

## Department 108 – Jr. Rabbits/Cavies

### Superintendent

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### Judging:

- **Divisions A-F:** Rabbit Show: **Wednesday Starting at 9:00 AM;**  
Open Division to follow Junior Division judging.
- **Division G:** Rabbit Showmanship: **Friday Starting at 9:00 AM**
- **Division H & N:** Non-Animal Educational Exhibits:  
**Monday, 1:00 PM-6:00 PM Ziegler Building (Vet Science Dept. 110)**
- **Division J:** Rabbit Hopping: **Sunday at 11:00 AM (warm-up at 10:30 AM)**
- **Division K:** Fairest of the Hares (Costume Contest): **Friday** after Showmanship is complete.
- **Division L:** Rabbit Skill-A-Thon Contest: **Friday from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM**
- **Division M:** Cavies Show/Cavies Showmanship: **Cavies Show begins Friday at 9:00am, followed by Cavy Showmanship, then Rabbit Showmanship**
- **All Rabbits must be brought in on Monday 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM or Tuesday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.**

### Rules/Guidelines:

1. All rabbits must be permanently tattooed in the left ear prior to check-in. Contact a project leader before the fair if you need assistance tattooing.
2. Rabbits will be judged using the ARBA Standard of Perfection book for all classes.
3. Rabbits and other fur bearing animals showing evidence of specific disease may not be exhibited at the Fair. If at any time any animal show signs of disease it shall be removed immediately from the exhibit and returned to the owner.
4. An exhibitor may show no more than 12 animals and the same animal may not be shown in both junior and open divisions.
5. An exhibitor may only make one entry per class number within each division.
6. All rabbits must be at least 8 weeks old on check-in day and meet their minimum junior weight to be exhibited at the Fair.
7. Exhibitors with rabbits that can escape from cages must secure the cage(s) with smaller wire upon check-in.
8. Rabbits must be owned and cared for prior to May 1<sup>st</sup> of exhibit year or bred by the exhibitor. Superintendents may ask for documentation if there is a question of ownership.
9. All rabbits at the fair must be weaned.

10. Exhibitors are allowed to place 'for sale' signs on cages following the conclusion of the small animal auction on Friday. No additional rabbits that are not entered in the show are allowed in the barn during the Fair.
11. The Superintendent will decide what size cage each rabbit will be given. The only breeds that will get double cages are French Lops, Flemish Giants, Checkered Giants, Giant Chinchillas, Giant Angoras, Americans, Beverens, English Lops, and Meat Pens. All cage sizes are based on barn capacity as well.
12. Please notify the Superintendent prior to set-up if you require a double cage for a breeder's class litter so they can plan accordingly. The Superintendent has the right to further divide litters if they appear uncomfortable or fighting occurs.
13. No exhibitor may touch/handle/or remove a rabbit that is not theirs. The Superintendent does have the right to handle an animal if they feel that it requires attention.
14. All junior exhibitors are required to do at least 2 shifts of barn sitting.
15. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering on a daily basis as well as cleaning under cages as needed. Feed, water, and shavings may be provided. Limited food dishes are available for junior class exhibitors. Exhibitors should plan on bringing their own dishes/water bottles.
16. Failure to follow the above rules may result in disqualification and/or loss of premiums.

**No changes will be made to entries after June 10<sup>th</sup>.** Double check your entries and bring your printed receipt with you to the Fair if there are computer errors. Any rabbits entered incorrectly must be shown in the class they are entered in and will be placed accordingly.

Divisions & Classes CONTINUED on the next page.

