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Bloem Show shearing demonstrations at schools explain where jerseys and scarfs come from

It's time for Bloem Show from **26 April to 4 May** in Bloemfontein. Along with the fun, comes the opportunity to learn.

Bloem Show provides a number of opportunities for children to learn about the environment, agriculture, and where things like food and clothes come from.

The popular shearing demonstrations will once again be presented at four schools in Bloemfontein. Learn more about how a sheep is sheared; how the wool is spun and then knitted to make jerseys and scarves, which keep us warm during the winter.

Bloem Show, in conjunction with the NWGA, will conduct four sheep shearing demonstrations at schools in Bloemfontein.

11 March 2019	Jim Fouche primary school (09:00-13:00)
12 March 2019	Free State Residential care centre & Lettie Fouché (09:00-13:00)
14 March 2019	Primary school Sentraal (09:00-13:00)
18 March 2019	Grey primary school during their Supersport week (09:00-12:00)

The demonstrations mainly involve the shearing of sheep, first by hand and then with a machine. Thereafter the two types of shearing methods compete against one another. General information are given to the children and the process of how the wool is spun and knitted is explained.

The spinning and knitting ladies do the demonstrations voluntary and the children are normally amazed by their skill and creativity. The children also get the opportunity to touch the wool and ask questions.

The demonstration will be held on a shearing platform and presented by **Mr. Izak Kloppers**



from the **National Wool Growers Association**. NWGA is involved in the training of sheep-shearers in South Africa.

Shearers that will feature during the demonstrations are of the best in the country.

The national sheep shearing and wool handling competition will be hosted during the Bloem Show on 26 & 27 April 2019.

It is a privilege for Bloem Show to support and educate the community in such a way.

For more information, please contact Monique van Vuuren on 051 448 9894 or send an email to monique@bloemshow.co.za

Please ensure you do not miss out on this year's Bloem Show - exciting entertainment, exhibitors, an abundant agricultural program and good food make it all worthwhile to record the **26 April to 4 May 2019** in your diary. Tickets are available at Computicket or at the gates. Visit www.bloemshow.co.za or call us during office hours at 051 448 894/5/6 for more information.

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