



2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Free demonstrations, educational talks and group spinning ongoing throughout the weekend.

Thursday, June 22

- 10am-8pm • Marketplace vendor booth set-up through 8pm.
- 1-8pm • Receive wool/mohair/alpaca fleece; must be checked in by 9am, Friday.
 - Begin receiving Fiber Arts entries; must be checked in by 10am, Friday.
- 2-10pm • Fairgrounds open for livestock arrival; camper set-up. Health certificates checked.

Friday, June 23

- 7-8am • Livestock check-in continues.
- 8:15-9am • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
 - Resume receiving fleeces.
 - **ALL LIVESTOCK MUST BE IN PLACE. No livestock may arrive after this time.**
 - Resume receiving Fiber Arts entries.
- 9am • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
 - **Sheep Show in Show Ring A begins.** Lunch break at judge's discretion.
 - **Marketplace** opens.
 - **Sheep-to-Shawl** – competition begins.
 - **All Wool, Mohair and Alpaca fleeces in place.** No entries accepted after this time.
- 10am • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** – Fleece judging begins, open to all.
 - Class 00: **For Sale Only Fleeces** – sale begins.
 - **All Fiber Arts entries in place.** No entries will be accepted after this time.
- 10am-Noon • **Camping** registration at Workshop Registration Desk in Convention Center.
- 12:45-1:30pm • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
- 1pm • **Fiber Arts Judging** – open to the public.
- 1:30pm • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
- 2pm • **Sheep-to-Shawl** – competition ends.
- 4pm • **Mohair Fleece Judging.** *Start time approximate.*
- 6pm • **Marketplace** closes for the day.
- 6pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** closes for the day.
- by 7pm • PRESENTATION OF THE **BLACK SHEEP CUP** AND THE **BLACK LAMB CUP** AT THE COMPLETION OF **FIBER ARTS JUDGING.**

Saturday, June 24

- 8:15-9am • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
- 8:30am • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
- 9am • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** – judging resumes
 - Class 00: **For Sale Only Fleeces** resumes.
 - **Marketplace** and **Fiber Arts Display** opens.

Saturday, June 24 (continued)

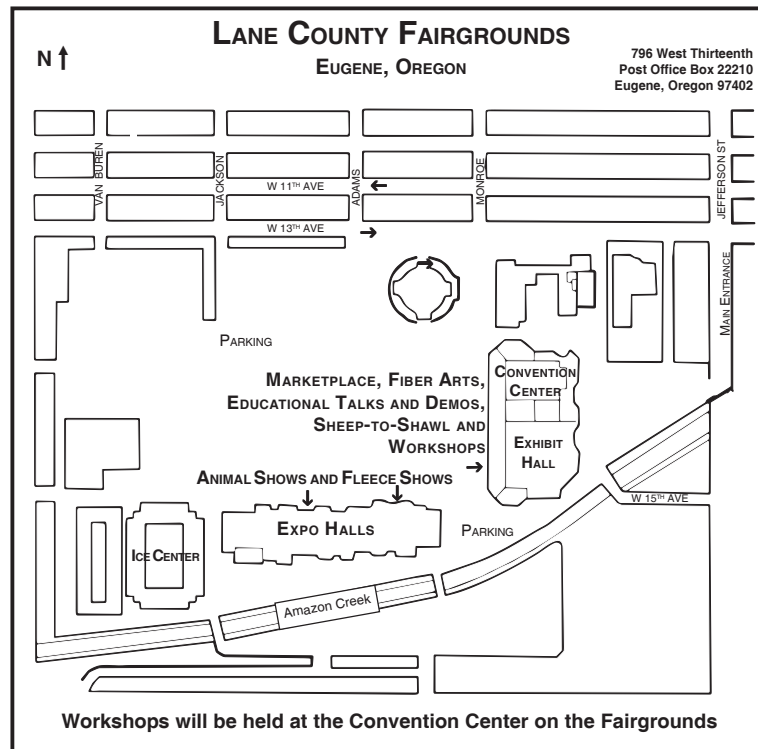
- 9am (*cont.*) • **Sheep Show** continues in Show Ring A. Lunch break at judges' discretion.
- 10am • **Angora Goat Show – Lot P: Registered White Angora Goats**
Lot Q: Registered Colored Angora Goats.
 - **GOAT SHOW: PRESENTATION OF ANGORA GOAT CUP** for Champion Goat.
- 10am-Noon • **Camping** registration at Workshop Registration Desk in Convention Center.
- Noon • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show judging** closes.
PRESENTATION OF THE **BLACK SHEEP CUP** FOR **WOOL, MOHAIR AND ALPACA.**
- 12:45-1:30pm • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
- 1pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** open for public viewing, *start time approx.*
- 1pm • **Sheep Show** continues, *time approximate.*
- 1:30pm • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
- 1:45pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** viewing closes.
- 2:15pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Sale** begins, *start time approximate.*
- 4pm • **SHEEP SHOW** awards – *Start time approximate.* At the conclusion of the **SHEEP SHOW, PRESENTATION OF THE BLACK SHEEP CUP** FOR **BEST YOUNG FLOCK** AND **THE GLEN EIDMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY** FOR **BEST SHEEP IN SHOW.**
- 5pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Sale, Fiber Arts Display** and **Marketplace** close.
- 5:30pm • **Potluck** no host bar.
- 6:30pm • **Potluck** dinner, socializing and music. Bring a dish to share and your sheep tales.
- 8pm • **Spinner's Lead** in Show Ring A, *start time approximate.*

