

Fleece Department L

Department Head: Kim Caulfield; 931-293-4466; tsffleece@gmail.com
(Contact number during the fair, ONLY: 931-637-8264)
Assistant Department Head: Roianna Buckmaster

**A full Show Schedule and Arrival/Release Schedule are located on pages 57 - 59.
Fees and Deadlines are located on page 9.**

Fleece Show Division 750

Show Secretary/Show Clerk: Sandy Carroll
Judge: Tor Sorenson; Houstonia, MO
TSF Premiums Offered: \$ 2500* See Rule 13*
Tennessee Alpaca Association Premiums Offered (Cls. 65, 69, 73, and 77) \$ 200

Entry Fee: \$ 3.00 per class
Late Fee: \$ 6.00 per class
*Late entries will be accepted by the Livestock Superintendent through Aug. 31st.
shipping by USPS, UPS or FedEx is not available for late entries - fleece will have to
hand delivered.
Late be
Arrival: Tues., September 13th, between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.
Show Dates: Wednesday, Sept. 14th & Thursday, Sept. 15th
Show Times: 9:00 am., CST.
Show Location: Vaughan Bldg.
Release: Saturday, September 17th at 3:00 p.m.* **Note rule below.**

RULES:

1. Entries should contain the name, sex, breed, registration number, if applicable, and Class number entering.
2. All fleeces exhibited must be shown within a year of being shorn. Ready-to-Spin and Yarn entries must be shown within a year of processing.
3. All fleeces entered in purebred Classes must have been shorn from purebred animals recorded in their respective breed registries and owned by the exhibitor at the time of shearing.
4. All fleeces must be rolled flesh side out. They should be displayed in clear plastic bags. The management reserves the right to reject any fleeces containing an excessive amount of foreign material, such as tags, burrs, straw, etc.
5. Each exhibitor is limited to two fleeces per ram or ewe classes. An exhibitor may enter as many different classes as desired.
6. The management will receive fleeces brought in by the exhibitor or sent prepaid by mail or express and see that such fleeces are properly displayed. Entries should be mailed in separately by the deadline - **SHIPPING DATE DEADLINE is Aug. 29th, arriving no later than Sept. 9th at designated shipping location. DO NOT send entry forms in boxes with fleeces, all fleeces must be pre-entered.** The Tennessee State Fair will take all reasonable care with your fleeces, but it is NOT responsible for any damage or loss. Each fleece must be properly tagged, stating name, breed, sex, and Class entered. Please note also if the fleece is for sale and its minimum price. At the conclusion of the Fair, any remaining fleeces will become the property of the Fair. Exhibitor is entitled to reclaim any or all of his fleeces by the scheduled release time, but the management will not be responsible for returning or forwarding fleeces by mail or express. Any other arrangement for the disposing of the fleeces, other than those outlined, will be the direct responsibility of the exhibitor.

Shipping Deadline August 29th, ARRIVING NO LATER THAN SEPT 9TH Shipping Addresses

UPS shipping:
Tennessee Agricultural Museum
TN Dept. of Ag-TSFA FLEECE SHOW
Ellington Ag Center
440 Hogan Rd
Nashville, TN 37220-9029

USPS or FedEx shipping:
Tennessee Agricultural Museum
TN Dept. of Ag-TSFA FLEECE SHOW
Ellington Ag Center
Box 40627
Nashville, TN 37204-0627

7. The judge has power to classify fleeces before making awards.
8. Judging of Fleeces: Fineness and character should be typical of the registered breed represented. Factors to be

considered when judging include consistency among the various part of the fleece, length and strength of staple, estimated clean weight, crimp and color .

9. NEW BREEDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR: **Number of fleece and number of exhibitors entered in the "All Other Breeds" class(s) will determine whether a breed will be added to the fleece show for the following year.**
10. BREED SHOW CONTINUATION: **Any breed not showing at least five fleeces from a minimum of three breeders will not be listed in the premium book the following year.**
11. **"Alpaca and Llama Fleeces"** The general rules of this fleece show apply, however these fleeces will not compete with sheep wool fleeces for any ram or ewe champion awards.
12. * **If you are a sheep or spinning contest exhibitor and need an early release, see the Livestock Superintendent.** Fleece sold at Auction will are released to the buyer afterward.
13. All premium money will be paid out, prorated among the fleeces.