## Division A – 4 Class Breed

Class No:

|                                                                            | Sr. Buck | Sr. Doe | Jr. Buck | Jr. Doe |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| American Fuzzy Lop                                                         | 1        | 2       | 3        | 4       |
| American Sable                                                             | 5        | 6       | 7        | 8       |
| Belgian Hare                                                               | 9        | 10      | 11       | 12      |
| Britannia Petite                                                           | 13       | 14      | 15       | 16      |
| Dutch                                                                      | 17       | 18      | 19       | 20      |
| Dwarf Hotot                                                                | 21       | 22      | 23       | 24      |
| English Angora                                                             | 25       | 26      | 27       | 28      |
| English Spot                                                               | 29       | 30      | 31       | 32      |
| Florida White                                                              | 33       | 34      | 35       | 36      |
| French Angora                                                              | 37       | 38      | 39       | 40      |
| Harlequin                                                                  | 41       | 42      | 43       | 44      |
| Havana                                                                     | 45       | 46      | 47       | 48      |
| Himalayan                                                                  | 49       | 50      | 51       | 52      |
| Holland Lop (Solid)                                                        | 53       | 54      | 55       | 56      |
| Holland Lop (Broken)                                                       | 57       | 58      | 59       | 60      |
| Jersey Wooly                                                               | 61       | 62      | 63       | 64      |
| Lilac                                                                      | 65       | 66      | 67       | 68      |
| Lionhead                                                                   | 69       | 70      | 71       | 72      |
| Mini Lop (Solid)                                                           | 73       | 74      | 75       | 76      |
| Mini Lop (Broken)                                                          | 77       | 78      | 79       | 80      |
| Mini Rex (Solid)                                                           | 81       | 82      | 83       | 84      |
| Mini Rex (Broken)                                                          | 85       | 86      | 87       | 88      |
| Mini Satin                                                                 | 89       | 90      | 91       | 92      |
| Netherland Dwarf                                                           | 93       | 94      | 95       | 96      |
| Polish (Solid)                                                             | 97       | 98      | 99       | 100     |
| Polish (Broken)                                                            | 101      | 102     | 103      | 104     |
| Rex (Solid)                                                                | 105      | 106     | 107      | 108     |
| Rex (Broken)                                                               | 109      | 110     | 111      | 112     |
| Rhineland                                                                  | 113      | 114     | 115      | 116     |
| Satin Angora                                                               | 117      | 118     | 119      | 120     |
| Silver                                                                     | 121      | 122     | 123      | 124     |
| Silver Martin                                                              | 125      | 126     | 127      | 128     |
| Standard Chinchilla                                                        | 129      | 130     | 131      | 132     |
| Tan                                                                        | 133      | 134     | 135      | 136     |
| Thrianta                                                                   | 137      | 138     | 139      | 140     |
| Any Unrecognized Breed<br>or Variety (currently under<br>ARBA development) | 141      | 142     | 143      | 144     |

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Division Rules:

Purebred rabbits only in this division. Rabbits will be judged by the ARBA Standard of Perfection book only one entry per class number per exhibitor. Exhibitors may not show multiple rabbits in the same class under two different organizations. A Grand and Reserve Champion 4 – Class breed will be selected.

## Division B – 6 Class Breed

Class No:

|                                                                       | Sr. Buck | Sr. Doe | Inter. Buck | Inter. Doe | Jr. Buck | Jr. Doe |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|-------------|------------|----------|---------|
| American                                                              | 1        | 2       | 3           | 4          | 5        | 6       |
| American Chinchilla                                                   | 7        | 8       | 9           | 10         | 11       | 12      |
| Argente Brun                                                          | 13       | 14      | 15          | 16         | 17       | 18      |
| Beveren                                                               | 19       | 20      | 21          | 22         | 23       | 24      |
| Blanc De Hotot                                                        | 25       | 26      | 27          | 28         | 29       | 30      |
| Californian                                                           | 31       | 32      | 33          | 34         | 35       | 36      |
| Champagne d Argent                                                    | 37       | 38      | 39          | 40         | 41       | 42      |
| Checkered Giant                                                       | 43       | 44      | 45          | 46         | 47       | 48      |
| Cinnamon                                                              | 49       | 50      | 51          | 52         | 53       | 54      |
| Crème d Argent                                                        | 55       | 56      | 57          | 58         | 59       | 60      |
| English Lop                                                           | 61       | 62      | 63          | 64         | 65       | 66      |
| Flemish Giant                                                         | 67       | 68      | 69          | 70         | 71       | 72      |
| French Lop (Solid)                                                    | 73       | 74      | 75          | 76         | 77       | 78      |
| French Lop (Broken)                                                   | 79       | 80      | 81          | 82         | 83       | 84      |
| Giant Angora                                                          | 85       | 86      | 87          | 88         | 89       | 90      |
| Giant Chinchilla                                                      | 91       | 92      | 93          | 94         | 95       | 96      |
| New Zealand                                                           | 97       | 98      | 99          | 100        | 101      | 102     |
| Palomino                                                              | 103      | 104     | 105         | 106        | 107      | 108     |
| Satin                                                                 | 109      | 110     | 111         | 112        | 113      | 114     |
| Silver Fox                                                            | 115      | 116     | 117         | 118        | 119      | 120     |
| Any Unrecognized Breed or Variety (currently under ARABA Development) | 121      | 122     | 123         | 124        | 125      | 126     |

