West Shires Alpaca Group

Committee Meeting

Date	4.5.2021 (22)
Location	Zoom meeting
Attendees	Iain Sharp, Anne Cheston, Roger Mount, Trish Tatchell, Liz Welch
Apologies	

AGM	Action	Due Date
1.1		

Financial	Update	Action	Due Date
2.2	13/4/2021		
	£8524 after payment to the judge for last year's fleece show		
	10 Nov 2020		
	£7153.87		
	16 Sept 2020		
	£7065		
	18 Aug 2020 Approx £6900 after fleece show expenditure although		
	some sponsorship and couriers monies are still outstanding		
	21-Jul-20 – No update		
	9-Jun-20 – No progress.		
	12-May-20 – No update.		
	16-Mar-20 - We still have outstanding sponsorship payments from the		
	Midland Show – Jay and Roger to chase outstanding sponsorship		

Shows	2021	Action	Due Date
3.1	Three Counties Fleece Show,		
	04.05.2021		
	Fleeces sent to: Abberley Alpacas		
	Venue: Great Whitley Village Hall		
	Judge: Mary Jo has confirmed		
	Judge accommodation: either Anne and Iain or The Pub, M-J to decide		
	RM reported no response from members regarding sponsorship, he	RM	
	will approach the usual people.		
	13/04/2021		
	Roger to confirm with Mary Jo		
	lain to book date with Abberley Village hall if possible		
	Send sponsorship email to members ahead of outside sponsors, Roger	IS	complete
	to send Trish details, Trish to email members	RM/TT	complete
	23 Feb 2021		
	Three Counties Fleece show to be held the weekend of 24 th /25 th July.		
	lain to ask TC if they will provide rosettes	IS	
	Roger to ask Mary Jo to Judge, venue TBC,	RM	complete

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	fleeces to be delivered to Abberley Alpacas, Trish to set up software and do weighing	тт	July 2021
3.2	West Midland Show 4.5.2021 Date: 6.11.2021, set up on Friday 5 th , access on 7 th should we need to finish clearing up Venue: Three Counties Show Ground, Avon Hall Entries: 160	RM	
	Judge: TBC, Roger to approach judges Duncan to put in diary	RM	
	23 Feb 2021 Iain to call Richard at TC to provisionally book 13/14 th Nov 2021 with no cancellation fees because if the Goodlife show goes ahead we won't need this date.	IS	Completed, date 5/6 th Nov
	05 Jan 2021 Roger to call TC to book 13/14 Nov 2021 10 Nov 2020	RM	completed
	Roger has not contacted Val, indeed it was agreed that we couldn't make any plans regarding shows until we have some idea where the covid thing is going.		Moved on!
3.3	Royal Three Counties/ Goodlife 04.05.2021		moved on.
	It was decided that we couldn't have a halter show here because - Mid week - Too soon for short fleece too late for full fleece - Composite shows weren't popular	IS	ASAP
	If an alpaca presence is required Jay and Hilary are happy to take animals and we'll ask other members is they would like to take some animals and their products to sell if TC would like us to.	тт	ASAP When lain confirms that this is required
	13/04/2021 IS feels that the Goodlife show is in the balance. He will seek confirmation from TC regarding this show by the end of April as we need to be able to put a firm date in the BAS calendar ASAP before another group gets our date.	IS	30/04/21
	Update from Iain 08/03/2021 Email confirmation received that the Three Counties have held the Avon hall 6/7 Nov 2021 for us for Midland Halter Show.		
	If however, the Goodlife Festival goes ahead in October they've agreed to let us pull out of the November date with no obligation because we'd be adding content to the Goodlife Show which is a draw and they know we can't do both!		
	23 Feb 2021 The Goodlife show in May is now postponed until October. Date TBC 05 Jan 2021		

The RTC has been split into three smaller shows this year for Co	ovid RM	complete
reasons.		
Following a discussion Iain had in December with Richard Heat	h at the	
TC Showground we have been offered to hold our halter show	as part	
of the Smallholders/Good Life Show on the 22 nd and 23 rd May.	We	
have been allocated a 25m bay in Wye Hall with an option on a	a further	
18m to accommodate the alpacas and the show ring. This wou	ld cost	
£850 (which may include rosettes). It is felt that we are the ma	ain	
event for this show which will also include rabbits, bees & hon-	ey,	
pygmy goats, poultry display and possibly the dairy goats.		
Roger has tried to gain some information regarding the level of		
interest we could expect from potential exhibitors via Duncan	with no	
success via email, he will phone him.		

Membe	rship	Action	Due Date
4.1	4.5.2021 In principle covid restrictions will be lifted on June 21 st , therefore it was decided to restart membership from 1.7.2021.		
	Liz to email members with this 16 Sept 2020 Liz has kindly agreed to be membership secretary. It was agree d to suspend membership subs for 12 months due to Covid as we are not offering members any value added. 18 Aug 2020 A new membership secretary needs to be appointed, meantime someone will gather the information from JB 25-Sep-19 – Only two members have not renewed.	LG	ASAP
	17-Jul-19 – Reconciliation has been carried out on a number of occasions. IS to follow up on those that have renewed but not paid. A number of members have not renewed their membership these are to be contacted directly one last time! 13-May-19 – There needs to be a reconciliation between the bank and	JB 7/17 IS 6/9	Complete
	membership renewals to ensure that those that have renewed have paid. IS to chase any that haven't paid. 16-Apr-10 – Membership renewal – first email has been sent out. Another to be sent now and end of April.	JB 5/9	Complete

Website/So	cial Media/Newsletter	Action	Due Date
6.1	10 Nov 2020		
	The Autumn Newsletter was emailed out to members on 19 Oct,		
	thanks to Anne for putting it together.		
	16 Sept 2020		
	Anne has received an article from Victoria.	RM	
	Roger will get his 2 articles re Porschia's death and the fleece show to		
	Anne asap.		
	Other inclusions will be a message about membership subs and some		
	of the fleece show results.		
	18 Aug 2020 Anne offered to pull together the next newsletter to		
	include the write up of the fleece show and an article from a		complete

member, PR for members who do walking, farm visits, fibre	
processing etc if they would like to be included.	
Victoria's Pride of Birmingham	

Events		Action	Due Date
7.1	4.5.2021 First social event for the group to be held on 7 th Aug yeh! 16 Sept 2020 All events are on hold. Committee discussed and agreed they were not in favour of a zoom presentation and covid restrictions prohibit anything else for the time being. 18 Aug 2020 C'mas do, same format as last year, 5.12.2020 AGM 25.2.2021 (both Covid dependant) Maybe a group zoom meeting with Jay debunking TB myths Additional events to be planned for the year: Handling: Jay Parasite Workshop: Bob Broadbent – Roger to approach TB – Debunking TB myths: Jay Husbandry/BBQ: Jay	RM 10/9	On Hold
7.2	11 Nov 2020 We discussed the possibility of a zoom presentation from Jonathan Guy sometime before Christmas, or at AGM. Iain to contact Jonathan	RM/IS	On hold

AOB		Action	Due Date
8.1	13/4/2021 Email to go to all members for their contributions to a list of alpaca knowledgeable vets	т	complete
8.2	13/4/2021 Seek clarification from Anne Price regarding the cost of the plasma drive ahead of resending the information	тт	complete

Next Meeting: Tues 1st June – Zoom meeting