

Curriculum Vitae

Alpaca Halter Judge, Fleece Judge and Judge Trainer

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Marital Status

Married with 2 children. Oliver and Georgia.

Education

1994 Graduated with university entrance chemistry, biology, English and mathematics from Marist Regional College – Burnie, Tasmania, Australia.

1998 Graduated from the University of Tasmania with a science degree majoring in aquaculture and minors in microbiology and biochemistry.

Judging Qualifications (Alpaca)

The British Alpaca Society (BAS)
Status: Certified Judge – Halter and Fleece: 2006
Level 3 Completed: September 2005
Level 2 Completed: September 2005
Level 1 Completed: March 2005

General Alpaca Experience

I grew up in Australia with alpacas and was involved in many facets of my family's alpaca herd, which we started in 1994. I was mainly involved in alpaca selection, breeding, showing, fibre harvesting and sales. As well as my involvement with the family herd I also held a position on the Australian Alpaca Association Tasmanian Regional committee and was involved in show organisation throughout the region.



In the mid nineteen nineties I was lucky enough to spent time in Victoria with Coricancha Alpaca Stud. Here my knowledge increased further as I gained experience in large scale alpaca farming. In 1998 I graduated from the University of Tasmania with an Applied Science degree and in 2002 I came to England to work for one of the leading alpaca producers in the UK. Here I undertook a herd manager's role of approximately 170 alpacas.

Two extensive trips to Peru selecting stock for import into Europe in 2003 and 2004 increased my knowledge further as I had the pleasure of working alongside the Tijera family (Koricancha) and Rural Alianza EPS who at the time were running approximately 43000 alpacas.

I qualified as a BAS judge in 2006 and have had the privilege of judging alpaca shows all over the world. I have visited China as a selection and breeding consultant on invitation from a Chinese University and Government agency.

As my own herd of alpacas grew I left my employment and began farming full time in 2006. Along with my wife and two children we now enjoy my herd of over 350 black and grey alpacas and the breeding challenges they present.

My recent judging highlights include judging the 2011, 2018 and 2022 BAS National Show and judging the Australian Alpaca Association 25th anniversary National Show in Sydney in 2015. In March 2025 I will judge the World Alpaca Conference Show in Germany along with fellow judge Mrs. Amanda Vandenbosch.

- Tasmanian Regional Committee member of the Australian Alpaca Association (AAA), 1998 – 1999.
- BAS Show Committee member, 2005 – 2006.
- Selection of export stock in Peru 2003 and 2004.
- Herd operations manager for some 170 head of alpaca in the UK, 2002 – 2006. Tasks included, breed programme formulation, seed stock selection (Australia and Peru), fibre grading, sales, show team selection, marketing and herd management.
- Presentations and tutorials for the British Alpaca Society South West Region on Shearing, Husbandry, Fibre grading and sorting, showing, seed stock selection and breeding.
- Shown Alpacas extensively in the UK and Australia including the AAA National Show.
- Selected seed stock from Australia, New Zealand and Peru on behalf of breeders in Norway, Finland, Spain, Germany, Italy, France, Switzerland and Britain.
- Judge tutor and trainer for the British Alpaca Society since 2008.
- Chairman of the British Alpaca Society National Show Committee on and off from 2015 to 2023.
- Exported alpacas from the UK to Ireland, France, Spain, Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Czech Republic, Poland, Bulgaria, Switzerland, Italy, India and Qatar.
- Joint chair of British Alpaca Society judges 2025.

Judge Training, Judging Experience and Course Attendance

1994

- Family started breeding alpacas and established Van Diemen Alpacas in Tasmania, Australia and in the same year attended our first show, the Royal Hobart Show.

1995

- Dr Kendal Crocker. 'Alpaca nutrition and breeding practices'.

1996

- Marty McGee handling and training course.

1998

- Dr Jane Vaughn. 'Nutrition and Reproduction'.

1999

- Dr Richard Dickson. 'Mineral and trace element requirements in alpacas'.

2002

- BCA Conference – Mr Brad Smith, MS Karen Timm. 'Reproduction', Gian Lorenzo D'Alterio. 'Camelid medicine', Maggie Krieger. 'Fibre preparation for processing and showing'.

2003

- BCA Conference – Mr David Anderson. 'Veterinary care for camelids'.
- Private seminar – Mr Mike Safely. 'Breeding practices, male selection and marketing'.

2004

- Dr Julio Sumar – Alpaca Management.
- BCA Conference – Mr Chris Cebra. 'Digestive disorders and guidelines for medical success in Camelid herds'.
- Mr Eric Hoffman. 'History of camelids in South America and fibre evaluation'.
- British Alpaca Fibre Co-op. Mr David Williams. 'Fibre harvesting, handling and classing'.

2005

- Dr Jim Watts. Primary Breeders Meeting Australia.
- Mr Dominic Lane and Mrs Jill MacLoud – Fibre analysis, breeding and marketing.
- BAS Judge training.
- BAS Judges re-certification.
- Dr Jane Vaughn. 'Nutrition and Reproduction'.
- Acted as a consultant in Shanghai addressing owners of alpacas in China.

