



# **2018 WELCOME TO** **ALPACAS WORKSHOP**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE**

**Morning tea, a light lunch and afternoon tea  
provided.**

Morning session – commences 9.30 am

Introductions

**1. *Alpacas – are they for me?***

Do I have the space to keep them?

Do I have the time to look after them?

Do I have the required resources?

What are my goals? (including register or not)

**2. *How to select your alpacas – wethers, pets, breeding stock***

Frame, Fertility, Fleece

Faults – mouths, tails, fused ears, wry face,  
polydactal

Physical condition

What guarantees are offered

**MORNING TEA & Paddock WALK**

**3. *Basic alpaca management –wethers and pets to females and stud males***

Observation and getting to know your alpacas  
Condition scoring  
Shearing  
Toenail trimming,  
Teeth grinding/fighting teeth,  
Regular injections  
Record keeping

**12.30 PM – LUNCH**  
**OPEN FORUM – QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Afternoon sessions commencing 1pm

**4. *Basic reproduction***

Why we need to mate in a systematic fashion.  
Choosing a male for each female

**5. *Birthing and cria care up to 1 year***

Care of female before birth of cria  
Care of the cria after birth  
Dehydration/Bottle feeding  
Coats  
Cria injections for first year  
Weaning – when and how

**6. *Showing***

Choosing a show team  
Halter training  
Preparation of show alpacas and getting yourself organized

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**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**