Division Rules:

Purebred rabbits only in this division. Rabbits will be judged by the ARBA Standard of Perfection book only one entry per class number per exhibitor. Exhibitors may not show multiple rabbits in the same class under two different organizations. A Grand and Reserve Champion 6-Class breed will be selected.

## Division C – Crossbred

### Class No:

1. Senior Buck
2. Senior Doe
3. Junior Buck
4. Junior Doe
5. Altered Male
6. Altered Female

### Division Rules:

Crossbreds are eligible to compete in fur classes and commercial classes. Neutered and spayed rabbits must be entered under the altered male and altered female classes. Crossbreds are not eligible to compete for best in show, and no champion crossbred will be selected.

Senior – 6 months of age and over

Junior – under 6 months of age

## Division D – Fur Class

### Class No:

1. Normal Fur (Rollback)
2. Normal Fur (Flyback)
3. Rex Fur
4. Satin Fur
5. Wool
6. Standing Fur

### Division Rules:

Rabbits entered in Fur Class must also be entered in their perspective breed classes. Only one entry per fur type by each exhibitor is allowed. Crossbreds are eligible to compete in their respective fur classes. Lionheads entering the wool class must have at least 50% of their body containing wool. An overall Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected from the fur division.

## Division E – Commercial Class

### Class No:

1. Single Fryer (not over 10 weeks and 3-5 pounds)
2. Roaster (under 6 months and 5-8 pounds)
3. Stewer (over 6 months and over 8 pounds)
4. Meat Pen (3 rabbits of the same breed, that are under 10 weeks and 3-5 pounds)
5. Commercial Fur – Colored
6. Commercial Fur – White

Division Rules:

Rabbits entered in roaster and stewer classes must also be entered in their respective breed divisions. Single Fryers and Meat Pens do not necessarily have to be exhibited in the breed class also but may be if the exhibitor chooses. Crossbreds are eligible to compete in commercial classes. Classes are judged according to the commercial judging guidelines in the ARBA Standard of Perfection book. It is encouraged that only breeds with a commercial body type and without wool are entered in Classes 1-4. Refer to the Standard of Perfection for guidelines on which breeds are eligible to compete in the Commercial Fur class. Rabbits entered in Commercial Fur must also be entered in their respective breed class, but MAY NOT also be entered in a fur class in division.

An overall Grand and Reserve Champion may be selected from Division E. Entries in this division that receive a blue ribbon or are given discretion of the judge may be eligible for auction providing that the exhibitor has met all prior participation requirements.

## Division F – Breeder's Class

Class No:

1. First Year Breeder
2. Second Year Breeder
3. Third or More Year Breeder
4. Partnership. Both exhibitors must enter and are judged together

Exhibitor must breed and raise their own litter(s) between last year's Fair and this year's Fair. Exhibitors must own the dam of the litter, but not necessarily own the sire. Entries will be brought to the judging table in carriers. At least one parent (preferably 2) and at least 1 offspring (preferably 2-3) must be present at judging. Offspring may be from multiple litters as long as they are not over 1 year old and share the same set of parents. The exhibitor will be judged on their knowledge of their breeding program as well as the quality of the offspring produced. Exhibitor should be prepared to answer questions about the litter, as well as explain their reasoning for selecting each parent to breed and if they believe their litter was a success or not and why.

