

## **RABBITS**

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Premiums: A=\$2.50; B=\$1.50; C= No premiums  
Rabbit Science/Record Book Premiums: A=\$2; B=\$1.25; C=No premiums.

Judging: Rabbit Science, Monday at 2:30 p.m.  
Location: Rabbit Barn  
Showmanship: Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in Rabbit Barn  
Breeding Stock & Market Class: Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.  
Fun Classes: Thursday at 11:00 a.m. for Costume Class in Rabbit Barn.  
Scavenger Hunt: Friday 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
Adult Showmanship: Friday at 11:00 a.m.  
Set Up: Saturday prior to fair at 11:00 a.m.  
Check In: Sunday, between 2 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

See Livestock Rules and Regulations & Livestock Care Agreement

Record Book: Required of all exhibitors in order to show/sell and must be turned in to the Fair Office or 4-H Office by July 1. Books available at the Fair Office, Website or 4-H office.

\*\* Animals leaving before release time will forfeit all premiums except for #9 below and market animals sent out for processing.

### **Project Requirements**

1. All rabbits/cavies must be owned by the 4-Her exhibiting them by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. For those rabbits/cavies under the age of 69 days the doe/sow kindling the litter must be owned by the 4-Her by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
2. Entry fee of \$2.00 per will be due at time of check in.
3. Bedding and pellets will be provided for the week of the fair.
4. Exhibitors must fit, show and take care of their own animals at the fair.
5. Those exhibiting will be limited to two entries per class. Superintendent may need to limit total entries per exhibitor based on barn capacity.
6. All rabbits must have a legible and permanent ear marking in their left ear at the time of check-in. Cavy must have the required ear tag at the time of check-in.
7. Rabbits/Cavy will be judged by A.R.B.A. standards, except the Mixed Breed Class.
8. No breeding of show rabbits/cavies at the County Park during Fair.
9. The superintendent may request that any rabbit/cavy showing signs of illness or disease be removed from the County Park as soon as it is possible to prevent spread of illness.
10. No locks allowed on cages.
11. Meat pens or rabbits are not to be over 69 days of age, minimum weight of 3.5 lbs. each, maximum weight of 5 lbs.

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each, and cared for by the exhibitor in that time. Does must be bred 100 days or less before judging. Meat pen must be of the same breed and variety, and as identical as possible. Grand & Reserve meat pens will be sold at the livestock auction. Pens receiving A ratings are eligible to sell in the small animal silent auction on Thursday. Notation must be made in the record books at check-in if a member does not wish their pen sold if it receives an A rating. Those not wishing to sell their pens must tell the clerk at check-in.

12. Fryer Class rabbits are not to be over 69 days of age, minimum weight of 3.5 lbs. each, maximum weight of 5lbs. each. Fryer rabbits must be cared for by exhibitor. A single fryer rabbit cannot be shown in the meat pen. A fryer rabbit must be a commercial breed, and of any variety. Does must be bred 100 days or less before judging. Grand & Reserve fryers will be sold at the livestock auction. Fryers receiving A ratings are eligible to sell in the small animal silent auction on Thursday. Notation must be made in the record books at check-in if a member does not wish their fryer sold if it receives an A rating. Those not wishing to sell their fryer must tell the clerk at check-in.

13. Roaster Class: All rabbits entered in this class must be under six months of age. Minimum weight is 5.5 lbs. each, maximum weight at 9 lbs. Grand & Reserve roasters will be sold at the livestock auction. Roasters receiving A ratings are eligible to sell in the small animal silent auction on Thursday. Notation must be made in the record books at check-in if a member does not wish their roaster sold if it receives an A rating. Those not wishing to sell their roaster must tell the clerk at check-in.

14. Stewer Class: All rabbits entered in this class must be six months of age and over. Minimum weight is 8 lbs. Grand & Reserve stewers will be sold at the livestock auction. Stewers receiving A ratings are eligible to sell in the small animal silent auction on Thursday. Notation must be made in the record books at check-in if a member does not wish their stewer sold if it receives an A rating. Those not wishing to sell their stewer must tell the clerk at check-in.

15. Any rabbit/cavy that is used as a showmanship rabbit/cavy must be owned by the exhibitor and must be shown in their breed class unless okayed by the Superintendent.

16. A Best of Breed ribbon will be awarded in each breed division if warranted by the judge. Small Best of Breed trophies will be awarded to the breeds with three or more entries (excluding Class 1224).

17. A Best of Variety & Best Opposite of Variety will be selected in each breed variety. From those variety winners a best and best opposite sex of breed will be chosen. A Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex of breed will be selected in each breed. These selections will determine which animal will represent their breed in the championship classes.