Sunday, June 25

- 8:15-9am • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
- 9am • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
 - **Junior Sheep Show** – Lot S and Lot T.
 - **Junior Exhibitors** – Showmanship Workshop – Scott Culver.
 - **Colored Angora Goat Registry Inspection Training** – details at Info Booth.
 - **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Sale, Fiber Arts Display** and **Marketplace** open.
- 12:45-1:30pm • **Workshop Check-in Opens.**
- 1:30pm • **Workshops Begin** – see Workshop Schedule at the Information Booth.
- 2pm • **Fiber Arts Display** closes. **Release of Fiber Arts items from 2-5pm.**
- 3:30pm • **Wool, Mohair and Alpaca Show** closes. Release unsold fleeces.
- 4pm • **Release of all animals.**
 - **Marketplace** closes.
- 6pm • Grounds must be vacated.

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THANKS FOR COMING. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

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WELCOME TO THE 43RD BLACK SHEEP GATHERING

The Black Sheep Gathering, Inc. (BSG) organizers welcome fiber enthusiasts, breeders, volunteers and newcomers, once again to our annual “coming together.” We meet to discuss breeding and raising colored sheep and goats, share our knowledge of fibers and spend time with like-minded folks in the natural colored sheep and wool community.

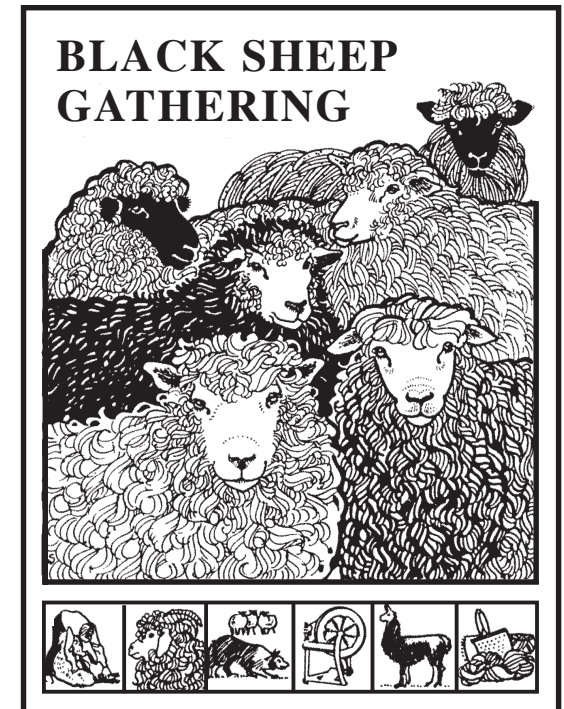
Inspired by founder and editor of the *Black Sheep Newsletter*, Sachiye Jones, as a way for sheep growers and wool consumers to meet and market their goods the first official Black Sheep Growers’ Potluck was held in Rickreall in 1974. In 1981 the event was held in conjunction with the Association of Northwest Weavers’ Guilds Conference at the Lane County Fairgrounds. This was the first year it was called the Black Sheep Gathering. For the next several years the event was at the Cottage Grove Exposition Center.

During the 1984 New Zealand World Congress on Coloured Sheep, Sachiye Jones convinced planners that Oregon should host the next every five-year event. Sachiye thought the Gathering could be held in conjunction with the Congress. The planning began in late 1984. Sadly, Sachiye became ill during her trip to New Zealand and later lost her battle with leukemia in 1985. Despite her absence, the organizers continued on and hosted a most wonderful World Congress on

Coloured Sheep in Eugene, bringing together geneticists, breeders, fiber artists and other wool enthusiasts from around the world. It was a most exciting time and the annual Black Sheep Gathering was held in conjunction with this congress.

Since 1989, the Gathering has been held at the Lane County Fairgrounds in Eugene. The event now includes many breeders of sheep and Angora goats; a large marketplace of sheep and fiber supplies; several educational talks and demonstrations; a wool competition and sale with over 500 quality handspinning fleeces and the always popular spinners’ circle.

Come join us for this year’s Black Sheep Gathering. If this will be your first visit, we extend a special welcome to our BSG family. We continue to welcome our growing number of old and new friends.



June 24, 25 and 26, 2017