



Newsletter June 2015



Laura Harrawood member of the Missouri Llama Association and owner of Chigger Ridge Farms and her Llama Hi Trl Canadøs Wild Rose took double first place in the obstacle course at the Ozark Llama Classic show in Sedalia Missouri in May, it was a double ILR show. Other pictures from the Ozark Llama Classic Show & Sale will appear inside this newsletter.

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The Missouri State Fair Llama Show

August 19th.
Sedalia Missouri



The Llama show at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia Missouri is scheduled for 3 p.m. in the Donnelly Arena. This year we will begin with sub-junior obstacle, that will be followed by novice obstacle then open obstacle class. The costume class will follow with the halter class after that. This year the show will be sanctioned by ILR. The judge will be Nick Hauptly from Iowa. The last two years the weather was not too hot and quite pleasant, hopefully this year will be the same. Check-in time will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday the 18th., and ends at 10 a.m. on Weds., the day of the show. There will be a meeting of the Missouri Llama Association members at the fair, the time and place will be announced in the next newsletter, also an e-mail will be sent to all members for a reminder. This will be a great way to enjoy the fair, see the Llama show and attend a meeting of our members. Please plan to attend.



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Fiber Article

By Zelma Cleaveland
Member of the
Missouri Llama Association

Springtime is the busiest time for fiber: shearing, sorting, fiber retreats, the Spin In, etc. Isn't it time you get involved in this fiber fun?

The annual Fiber Retreat in Jefferson City has been a growing festival of learning for several years. Now that it is already gearing up for March, 2016, let's look at what else has come and gone already!! Did you miss something?

The Fiber Gals hosted the All Missouri Spin In in Chillicothe on April 25 and we had over 250 people in attendance. That includes 20 vendors, 12 instructors, spinners, visitors, etc.

The attendees have asked that we do this again next year and we have agreed since no other group has come forward. It is a lot of work, but we insist that this isn't going to be an annual event in Chillicothe. The Spin In was designed to travel about the state to give people from all over the state an opportunity to attend this fun event. We had a fashion show, food, classes, vendors, time to visit, a raffle and a private treaty sale that got a lot of used equipment into new hands. The raffle brought in \$232.00 for the Scholarship Fund for the Fiber Retreat. (If you have never attended Fiber Retreat and have not done so because you thought you couldn't spend the money, check out the scholarship on-line.) So now the plans are being laid out for the 2016 All Missouri Spin In in Chillicothe which may be the 30th year.

A week after the spin in, 9 of the Fiber Gals gathered at the home of Elaine Duncan near Linneus, MO for a weaving camp with Jeff Reynolds. We started with unwarped looms, dressed them, and wove all weekend. What a learning experience! If you have a small group that would like to learn a fiber art, let me know and we will see if we can help you make it happen. You don't have to travel miles to be able to do this; you just have to want to participate!

The on-line entry forms for the Missouri State Fair fiber competitions are ready to view and start you on your way spinning, weaving, felting, knitting, crocheting, etc. You will note that the Missouri Llama Association is sponsoring a hand spun yarn competition using llama. Promote your farm, enter llama fiber or other yarns to show people what can be done.

I mailed my MSP homework to Canada on Thursday! Heading to Canada in June to complete the course and do testing. What a journey and learning experience!

Our local arts council had an art Walk on Friday. I gathered up examples of spinning, weaving, knitting, felting, and natural dyed fibers for the exhibit.

All this rambling is not to tell what I am doing, but to inspire you to take advantage of the many opportunities out there to learn more.

Llamas are sheared, too, so guess what??? More fiber to process!

Check out Fiber U in Lebanon in July ! You can find info through the MOPACA website.

More classes, vendors, etc. Check it out and see what YOU can do!

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Editors Note

This issue of the Missouri Llama Association Newsletter is even less of a newsletter than normal. With work and a few other things going on I just haven't had the time to spend a lot of time on the newsletter. Howeverí í í í .. Come October of this year I should

have more time to dedicate to this newsletter, the Missouri Llama Association and to Southeast Llama Rescue to which I am the Missouri Coordinator. So for right now I am just trying to survive all of the rain and the flooded / mud filled barns and sheds. They are not real bad but it makes it difficult to clean them out/ The poor Llamas who for the most part do not like to get wet are spending A LOT of time in the barn.

On another noteí í í í .I hope everyone will take time to attend the Missouri State Fair this year. As I'm sure everyone knows we will be having obstacle classes in addition to the costume class and halter classes.

We also will have a meeting of the Missouri Llama Association members, the exact time and location will be sent in emails to members and also will be on our Facebook page as well as our website. **PLEASE** attend.

