Island Alpaca Neonatal Clinic
Registration Form Below or Register on our Farm-Store Online
Saturday, May 2, 2015

Single registrant $195 • Additional registrants from same farm just $150 • Repeat Guests, $100
Refer a friend or farm (whether participating or not) and receive an Online Gift-Shop Credit of $25!

Dr. Cheryl DeWitt will guide you through this one day clinic. Included will be a
two-hour session of “wet-lab” using uterine simulators to diagnose abnormal
deliveries.

Dr. Cheryl DeWitt, DVM is an associate veterinarian at Camelid Veterinary
Services. She attended North Carolina State University for graduate studies,
then relocated to Ohio to work in camelid medicine. She has also been an active
participant in Dr. Stephen Purdy's Nunoa Project in Peru, a program to establish
self sustaining programs in the areas of: support for underprivileged children
and herding families, veterinary assistance for livestock, and tourism for the
Nuñoa area.

Prepare yourselves for Springtime birthing season!
The Island Alpaca Neonatal Clinic is comprised of a morning of lecture with power-point presentations,
and an afternoon of hands-on “wet lab” for each registrant. One course book per farm will be provided for
you to take home.

The morning lecture will cover female reproduction/breeding; reproductive anatomy and physiology,
breeding and pregnancy diagnosis options, gestational development, care of the pregnant dam, normal and
abnormal criaion and care of the newborn as well as the high-risk cria.

The afternoon “wet-lab” using uterine simulators, will challenge registrants to diagnose the contents of the
uterus, discuss a proposed delivery plan, identify and correct dystocias to deliver the cria safely. Emergency
training, and a lot of fun!

What is Dystocia?
The spring birthing season is a joyous occasion for all breeders. Is your first cria (baby alpaca) soon to be
born on your farm? Are you ready and able to assist the dam in the event she has any difficulty? Be prepared!!
We all look forward to this season with great anticipation. There is nothing like watching these wonderful little
alpacas come into this world. They are sitting, standing and nursing within 4 hours of birth. This is the scenario
we want to see with the birth of all our new crias.

Do you know how to recognize if the dam is in distress and experiencing dystocia? Do you know how to
reverse a uterine torsion? What causes uterine torsion? These questions and more will be answered during this
clinic.

Summary of Topics included:
Reproductive cycle in the Female - Behavior Testing: When is the optimum time to breed? - How a Dam
prepares for birth - Nutrition/Feeding during pregnancy - When to Vaccinate, worm the dam - Preparing for
delivery - Three Stages of labor - Supplies to have on hand - Reproductive Emergencies, and Signs that
‘something may be wrong’ - What you can do during a mal-positioned birth - Post partum care - Care of the
newborn cria and the premature crias - Vaccinations for crias - The importance of Colostrum - Lactation
- Infertility Issues: Indications of problems in new crias such as choanal atresia (closed nasal passages), heart or
lung problems, hypothermia, diarrhea, dehydration, limb deformities, hernia and more...
Increase your confidence in learning to deal with emergency situations that may arise. The facts and simple
techniques you learn at this clinic may help you save that valuable cria. Take the time now to learn before it's too
late. Will you be ready? Island Alpaca would love to help you prepare but offering this invaluable clinic!
REGISTRATION FORM

(Online payment available! Visit islandalpaca.com gift shop and click on Workshops & Events.)

Instructor: Cheryl DeWitt of Camelid Reproductive Services  
Location: Island Alpaca Co. of Martha's Vineyard  
1 Head of the Pond Road, Oak Bluffs, on the Martha's Vineyard.

Date & Time: Saturday, May 2, 2015, 9:30 am-5 pm

Lodging: Discounted lodging is available for Mansion House, Vineyard Haven, MA – Mention “Island Alpaca Farm Clinic” for a 10% discount. (Pool, hot-tub, sauna, fitness center, and buffet breakfast is included) ...just a two-minute walk from the ferry! Meals: A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Transportation: Martha's Vineyard is conveniently located. Just 75 miles from Boston and Providence, to the Woods Hole Ferry terminal. Woods Hole is also accessible by Peter Pan Bus Line. From Woods Hole, take the Steamship Authority to Martha's Vineyard. Alternatively, one may travel by Cape Air to the Martha's Vineyard Airport.

We are easily accessible from the Steamship Authority. No need to bring your car. Island Alpaca Farm is just 2-1/2 miles from the ferry/hotel. Island Alpaca will have a shuttle van from the 8:15 am ferry. Bus service also available with Vineyard Transit from the ferry, bus #1, or by taxi.

Spaces for the seminar are limited and are available on a first come basis. This seminar is very popular so please register early to avoid disappointment!

Name(s): __________________________________________________________________________________

Farm Name: _______________________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________ City: _______________ State: ______

Zip: __________ Phone: _________________________ Email: _____________________________________

(please supply email for registration confirmation)

Reservation is made when payment is received in full.

Cancellation Schedule: 50% of clinic fee refunded if cancelled prior to 8 weeks of clinic date.
25% of clinic fee is refunded prior to four weeks of clinic date. No refund within 4 weeks of clinic date.

Signature: _________________________________________________________________________________

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Please complete the form by mail and submit payment one of two ways:

1) Check or money order, (payable to Island Alpaca) Send to Island Alpaca Co., 1 Head of the Pond Road, Vineyard Haven, MA, 02568
2) Pay using your credit card: Visit islandalpaca.com gift shop and click on Workshops & Events. MasterCard, Visa, Discover Card and American Express accepted. (Please submit registration form by mail.)

We look forward to seeing you at the farm for a day of learning and FUN!