



**NZLA Committee Meeting**  
**Via Yahoo and Email**  
**9th June 2009**

**Present:** Peter Webster, Julie Insley, Emma Schwithal, Vicki Catlow, Uta Bleidistel. Robyn Robinson, Jacky Middleton.

**Apologies:** Penny King.

**Minutes from previous meeting:**

**Accepted:** Peter Webster **Seconded:** Robyn Robinson.

**Approved:** Vicki Catlow, Julie Insley, Uta Bleidistel, Jacky Middleton, Emma Schwithal.

**Secretary's:**

**Incoming:**

23 Apr Direct Credit Ministry Of Agr \$2116.96 17.04.09

Subs renewal & new 2009-10: Single Membership Family Membership 17 Intro subs 7 Youth subs 2  
Income from Calendars, Birthday Calendar, Como se Llama Advertising.

Request for sash sponsorship Canterbury Show.

**Outgoing:**

Agenda, Proxies, Motion and Voting Forms.

NZLA Autumn magazine, membership renewal forms 2009-10, invoices and receipts.

E-mail Newsletter April. E-mail NZLA AGM 2009 Program 19/04/09

AGM Minutes, President's Report, Financial Statements and Code of Conduct, E-mailed May 27th

**Accepted:** Emma Schwithal **Seconded:** Uta Bleidistel,

**Approved:** Vicki Catlow, Julie Insley, Jacky Middleton, Robyn Robinson.

**Treasurers Report:**

Separate report.

**Read and Accepted:** Vicki Catlow **Seconded:** Robyn Robinson.

**Approved:** Julie Insley, Uta Bleidistel, Jacky Middleton, Peter Webster.

**Accounts needing approval:**

Stephen Mulholland \$184.00 (COW) Airfare to AGM

Fairfax Magazine \$207.00 Advertising classified 1 year

Rural Press \$225 Advertising classified 1 year

Emma \$22.98 Stationery and postage

Show Sashes \$67.50 Canterbury A & P Assn.

Julie \$44.94 Postage

Daily Post \$60 GST inclusive

HP Hanna audit fees \$281.25

Warehouse Stationery \$353.49

**Approved:** Peter Webster, Uta Bleidistel, Julie Insley, Emma Schwithal, Robyn Robinson, Anne Thompson, Jacky Middleton, Penny King, Vicki Catlow.

**Awards:**

It's that time of year again. It has been pointed out that not all recipients realised these were annual awards and would need to be returned, so I must make it clearer when these get passed on.

**Propose:** Stickers of previous winners put on the back of the pictures.

**Action:** I will put an e-mail out to the membership calling for this year's nominations.

Deadline will be 30 June and then I will bring all of the suggestions to you for voting on.

### **Registry:**

I have e-mailed the PDF's we could put up on the website if you approve.

I have done two, one is alphabetical by animal names the other is numerical by the registration number. Having an alphabetical list makes it easier to find your llamas number if you don't already have it.

You can tell who the breeder was by the breed prefix so you get dam owner at birth in the last column. In the sire and dam column you get their registration number, you then go and look them up (that's why it is by Rego number), if you're lucky they would all be registered and the last animal you got to would have unknown parentage.

D is for Deceased, you have a have the deceased included to keep following the line.

T is for Type, L Lama, LL Llama, LG Llama-Guanaco, G Guanaco, A Alpaca, AV Alpaca-Vicuna, H Huarizo (half llama-half alpaca) This is a bit hit and miss by default I used L.

I need you to test it again.

Need help writing a covering letter to go with it.

Next would like to send it to a test group of members to get there feedback before putting it out to general membership and up on the website.

2105 Llamas equals 37 pages if people want to print it out. If you think of any likely questions people will ask, let me know.

**Propose:** I move it on to getting some test dummies to try it out? **Agreed**

**Action:** I will try it out on half dozen and get their feedback, before we put online.

Could I get committee approval to join the International Llama Registry \$50US I have been a member in the past and had a great time gleaning information about the old imports, unfortunately my membership ran out but I do need to get more information, particularly about the more recent imports. I thought one-day our registry would sit beside theirs registry so I wouldn't need all of the details but as my hope is fading I would rather collect the information and store it myself. **Approved**

### **Sheffield Show:**

Is there support from members to continue with this show?

We need someone to act as convener but it ready shouldn't be left up to one person.

Jacky Middleton: I volunteered to organise but I've been asked to look at Ellesmere as a possibility.

Hoping there will be at least 3 person - possibly 4 involved so not such a big task.

Robyn Robinson: The big problem last year was with everyone being forced to double Tb test with going to Sheffield. If it was moved to Ellesmere and Sheffield canned then it would be just one test per year.

If someone else really wants to do Sheffield, then I will support them, but it is not my gig. Ellesmere is in October, so within the 60 day window of TB testing it is also a lot closer to everyone just a 30 minute drive for most verses a 2 hour for Sheffield. I would like to focus on Ellesmere, but it may be 18 months away, it is easy to put in effort as it is in our back garden.