Classes should be entered based on how many years the exhibitor has been breeding rabbits in general, not a specific breed. Rabbits entered in breeder's class will not be counted as one of your 12 entries unless a rabbit is entered in another class as well. Partnership entry is for 2 rabbit project members who worked together to breed a single litter (one owns the doe and one owns the buck). The same offspring and pair of adults entered in partnership classes, but only one of the same adult rabbits may be entered twice.

An overall Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected with Division F.

## Division G – Rabbit Showmanship

### Class No:

1. Beginner Showmanship (8-11 years old)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (12-14 years old)
3. Senior Showmanship (15 years and over)

### Division Rules:

Beginners – Check in 9:00 AM

Intermediates – Check in 10:00 AM

Seniors – Check in 11:00 AM

All exhibitors are encouraged to participate in showmanship. Judging will be based upon the exhibitor's handling and knowledge of rabbits. All rabbits used for showmanship must be entered in at least one other division also. Rabbits are not allowed at the Fair, only to be used for showmanship! Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year will be used.

## Division H – Rabbit Non-Animal Educational Exhibits

### Class No:

1. Educational Poster
2. Educational Display Board (trifold, not poster)
3. Any rabbit cage or carrier made by the exhibitor
4. Any item of equipment other than a cage or carrier made by the exhibitor
5. Any forage/grain/feed for rabbits grown or processed by the exhibitor
6. Any item made by the exhibitor using rabbit products (meat, fur, etc.)
7. Any other educational exhibit not listed

## Division I – Rabbit Herdsmanship

### Class No:

1. Rabbit Herdsmanship

### Division Rules:

Division I is a CLUB or CHAPTER ENTRY ONLY! Individuals who enter will not receive ribbons or premiums. All entries must be made through an FFA advisor or 4-H club general leader. Check with your club leader before June 10<sup>th</sup> to make sure your club is entered. Premiums will be awarded for keeping the animals on exhibit in neat appearance, properly cared for, equipment in the proper place, and the walkways in the barn in good order and appearance. Any decorations displayed will be considered in the judging. All decorations must be removed before any premiums will be paid.

## Division J – Rabbit Hopping

### Class No:

1. Exhibitor ages 9-11 Straight Line Course – Easy
2. Exhibitor ages 9-11 Straight Line Course – Medium
3. Exhibitor ages 9-11 Straight Line Course – Difficult
4. Exhibitor ages 12-19 Straight Line Course – Easy
5. Exhibitor ages 12-19 Straight Line Course – Medium
6. Exhibitor ages 12-19 Straight Line Course - Difficult

### Division Rules:

Contest will take place Sunday at 11:00 AM (warm-up at 10:30 AM) in the Small Animal Barn. Each exhibitor may only enter one rabbit per class but there is no limit on the number of rabbits that may be entered. Each rabbit can only be entered once and by one exhibitor and must be worked with prior to the fair in order to compete. Each exhibitor is required to provide their own H-style harness and 6-foot leash to participate. All breeds are eligible to enter, but it is strongly advised to use a 4-class breed to protect the health of the rabbit. Rabbits must navigate a course of jumps in the fastest time and make the least number of mistakes. If a rabbit wins first place in one level, it should progress to the next level of difficulty the following year.

## Division K – Fairest of the Hares (Costume Contest)

### Class No:

1. Exhibitor ages 9-11
2. Exhibitor ages 12 & older

### Division Rules:

Judging will take place on Friday, following the Showmanship judging in the Small Animal Barn. Exhibitors are to dress their rabbits in costume. Costumes may be purchased or homemade. Judges will award points for originality and creativity. Exhibitors are not required to dress up with their rabbits, but they may wear a matching costume as well. Only one entry per exhibitor is allowed.



## Division L – Rabbit Skill-A-Thon

### Class No:

1. Junior Exhibitor (Age 8-11)
2. Intermediate Exhibitor (Age 12-14)
3. Senior Exhibitor (Age 15 & older)

### Division Rules:

Contest will take place on Friday from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM in the Small Animal Building. Exhibitors will participate in a knowledge competition. The contest may include breed identification, written test, judging contest, and/or equipment skills. Exhibitors can prepare by studying the ARBA Standard of Perfection book and other related resources in preparation. Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of current year will be used.