18. All rabbit/cavy exhibitors are responsible for set up and clean up fair week. Set up will be on Sat. before the fair at 11 a.m.

19. Rabbits must be removed from barn between 8 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning. However, any rabbits found leaving the barn/fairgrounds before 8 a.m. Sunday will lose their rabbit

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premiums. Cavies must be removed from the barn at the conclusion of the show on Tuesday.

20. Barn duty is required for all rabbit/cavy clubs & independent rabbit/cavy exhibitors. Each is asked to sign up for a specific time during fair week on the board posted near the judging tables. A listing of what is expected of those on duty will be posted in the same location.

21. Each exhibitor must submit an online registration to register for cage space and sizes by July 1. Members may be restricted to a maximum number of cages, depending upon the number of entries and the number of available cages as determined by the Superintendent based on cage reservation numbers. Club leaders should contact the Superintendent by July 1 to verify club cage counts.

22. Entry Form Help for Breed Classes: There is no department number, only Division and Class. For Breed Class the Division is 2202. The Class number is the breed of the rabbit. Please list the Class Number (breed) with an A, B, C, D, E or F after the Class number. A is a Sr. Buck; B is a Sr. Doe; C is a 6-8 Buck; D is a 6-8 Doe; E is a Jr. Buck and F is a Jr. Doe. Also, list your showmanship, progeny, fun classes, etc.

23. All rabbits/cavies must meet the minimum weight requirements for their breed to be shown.

### **DIVISION 2001 - RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

Showman will be judged by the "4-H Rabbit Fitting & Showing Member Guide" (4H1268)

Class 01 – Novice – 8 to 10 yrs. old

Class 02 – Young - 11 and 12 yrs. old

Class 03 – Intermediate - 13 and 14 yrs. old

Class 04 – Junior - 15 and 16 yrs. old

Class 05 – Senior - 17 yrs. and older

\*\*Overall Showmanship (Grand/Reserve Champion & 1st Alternate)

Class 06- Clover Sprouts Rabbit Showmanship with animal (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only). Exhibitor is bringing their animal to the fair.

Class 07- Clover Sprouts Rabbit Showmanship without animal (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only) and borrowing an animal and not bringing one to the fair.

1. There will be three judges for showmanship. They will judge three different classes simultaneously, when either of them has completed their class they will move to the next available age division.

2. Overall Grand and Overall Reserve Champion and 1st Alternate will be picked. The top two showmen will compete in Sweepstakes Showmanship on Saturday.

### **DIVISION 2002 – CLOVER SPROUT BREEDING STOCK**

All Clover Sprout Rabbit Breeding Stock will be shown in same class regardless of breed/age/sex of rabbit.

Class 01- Clover Sprouts Rabbit Breeding Stock with animal (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only). Exhibitor is bringing their animal to the fair.

Class 02- Clover Sprouts Rabbit Breeding Stock without animal (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only) and borrowing an animal and not bringing one to the fair.

### **DIVISION 2002 – BREEDING STOCK**

(See listing below for the Class number for your particular breed).

Example: Division 2002, Class 1170B (Mini Rex Black, Sr. Doe)

Example: Division 2002, Class 1142E (Lilac Standard, Jr. Buck)

A - Senior Buck, 6 months of age and over

B - Senior Doe, 6 months of age and over

C - Intermediate Buck, 6-8 months of age (Commercial Breeds only)

D - Intermediate Doe, 6-8 months of age (Commercial Breeds only)

E - Junior Buck, under 6 months of age

F - Junior Doe, under 6 months of age

\*\*Grand & Reserve Commercial Breeds (6 classes). No Premiums.

\*\*Grand & Reserve Fancy Breeds (4 classes). No Premiums.