Awards

Grand Champion Ram and Ewe	Rosettes and Pewter Plates
Reserve Champion Ram and Ewe	Rosette
TN Champion and TN Res. Champion Ram and Ewe	Rosette
Champion Alpaca and Res. Champion Alpaca	Rosette
TN Champion Alpaca and TN. Res. Champion Alpaca	Rosette
Champion Llama and Res. Champion Llama	Rosette
TN Champion Llama and TN. Res. Champion Llama	Rosette

*If total premiums won exceed the amount offered by the TN State Fair of \$2,500.00 , then individual premium amounts will be prorated. Regardless of the number of head of stock an exhibitor has entered in an individual class, only two monies will be paid to the exhibitor in that particular class.

A special "Thank You" goes to Jane and Kim Caulfield who most graciously have donated pewter plates to be presented to both the Champion Ram and Champion Ewe Fleece.

BREED CLASSIFICATION (Purebred wool)

Class Description

- | | |
|---|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Border Leicester, White, Ram 2. Border Leicester, White , Ewe 3. Border Leicester, Black, Ram 4. Border Leicester, Black Ewe 5. Cheviot, Ram 6. Cheviot, Ewe 7. Dorset Ram 8. Dorset Ewe 9. Hampshire, Ram 10. Hampshire, Ewe 11. Lincoln White, Ram 12. Lincoln White, Ewe 13. Lincoln Black, Ram 14. Lincoln Black, Ewe 15. Romney White, Ram 16. Romney White, Ewe 17. Romney Black, Ram 18. Romney Black, Ewe 19. Shetland, Ram 20. Shetland, Ewe 21. Southdown, Ram 22. Southdown, Ewe 23. Tunis, Ram 24. Tunis, Ewe 25. All Other Breeds, Ram 26. All Other Breeds, Ewe 27. Commercial Fine, Ram 28. Commercial Fine, Ewe 29. Commercial Medium, Ram 30. Commercial Medium, Ewe 31. Commercial Long, Ram | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 32. Commercial Long, Ewe 33. White Handspinning Fine and Medium, Ram 34. White Handspinning Fine and Medium, Ewe 35. White Handspinning Long and Coarse, Ram 36. White Handspinning Long and Coarse, Ewe 37. Black Handspinning Fine and Medium, Ram 38. Black Handspinning Fine and Medium, Ewe 39. Black Handspinning Long and Coarse, Ram 40. Black Handspinning Long and Coarse, Ewe 41. TN Champion Ram 42. TN Reserve Champion Ram 43. TN Champion Ewe 44. TN Reserve Champion Ewe 45. Champion Ram 46. Reserve Champion Ram 47. Champion Ewe 48. Reserve Champion Ewe 49. Wool, Ready to Spin - at least 8 oz. Fleece must have come from exhibitor's own sheep. It should be washed and may be carded, combed or dyed. "Please include a card explaining the type of wool and how it has been processed." This Class is not eligible to compete for any of the Champion awards. 50. 75% Wool Blend Ready- to -Spin.- at least 8 oz. Fleece must have come from exhibitor's own sheep. It should be washed and may be carded, combed, or dyed. "This wool blend may include up to 25% other fiber. "Please include a card explaining the type of fiber and how it has been processed.." This Class is not eligible to compete for any of the Champion awards. 51. 50% Wool Blend Ready-to-Spin - at least 8 oz. The wool must have come from exhibitor's own sheep, but may be blended with up to 50% other fibers. |
|---|---|

Please include a card describing the fibers and processing. This Class is not eligible compete for any of the Champion awards .

