



Mid-Michigan Llama Show May 11-12th 2024

ALSA & ILR Sanctioned; MLA Sponsored

Eaton Co Fairgrounds, 1025 S Cochran Ave, Charlotte, MI 48813

Superintendent: Becci Kunkel

Entries must be postmarked by April 27, 2024

Judges: Mike Haumschild – Halter and Performance/Dr. Joy Bishop-Forshey – Fiber and Performance

Welcome back to the Mid-Michigan Llama Show! There are some new changes to the show this year, including fiber classes! This will also be a dual sanctioned ALSA and ILR show! YAY! This is a two-day show and **rules and guidelines will follow ALSA**. Stalls may be rented, or you may choose to stall in your trailer/pen BUT this IS a groom show!! There is an outside washing area, but it may still be rather chilly in Michigan at the beginning of May. Be sure to watch the weather as we Michigander's know, it may be 75 degrees... It may be snowing... Michigan is a magical place!! Our show is normally held under an open sided, covered arena, while the animals are stalled inside a four-sided barn. The show CAN be moved inside if needed. **NOT AN ALSA MEMBER?** Did you know that ALSA allows exhibitors one "freebie" show? You get to take one free spin around the ALSA block before paying to become a member if you choose! To attend this show, you will need to participate with both associations. We love our clerks! They are some of the best around, so we want to take care of them! It is VERY difficult to try to separate and recalculate when some animals are in one group, but not the other. If our clerks aren't happy, it isn't a good thing for any of us! Let's keep em' smiling!! Welcome to the Mid-Michigan Llama Show, and we are glad you are here!!

Saturday 8:00 a.m. Exhibitors' Meeting. Show begins directly after

Showmanship

1. Junior
1. (a) Sub Jr
2. Intermediate
3. Senior
4. Adult

Silky Female

13. Juvenile
14. Yearling
15. Two-Year Old
16. Adult
- Gr/Res Silky FE

Light Wool Male

25. Juvenile
26. Yearling
27. Two-Year Old
28. Adult
- Gr/Res LWM

Heavy Wool Female

37. Juvenile
38. Yearling
39. Two-Year Old
40. Adult
- Gr/Res HWF

Obstacle

50. Novice
51. Junior
52. Sub Junior
53. Intermediate
54. Senior
55. Advanced
56. Masters

Suri Female

5. Juvenile
6. Yearling
7. Two-Year Old
8. Adult
- Gr/Res Suri FE

Silky Male

17. Juvenile
18. Yearling
19. Two-Year Old
20. Adult
- Gr/Res Silky M

Medium Wool FE

29. Juvenile
30. Yearling
31. Two-Year Old
32. Adult
- Gr/Res MWF

Heavy Wool Male

41. Juvenile
42. Yearling
43. Two-Year Old
44. Adult
- Gr/Res HWM

Public Relations

57. Novice
58. Junior
59. Sub Junior
60. Intermediate
61. Senior

Suri Male

9. Juvenile
10. Yearling
11. Two-Year Old
12. Adult
- Gr/Res Suri M

Light Wool Female

21. Juvenile
22. Yearling
23. Two-Year Old
24. Adult
- Gr/Res LWF

Medium Wool Male

33. Juvenile
34. Yearling
35. Two-Year Old
36. Adult
- Gr/Res MWM

Non- Breeder

45. Yearling
46. Two-Year Old
47. Adult
- Gr/Res NB
- 48. Produce of Dam**
- 49. Get of Sire**
- Best of Show Female
- Best of Show Male