## Division M – Cavies

### Class No:

|                    | Sr. Boar | Sr. Sow | Inter. Boar | Inter. Sow | Jr. Boar | Jr. Sow |
|--------------------|----------|---------|-------------|------------|----------|---------|
| Abyssinian         | 1        | 2       | 3           | 4          | 5        | 6       |
| Abyssinian Satin   | 7        | 8       | 9           | 10         | 11       | 12      |
| American           | 13       | 14      | 15          | 16         | 17       | 18      |
| American Satin     | 19       | 20      | 21          | 22         | 23       | 24      |
| Coronet            | 25       | 26      | 27          | 28         | 29       | 30      |
| Peruvian           | 31       | 32      | 33          | 34         | 35       | 36      |
| Peruvian Satin     | 37       | 38      | 39          | 40         | 41       | 42      |
| Silkie             | 43       | 44      | 45          | 46         | 47       | 48      |
| Silkie Satin       | 49       | 50      | 51          | 52         | 53       | 54      |
| Teddy              | 55       | 56      | 57          | 58         | 59       | 60      |
| Teddy Satin        | 61       | 62      | 63          | 64         | 65       | 66      |
| Texel              | 67       | 68      | 69          | 70         | 71       | 72      |
| White Crested      | 73       | 74      | 75          | 76         | 77       | 78      |
| Pet Cavy (unknown) | 79       | 80      | 81          | 82         | 83       | 84      |

### Division Rules:

All Cavies must be brought to the Monday evening between 5:00pm and 8:00pm or Tuesday morning between 8:00am and 12:00pm in a carrying cage and will be able to stay the remainder of the fair as long as health and safety guidelines are followed.

Exhibitors may not make more than 1 entry per class number. All cavies that are an unknown breed or crossbreed must be entered under the “Pet Cavy” category. All purebred cavies in the breed divisions will be judged according to the ARBA Standard of Perfections book. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected.

## Division N – Cavy Showmanship

### Class No:

1. Beginner Showmanship (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (7<sup>th</sup> Grade to 9<sup>th</sup> Grade)
3. Senior Showmanship (10<sup>th</sup> Grade and up)

### Division Rules:

All exhibitors are encouraged to enter showmanship. Exhibitors will be judged based on their knowledge and handling of cavies. Enter class using age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of current fair year.

## Division O – Cavy Non-Animal Exhibits

**\*\* See Dept. 110 Jr. Animal/Vet Science Division H\*\***

### Premiums Chart

| Dept. | Division | Class description   | 1st                      | 2nd    | 3rd    | 4th    |
|-------|----------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 108   | A thru H | ALL CLASSES         | \$2.00                   | \$1.75 | \$1.50 | \$1.25 |
| 108   | I        | Rabbit Herdsmanship | \$5.00                   | \$4.00 | \$3.00 | \$2.00 |
| 108   | J        | ALL CLASSES         | No Premiums, Ribbon Only |        |        |        |
| 108   | K        | ALL CLASSES         | No Premiums, Ribbon Only |        |        |        |
| 108   | L        | ALL CLASSES         | No Premiums, Ribbon Only |        |        |        |
| 108   | M & N    | ALL CLASSES         | \$2.00                   | \$1.75 | \$1.50 | \$1.25 |

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|---|----------------------|
| A | 4 Class Breed        |
| B | 6 Class Breed        |
| C | Crossbred            |
| D | Fur Class            |
| E | Commercial Class     |
| F | Breeder's Class      |
| G | Rabbit Showmanship   |
|   | Rabbit Non-Animal    |
| H | Educational Exhibits |
| I | Rabbit Herdsmanship  |
| J | Rabbit Hopping       |
|   | Fairest of the Hares |
| K | (Costume Contest)    |
| L | Rabbit Skill-A-Thon  |
| M | Cavies               |
| N | Cavy Showmanship     |