

# Calpaca, Inc. Meeting Minutes

## August 8, 2003

Thanks to Alpacas by the Sea For Hosting the Meeting.

**Board members present:** Stan Ault  
Mike Scott  
David Lee  
Brian Wicks

**General Meeting** Opened by President Stan Ault: Old minutes as published in the Connection magazine ratified.

**Treasurers Report:** Brian Wicks presented a balance sheet for Calpaca. As of 8-8-03 Calpaca had \$24,762.24 in the bank account. We had \$38,811.52 total income for the year and \$33,858.10 in expenses for the period.

**Fall Show:** Kim Bisceglia gave an update on Alpacafest West. CALPACA is co-sponsoring this show with SOCALPACA. Dates of the show are October 31 through November 2 at Firestone Vineyards, Santa Ynez, CA. SOCALPACA will be in charge of the Halter Show and CALPACA the Fleece Show. Wendy MacBain of Shekiniah Alpacas, Gilroy has volunteered to be the Fleece shows Superintendent. Volunteers are still needed to help with the fleece. Contact Wendy or Kim to help out.

**Web Site:** Be sure to check our Website for upcoming events and dates. New information will soon be available on the site including a list of Camelid Vets, Alpaca transporters, Shearers and new members.

**State Fair Update:** Good news! Cal; Expo has allocated a permanent indoor space for Calpaca to show our alpacas beginning next year.  
Bad news! We do not get a space this year and will not be showing our alpacas this year at Cal Expo.  
Vickie Arns and Irene Fuller have put countless hours into preparation for the fair, which will not be in vain. They will coordinate next years Cal Expo also.

**Pet Expo:** Alameda County Fairgrounds, September 19-21. Calpaca will have a booth at the Pet Expo and Volunteers and alpacas are needed. Pens are set up indoors and will give pet lovers a chance to see alpacas close up. Contact Brian Wicks to volunteer.

**Calpaca Brochure:** Mike Scott is designing a brochure of general alpaca information to hand out at fairs and shows. It is almost ready for printing.

Meeting Adjourned and potluck lunch followed.

**Speaker:** Following lunch Randy Chelsea gave a wonderful dying demonstration using traditional Peruvian dyes and different color alpaca fiber.