAR /NLIS No.	Date of Shearing	Age of Alpaca when shorn (in months)	Age of Fleece * (in months)	Colour

*Age of Fleece means time between this shearing and previous shearing if any.

Name of Exhibitor:__

Stud Name:

Mobile Number:

How will the fleece be returned:_



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