



BLS Health & Welfare Bulletin 27:
TB AWARENESS MEETINGS

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Dear BLS Member

The British Alpaca Society and The British Llama Society

TB Awareness Meetings

TB is a serious, notifiable disease which can be passed to humans. It can be caught from wildlife, from other infected livestock and from infected alpacas and llamas. The disease kills alpacas, llamas and other camelids, in some cases very quickly.

The BAS has arranged a series of TB Awareness Meetings at 14 venues around the country at which respected camelid vet, Dr Gina Bromage, MA, Vet MB, DVM, MRVCS, will give the veterinary perspective on the facts about the disease, the symptoms to look out for, the precautions you can take to reduce the risk of your herd becoming infected, the actions that you have to take if you find TB in your herd, and the tests available. She will also answer questions on the subject.

These meetings are FREE OF CHARGE to ALL CAMELID OWNERS.

Details of the meetings are given below. Details are also available on the BLS website (www.BritishLlamaSociety.org). Please tell any camelid owners that you know who may not be BLS members about the meetings and encourage them to attend. It will be a great help if you can let us know to which venue you will be coming.

The meetings are supported by Animal Health and the Veterinary Laboratories Agency and representatives of these organisations will be in attendance wherever possible.

These meetings give you a chance to get the facts about TB. You owe it to your

herd, and all other herds with which your animals come in contact, to attend and we look forward to meeting you there.

Please e-mail secretary@bas-uk.com or llamaliz@hotmail.com to let us know which meeting you plan to attend.

James Barnett from the Veterinary Livestock Agency will be speaking after the AGM on 13 March 2010 on the subject 'The VLA, Disease Surveillance and Camelids'. This meeting is supported by British Camelids Ltd and is open to non-members.

Thank you for your participation – let's beat TB together!

Liz Butler - Health & Welfare Officer BLS

Mike Birch - Chairman, British Alpaca Society

Summary (detailed information is given below)

Date	Area	Venue	Time
Thursday 14 January	South West	Bristol	7.30 pm
Saturday 16 January	Southern	Lyndhurst, Southampton	7.30 pm
Saturday 23 January	Yorkshire	Wetherby	2.00 pm
Monday 8 February	Wales	Swansea	7.30 pm
Saturday 13 February	South East	Reigate, Surrey	12 noon
Saturday 13 February	East Midlands	Weedon, Northampton	7.30 pm
Sunday 14 February	East Anglia	Cambridge	1.00 pm
Sunday 14 February	North Midlands	Sutton Bonnington, Loughborough	7.30 pm
Monday 15 February	West Midlands	Cannock, Staffordshire	7.30 pm
Saturday 20 February	Devon	Exeter	7.30 pm
Sunday 21 February	Cornwall	Bodmin	2.30 pm
Saturday 27 February	Cumbria	Carlisle	7.30 pm
Sunday 28 February	Scotland	Paisley, Glasgow	7.30 pm
Monday 1 March	North West	Preston, Lancashire	7.30 pm

SOUTH WEST ENGLAND

Thursday 14 January – 7.30 pm

Venue: Holiday Inn Bristol – Filton

Filton Road

Bristol

BS16 1QZ

Tel: 0871 942 9014

SOUTHERN ENGLAND

Saturday 16 January – 7.30 pm

Venue: Best Western Crown Hotel

High Street

Lyndhurst

Nr Southampton

S043 7NF

Tel: 0238 0282 922

YORKSHIRE

Saturday 23 January – 2.00 pm

Venue: Wetherby Town Hall

The Town Hall

Market Place

Wetherby

LS22 6NE

Tel: 01937 583584

WALES

Monday 8 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: The Marriot Hotel

Maritime Quarter

Swansea

SA1 3SS

Tel: 01179 275702

SOUTH EAST ENGLAND

Saturday 13 February – 12.00 noon

Venue: Best Western Reigate Manor Hotel

Reigate Hill

Reigate

Surrey

RH2 9PF

Tel: 01737 240125

EAST MIDLANDS

Saturday 13 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: Premier Inn Daventry

High St

Weedon

Northampton

Northamptonshire

NN7 4PX

Tel: 0870 990 6364

www.premierinn.com

EAST ANGLIA

Sunday 14 February – 1.00 pm

Venue: The Cambridge Belfry

Cambourne

Cambridge

CB23 6BW

Tel: 01954 714600

NORTH MIDLANDS

Sunday 14 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: School of Veterinary Medicine & Science

University of Nottingham

College Road

Sutton Bonnington

Loughborough

Leicestershire

LE12 5RD

Tel: 0115 951 6413

www.nottingham.ac.uk/vet

WEST MIDLANDS

Monday 15 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: Premier Inn Cannock South

Watling Street

Cannock

Staffordshire

WS11 1SJ

Tel 0870 197 7048

DEVON

Saturday 20 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: Jury's Inn

Western Way

Exeter

Devon

EX1 2DB

Tel: 01392 312400

CORNWALL

Sunday 21 February – 2.30 pm

Venue: Westberry Hotel

Rhind Street

Bodmin

PL31 2EL

Tel: 01208 72772

CUMBRIA

Saturday 27 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: The Best Western Cumbria Park Hotel

32 Scotland Road

Carlisle

CA3 9DG

Tel: 01228 522887

SCOTLAND

Sunday 28 February – 7.30 pm

Venue: Premier Inn – Glasgow Airport

Whitecart Road

Glasgow Airport

Paisley

Scotland

PA3 2TH

Tel: 0870 238 3321

www.premierinn.com

NORTH WEST ENGLAND

Monday 1 March – 7.30 pm

Venue: Premier Inn Preston East

Bluebell Way

Preston East Link Road

Fulwood

Preston

PR2 5PZ

Tel: 0870 197 7215

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