



British Boer Goat Society

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Dear Members,

As we approach the end of the month, we hope you have all had a good start to the New Year. With many of you heading into the kidding and lambing season, we wish you every success — may it be smooth and rewarding.

Be sure to stay tuned for the latest news and updates from BBGS in the weeks ahead.



**"PASSION IS THE FUEL THAT IGNITES OUR GREATEST
ACHIEVEMENTS."**

Shows 2026

Staffordshire County Show, 27th & 28th May 2026

Judge – Mr Phillip Hall (UK)

Link: [» Staffordshire County Show](#)

Royal Three Counties Show, 12th-14th June 2026

Judge – Mr Johan Strauss (SA)

Link: [Home- Royal Three Counties](#)

Royal Lancashire Agricultural Show, 3rd-5th July 2026

Judge – Mr Engel Kupers (NL)

Link: [Home- The Royal Lancashire Agricultural Show](#)



The BBGS welcome any members who would like to assist at shows, whether as stewards or result takers. Being a Steward is an ideal introduction to the show ring either before showing your own goats or for the first step in becoming a Judge. The BBGS would be honoured to have your support! Please email secretary at bbgs.secretary@gmail.com

The BBGS Committee is pleased to advise members that two additional classes will be introduced to the Boer Goat classes at this year's shows.

- Buck, purebred, over 2 years on day of Show.
- Buckling, purebred, over 1 year, but less than 2 years on the day of Show.
- Buck Kid, purebred, under 1 year old on day of Show. Class may be split.
- Senior Doe, purebred, over 4 years on day of the Show with or without her progeny at foot.
- **Intermediate Doe, purebred, over 3 years, and less than 4 years on the day of Show with or without her progeny at foot.**
- Junior Doe, purebred, over 2 years, and less than 3 years on the day of Show with or without her progeny at foot.
- Doeling, purebred, over 1 year, but less than 2 years on day of Show.
- Doe Kid, purebred, under 1 year old on day of Show. Class may be split.
- **Male or Female, purebred, any age registered Red Boer goats or Red goats with higher percentage of white markings than specified in the British Boer Goat Society Breed Standard as the ideal.**
Plus, Male or Female, purebred, any age registered Traditional Boer goats displaying a higher percentage of red markings than specified in the British Boer Goat Society Breed Standard as the ideal.

No black, mottled, or dappled colouring permitted.



Goat Curry



INGREDIENTS

- 2kg lean goat meat either shoulder or ready diced
- Oil for frying, coconut oil is great for this recipe
 - 1 sliced onion
- 3 tsps. cummin seeds, 1/2 tsp. fenugreek seeds, 1/2 cinnamon stick
 - 8 whole cloves
- 1 tbsp crushed green ginger
 - 4 cloves garlic, crushed
- 3 tbsp curry powder, 1 tbsp paprika, 1/2 tbsp chilli powder
 - 500gms tomatoes
 - 1 tbsp cardamom

METHOD

1. Cut meat into 4-5cm cubes, pour enough oil into a pan to cover the base and heat well.
2. Add the sliced onion and cook until half browned.
3. Add the cumin, fenugreek, cinnamon, and clove, cook gently until onions are browned.
4. Add ginger, crushed garlic and fry for 30 seconds.
5. Add meat and cook until well browned, reduce heat and cook gently for 10 minutes.
6. Add curry powder, paprika and chilli powder, add peeled chopped tomatoes and stir well.
7. Place in oven-proof dish, stir in 500mls water and sprinkle cardamom over top.
8. Cover and simmer for at least 2-2.5 hours.
9. Add more water if necessary, during cooking.

Serve with boiled rice, mango chutney, cucumber mixed with natural yogurt and poppadums.

Kidding Season – Record Keeping and Tagging

Kidding season is a busy time, and while it is easy to put paperwork off for later, accurate record keeping and timely tagging are essential parts of good herd management.

Recording details at birth — including date, dam, sire, litter size, sex, and any issues during kidding — provides valuable information for future breeding decisions and herd health monitoring. Even brief notes taken at the time can prevent confusion later in the season.

Tagging kids correctly and within the required timeframe helps ensure clear identification from the outset. Double-check tag numbers against your records to avoid errors, and ensure tags are fitted securely and hygienically to reduce the risk of infection or loss. Using clean equipment and checking ears regularly after tagging is good practice.

Clear, accurate records also support show entries, registrations, and movements later in the year. Time spent keeping records up to date during kidding season can save considerable time and stress down the line.

Members are reminded to familiarise themselves with current tagging and registration requirements and to contact the Society if they have any questions or need guidance.

Good record keeping underpins responsible breeding, supports the integrity of the herd book, and benefits both individual breeders and the Society as a whole.

Payments

Please when making a payment to BBGS by either BACS or PayPal could you please add your membership number and a reference to your payment i.e. Transfer, Membership or Reg.

Until payments are received transactions cannot be undertaken.

Thank you.

Your Society Needs You!!

The BBGS Committee is seeking enthusiastic and committed members to step forward and become Trustees within the Society. This is a valuable opportunity to help shape the future of our charity, contribute fresh ideas, and play an active role in strengthening BBGS.

To continue delivering and developing the activities our members value, we need more support. A small committee limits our ability to grow and introduce new initiatives, and additional hands would help share the workload while bringing new energy and perspectives to the Society.

If you have ideas, skills, or simply the enthusiasm to make a difference, we would love to hear from you. Your input truly matters, and joining the committee gives you the chance to help turn ideas into action.

Committee meetings are held monthly via Zoom and typically last between 1 and 2 hours, making it easy to get involved from anywhere.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Secretary at bbgs.secretary@gmail.com.

Your involvement could play a key role in moving BBGS forward — thank you for considering giving back to your Society.

Best regards
Trustees of the British Boer Goat Society