

## DIVISION 14 YOUTH RABBITS, CAVIES, & POCKET PETS

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**Rabbit Show Time: Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.**

Rabbit Pen Fee: \$2.00 per head

Dress Code: All exhibitors must wear black pants, white shirt, white lab coat and closed-toe shoes/boots.

Age: Exhibitors must be 7 years old as of January 1st on the current year.

### **Rabbit Rules:**

1. An exhibitor cannot show in both the protégé and youth division unless the exhibitor is a protégé or clover-bud teacher.
2. Maximum of 15 breeding rabbits, 6 meat rabbits (in any of the following combinations meat pen (see Rule 1 Section 23) single fryer, single roaster) and 10 cavies.
3. Rabbits and cavies must be a minimum of 12 weeks old and owned by the exhibitor.
4. **All rabbits must be identified by a permanent legible ear mark. Cavy identification is optional. Mandatory tattooing is required for Meat Rabbits and will be held the last Saturday of July. Meat rabbits must be tattooed by the Barn Superintendents and tattoo numbers recorded. All meat rabbits must be owned and shown by the registered exhibitor and tattoo numbers will be assigned to those exhibitor entries. Copy of tattoo numbers will be submitted to the fair entry office for record. Breed rabbits must have tattoo identification at time of check in Sunday of fair. (If you have a breed rabbit that needs a tattoo arrangements can be made to tattoo them on that Saturday.)**
5. Entry deadline is **JULY 1ST. ALL CLASS ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 1. PEN FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY OR A \$1.00 PER HEAD LATE FEE WILL BE CHARGED. Absolutely NO ENTRIES will be accepted after JULY 15, 2016!**
6. Due at fair on Sunday August 7, 2016, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
7. Pens will be assigned as rabbits and cavies are checked in by the barn Superintendents. Rabbits, cavies, and pocket pets are not allowed in barn until health inspection is completed. Any animal showing signs of diseases or other abnormalities will be sent home.
8. Exhibitors are to provide their own shavings, feed, and dishes (dishes need to be of suitable size).
9. Exhibitors are responsible for doing Barn Duty.
10. **Exhibitors are required to show their own animals. Exhibitors must accompany their rabbits/cavies to the show, care for, and exhibit it.** In case of sickness or other emergency, an animal may be shown by an appointed substitute, if a Rabbit/Cavy Team Member has granted permission. Junior exhibitors are encouraged to provide assistance and support for younger junior youth. If assistance is needed for reasons of safety, then another junior exhibitor, 4-H leader, or parent can provide assistance.
11. Rabbits and cavies will be judged according to breeds. All varieties will be grouped together by class.
12. In addition to the confirmation classes, exhibitors must participate in showmanship classes. An exhibitor's animals must be entered in a breed or meat class in addition to showmanship.
13. All pens must be cleaned by 10:00 a.m. every day except Wednesday. Wednesday is show day and all pens must be cleaned by 8:00 a.m.
14. Accumulation of three demerits for unkempt animals, cages, feed and water dishes, and no Barn duty is forfeiture of premiums.
15. Animals will not be released from their pens until August 14, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. Early removal will result in the loss of all premiums. Market animals may leave with processor after 11:00 p.m. on Saturday of Fair week. Auction animals may be taken to a livestock sale barn after 11:00 p.m. on Saturday of Fair week.
16. All barn decoration must remain up until after 11:00 p.m. on August 13, 2016. Early removal will result in the loss of premiums.
17. Rabbits should be placed in Section 22 – Other, if their breed is not listed.
18. All youth exhibiting rabbits must use water bottles or a water pan to water their rabbits.