Jacky Middleton: I wanted to talk to a few ladies at the lunch on Friday about the show thing.

Julie: It is up to the members that show whether they want to put their efforts into Sheffield or Ellesmere.

**Action:** We will wait until Jacky has had an opportunity to talk with other members.

### **Code of Conduct:**

Deadline 30 June. If you have any thing you would like to suggest to Mike Richardson I am sure he would like to hear from you. Even if it isn't supporting a code, that is okay, Mike is wanting people's opinion. If it dies a natural death because nobody contributes, so be it. The question was put out there, the response will gauge the next move.

**Action:** Send out reminder to members deadline is 30 June.

### **Calendars 2010:**

One lot of photos have already arrived thank you Uta. So the rest of you get yourselves organised and send in your photos. As usual Mr Butterfield is on the ball, I got an e-mail from him a couple of days ago. I suggested getting a quote for 200. The weight needs to allow for the cheap overseas postage.

Vicki Catlow: Is there a specific format - landscape/portraite, image size/quality?

I will track down the previous people who submitted photos and give them personal reminders.

**Action:** E-mail newsletter with reminder of the requirements and that photos are needed by the end of the month.

### **New Zealand Pack Llama Trials:**

This was well received at the AGM from the feedback I have had.

At this stage Keith is planning on a level one October/November 09 and a level two November/December 09.

At this stage Northland have a level one planned for the Saturday of the AGM next year.

I have been talking with Viv Fulton PLTA President and Nancy Hester VP and they would both be keen to come to New Zealand if we could make the same arrangements that we did for Joanne Shook. Both have numerous skills that could be used, not just Pack Trials stuff. That would be more like October-November 2010 if there was sufficient interest from members.

**Agreed:** Keep dialogue going with the Americans about them coming 2010.

### **Fibre:**

I am really keen to see us do something positive this year about fibre testing.

Janette Eason-Savage talked at the AGM about coordinating fibre collection for marketing. Stephen Mulholland said testing can be done for as little as \$two per sample.

How about NZLA get some quotes from various companies and seriously look at offering Free testing for all members registered llamas. This would give us a great overview of what we have in New Zealand and Janette would know if it was worth collecting for sale. It might encourage people to become members or renew their membership and register llamas. Members may receive money for the fibre. It could encourage people to enter their fleeces at show. This has the potential to benefit every member. What kind of response could we expect.

Probably not as good as I would like. Even if the members had 1000 llamas it would be fantastic if we could to get even half of them to participate.

There are 1388 registered llamas belonging to members and nonmembers, so even if everybody with registered llamas joined still would not break our bank.

Janette is writing something for the magazine about what she presented at the AGM.

If we choose to go with the idea we will need, Quotes from different companies for testing.

An article on how and where to take the fibre sample.

An article on how to shear and prepare fleece for sale.

And lots of enthusiasm to try for record membership participation.

I am not interested in seeing NZLA getting involved in the marketing, collection and sorting of the fibre but this is what Janette has offered to do, as a commercial project. Good on her I hope she is successful and we will help how we can but I would not want to see NZLA getting financially involved in the buying and selling of fibre.

Robyn: I would totally vouch for the enthusiasm of Janette as she spoke at the AGM about her vision and passion for the future of llama fibre. I think if there is any way we can support Janette on her fibre crusade it could have major positives for the future for llamas in NZ. I will support what ever it takes to get this off the ground.

**Propose:** we push ahead with this? First thing establishing a cost.

**Agreed**

### **Advertising:**

So far we have spent or pledged

Lifestyle Farmer \$225 incl GST

Growing Today \$207.00 incl gst

Daily Post \$60 incl gst

Total \$492 from our budget of \$1500

Hopefully there is a Suri article on the horizon in August's growing today.

Am hoping they will offer us the same deals as last year when we place larger advertisements beside llama related articles. Any suggestions/ideas for articles that would inspire the editors?

**Magazine Report:**

The deadline for material is 15 June, hoping to print 1<sup>st</sup> July.

So far we don't have much advertising besides Mrs Robinson.

I don't think that the toners will last for printing another magazine, this means we are going to have to purchase another set of new toners (\$1000 dollars roughly) as there are no recharged ones available.

Organising an AGM article with Stephen contributing what he presented, hopefully something from Betty. Keith has given me two articles, one about a trek, one on the tree planting project.

Guanaco articles from Louisa and Janette and story about skin problems from Neryda.

Robinson can I have one on the dangers of llamas getting to medicated chickenfeed?

Any other suggestions for ideas for articles? or on trying to raise advertising revenue, surely there are members wanting to sell llamas or stud services.

**New Members:**

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Nominated Julie Insley Seconded Peter Webster

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Nominated D Kelly Seconded R Robinson

**Other Business:**

No other business.

**Next Meeting: 8:00 p.m. Monday 6th August 2009**

**Meeting closed: 9:10 p.m. 9<sup>th</sup> June 2009**