\*\*Overall Best of Show Rabbit

### **CLASS RABBIT BREED/VARIETY**

Class 1000 - American Fuzzy Lop Broken

Class 1002 - American Fuzzy Lop Solid Pattern

Class 1004 - American Blue

Class 1006 - American Sable Standard

Class 1008 - American White

Class 1010 - Angora English Colored

Class 1012 - Angora English White

Class 1014 - Angora French Colored

Class 1016 - Angora French White

Class 1018 - Angora Giant White

Class 1020 - Angora Satin Colored

Class 1021 - Argente Brun - Standard

Class 1022 - Belgian Hare Standard

Class 1024- Beveren Black

Class 1026- Beveren Blue

Class 1028- Beveren White

Class 1030- Britannia Petit -- Broken

Class 1032- Britannia Petite - Blue Eyed White

Class 1034- Britannia Petite Black

Class 1036- Britannia Petite Black Otter

Class 1038- Britannia Petite Chest Agouti

Class 1040- Britannia Petite Ruby Eyed White

Class 1042- Britannia Petite Sable Marten

Class 1044- Californian Standard

Class 1046- Champagne D'Argent Standard

Class 1048- Checkered Giant Black

Class 1050- Checkered Giant Blue

Class 1052- Chinchilla American Standard

**CLASS RABBIT BREED/VARIETY**

Class 1054- Chinchilla Giant Standard  
Class 1056- Chinchilla Standard  
Class 1058- Cinnamon Standard  
Class 1060- Cream D'Argent Standard  
Class 1062- Dutch - Chinchilla  
Class 1064- Dutch Black  
Class 1066- Dutch Blue  
Class 1068- Dutch Chocolate  
Class 1070- Dutch Gray  
Class 1072- Dutch Steel  
Class 1074- Dutch Tortoise  
Class 1076- Dwarf Hotot Standard  
Class 1078- English Spot Black  
Class 1080- English Spot Blue  
Class 1082- English Spot Chocolate  
Class 1084- English Spot Gold  
Class 1086- English Spot Gray  
Class 1088- English Spot Lilac  
Class 1090- English Spot Tortoise  
Class 1092- Flemish Giant Black  
Class 1094- Flemish Giant Blue  
Class 1096- Flemish Giant Fawn  
Class 1098- Flemish Giant Light Gray  
Class 1100- Flemish Giant Sandy  
Class 1102- Flemish Giant Steel Gray  
Class 1104- Flemish Giant White  
Class 1106- Florida White Standard  
Class 1108- Harlequin Japanese  
Class 1110- Harlequin Magpie  
Class 1112- Havana Black  
Class 1114- Havana Blue  
Class 1116- Havana Broken  
Class 1118- Havana Chocolate  
Class 1119 - Havana Lilac  
Class 1120- Himalayan Black  
Class 1122- Himalayan Chocolate  
Class 1124- Himalayan Blue  
Class 1126- Himalayan Lilac  
Class 1128- Hotot Standard  
Class 1130- Jersey Wooly Agouti  
Class 1132- Jersey Wooly Broken  
Class 1134- Jersey Wooly Other  
Class 1136- Jersey Wooly Self  
Class 1138- Jersey Wooly Shaded  
Class 1140- Jersey Wooly Tan Pattern  
Class 1142- Lilac Standard  
Class 1143 – Lionhead - Chocolate  
Class 1144- Lionhead - REW  
Class 1145 – Lionhead – Seal  
Class 1147 – Lionhead – Siamese Sable  
Class 1146- Lionhead - Tortoiseshell  
Class 1148- Lop (English) Broken

**CLASS RABBIT BREED/VARIETY**

Class 1150- Lop (English) Solid  
Class 1152- Lop (French) Broken  
Class 1154- Lop (French) Solid  
Class 1156- Lop (Holland) Broken  
Class 1158- Lop (Holland) Solid  
Class 1160- Lop (Mini) Broken  
Class 1162- Lop (Mini) Solid  
Class 1164- Mini Rex - Sable Point  
Class 1166- Mini Rex - Silver Martin  
Class 1168- Mini Rex - Smoke Pearl  
Class 1170- Mini Rex Black  
Class 1172- Mini Rex Blue  
Class 1174- Mini Rex Blue Eyed White  
Class 1176- Mini Rex Broken Group  
Class 1178- Mini Rex Castor  
Class 1180- Mini Rex Chinchilla  
Class 1182- Mini Rex Chocolate  
Class 1184- Mini Rex Himalayan  
Class 1186- Mini Rex Lilac  
Class 1188- Mini Rex Lynx  
Class 1190- Mini Rex Opal  
Class 1192- Mini Rex Otter  
Class 1194- Mini Rex Red  
Class 1195 – Mini Rex Sable  
Class 1196- Mini Rex Seal  
Class 1198- Mini Rex Tortoise  
Class 1200- Mini Rex White  
Class 1202- Mini Satin Black  
Class 1203 – Mini Satin Broken  
Class 1204- Mini Satin Blue  
Class 1205 – Mini Satin Chocolate Agouti  
Class 1206- Mini Satin Chinchilla  
Class 1208- Mini Satin Copper  
Class 1209 – Mini Satin Himalayan  
Class 1210- Mini Satin Opal  
Class 1212- Mini Satin Red  
Class 1214- Mini Satin Siamese  
Class 1216- Mini Satin Siamese Group  
Class 1218- Mini Satin Silver Martin  
Class 1219 – Mini Satin Squirrel  
Class 1220- Mini Satin Tortoise  
Class 1222- Mini Satin White  
Class 1224- Mixed Breed\*  
Class 1226- Netherland Dwarf Blue Tort  
Class 1228- Netherland Dwarf Broken  
Class 1230- Netherland Dwarf Black  
Class 1232- Netherland Dwarf Blue  
Class 1234- Netherland Dwarf Chestnut  
Class 1236- Netherland Dwarf Chinchilla  
Class 1238 - Netherland Dwarf Chocolate  
Class 1240 - Netherland Dwarf Fawn  
Class 1242- Netherland Dwarf Himalayan  
Class 1244- Netherland Dwarf Lilac  
Class 1246- Netherland Dwarf Lynx  
Class 1248- Netherland Dwarf Opel