Llama Fleeces

- 52. Single Coat, 2 yrs and Under
- 53. Single Coat, Over 2 yrs
- 54. Double Coat, 2 yrs and Under
- 55. Double Coat, Over 2 yrs
- 56. Suri, 2 yrs and Under
- 57. Suri, Over 2 yrs
- 58. Champion TN Llama Fleece
- 59. Res. Champion TN Llama Fleece
- 60. Champion Llama Fleece
- 61. Res. Champion Llama Fleece
- 62. Llama, Ready to Spin - at least 8 oz. Fleeces must have come from your own animals. They may be carded, combed, dyed, etc. Include a card describing the fiber and how it was processed.
- 63. Llama Blend, Ready to Spin- at least 8 oz. Same as above, but may contain up to 25% other fiber

Alpaca Fleeces

- 64. Huacaya Under 1 yr.-Dark
- 65. Huacaya 1 yr, but under 2 yrs-Dark
- 66. Huacaya 2 yrs or more, but under 5 yrs-Dark
- 67. Huacaya 5 yrs and older-Dark—Sponsored by TN Alpaca Association
- 68. Huacaya Under 1 yr-Light
- 69. Huacaya 1 yr, but under 2 yrs.-Light
- 70. Huacaya 2yrs or more, but under 5 yrs-Light
- 71. Huacaya 5 yrs and older-Light—Sponsored by TN Alpaca Association
- 72. Suri Under 1 yr.-Dark
- 73. Suri 1yr, but under 2 yrs.-Dark
- 74. Suri 2 yrs or more, but under 5 yrs-Dark
- 75. Suri 5 yrs and older-Dark—Sponsored by TN Alpaca Association
- 76. Suri Under 1 yr-Light
- 77. Suri 1 yr, but under 2 yrs--Light
- 78. Suri 2 yrs or more, but under 5 yrs-Light
- 79. Suri 5 yrs and older-Light—Sponsored by TN Alpaca Association
- 80. TN Champion Alpaca Fleece
- 81. Res. TN. Champion Alpaca Fleece
- 82. Champion Alpaca Fleece
- 83. Res. Champion Alpaca Fleece
- 84. Alpaca, Ready to Spin- at least 8 oz. Must be from your own animals. May be carded, combed, dyed, etc.. Include a card explaining fiber type and processing.
- 85. Alpaca Blend, Ready to Spin- at least 8 oz. Same as above, except that blend may contain up to 25% other fiber.
- 86. Hand Spun Alpaca Skein - Must be made from exhibitor's own herd's fiber, and must weigh at least 1 oz. Include label with fiber, technique used, yardage. Also include spinner's name, though this will be displayed until after judging.
- 87. Mill Spun Alpaca Skein - Must be made from exhibitor's won herd's fiber, and must weigh at least 1 oz. Include a card with information about fiber, yardage, etc. Also include mill name, though this will not be displayed until after judging.

Fleece Auction

Show Date: Thursday, September 15th
 Show Time: 8:00 p.m. CST
 Show Location: Vaughan Bldg.

RULES

- 1. All auction fleeces must be entered in the fleece show.
- 2. All sales are private transactions between buyers and sellers. The Tennessee State Fair Association will write a receipt, distribute or mail checks to the sellers, but the Fair Association is **NOT** responsible for any returned checks.
- 3. All fleeces for auction must be labeled "For Sale" when they arrive at the Fairgrounds. The seller may specify a minimum sale price.
- 4. All fleeces sold at auction will be released at that time.

**Spinning Contest
 Division 751**

Entry Fee: \$4.00 per entry
 Show Date: Thursday, September 17th
 Show Time: 7:30 p.m. CST
 Show Location: Vaughan Bldg.

RULES

- 1. Entries will be accepted the day of the contest. Entries will be taken on a first come, first served basis, as long as supplies of wool last.
- 2. Each contestant will be given two ounces of wool roving and will have (8) eight minutes.

Awards

1st Place - will be allowed to choose a prize from among many donated items.

2nd Place - \$10

3rd Place - \$ 5

Cls 01. Novice Drop Spindle

(open to anyone who has been spinning less than one year)

Cls 02. Open Drop Spindle

(open to anyone who has been spinning less than one year)

Cls 03. Novice Spinning Wheel

Cls 04. Open Wheel (open to all spinners)

Cls 05. Spinning Blindfolded (each spinner will be given two ounces of roving and a blind fold, and (8) eight minutes to see how much yarn they can spin.