2006

- Qualified as a British Alpaca Society Halter and Fleece Judge
- Moved stock from our family farm in Australia and established Inca Alpaca Limited.
- May – Presented a one day workshop in Spain on alpaca husbandry, nutrition, breeding and selection of alpacas.
- June – Presented a one day seminar and workshop in Norway on alpaca selection, breeding, showing, husbandry, farm structure and marketing.
- July – Judged the Cumberland Show in Carlisle Cumbria. Composite show.
- July – Judged the Mid Devon Show in Tiverton Devon. Fleece on show.
- October – Presented a one day seminar and workshop in Germany for the Alpaca Association on alpaca selection for breeding and showing as well as industry and breeder marketing and development.

2007

- April – Presented a two day workshop in Finland for the Finish Alpaca Society. The practical and theoretical course covered all aspects required for a new country starting out in alpacas.
- May – Judged the French National Show. Fleece and halter classes.
- May – Judged the Northumberland show. Halter classes only.
- June – Judged 160 alpacas at the Kenilworth show. Halter classes only.
- September – Presented a two day course to the Swiss Alpaca Association on fibre characteristics, harvesting, handling and show preparation.

2008

- April – Judged the Swiss National Alpaca Show in Zurich comprising of 130 alpacas.
- April – Judged the BAS Spring Alpaca Fiesta comprising of 170 alpacas.
- May – Judged the Spanish National Alpaca Show and conducted a workshop on selective alpaca breeding.
- August - Judged the Hope Fleece Show. 40 fleece entries.
- September - Judged the Westmorland's Short Fleece Show. First show in the UK to conduct a short fleece event.

2009

- June – Presented a 2 day judging workshop in Norway for the Norwegian Alpaca Association.
- October – Judged the Alpaka Show Ost, Germany. 40 fleece entries and 160 alpacas.
- October – Judged the Yorkshire County Alpaca Show at Thirsk. 114 alpaca entries.

2010

- February – Judge 85 white suri and huacaya fleeces at the British Alpaca Futurity.
- March – Judged an International Show in Hapert Holland. Fleeces and halter classes. 35 fleeces and 160 alpacas.
- April – Judged the BAS Spring Show. Halter classes only. Approximately 130 alpacas.
- May – Judged the BAS South of England Show. 160 alpacas.
- May – Judged the Devon County Show. Approximately 140 alpacas.

2011

- March – Judged 180 suri and huacaya alpacas in one day at the Hapert Show in Holland. Also judged 30 fleeces the day before.
- **May – Judged the huacaya halter section at the British Alpaca Society National Show. 302 huacaya entries over two days.**
- September – Judged halter classes at the first ever Italian Show run by SIA.
- September – Hosted and attended a veterinary day with Karin Muller.
- September – Judged halter classes at the Romsey Agricultural Show. 90 entries.
- October – Judged halter classes at the Yorkshire Alpaca Show. 110 entries.

2012

- Judged 170 huacaya alpacas at the Royal Bath and West Show over three days.
- Judged all coloured huacaya fleeces at the 2012 World Alpaca Fleece Show at Oxford.
- September – Judged halter classes at the second Italian Show run by SIA.

2013

- March – Judged 180 suri and huacaya alpacas at the NWAG Alpaca Championship in Carlisle.
- September – Judged 85 suri and huacaya alpacas at Westmoreland Agricultural Show.
- October – Judged 97 huacaya fleeces at the Benelux Alpaca Federation National Fleece Show.
- November – Presented the Advanced Alpaca Assessment course on behalf of the BAS.

2014

- May – Judged nearly 200 alpacas at the South of England Show. Colour Championship with huacaya and suri.
- June – Judged over 60 fleeces and 160 alpacas at the Three Counties Show. Colour championship show with huacaya and suri.
- August – Judged under 100 alpacas at the Ellingham Show. Colour championship with huacaya and suri.
- October – Judges over 130 fleeces for the Alpaca Association Benelux at their National Fleece Show.

2015

- April – Judges Swedish National Show. Colour Championship with approximately 120 halter entries.
- April - BAS Foundation Alpaca Assessment. Course tutor with thirteen delegates.
- June – Judged County Armagh Show. Colour championship show with approximately 30 halter entries.
- August – Judged the Honiton Agricultural Show. Colour Championships show with approximately 45 halter entries.
- **September – Co-Judged the Australian Alpaca Association National Show. Age Championship show with approximately 590 entries.**
- October – Judged the Heart of England Fleece Show. Colour Championship show and judged 120 fleeces.
- October – BAS Advanced Alpaca Assessment. Course tutor with 13 delegates.

2016

- March – Judged the BAS National Fleece Show with Jude Anderson. 240 entries.
- April – Judged the Dutch Alpaca Show in Meppel. Approximately 150 entries.
- October - Judged the Norwegian National Fleece Show. Approximately 120 entries.