## **CLASS RABBIT BREED/VARIETY**

Class 1250- Netherland Dwarf Orange  
Class 1252- Netherland Dwarf Otter  
Class 1254- Netherland Dwarf Silver Marten  
Class 1256- Netherland Dwarf Squirrel  
Class 1258- Netherland Dwarf Steel  
Class 1260- Netherland Dwarf Tans  
Class 1262- Netherland Dwarf Blue Eyed White  
Class 1264- Netherland Dwarf Ruby Eyed White  
Class 1266- Netherland Dwarf Sable Marten  
Class 1268- Netherland Dwarf Sable Point  
Class 1270- Netherland Dwarf Siam Smoke Pearl  
Class 1272- Netherland Dwarf Siamese Sable  
Class 1274- Netherland Dwarf Smoke Pearl Marten  
Class 1276- Netherland Dwarf Tortoise Shell  
Class 1280- New Zealand Black  
Class 1281 – New Zealand Blue  
Class 1283 – New Zealand Broken  
Class 1282- New Zealand Red  
Class 1284- New Zealand White  
Class 1286- Palomino Golden  
Class 1288- Palomino Lynx  
Class 1290- Polish Black  
Class 1292- Polish Blue  
Class 1294- Polish Blue Eyed White  
Class 1296- Polish Broken  
Class 1298- Polish Chocolate  
Class 1300- Polish Ruby Eyed White  
Class 1302- Rex Seal  
Class 1304- Rex Amber  
Class 1306- Rex Black  
Class 1308- Rex Black Otter  
Class 1310- Rex Blue  
Class 1312- Rex Broken Group  
Class 1314- Rex Californian  
Class 1316- Rex Caster  
Class 1318- Rex Chinchilla  
Class 1320- Rex Chocolate  
Class 1322- Rex Lilac  
Class 1324- Rex Lynx  
Class 1326- Rex Opal  
Class 1328- Rex Red  
Class 1330 - Rex Sable  
Class 1332- Rex White  
Class 1334- Rhinelander Blue  
Class 1336- Rhinelander Standard  
Class 1338 - Satin Otter  
Class 1340- Satin Black  
Class 1342- Satin Blue  
Class 1344- Satin Broken Group  
Class 1346- Satin Californian  
Class 1348- Satin Chinchilla  
Class 1350- Satin Chocolate  
Class 1352- Satin Copper  
Class 1354- Satin Red  
Class 1356- Satin Siamese

## **CLASS RABBIT BREED/VARIETY**

Class 1358- Satin White  
Class 1360- Silver Black  
Class 1362- Silver Brown  
Class 1364- Silver Fawn  
Class 1366- Silver Fox Black  
Class 1368- Silver Marten Black  
Class 1370- Silver Marten Blue  
Class 1372- Silver Marten Sable  
Class 1374- Silver Martin Chocolate  
Class 1376- Tan Black  
Class 1378- Tan Blue  
Class 1380- Tan Chocolate  
Class 1382- Tan Lilac  
Class 1384- Thrianta Standard

\*Participant can only be a 1st year rabbit exhibitor. Mixed breeds show as a fancy (4 class) breed. They are not eligible for Fancy Grand or Reserve Championship.

## **DIVISION 2003 – PROGENY**

A doe and one of her 3-6 months of age offspring show together on the table for this class. Additionally each must be exhibited in their respective breeding stock classes the day of the show. Both the doe and the offspring must be owned by the exhibitor. All breeds will show together.

Class 01 - Commercial Breeds (6 classes).

\*\*Grand/Reserve Commercial Breeds Progeny

Class 02 - Fancy Breeds (4 classes).