Scarf Contest Division 752

Entry Fee: \$4.00 per entry
 Arrival: Tuesday, September 13th,
 between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.
 Show Date: Thurs., Sept 15th
 Show Time: After the conclusion of the
 Fleece Show
 Release: Mon., Sept. 19th, 9am - 7pm -
 Creative Arts Release Schedule -
 * **Note rule below.**

Rules:

1. Scarves must be made entirely from fleece purchased through an auction at the TN State Fair. **NO** other fibers may be added.
2. Entries should have a label explaining the type of fleece, producer's name, and the techniques used in making the scarf.
3. Scarves may be sent in ahead of time (**Deadline and Shipping addresses listed in the Fleece Show Rules**) or hand delivered.
4. * **If you are a sheep or spinning contest exhibitor and need an early release, see the Livestock Superintendent.**

AWARDS:

1st Place - \$ 25; 2nd - 5th Place - Ribbons

Cls 01 – Wool Scarf
 CIs 02 – Llama or Alpaca Scarf

Sheep to Shawl Division 753

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per Team
 Time Slots: Tues., Sept. 13th, between 8 a.m. & 5 p.m.
 Wed., Sept. 14th, 5 p.m.
 Thurs., Sept. 15th - 5 p.m.
 Fri., Sept. 16th - 5 p.m.
 Sat., Sept. 17th - between 8 a.m. & 5 p.m.
 Release: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Mon., Sept. 19th -
 Creative Arts Release Schedule

****Location of event will be announced later.
 Check with the Department Head as to the location.****

Goals: This event will demonstrate the process of making cloth from wool, and encourage spinners and weavers to participate in the Tennessee State Fair.

Rules

1. General Rules of the Tennessee State Fair apply.
2. Entry Fees and Entry Deadlines located on page 9.
3. Teams will be judged on appearance as they work 30% and the shawls will be judged on their technical workmanship 40% and artistry 30%. Placings will be

announced on Sunday September 18th, each team will receive a written score card with judges comments.

4. Contact the Department Head at tsffleece@gmail.com to arrange available times to enter the contest and to receive your entry form. **Teams should plan to arrive about an hour ahead of time, to get set up and checked in. Please enter through the Benton Ave Gate. Parking will be near Wilson Hall.**
5. Teams - Each team is to consist of four members. These are typically three spinners and a weaver, though team members may switch jobs as they wish. Teams may have one member substitution, if one member entered is unable to compete on the day of the fair.
6. Teams of juniors (all team members 18 or under) are encouraged to compete. **Junior teams will produce a scarf at least 10" x 5' for competition.**
7. Equipment - Each team is to provide its own loom, spinning wheels, and whatever carding or combing equipment it uses. Looms will already be warped, but have no weaving on them. The warp must be made from at least 75% natural fiber, dyed or undyed. Each team will bring a WOOL fleece to work with. This may be washed, or dyed, but not further processed. Teams are encouraged to bring signs, handouts, or other educational materials. The fair will provide one table and four chairs. There will be an electrical outlet available.
8. Shawls/Scarves - Each team will have five hours in which to spin, weft and weave a shawl/scarf. Shawl—the warp must measure at least 20 inches in the reed, and the shawl must measure at least 72 inches long, excluding fringe, when taken from the loom. Scarf—must measure at least (10) ten inches in width and (60) sixty inches long. Scarves and Shawls will be judged together, and by the same standards. Each team will provide a short, printed description of the materials and techniques used in the making of their shawl/scarf. Finished shawls/scarves will be displayed in the Vaughan Building until the last day of the fair.
9. Premium checks will be issued to the Team leader, not the individual persons on the team.

Prizes

First place \$200.00
2nd place: Eight cones of cotton yarn.

Note: Kim Caulfield has a four harness SAORI floor loom, and an extra set of harnesses. Any team wishing to use this loom may contact Kim at kimcaulfield@mac.com or 931-293-4466.

TSFA is proud to announce
 Ashley Turner as our returning
 2016 Photographer