2017

- April – Judged the North West Alpaca Group Show. 150 entries.
- April – Judged the halter classes at the Heart of England Alpaca Fiesta. Approximately 350 entries.
- June – Judged the Royal Three Counties Show – All halter classes with approximately 150 entries.
- August - Judged the Ellingham and Ringwood Show. Approximately 90 halter entries.

2018

- **March – Co-judged the BAS National Show with Robin Nasemann. Male Huacaya and male suris. 600 entries.**
- April – Judged the Finnish National Alpaca Halter Show.
- May – Delivered the BAS Intermediate Alpaca Assessment course. Course tutor with ten delegates.
- October – Judged the South West Alpaca Group fleece show. 90 entries.

2019

- February – Sat on the panel to certify and recertify BAS judges.
- April - Judged the Scottish Alpaca Championships – Halter show with 160 entries.
- October – Judged the Camrose halter show in Canada over two days.
- October – Judged the ERAG show in the East of England. Around 120 halter entries.
- November – Judged the Buchloe Show in Germany with around 90 fleeces and 160 alpaca entries.

2020

- July – Judged the BAS National Champions of Champions fleece show

2021

- March – Judged the BAS National Champions of Champions fleece show
- September – Judged the Heart of England fleece show
- September – Judged the Alpaca Association Benelux National fleece show
- October – Judged the NWAG halter show
- October and December - Delivered the BAS Intermediate Alpaca Assessment Course.
- November – Judged the West Shires halter show
- December - Delivered the BAS Advanced Alpaca Assessment Course.

2022

- **March – Judged the BAS National Show. Female huacaya and female suris. 600 entries.**
- April – Judged the AAB Alpaca Show Weelde in Belgium. 140 Entries.
- June – Judged the alpaca section at the Northumberland County Show. 120 entries.
- October – Judged the Norwegian National Fleece Show. 120 entries.
- October – Judged the SNAEL Alpaca Show in Cremona, Italy. 120 halter and 35 fleece entries.
- November - Delivered the BAS Intermediate Alpaca Assessment Course.
- December – Judged the AAB Halter show at Deurne. 120 fleece entries and 170 halter entries.

2023

- February - Judged the Swiss Alpaca Show in Bern. 140 halter entries.
- March – Attended the World Alpaca Conference in Austria.
- April – Judged the South of England Show. 170 halter entries.
- August – Judged the Eastern Region Fleece Show. 125 fleece entries.
- September - Delivered the BAS Intermediate Alpaca Assessment Course.
- September – Judged the Stokesley Agricultural Show. 100 halter entries.

2024

- March – Judged the Irish Alpaca Association National Show. 110 halter entries.
- April – Judged the Norwegian National Show. 140 halter entries.
- April – Judged the Scottish Alpaca Championships. 120 halter entries.
- May – Judged the Devon County Show. 160 halter entries.
- August – Judged the Ellingham and Ringwood Show. 90 halter entries.
- September – Judged the Heart of England Fleece Show. 160 fleece entries.
- September – Judged the Stokesley Show. 100 halter28/01/2025 entries.
- September – Convenor of the Dorset County Fleece and Halter Show.
- October – Judged the Polish National Show. 120 entries and delivered a breeders workshop.
- November – Delivered the BAS Advanced Alpaca Assessment Course.

2025

- March - Judged the males at the World Alpaca Conference Halter Show in Germany with approximately 350 entries.
- October – Judged the Swiss halter show with around 100 entries and delivered a breeders workshop.

Show Organisation and Stewardship Experience

1996

- Ring steward and inspection steward (compliance checker) at Royal Launceston Show – 80 entries.

1997

- Recording steward for halter section at the Royal Hobart Show – 90 halter entries.

1998

- Organising committee member for Royal Hobart Show – 100 entries.

1999

- Organising committee member for Royal Hobart Show – 100 entries. Fleece show steward – 55 entries.

2000

- Inspection, ring and recording steward for Burnie Agricultural Show – 85 entries.

2003 - 2006

- Show convenor, announcer, inspection steward, chief and gate steward for the Royal Bath and West Show – 300+ halter entries and 100+ fleece entries.

2007

- Inspection, announcer and ring steward for the Royal Bath and West Show – 250 entries.

2013

- Inspection steward for the BAS National Show – 280 entries.

2014 to 2019 and 2023

- Rotating chairman and committee member for the British Alpaca Society National Show. Approximately 600 halter and 200 fleece entries each year.
- Steward roles included, fleece, gate, inspection, announcing and chief steward.

2019

- Committee member for Somerset County Halter and Fleece Show – 160 halter and 85 fleece entries.
- Inspection, gate and chief steward.

2023

- Convenor of the Somerset County Fleece and Halter Show 155 halter and 75 fleece entries.
- Inspection and chief steward.

2024

- September – Convenor, announcer and inspection steward of the Dorset County Fleece and Halter Show. 150 halter and 80 fleece entries.