



British Boer Goat Society

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Dear Members

Many of you will be busy planning for the next breeding season, which is always an exciting time of year. We wish you all the very best with your plans and hope everything goes smoothly.

As always, we're here to bring you the latest BBGS news, updates and information.



Payments

A gentle reminder when making a payment to BBGS by BACS 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.

Many thanks.

Show dates 2027.

Staffordshire County Show- 2nd & 3rd June 2027

Royal Three Counties Show- 18th- 20th June 2027

Hanbury Countryside Show- 3rd July 2027

Do not forget our fantastic BBGS members offer!!

Any BBGS member that would like to attend any of the BBGS supported shows.

The BBGS will refund your ticket price!!

Single members- 1 Adult ticket price refunded.

Joint members- 1 1/2 Adult ticket price refunded.

You will be able to enjoy the Boer Goat showing and the rest of the fantastic shows. Truly a wonderful opportunity!

BBGS Registrations email

Dear Members

Please be advised that the registrations and membership email address has changed to.

bbgsreg@gmail.com

This is effective immediately.

Slow-Braised Boer Goat Stew with Root Vegetables

Ingredients



(Serves 4–6)

- 2 lbs Boer goat shoulder or leg, cut into 1½-inch cubes
- 2 tbsp Olive oil
- 1 large Onion, chopped
- 3 cloves Garlic, minced
- 3 Carrots, sliced thick
- 2 Parsnips or Turnips, chopped
- 2 Potatoes, cubed
- 1 cup diced Tomatoes (fresh or canned)
- 1 ½ cups Beef or Goat broth
- 1 cup dry red wine (optional, or replace with broth)
- 2 tbsp Tomato paste
- 1 tbsp fresh Rosemary (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 tbsp fresh thyme (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 bay leaf
- Salt and cracked black pepper to taste

Directions

1. Brown the meat: Heat olive oil in a heavy pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Brown goat pieces on all sides, working in batches if needed. Remove and set aside.
2. Sauté aromatics: In the same pot, add onions and garlic. Cook until softened and fragrant, about 3–4 minutes.
3. Build flavour: Stir in tomato paste, then add red wine (if using) to deglaze the pot. Scrape up all the flavourful browned bits from the bottom.
4. Add vegetables and liquid: Return the goat meat to the pot. Add carrots, parsnips, potatoes, diced tomatoes, broth, and herbs. Stir well and bring to a gentle simmer.
5. Slow cook: Cover and simmer on low heat for about 2 to 2½ hours, or until the meat is tender and the vegetables are soft. (You can also cook in a slow cooker on low for 6–8 hours.)
6. Season and serve: Adjust seasoning with salt and pepper.

Serve hot with crusty bread or over mashed potatoes.

BBGS 2026 AGM 2026

Annual General Meeting – 22nd October 2026, 19:00pm the AGM to be hosted through a Zoom meeting. All necessary documents and accounts will be sent to all members by Mailchimp.

Members who wish to attend the AGM at 19:00pm on the 22.10.2026 need to register with the BBGS Secretary bbgs.secretary@gmail.com by the required date.

Submitting questions – you can submit a question before the AGM by email to bbgs.secretary@gmail.com who will include it in the proceedings of the meeting. All questions should be submitted to the Secretary before midnight on the 08.10.2026.

Join the BBGS Committee – Your Society Needs You!

The British Boer Goat Society is growing, with increasing membership, more shows, and exciting opportunities ahead. However, our small committee is currently carrying a large workload, and we urgently need more members to step forward and become Trustees.

There are so many opportunities to develop the BBGS further, from member events and training to promoting the Boer goat breed and expanding our presence across the UK. To do this, we need more volunteers to get involved.

Whether you have experience in administration, marketing, social media or showing, or simply have a passion for Boer Goats and would like to help, **your contribution can make a real difference.**

Committee meetings are held monthly via Zoom and usually last just 1–2 hours. The workload is shared, and every contribution helps.

