

## FLEECE COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

Due to severely reduced numbers of fleeces in the past years, the Region is trying a new strategy in relation to fleece collection and baling and we need your help to get this strategy working.

We all have them ..... fleeces taking up all that space in the shed or spare room. The Queensland Region is looking to put those fleeces into bales and get them into the marketplace.

To make each fleece pressing day count, we are collecting data regarding fleeces first and then when we have approximately 160 kgs of any fleece type, we will organise a day for the baling of that line of fleece.

We hope to get a “classed bale” of white and/or light fawn huacaya together soon. If you are interested, can you please send details of your SKIRTED fleeces to the persons named below for each fleece type/colour.

Here is what we need for our data collectors:

Member's name  
Fleece weight  
- saddle  
-neck/upper legs  
Micron  
Length  
Colour  
Standard Deviation  
Co-efficient of Variation  
Comfort Factor

Send your information through to our Data collectors:

Jeff Willis – white/light fawn huacaya – [info@sunlinealpacas.com.au](mailto:info@sunlinealpacas.com.au)  
Marc Mulette – white/light fawn suri – [shahrizai@ymail.com](mailto:shahrizai@ymail.com)  
Harry & Trish Gauvin – fawn and brown suri – [didohama@gmail.com](mailto:didohama@gmail.com)  
Chris Whitfield – fawn and brown huacaya – [c.h.whitfield@gmail.com](mailto:c.h.whitfield@gmail.com)  
Paula Leeson – short and long hairy pieces, all colours – [pphj@skymesh.com.au](mailto:pphj@skymesh.com.au)  
Dawn Houghton-Wyatt – all other colours both suri and huacaya  
- [ballarkridge.alpacas@gmail.com](mailto:ballarkridge.alpacas@gmail.com)

So get those fleeces out of the shed, give them a skirting and send the data to the appropriate person. We'll have some bales together in no time and you'll have more room in your shed!!

If you do not have time to skirt your fleece and are willing to have it put into a “general” bale please send your details to Dawn Houghton-Wyatt at [ballarkridge.alpacas@gmail.com](mailto:ballarkridge.alpacas@gmail.com). We will still need the weight, type and colour of your fleeces. As these bales will be a mixture of unskirted fleeces, the price obtained is likely to be significantly less than for our “skirted” bales. We will still require at least 160kgs before we can organise a pressing day.