**RABBIT AWARDS**

1. Rosettes will be given to Best of Breed for the Top 10 Breeds showing with at least 5 animals in the section.
2. The Board of Directors shall have the power to make prorated deductions from premiums offered if, in their opinion, the financial conditions of the Association render it necessary.
3. Premiums will be paid each exhibitor, according to the judges placing as indicated by the division and class entered. No exhibitor shall be paid more than one premium per class.
4. No premium shall be awarded when an animal is deemed not worthy by the judge, or animals not properly cared for. No premiums shall be paid on exhibits removed from the fairgrounds in violation of the rules of the association.
5. Breeding or Production Classes: Classes numbered one through six in each section will consist of one buck or one doe. Rabbits will be judged on breeding or production quality only as set up by ARBA standards. The classes are determined by age and sex.

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| <b>SECTION - 1: Havana</b>             | <b>SECTION - 15: Mini Rex</b>         |
| <b>SECTION - 2: California</b>         | <b>SECTION - 16: Netherland Dwarf</b> |
| <b>SECTION - 3: Champagne D'Argent</b> | <b>SECTION - 17: New Zealand</b>      |
| <b>SECTION - 4: Dutch</b>              | <b>SECTION - 18: Polish</b>           |
| <b>SECTION - 5: Satins</b>             | <b>SECTION - 19: Rex</b>              |
| <b>SECTION - 8: Jersey Wooly</b>       | <b>SECTION - 21: Dwarf Hotot</b>      |
| <b>SECTION - 10: Holland Lop</b>       | <b>SECTION - 22: Other</b>            |
| <b>SECTION - 13: Mini Lop</b>          |                                       |

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> thru 5 <sup>th</sup> - Ribbon | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> |
| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |
| 857. Senior Buck                              |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| 858. Senior Doe                               |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| 861. Junior Buck                              |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| 862. Junior Doe                               |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |

**Best of Show - Trophy**  
**Reserve Best of Show - Trophy**  
**Best of Breed - Rosettes**

**SECTION - 23: Meat Pen - Auction**

**Rules:**

1. Meat Pen Class will consist of three (3) rabbits all the same breed and variety.
2. Rabbits should not be more than sixty-nine (69) days old and a maximum of five (5) pounds each.
3. Meat Pens will be judged according to the ARBA standards on meat type.
4. The meat pen is to be raised by the exhibitor.
5. Grand & Reserve Champion meat pens must be sold at the Livestock auction. All other animals with meat of passing quality will be sold next.

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| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |
| 863. Meat Pen Rabbits                         |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |

**Grand Champion Meat Pen – Trophy**  
**Reserve Champion Meat Pen - Trophy**

**SECTION: - 24: Single Fryer - Auction**

**Rules:**

1. Not over 10 weeks of age.
2. Minimum weight 3 lbs.
3. Maximum weight 5 lbs.

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| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |
| 864. Single Fryer                             |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |

## SECTION: - 25: Single Roaster - Auction

### Rules:

1. All rabbits must be under 6 months of age.
2. Minimum weight over 5 lbs.
3. Maximum weight 8 lbs.

| 1 <sup>st</sup> thru 5 <sup>th</sup> - Ribbon | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> |
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| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |

865. Roaster

## SECTION - 26: Showmanship Rabbits

Rule: To be judged on ability to handle rabbit and knowledge of the rabbit.

| 1 <sup>st</sup> thru 5 <sup>th</sup> - Ribbon | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> |
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| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00/Trophy   | \$5.00          | \$4.00          | \$3.00          | \$1.00          |

866. Junior Showmanship: 7 - 11 years

867. Intermediate Showmanship: 12-14 years

868. Senior Showmanship: 15 & older

## SECTION - 27: Mixed

Rule: Mixed rabbits are not eligible for Best in Show or Reserve in Show.

| 1 <sup>st</sup> thru 5 <sup>th</sup> - Ribbon | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> |
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| <b>Class:</b>                                 | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |

869. Senior Buck

870. Senior Doe

871. Junior Buck

872. Junior Doe

## SECTION – 28: Rabbit Agility (Exhibition Only)

Show Time: TBD

Rule: Superintendent will provide rules.

### Class:

873. Rabbit Agility

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup>- Ribbon (Non-Premium)

**Trophy- (Sponsored by Barn Superintendent)**

## CAVIES

Show Time: Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.

