

## **Tips For Fleece Shoppers:**

- We are in a new venue -Expo- across the parking lot- from the Davis Arena.
- No fleeces that are entered into the Show may be purchased or perused before the Judging. Growers work very hard to present their fleeces appropriately for the judge according to strict guidelines and the show managers must leave these fleeces undisturbed until they are judged.
- Silent Auction: Sale fleece that win or place in our show will be put up for Silent Auction and will be on display until 4pm Saturday. The First or Opening bid will be the Grower's set price. Buyers may bid in \$2.00 increments after first buyer signs for opening bid. If no bids are received, fleece will go to regular sale floor.
- Wool fleeces that are in the show will be available for Sale as soon as judging is completed on Friday afternoon. Mohair fleeces are available immediately following judging on Friday afternoon.
- Alpaca Fleece will be graded and sorted in a similar fashion as wool.
- Be sure to check out the new or notable section in sale area.
- Any fleece of any type that is for Sale Only is presented as "Buyer Beware," as they are not judged. Many nice fleeces are presented as Sale Only, and may be purchased at any time during the Fair.
- We accept cash, check, and credit cards. In past, we have had severe connectivity problems at the WNC Agricultural Center. While we will make every effort to do so, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to accept credit cards.

Want to learn more about selecting a fleece? Try some of these links:

### **Wool:**

- <http://askthebellwether.blogspot.com/2009/09/what-do-you-look-for-in-fleece.html>

- If you want the crash course in what to look for in a fleece, try the DVD, *Three Bags Full*, by Judith MacKenzie available at Interweave Press: <http://www.interweavestore.com/three-bags-full-dvd>.

**Alpaca:**

- <http://www.easygofarm.net/FleeceBasics.html>

**Mohair:**

- <http://www.fiber2yarn.com/selection.htm>
- [http://www.skeinlane.com/knittingresources/knowyourfibers/about\\_mohair.htm](http://www.skeinlane.com/knittingresources/knowyourfibers/about_mohair.htm)