Camelid Jamboree

September 19-20, 2015
Pierce County Fairgrounds
Ellsworth, Wisconsin
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The above says it all, no matter if you are young, old or somewhere in between, no matter if you've owned Llamas or alpacas for one month or twenty five years or maybe you don't own either but are interested in them this event is for you. The event takes place in Ellsworth Wisconsin at the Pierce County Fairgrounds on September 19th. & 20th.

The event is close to the Minnesota state line so there are plenty of hotel rooms available within just a few minutes drive in both Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Camping is also available with full hookups at the Pierce County Fairgrounds for a very good price (my opinion).

There will be vendors of different kinds as well as food, there will be guest speakers some of which are still being arranged so check in on the above website to get the up to date information on what is going on.

There also may be Llamas and or alpacas for sale it is a little too early to know exactly who may bring Llamas or alpacas to sell.

There will be various classes given, some have a small fee and other (s) are no charge. The Missouri Llama Association's own Laura Harrawood is giving a class On spinning with beads.

Please plan to attend.



What Do You Do With A Llama?

By Diana Collins

What do you do with a llama? I am sure those of the llama community have heard that more times than we can count. I worked with kids in a school district for 30 years before retiring to raise llamas full time. So it was nothing new to me to put kids and llamas together.

The very first kiddo I had was a boy who was in eighth grade and showed with me for 5 years. This young man was not very tall, in fact the smallest in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. He had a speech issue so you can imagine how mean the other kids could be to him. He began to work with llamas during the school year and when summer was upon us his mom came to see me to ask if he could work during the summer. I agreed so we were off and running.

His confidence grew with each time he worked with the animals. Of course because of his size we started him with smaller animals. He finally found the one he wanted to work with and the training began for both James and Avatar. It was fun to watch them grow together. The confidence it gave James is priceless. He was doing something the other kids at the school didn't do and he was a success. James has since graduated, started college, got a job, and a girlfriend, but he has now passed his love for llamas down to his nephew, who is four, and showed the first time in February in sub juniors.

A little over a year ago another kiddo joined us along with his sister. Lane had a very tough beginning in life and he has many issues due to the fact. He was extremely shy and didn't talk a lot. Most of the time when he was asked to say something he would start to cry. He was 11 when we introduced him to llamas.

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lot. Most of the time when he was asked to say something he would start to cry. He was 11 when we introduced him to llamas. He was at his third show in Oklahoma City in the costume division when he was asked to tell the spectators why his llama was dressed the way he was. His grandparents, who have custody, held their breath because this was the very first time anything like this happened. Lane stepped up without hesitation, took the mike, and told the audience why his animal was dressed the way he was and what part Lane's own costume had in the pair. We were all stunned! When he left the arena he came to me with a large smile on his face and said, "Miss Di, did you see me talk on the mike? I never did that before." He didn't care about the ribbon, only that he was able to talk on the mike.

A few weeks ago Lane was tested pre-show season and post show season and his abilities in certain areas had risen 5 points. The teachers are using his animal to get him to process information. They asked him if he were going to teach his llama a certain task, how he would show his llama how to do it.

I could go on and on about the success we have had with llamas and kids, and even adults. These are just two examples. As of last week we sold a llama to a middle school special needs farm in our area. It is an amazing place. One of the students wanted to add a llama to the farm of goats, calves, sheep, and a pony. We have been asked to bring some of our Public Relation llamas to an Autism Awareness Event The Farm will be hosting.

Doors are being opened to the beautiful animals called llamas. They are making a difference in people's lives. They are bringing happy hearts to a world where it is sometimes hard to find joy.

Working with children is just one thing you can do with a llama. There is no amount of money that can buy the joy and happiness a llama gives. A llama is not just another pretty face!

This Newsletter Needs Your Help

Ladies and gentlemen, I am the first to admit that I know nothing about putting out a newsletter, I agreed to take the position of editor because Zelma Cleaveland who was our first and only editor was tired and worn out from putting together a quarterly newsletter for so many years.

I get very little input from the members of the Missouri Llama Association in putting out this newsletter. I am asking all of you to PLEASE send me anything that can be used in the newsletter. This includes but is not limited to pictures of your Llamas, crias born or purchased, shows you attend, fiber you process anything Llama and/or fiber related, articles you may have read that you think our members will enjoy, health tips etc., etc.

Thank you.

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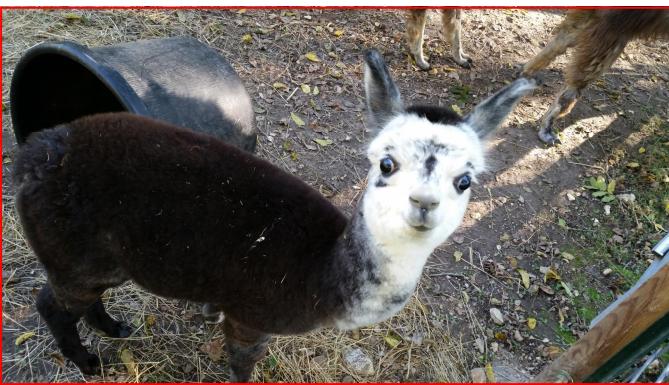
*September 19 & 20 at the Pierce County Fairgrounds in Ellsworth
Wisconsin.*

Speakers are to include: To be announced

Camping is available on site for a reasonable fee.