Exhibit Fee: \$2.00

Dress Code: All exhibitors must wear black pants, white shirt, white lab coat and closed-toe shoes/boots.

### Rules:

1. The exhibitor furnishes feed and dishes.
2. Exhibitors must clean and maintain the pens throughout Fair.
3. Cavies showing symptoms of disease or other abnormalities will be sent home.
4. Maximum of 10 cavies per exhibitor.
5. Exhibitor must be 7 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.
6. Cavy identification is optional.
7. Rosettes will be given for Best of Breed when 5 or more animals are in the section.
8. Cavies should be placed in Section 44 – Other, if their breed is not listed.

**SECTION - 36: American**  
**SECTION - 37: Abyssinian**

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

**Class:** 1<sup>st</sup> \$7.00

875. Junior Boar - up to 22 oz. Not over 6 months old.

876. Junior Sow - up to 22 oz. Not over 6 months old.

879. Senior Boar - over 30 oz.

880. Senior Sow - over 30 oz.

**SECTION - 40: Crested**

**SECTION - 44: Other**

2<sup>nd</sup>

\$5.00

3<sup>rd</sup>

\$3.00

4<sup>th</sup>

\$2.00

5<sup>th</sup>

\$1.00

**Best of Breed - Rosettes**

**Grand Champion Cavy – Trophy / Reserve Champion Cavy - Trophy**

**SECTION - 45: Rabbit and Cavy Costume Class**

**Rules:**

1. Entries will be judged on originality and creativity.
2. Only 1 animal per exhibitor for Costume Class.
3. Exhibitor does not have to dress up with their animal.
4. Exhibitor must show their animal in a breeding or meat class.
5. Exhibitor must use their own rabbit or cavy.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

**Class:**

881. Costume Class – Rabbit

882. Costume Class – Cavy

**Best Costume Rabbit – Trophy / Best Costume Cavy – Trophy**

**SECTION - 46: Showmanship Cavy**

**Rule:** To be judged on ability to handle cavy and knowledge of the cavy.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

1<sup>st</sup>

**Class:** \$7.00/Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup>

\$5.00

3<sup>rd</sup>

\$4.00

4<sup>th</sup>

\$3.00

5<sup>th</sup>

\$1.00

883. Junior Showmanship: 7 - 13 years old

884. Senior Showmanship: 14 & older

**SECTION - 47: Educational Exhibits**

Entries are due at time of animal check-in.

**Rules:**

1. Standard poster size is required.
2. Poster contents: any information regarding rabbits/cavies that would be educational to the viewer of the poster. The purpose is to provide a learning experience.
3. Entries must be labeled with exhibitor's name, age, and 4-H club on the **back** bottom right corner of poster. No personal information is to be on the front of the poster.
4. Limit 1 poster per class.

Award: 1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

**Class:**

885. Educational Display – Rabbit

886. Educational Display – Cavy

# POCKET PETS

**Show Time: Wednesday – After Rabbit and Cavies Show.**

Exhibit Fee: \$3.00 per head

Dress Code: All exhibitors must wear black pants, white shirt, white lab coat and closed-toe shoes/boots.

