

2009 Breeders Edge Auction

THANK YOU to all of our consignors, buyers, auction attendees, remote viewers and bidders. You have all contributed to make the 2009 Breeders Edge Auction a successful event! Two-thirds of all consigned alpacas **SOLD** with a true average sales price of \$10,995.00!

With *standing room only*, over 300 people in attendance, the auction was an **EXCITING EVENT** full of energy and enthusiasm.....we brought in the “new” year again as we partied like it was 1999, we bought alpacas, and sold alpacas!

During these economic hard times, well-established auctions have lowered their offerings to both consignors and attendees. We can proudly say that did not happen here at the Breeders Edge!

The same level of educational seminars, food and hospitality was available to everyone. The auction pavilion was air-conditioned and the animals were housed on sod. Nothing changed at the Breeders Edge Auction with the exception of extra added perks for buyers and consignors.

This year the Breeders Edge Auction offered great perks for both purchasers and consignors alike.

- ◆ Complimentary alpaca selection consultations with AOBA-certified judge Diana Timmerman for auction attendees
- ◆ Educational Seminars with Dr. Chris Cebra, Diana Timmerman and Mary Reed
- ◆ Auction Purchaser Grand Prize – Free Bred Female
 - *won by Mary Haller and Dr. Susan Audino, of Alpaca Green*
- ◆ Alpaca Auction Bingo – Free Junior Herdsire
 - *won by Dr. Lori Walker of The Farm at Rainbow's End*
- ◆ Breeders Edge Bucks Raffle – thousands of dollars to winning ticket holders
 - *Lisa Morawek of the MoLi Ranch won \$1,000*
 - *Christy Chavez of Autumn Acres Alpacas won \$2,700*

- ◆ Free Breeding to CCNF Man In Black with any auction lot that sold for \$17,500 or above (\$2,500 value)
 - *Jesus Villegas – 2 breedings*
 - *Christy Chavez*
 - *Susan Morris & Vondell Carter*
 - *Donna Atkins*
 - *Marty Helman*
- ◆ Herdsire breeding donations for alpaca research to further the industry as a whole
 - *Raised \$15,000 in charitable donations for alpaca research*
- ◆ Complimentary consignor consultations with Diana Timmerman and Mary Reed to assist in setting minimums on consigned animals if desired by consignor
- ◆ No Commission on No Sales
- ◆ Only 5% Commission on Sales

In an effort to provide the best possible service to consignors, Breeders Edge elected not to place a house minimum on animals consigned to the auction. Each consignor placed their own minimum to coincide with their personal situation. Breeders Edge is also continuing to advertise the animals that did not sell via their website to further assist the consignor in a private treaty sale.

Once again, **THANK YOU** to all of our consignors, buyers, auction attendees, remote viewers and bidders in making the 2009 Breeders Edge Auction a huge success!

**See you next year at the 2010
 Breeders Edge Invitational Auction!
 August 27, 28, & 29, 2010**



Highest Selling Male! - \$33,000



*Lot 27 A.L. Paca's Coco Robicheaux,
 consigned by A.L. Paca's Farms
 and purchased by Jesus Villegas of P.S. Alpacas*

Highest Selling Female! - \$25,500



*Lot 15 Brookhollow's Evlin, consigned by
 HarNan Farms and purchased by Susan Morris
 & Vondell Carter of Colonel Carters Alpaca Farm*

Wow, where did the summer go! We are now in full swing for the fall show season. We have a great show string line up with a strong representation of offspring from our Herdsire Hall of Fame males. Make sure to stop by and see us at the following shows:

VAOBA Alpaca Expo
October 17-18, 2009

Empire Alpaca Extravaganza
October 24-25, 2009

MABA Alpaca Celebration
November 14-15, 2009

New Jersey Alpaca Show Results, Oct. 3-4, 2009:

- ELK Titan Clash's Machito - White Color Champion, 1st Place for Halter and Bred & Owned
- ELK Prince Phillip's Valencia - White Color Champion, 1st Place for Halter and Bred & Owned
- Brookhollow's Tanzanite - Fawn Color Champion, 1st Place Halter
- Adriano's Crystal Peaches - Light Reserve Color Champion, 1st Place Halter
(owned by Amy Hodder, Twillingate Farm Alpacas)
- ELK Maykon's Makayla - 1st Place Halter (owned by Kevin & Christy Chavez, Autumn Acres Alpacas)
- ELK Dom's Blue Moon - 2nd Place Halter
- ELK Invincible's Jezzabelle - 2nd Place Halter
- ELK Royal Fawn's Tiger Lilly - 3rd Place Halter (owned by Mike & Linda Cheers)
- ELK Royal Calista - 3rd Place Halter (owned by Kevin & Christy Chavez, Autumn Acres Alpacas)



*ELK Prince Phillip's Valencia
5x Champion*



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*Bah HUMMM Bug
Pick-A-Paca Pen Sale
December 12-13, 2009*

Ernie and Barbara

As responsible alpaca breeders, it is important to remember once you place an animal into a fenced environment it is your responsibility to provide for their overall health and well-being. Although alpacas have minimal requirements, they do require a good, quality nutrition program that includes forages (hay and pasture), and clean drinking water along with a nutritional supplement to provide necessary vitamins and minerals. You must also provide monthly worming, yearly vaccinations, monthly toenail cutting and teeth maintenance. Without proper teeth maintenance, alpacas cannot graze.

In this column, we share valuable tips to improve your knowledge about being an alpaca breeder and to clue you in to some of the lessons we've learned since we began breeding alpacas in 1988. As responsible alpaca breeders, it is important to remember once you place an animal into a fenced environment it is your responsibility to provide for their overall health and well-being. Although alpacas have minimal requirements, they do require a good, quality nutrition program that includes forages (hay and pasture), and clean drinking water along with a nutritional supplement to provide necessary vitamins and minerals. You must also provide monthly worming, yearly vaccinations, monthly toenail cutting and teeth maintenance. Without proper teeth maintenance, alpacas cannot graze.

