

# Florida Alpaca & Llama Association Inc.

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**FALL 2022** 

# Letter from the President

Happy Fall, FALA Folks,

So here we are, another Summer in the books. Hopefully, you and your critters handled the stress of this crazy season. Our hearts still go out to those who are still recovering from lan. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist.

Hoping to see everyone at the November Annual Meeting and Hike on the 13th at the Withlacoochee River Park in Dade City. Bring something to share for our potluck lunch and come enjoy the day.

The Florida Camelid Community is indeed getting smaller; it is so important to support our organization. Participate, pay your membership, buy a calendar or twelve, and help us continue to help others.

We are Thankful going into this Holiday Season to all of you who are part of our Florida Camelid Family.

Mary Rose Collins FALA President

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## 2023 FALA Calendar

Pre-order your 2023 FALA Calendar today!

Email Mary Rose at <a href="mrc604@tampabay.rr.com">mrc604@tampabay.rr.com</a>

Sponsor copies 8.00, Member copies 10.00, Non-Member 12.00. Get your order in today will be delivered at the November Meeting or shipped directly to you.

# Florida State Fair Llama Fiber Show

The entry deadline for the FL State Fair Llama Fiber Show is quickly approaching. Online or paper entry form deadline is Friday, December 9, 2022. The actual item or Shorn Fleece is due January 12-14, 2023, a little earlier than last year.

Judging Criteria is slightly different for each division but any item or yarn made from Llama & Alpaca Fibers must be made of at least 60% Llama (Llama, Alpaca, Paco-Vicuna or Guanaco) and up to 40% of other natural fiber.

This first link is to the Creative Living Competition main page in the handbook: <a href="https://floridastatefair.com/creative-living/">https://floridastatefair.com/creative-living/</a>

This link goes directly to the Fiber Arts section: <a href="https://floridastatefair.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023-Fiber-Arts-Handbook.pdf">https://floridastatefair.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023-Fiber-Arts-Handbook.pdf</a>



# SSLA Fall Pack Trials

Ellaberry Llama Farm
4178 Old Clear Creek Rd
Hendersonville, NC 28792
November 19 & 20, 2022
This is a PLTA Sanctioned Event
Advanced and Basic Courses
For Registration Contact
Mary Rose Collins
mrc604@tampabay.rr.com
by November 10,2022
For site Information Contact
Donna Justice
Ellaberryllamafarm@gmail.com



# 2023



# FALA Winter Classic Alpaca and Llama Show Florida Classic Park 5360 Lockhart Rd Brookville, FL January 28 & 29, 2023





Join us for a fun, educational and a rewarding day!
All levels welcome first time, novice, and experienced exhibitors.
Halter and Performance Classes.
Visit www.falainc.com/FWC for entries and information



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### **FALA Winter Classic**

ALPACA / LLAMA SHOW Saturday, January 28, 2023 Flori 5360 Broc

### SPONSOR FORM

The FALA Winter Classic is a one day show for all Florida alpaca and Ilama ranches wishing to participate in Halter and Performance classes. The event will also feature vendors and food trucks. Spectator admission is free.

- As a Sponsor your name / company name will be added to all FALA Winter Classic advertisements and FALA website.
- During the event, sponsors may setup an advertising table at no charge.
  - o Show starts at 8:00 AM and ends at approximately 5:00 PM
  - Sponsor fee is \$25.00.
  - Please make checks payable to FALA Inc.
  - Mail this form, the check and any business cards or flyers that you wish to be displayed at the event to FALA 26093 Olympia Road, Brooksville FL 34601.
    - NOTE: You may also bring business cards or flyers on the day of the event to have displayed at the Sponsor tables.

Sponsor Name:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
Business Type:		
Veterinary:	Shearer:	Breeder:
Other:		
Services include:		



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#### VENDOR FORM

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- Show starts at 8:00 AM and ends at approximately 5:00 PM
- Vendor fee for a 10 x 10 area is \$25.00.

FOR CONSIDERATION, PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM BELOW AND EMAIL TO <a href="mailto:jprevite@verizon.net">jprevite@verizon.net</a>

Vendor Name	Email
Contact Name	Phone
Products Sold	
FALA 26093 Olympia Road,  Once the vendor area is  DISCLAIMER: If approved for paragrees to abide by the rules and	Brooksville FL 34601.  full, we will accept considerations and add to a waiting list.  rticipation in the event, the undersigned has read, understands, and regulations established FALA WINTER CLASSIC SHOW and understands in loss of assigned space and termination of participation.
participate at the event. You also and volunteers from and against	t once participation fees are paid, there will be no refunds, if unable to o agree to indemnify and hold harmless FALA Inc. and all their directors t all liability (including personal injury, property damage and death) sses, and fees including attorney's fees arising out of or related to any on in this event.
Electric power will not be provid	led at the event.
Signature	

# FALA Members having fun in the show ring









# International Camelid Institute

# Assessing an Animal Prior to Calling Your Veterinarian

It is very important to call your veterinarian any time there is a medical problem with one of your animals. When you call your veterinarian, being able to report some basic information about the animal and its environment can greatly improve the veterinarian's ability to assess the situation and determine the steps required to resolve the problem.

The following guide can help you report the information that will be most beneficial to your veterinarian. More in-depth explanations can be found by watching the ICI video "Examining Your Animal before Calling Your Veterinarian".

### 1) Check Respirations

- For the most accurate results, check respirations before handling the animal.
- Watch the chest movement: does it appear to be even and regular or rapid and shallow?
- Look at the nostrils: is there excessive flaring of the nostrils?
- Assess respiratory rate by counting the number of breaths taken in a 15-second period and multiplying by four to get "breaths per minute".

#### 2) Heart Rate

- If you have a stethoscope, place the bell against the chest wall, behind the elbow (either side); count the number of beats in a 15-second period, then multiply by four to get "beats per minute". You can hear what a "normal" heart sounds like on the video.
- If you do not have a stethoscope, place your hand over the same area and feel the beats for a 15-second period, multiply by four.

### 3) Temperature

 Restrain the animal so that you are able to lift its tail to insert the thermometer into the rectum; a quick-reading digital thermometer is recommended for accuracy and to lessen discomfort to the animal.

### 4) Mucous Membranes

- Check the color of the third eyelid by pulling lower lid down; it should be pink make note if it is bright red or very pale.
- Check the gums by pressing on them, waiting 2-3 seconds to make sure color returns.

#### 5) Listen for C1 contractions

 This is done by placing the stethoscope over the C-1 compartment of the stomach, on the left side of the animal, behind the last rib and listening for 2-3 minutes (see picture below). Normal gut sounds will sound like soft, rolling thunder (you can hear this on the video).



# **2022 Calendar of Events**

### November 13 — FALA Annual Meeting and Hike

Withlacoochee River Park, Dade City, FL Bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch 9am Hike until 11:30am FALA Meeting and Election Results to follow Lunch

November 19-20 — SSLA Fall Pack Trial, Ellaberry Farm, Hendersonville, NC

For Registration contact May Rose Collins, <u>mrc604@tampabay.rr.com</u>
For Site information contact Donna Justice, <u>Ellaberryllamafarm@gmail.com</u>
See flyer on page 2 for more information

### December 9 —FL State Fair Llama Fiber Show Entry Form Deadline

- ★ Need to re-home a llama or alpaca? Contact Claudia Hammack, <u>llamachick@yahoo.com</u>
- ★ Youth interested in showing a llama or alpaca for FFA, 4-H, or for fun? Contact Tracy Weaver, <a href="mailto:lotsallamas@earthlink.net">lotsallamas@earthlink.net</a>