**Rules:**

1. Exhibitors will be in charge of supplying their own approved cage with lid.
2. Cages must be cleaned before 10:00 a.m. each day. Animals must be fed and watered daily.
3. Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own food and water dishes.
4. Animals must be on a leash or harness at all times when out of respective cages.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for completing a minimum of two hours of barn duty throughout the week of Fair.
6. Animals must be free from any signs of illness or parasites at time of Fair. Animals must be approved healthy by the superintendent or assistant before placing in designated areas. See General Rules Dairy & Livestock Division.
7. Exhibitors may be from 5 - 19 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current Fair year.
8. Limit is three (3) entries per exhibitor, per class unless stated different in Section Rules.
9. Due at Fair on Sunday, August 7, 2016, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
10. **ALL CLASS ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 1 AND PAYMENT ENCLOSED OR A \$1.00 PER ENTRY LATE FEE WILL BE CHARGED. Absolutely NO ENTRIES will be accepted after JULY 15, 2016!**
11. Animals will not be released from the barn until August 14, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. Early removal will result in the loss of all premiums.
12. All barn decoration must remain up until after 11:00 p.m. on August 13, 2016. Early removal will result in the loss of all premiums.
13. Exhibitors must provide necessary material to ensure that every door and or lid is fastened down tightly. Superintendent must approve Cage before it is placed in the designated area.
14. Exhibitors must show their own animal on show day. If exhibitors are not at the show, their animal(s) will not be shown. No other exhibitor or parent is allowed to place the animal on the show table.
15. Exhibitors must help break down on the last day of Fair. All cages must be cleaned by the youth and inspected by the barn superintendent upon final departure. Failure to clean cages and have them inspected will result in the loss of all premiums.
16. Failure to comply with Pocket Pet Rules will result in a loss of premiums.

## SECTION - 48: Costume Class

**Rules:** Entries will be judged on originality and creativity.

Objective: Exhibitors will create an original costume.

1. Only 1 animal per Exhibitor for the Costume Class.
2. Exhibitor does not have to dress up with their animal.

1st thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

**Class:**

893. Pocket Pet Costume Class

## SECTION - 49: Showmanship

**Rules:**

1. Entries will be judged on knowledge of animal and exhibiting abilities.
2. Guidelines will be provided before class.

1st thru 5th - Ribbon

**Class:**

894. Age 13 and under

895. Age 14 and over

| 1st           | 2nd    | 3rd    | 4th    | 5th    |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| \$7.00/Trophy | \$5.00 | \$4.00 | \$3.00 | \$1.00 |

## **SECTION - 50: Trail Class**

### **Rule:**

1. Animals will be placed in a closed maze and must attempt to make it to the end in the least amount of time.
2. Only one (1) animal Per Exhibitor for the maze.

1st thru 5<sup>th</sup> Ribbons

### **Class:**

896. Trail Class

## **SECTION - 51: Trick Act**

Show us what your pocket pet can do: Climb a Ladder, Stand on his/her Hind legs, Climb on your Hand Across to your Shirt, etc.

### **Rules:**

1. Exhibitor must supply their own supplies to show the Judge their Pocket Pets Tricks. Treats are allowed.
2. Only one (1) animal per Exhibitor.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Ribbons

### **Class:**

897. Trick Act

## **SECTION - 52: Pocket Pet Race**

### **Rules:**

1. Pocket Pet will be placed in a Ball and will compete against other Pocket Pets. Have your Pocket Pet race to the finish line in the least amount of time. Superintendent will supply the Balls, unless Exhibitor wants to bring their own.
2. Only one (1) animal per Exhibitor.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Ribbons

### **Class:**

898. Pocket Pet Race

## **SECTION - 53: Educational Exhibits**

Educational displays should be an educational poster and other items (natural, fabricated, or crafted) pertaining to the project. Enter and bring your poster the same day as caging your pocket pet. Any subject pertaining to Pocket Pets. Standard poster size is required. Name, age, and club needs to be on **back** bottom right corner of poster.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

### **Class:**

899. Pocket Pet Educational Display

## **SECTION – 54: Pocket Pet Confirmation**

### **Rules:**

1. Animals will be judged based on national guidelines.
2. Colored classes are combined.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> - Ribbon

### **Class:**

887. Conformation - Hamster

888. Conformation - Gerbil

889. Conformation - Rat

890. Conformation – Mouse

|  | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | \$7.00          | \$5.00          | \$3.00          | \$2.00          | \$1.00          |

**Awarded to the top conformation exhibit in each class:**

**Best of Breed - Hamster - Rosette**

**Best of Breed - Gerbil - Rosette**

**Best of Breed - Rat - Rosette**

**Best of Breed - Mouse – Rosette**

**Awarded to Overall Pocket Pet from all four conformation classes:**

**Pocket Pet - Best of Show - Trophy**