\*\*Grand/Reserve Fancy Breeds Progeny

## **DIVISION 2004 – MEAT**

Must be bred and cared for by exhibitor. Meat pens, fryers, and roasters cannot be bought from separate breeders. Official weights will be taken at check-in and overweight and/or underweight animals will not be exhibited in market classes. Market animals not meeting the required weight guidelines may be sold at auction as a non-qualifying animal. All exhibitors participating in the market project must have their picture taken when checking in rabbits on Sunday.

Class 01 - Meat Pen, consisting of 3 rabbits.

\*\*Meat Pen Grand/Reserve Champion

Class 02 - Fryer Class: Consisting of 1 rabbit.

\*\*Grand/Reserve Champion Fryer

Class 03 - Roaster Class: Consisting of 1 rabbit.

\*\*Grand/Reserve Champion Roaster

Class 04 - Stewer Class: Consisting of 1 rabbit

\*\*Grand/Reserve Champion Stewer

## **DIVISION 2005 – RABBIT SCIENCE**

Exhibits must be in place at the judging tables in the Rabbit Barn on Monday of the fair by 2 p.m. They will be judged Monday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Exhibitor must be interviewed as part of the exhibit. Interviews will be limited to a maximum of ten minutes. Clubs wishing to incorporate their members' rabbit science projects as part of their club decorations and

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display, may do so after the projects are judged on Monday, however, club science displays will only be considered as the educational display for a club when judged for the barn decoration contest and are not eligible to be shown in this division.

Rabbit Poster size is 14"x 22" or 28"x 22"

Rabbit Display (tabletop) No larger than 3' x 3'

Class 20 – Rabbit Poster – Senior - 17 yrs. & older

Class 21 – Rabbit Poster – Junior - 15 and 16 yrs. old

Class 22 – Rabbit Poster – Intermediate – 13 & 14 yrs. old

Class 23 – Rabbit Poster – Young – 11 & 12 yrs. old

Class 24 – Rabbit Poster – Novice – 8 - 10 yrs. old

Class 25 – Rabbit Display - Senior - 17 yrs. & older

Class 26 – Rabbit Display – Junior - 15 and 16 yrs. old

Class 27 – Rabbit Display – Intermediate – 13 & 14 yrs. old

Class 28 – Rabbit Display – Young – 11 & 12 yrs. old

Class 29 – Rabbit Display - Novice – 8 - 10 yrs. old

Class 30 – Rabbit Notebook - Senior - 17 yrs. & older

Class 31 – Rabbit Notebook – Junior - 15 and 16 yrs. old

Class 32 – Rabbit Notebook - Intermediate – 13 & 14 yrs. old

Class 33 – Rabbit Notebook - Young – 11 & 12 yrs. old

Class 34 – Rabbit Notebook - Novice – 8 - 10 yrs. old

## **DIVISION 2005 – RABBIT RECORD BOOK**

The Rabbit Project Record Book is required of all exhibitors in order to show/sell and must be turned into the Fair or 4-H office by July 1. Record books are available after February 1st at the 4-H Extension Office. Project record books are to be housed in a 2" ring, white presentation binder with clear front overlay. The first page of the record book should be inserted into the presentation portion of front cover of the binder.

Record book pages should remain in order when placed in the binder, and should not be placed in page protectors.

Class 35 – Novice - 8 and 10 yrs. old

Class 36 – Young - 11 and 12 yrs. old

Class 37 – Intermediate - 13 and 14 yrs. old

Class 38 – Junior - 15 and 16 yrs. old

Class 39 – Senior - 17 yrs. and older

Class 40 – Clover Sprout Record Book (ages 5-7 only)

## **RABBIT FUN CLASSES**

No premiums. Sign up week of fair in the rabbit barn.

- Costumed rabbit and owner. Judged on costume and appearance
- Scavenger Hunt
- Adult Showmanship

## **DECORATIONS**

Decorations for the club displays should not inhibit air flow through the cages. The Superintendent will remove items which inhibit air flow. Clubs are evaluated throughout the week with results announced at the Saturday awards program.

All educational wall décor will be limited to 3'6" wide x 5' tall.

Best Decorated Large Club Display. Clubs are judged on educational display, decorations and cleanliness of area. All

clubs entered automatically. Displays must be in place by Tuesday of the fair. \$25 Award.

Best Decorated Small Club Display. Clubs are judged on educational display, decorations and cleanliness of area. All clubs entered automatically. Displays must be in place by Tuesday of the fair. \$25 Award.

Club must fill out an online entry in order to be paid awards.