

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

North American Packgoat Association (NAPgA)

Founded in 1999, the NAPgA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose mission is to:

- Promote the use and enjoyment of packgoats
- Improve, mentor, and encourage competency in the practice of goatpacking
- Provide communication and disseminate information
- Promote scientific study of the caprine species, their care, welfare and training
- Urge recognition of goatpacking as a low impact packstock alternative
- Establish traditions which will aid, perpetuate, and further the welfare of goats and goatpacking

Misinformation has led to banning packgoats from many of our public lands. One of the NAPgA's most vital functions is to keep abreast of proposed public land closures and work towards keeping them open.

Your membership is important! Membership dues fund member and public education, packgoat events, research and help keep public lands open to packgoats - now and for future generations. Increased membership numbers also means more voices and better representation before the government.

Members have access to the member database, member map, receive up-to-date news alerts about issues affecting goatpacking, youth awards and much, much more!

With six different membership levels to choose from you'll find one that's right for you! Check the NAPgA website to see the additional benefits for each membership level.

Join NAPgA today!

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KEY RESOURCES

- Best Management Practices (BMPs)
- Packgoat Guidebook
- Buyer's Guide
- Breeder's & Businesses Code of Ethics Standards
- Summary of understanding regarding M.ovi study

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMP's)

NAPgA created the BMP's to establish responsible common sense guidelines for goatpacking.

These 5 BMP's will ensure we, as goatpackers, are acting responsibly while enjoying the beauty of the land and wildlife we enjoy. Help keep public and private lands open to goatpacking for yourself and future generations.

Read the BMP's and watch the video on the BMP's at **www.napga.org**

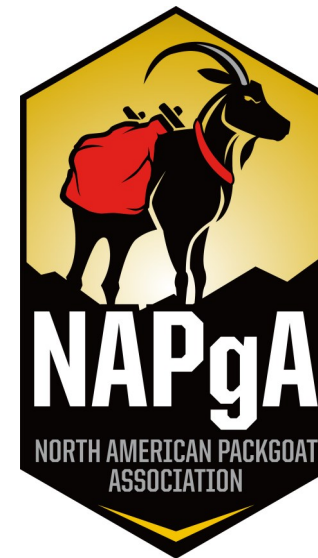
CAROLYN EDDY MEMORIAL RESEARCH FUND

Founding NAPgA member, Carolyn Eddy, left a large donation to NAPgA when she passed away. The Fund is designated for research that will further the interests of packgoats. Individuals may also donate directly to the Fund. Donations are tax deductible.

To date, some of the research funds have been used for the ongoing NAPgA Citizen Science Epidemiological Research Study of Urinary Calculi in Wethered Goats.

Information about this important study can be found here:

<https://napga.org/research/>



PACKGOAT RESOURCES

**A packgoat
carries your gear,
walks for miles
without complaining,
and keeps you company
on the trail.
They are the
*perfect hiking partner!***

OFFICIAL NAPgA Facebook & Instagram

NAPgA Discussion Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/711939102246721/>

NAPgA

<https://instagram.com/northamericanpackgoat/>

NAPGA RENDEZVOUS

NAPgA holds an annual Rendezvous each June. We enjoy three days of classes, hikes, service projects and camaraderie! Information can be found at this link: <https://napga.org/events/rendezvous/>

BOOKS

The Pack Goat

By John Mionczynski

Written by the man who is widely recognized as the originator of goatpacking in America.

Practical Goatpacking

By Carolyn Eddy

Field First Aid For Goats

By Alice Berberness and Carolyn Eddy

Diet For Wethers: A Guide to Feeding Your Wether for Health and Longevity

By Carolyn Eddy

Goat Medicine, 2nd Edition

By Mary C. Smith

VIDEOS

NAPgA's Best Management Practices (BMP's)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hTVEz04Hd14>

<https://www.youtube.com/@PackGoatscom>

A selection of videos and information.

ONLINE - Forum

Packgoat Central

Gather online with other packgoat enthusiasts!
www.packgoatcentral.com

PACKGOAT GUIDEBOOK

NAPgA has published a free downloadable 67-page guidebook that is jam packed with all things goat and packgoat! It is relevant for all goat owners and goat-packers with special sections for youth interested in the 4H Packgoat Project, youth project leaders and packgoat project judges.

<https://napga.org/packgoat-guidebook/>

PACKGOAT BREEDERS & BUYER'S GUIDE

NAPgA does not endorse any breeder.

A list of breeders who are NAPgA members can be found on the NAPgA website. These breeders have agreed to abide by NAPgA's Breeder's Code of Ethics Standards.

The Breeder's Code of Ethics document can also be found at this link.

NAPgA believes buyers should be well educated when making packgoat purchase decisions.

NAPgA has created a suggested Buyer's Guide which is also found at his link.

<https://napga.org/resources/goats-gear/packgoat-breeders/>

PACKGOAT EQUIPMENT

NAPgA does not endorse any packgoat equipment business.

A list of goatpacking equipment businesses who are NAPgA members can be found on the NAPgA website.

These businesses have agreed to abide by the Goatpacking Equipment Business Ethics Standards which document can also be found at this link.

<https://napga.org/resources/goats-gear/goatpacking-equipment/>

PACKGOAT RENTALS

NAPgA does not endorse any packgoat rental business.

A list of packgoat rental businesses who are NAPgA members can be found on the NAPgA website.

These rental businesses have agreed to abide by the Packgoat Rental Business Ethics Standards document which can also be found at this link.

<https://napga.org/resources/goats-gear/packgoat-rentals/>

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CascadePackGoatClub

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/52169296638>

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Your source for up-to-date goatpacking information. NAPgA works hard to protect your right to pack on public lands.

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