*There are plenty of motels in both Wisconsin and Minnesota that are
just a few minutes drive from the fairgrounds.*

It promises to be a fun and educational time for everyone.



Julie Wier of Wildwood Missouri, a member of the Missouri Llama Association has been in a fight with city hall to keep her Alpacas and Llamas. Before moving to Wildwood Julie called city hall twice to make sure it was ok to have her Llamas and alpacas and was told it was ok. Just a few days before Christmas in 2014 Julie was told the camelid cousins had to go. She has been fighting them ever since, she has taken Llamas to public hearings and has been on the news stating her case.

Julie is a founding member of Southeast Llama Rescue and had alpacas & Llamas for over 25 yrs. Many of Julie's neighbors stop by on a regular basis to visit with the fuzzy four legged critters. The majority of the neighbors want the alpacas & Llamas to stay but that doesn't seem to matter to city hall. There will be yet another meeting and a vote to hopefully allow them to stay.

Left: a cria born at Julie's, is scared that he may have to leave his home and friends.

Upcoming Events

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| July 18-19 | Fiber U at the Cowan Civic Center in Lebanon Missouri. |
| August 19th | ILR sanctioned Llama show at the Missouri State Fair.
Show starts at 3:00pm |
| September 12 | Celtic Festival in Buffalo Missouri, the Missouri Llama Association and Southeast Llama Rescue will be represented with an information table, spinning demonstrations and Llama carting around the festival
Throughout the day anyone who wishes to participate please contact me.
tkllamas@gmail.com |
| September 19 & 20 | Camelid Community Jamboree in Ellsworth Wisconsin. |
| November | Veterans Day Parades at Weaubleau Missouri & Buffalo Missouri. Dates To be announced. Missouri Llama Association & Southeast Llama Rescue will be driving Llama carts and passing out candy in the parades, anyone who wishes to participate please contact me. tkllmas@gmail.com |
| December | Christmas Parade in Buffalo Missouri, date to be announced, The Missouri Llama Association and Southeast Llama Rescue will be driving Llama carts in the parade and giving out candy, if you wish to participate please contact me at tkllamas@gmail.com |

Anyone who knows of any Llama / camelid or fiber event please contact me so we can put it in our up Coming events in this newsletter as well as our Facebook page and website.



If you are already a spinner or use the fiber in knitted, felted, crocheted items, you may want to check out the [Missouri State Fair competitions](#) through the Home Economics Department. There are some nice premiums you could take home for your efforts. The llama association sponsors a llama yarn class and other fiber enthusiasts also sponsor classes in natural fibers. For more information on these competitions, contact me at zkllamas@aol.com Generally, you can start your items as soon as you know the class criteria. You enter through the fair in July and then send items to be judged and on display in early August. This can get your farm name out there as well as your fiber.

Suddenly it is fall, and the festivals continue: September 18-19 [Fiber Daze in Southwest Missouri](#). This event is in Mt. Vernon. ó classes, fiber, vendors. Info at www.fiberfolksofswmo.com

[Lake Fiber Arts Festival](#) ó 10th Anniversary in Camdenton, MO. www.lakefiberarts.com. Displays, demonstrations, vendors, fiber art displays.

Love to travel? Consider a jaunt to the north to Canada. [Fibre Week](#) is June 19-26 and it is a week full of fun and classes on the beautiful Olds College Campus just north of Calgary. I'm headed that way to finish Level 6 of the Master Spinners Program. What a fun, challenging way to learn more about spinning that I even had imagined! Check out their information at www.oldscollage.ca/fibreweek. They have many levels of other interesting classes and some of the friendliest people you will ever meet.

In between all the festivals and classes, our Fiber Gals are still meeting every month to learn more fiber skills and share with each other. Isn't it time you explored the ófiber sideö of your llamas?

Ozarks Classic Llama Show & Sale



Obstacles were enjoyed by both young and adults. All sub-juniors were awarded first place. The judges went out of their way to help the sub-juniors complete the course and to give them confidence when needed.



Ozarks Llama Classic Show 2



There was good turnout for the Llama show on Saturday night. It all began with a silent auction that turned in to a regular auction of various items, the proceeds from the auction helps support the Llama show & sale next year. The Llama auction began immediately after that.

Below: Justin Timm, who was the auctioneer the night before also kept busy in the show ring.



Right: Heather Tucker of Buffalo Missouri (dressed in brown) along with others participate in the halter classes. Heathers daughter Jordan also participated in obstacles as well as halter class.



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