62. Advanced
63. Masters

Pack

64. Novice
65. Junior
66. Intermediate
67. Senior
68. Advanced
69. Masters
- Performance Champions**

Fiber Classes

Fleece - On

100. Walking Llama -Double Coat-
Under 24 mths

101. Walking Llama -Double Coat-
Over 24 mths

102. Walking Llama -Single Coat-
Under 24 mths

103. Walking Llama -Single Coat-
Over 24 mths

104. Walking Llama -Suri-Under 24
mths

105. Walking Llama -Suri-Over 24
mths

Fiber Classes

Shorn Fleece

106. Shorn Llama -Double Coat-
Under 24 mths

107. Shorn Llama -Double Coat-Over
24 mths

108. Shorn Llama -Single Coat-Under
24 mths

109. Shorn Llama -Single Coat-Over
24 mths

110. Shorn Llama -Suri-
Under 24 mths

111. Shorn Llama -Suri-
Over 24 mths

112. 2 Oz Shorn Fleece

Fiber Classes

Finished Products

112. Finished Products - Advance Knit/Crochet

113. Finished Products - Novice Knit/Crochet

114. Finished Products - Youth Knit/Crochet

115. Finished Products - Advance Woven

116. Finished Products - Novice Woven

117. Finished Products - Youth Woven

118. Finished Products - Advance Felted

119. Finished Products - Novice Felted

120. Finished Products - Youth Felted

121. Finished Products - Advance Hand Spun

122. Finished Products - Novice Hand Spun

123. Finished Products - Youth Hand Spun

124. Finished Products - Advance Other

125. Finished Products - Novice Other

126. Finished Products - Youth Other

**Grand/Reserves Fiber
and Finished Products Classes**

There will be Leaping and Limbo fun classes held at the end of the day Saturday!

Note: Saturday's show begins with Showmanship and will be followed by Halter classes. Obstacle classes will begin directly after halter concludes and will resume Sunday morning. Fiber classes will start Saturday morning after exhibitor meeting and run until the end of halter. Please be attentive to our desire to move this show along and have someone help you show if necessary.

MLA Membership discount is \$10.00 off of EACH STALL. Stalls are \$40 each but reduced to \$30 with an MLA membership. This is for all MLA Shows!!!

Health Certificates and microchips are required for all animals from out of state. Animals from within MI do not need Health Certificates.

Rules/Guidelines New 23rd edition ALSA Handbook. Exhibitor's must be the registered owners & make entry in the exact names as shown on the registration certificate. All llamas must be ILR registered, except animals for youth classes or non-breeders with a vet certificate. Non breeders without registration must be accompanied by a vet certificate verifying.

For performance classes. One entry/youth in all youth performance classes. An animal can only go through each OB, PR, or Pack class one time. Jr. Youth: 7-11, Intermediate: 12-14, Senior: 15-19 as of January 1st of the current year. A Youth who turns 7 during the year can show as of his/her birthday. Include ALSA and ILR numbers for each youth handler. ALSA Guidelines will be followed for pack classes.

Produce Of Dam: 2 offspring from the same dam.

Get Of Sire-3 animals with the same sire, out of 2 different dams. All Get of Sire and Produce entries must show in appropriate halter classes.

If not the owner of Sire or Dam in Get or Produce classes-must bring written permission from owner.

Nursing mothers may not be accompanied into the ring by their cria.

Halter Classes: Age as of Date of Show. Juvenile: 5-12mo. Yearling: 13-24 months. 2-year-old: 25-36months, Adult: over 36 months. Include all ALSA numbers for your llamas.

WOOL DESCRIPTIONS:

Per the 23rd Edition of the ALSA Handbook, Part I, Section 1:

Light: Minimum body wool, short neck wool, smooth legs.

Medium: moderate to long body wool, minimal to moderate neck wool, smooth to moderate leg wool.

Heavy: abundant body & neck wool with minimal to abundant leg wool.

Suri: Lustrous, cool hand, lack of crimp and minimal loft, locked fiber that drapes over the llamas body. Fibers are grouped in distinctive, defined lock structure.

Silky: Fiber exhibits a very soft or silky handle; it may exhibit some wave or crinkle but not crimp. Fiber may exhibit some loft and luster. Guard hair is nearly indiscernible Coverage may vary from light to heavy

Enter your animals in their proper wool divisions Be Aware that suri and silky are wool TYPES where light, medium, and heavy describe COVERAGE. By definition, a light coated suri CAN fall under suri OR light wool. The same can happen with silky animals as well.

FIBER CLASSES:

There will be no pulling or plucking of Llama fiber. Blunt tipped safety scissors may be used to clip a small sample to attach to the score card as a reference or teaching tool, but only with the handler's express permission. The sample should be the smallest amount possible and taken from an area that will not adversely affect the animal's appearance or damage the prime fleece.

An exhibitor's refusal to allow a sample to be clipped shall in no way affect the judge's score.

Shorn Llama Fleece, Alpaca Fleece and Finished Products:

- Judging begins May 11, 2024 (Saturday).
- Shorn Full Blanket Fleeces must be presented in a clear plastic bag with entry tag.
- Send to Becci Kunkel, 8504 N US HWY 27, Decatur, IN 56733 to be received prior to May 9th, 2024.

Hand delivered Fleeces and Finished Products must be at the Fleece Check-In area prior to 8 am May 11, 2024 (Saturday).

- Shorn fleeces and products can be mailed to Becci Kunkel for delivery to Allen County Open or delivery to The Gathering can be arranged.