This is YOUR Society, and its future depends on its members.

If you have ever thought, *“I’d like to help,”* now is the time to get involved. Join the BBGS Committee and help us build a strong future for the Society and the Boer Goat breed.

Together, we can achieve so much more – but we cannot do it alone.

Setting Your Boer Herd Up for a Successful Kidding Season

Breeding season is one of the most important times of the year for any Boer Goat operation. Whether you are managing a small holding or a large commercial setup, careful preparation can make all the difference in conception rates, kidding success, and kid health.

1. Evaluate Body Condition Before breeding begins, assess the body condition of all does and bucks. Does should be in moderate condition — not too thin or overly fat. Thin does may struggle to conceive, while overweight does are prone to kidding complications. Bucks also need to be in good working condition since they can lose up to 10 15% of their body weight during breeding.

2. Nutrition and Flushing “Flushing” — the practice of increasing a doe’s feed intake 3–4 weeks before breeding — can improve ovulation and increase litter size. Offer a small grain supplement or high-quality hay to provide extra energy and protein. Make sure clean, fresh water and free-choice minerals are always available. Do not forget trace minerals: copper, selenium, and zinc play vital roles in fertility and overall herd health. A targeted mineral supplement designed for goats is a worthwhile investment.

3. Health Check and Parasite Control A few weeks before breeding, perform a full health check. Trim hooves, check eyes for signs of anaemia (a sign of barber pole worm), and deworm selectively based on faecal egg counts. Healthy goats are more likely to conceive quickly and carry kids to term successfully.

4. Buck Management Inspect bucks just as carefully as the does. Check for sound feet, a clean sheath, and no signs of lameness or injury. Testicles should be firm, evenly sized, and free of swelling. Bucks should also receive a balanced diet and have access to clean water and minerals.

5. Recordkeeping and Observation Keep detailed breeding records including doe ID, buck used, and breeding dates. This helps you predict kidding dates and manage nutrition accordingly. Once breeding starts, observe interactions to ensure the buck is active and does are cycling normally.

Final Tip: Good breeding preparation sets the stage for healthy kids, higher conception rates, and an easier kidding season. A few weeks of planning now will save you countless hours — and headaches — later.

A Unique Opportunity for BBGS Members – Don't Miss Out!

Promote Your Business & Support Boer Goats

Are you a BBGS member with a business, product or service to promote? This is an opportunity that is simply too good to miss!

For a donation of just **£50**, BBGS members can have their company or herd banner displayed around the Boer Goat ring at one of our supported shows OR **£100** for the **three** shows.

But the exposure doesn't stop there. Your donation also includes:

- Your banner displayed around the Boer Goat ring
- A mention on both BBGS Facebook pages
 - Promotion on the BBGS website
- A mention in our monthly members' newsletter

The shows attract tens of thousands of breeders, exhibitors, agricultural visitors and members of the public, providing a fantastic opportunity to get your business noticed and generate interest in what you do.

Most importantly, your donation directly helps support the promotion and development of the Boer Goat breed.

£50 for one or £100 for three shows, this is a fantastic way to promote your business, reach a targeted audience and show your support for Boer Goats.

Don't miss this exclusive opportunity – spaces are limited!

To find out more, please contact Hayley at bbgs.secretary@gmail.com.



Website

We would like to remind all BBGS members of the importance of making full use of the Society website's For Sale page.

When people are searching for breeding stock or stores, one of the very first places they visit is the BBGS website. For many, it is their first port of call when looking for quality Boer goats.

The website receives a high level of traffic from across the UK and overseas, so if your goats are not listed, you may be missing valuable enquiries.

If you have stock available, please take a few minutes to ensure your listings are up to date, and your contact details are correct.

The For Sale page is there to help connect members with genuine buyers — Link below.

[For Sale – British Boer Goat Society](#)

Best regards
Trustees of the British Boer Goat Society