

JR. FAIR RABBIT AND CAVY DEPARTMENT 950

Junior Fair Rabbit Show ~ Junior Fair Cavy Show ~ Open Youth-Only Show

Junior Fairboard Representatives: Co-Chairs: Kara & Kila Stephan. Members: Logan Helsing and Parker Christman
Board of Director Show Superintendent: Rabbit Chairman Jane Jess

Please see the Livestock Auction section of the Fairbook for all information regarding the Sale of Champions, Market Animal Livestock Sale, and the Add-On Sale.

Rabbit Check-In: Thursday, August 8, 2024 from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

1. Bring only the rabbits with you which you intend to keep at the fair and have on display. Each exhibitor must keep *at least* one rabbit at the fair for display. You may keep all of your project rabbits at the fair if you choose to, but each exhibitor must display at least one rabbit.
2. Bring a list of the rabbits you intend to show at the fair: Breed, Tattoo Number, Gender, and Age. The rabbits you declare to show must have been listed during entry registration (due June 1, 2024). You do not need to bring the actual rabbit with you, just have the information ready so you can declare which rabbits will be shown. ***If the rabbit was not registered during entries, it cannot show at the fair.*** The rabbits which are not on display at the fair can be brought in on the show day and kept in a rabbit carrier for the day. It will go home with you at the end of the show. These rabbits can be brought back the following day for the Open Show. If your rabbit wins Grand or Reserve Grand Champion in its show (Meat Pen, Single Fryer, Home Grown, or Breeding), it must remain on the grounds for the remainder of the fair. It will need to be kept in the Champion cages set-up in the Rabbit Barn.
3. You do not need to bring any market rabbits during this time (Meat Pens or Single Fryers) unless you have chosen to house your market rabbits at the fair. Market rabbits will be checked-in and weighed-in on the day of the show (Saturday).
4. Cavies are not registered at this time nor can they be kept at the fair. Cavies will be brought in on the day of show only (Tuesday).

Show Schedule: *All Rabbit & Cavy Shows will be held in the Rabbit Barn (Dog Barn)*

1. **Thursday, August 8, 2024 @5:00 PM:** Breeding Check-Ins. Ends at 7:30 PM.
2. **Saturday, August 10, 2024**
 - **Weigh-Ins for Market projects is from 7:00 AM - 7:45 AM.**
 - **9:00 AM:** Jr. Fair Rabbit Show. Show Order: Market Pens, Market Single Fryers, 6 Class Breeding Rabbits (should start approximately 11:00 AM), 4-Class Breeding Rabbits (should start approximately 12:30 PM).
3. **Sunday, August 11, 2024 @ 9:00 AM:** Open Youth Only Show Sponsored by the Miami County Rabbit Advisors.
4. **Tuesday, August 13, 2024 @ 4:00 PM:** Jr. Fair Cavy Show immediately followed by Jr. Fair Rabbit Showmanship.
5. **Wednesday, August 14, 2024 @ 10:00 AM:** Rabbit Costume Contest
6. **Thursday, August 15, 2024 @ 9:00 AM:** Sale of Champions immediately followed by Market Animal Livestock Sale

Vouchers

Jr. Fair participants will be awarded a \$2.00 payment voucher for every rabbit or cavy that they show in the Jr. Fair Shows. These vouchers must be redeemed in the Secretary's Office by Friday, August 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

Exhibitor Rules & Regulations:

- All online Junior Fair Rabbit entries are due on or before June 1, 2024. Late entries will be accepted from June 2, 2024 through June 10, 2024 but will incur a \$50 late entry fee per exhibitor.
- All rabbits must have a legible tattoo in the left ear. Tattoo numbers are to be listed when registering your rabbits (during the entry process). Any illegible or non-matching tattoo will result in disqualification and the animal will be sent home.
- At check-in, any rabbit with unfit health conditions will be sent home immediately. This is at the discretion of the rabbit committee. All decisions are final.
- At check-in, the sex (buck or doe) may be changed for junior-aged (under 6 months) rabbits only. No other changes can be made to the rabbits registered.
- Each exhibitor may enter up to 8 breeding rabbit entries. Market rabbit entries will NOT count as one of the eight entries. For example, an exhibitor could potentially bring 12 rabbit projects to the fair (8 breeding rabbits, 2 single fryers, and 2 meat pens).
- Family/household animals may only be shown during the fair by one (1) family exhibitor with that entry listed. If checking on the entry form that a project is for family share, only half of the entries can be marked for family share. For example, if an exhibitor has 4 breeding rabbits entered, only 2 of them can be marked for family share.
- This is not an American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) sanctioned show; however, ARBA rules will be followed as closely as possible.
- Cleanliness of your rabbit cages and proper watering is EXPECTED. If you are asked more than 2 times by the rabbit

committee to clean your cage or provide sufficient water, you will be asked to remove your animal from the fairgrounds.

- Cages must be cleaned daily. The walkways need to be kept clean and free of debris (show carriers, show bins, etc.) especially during show times.
- On show days, exhibitors are encouraged to bring their rabbits in rabbit carriers. All travel carriers must have adequate ventilation. Carriers and show supplies must be kept along the sides of the building out of the aiseways.

Dress Attire:

Rabbit showmen will follow the showman attire guidelines in the Junior Fair rules with the following exceptions: If wearing a short sleeve shirt, you must wear a lab coat. If you wear a long sleeve collared shirt you do not need a lab coat. Show aprons may be worn over a long sleeve shirt if you choose. Aprons and lab coats cannot have a name or rabbitry name on them; however, a club name is acceptable. Hard-soled shoes are not mandatory but no open toed or open heeled shoes are permitted.

Jr. Fair Rabbit Show Order.

- Market Rabbit Meat Pen
- Market Rabbit Single Fryer
- Breeding 6-Class
- Breeding 4-Class
- Homegrown Market Rabbit Meat Pen
- Homegrown Market Rabbit Single Fryer

MARKET RABBITS (Single Fryer and Meat Pen)

1. Each exhibitor can show 2 Single Fryer projects and 2 Meat Pen projects regardless of whether it is a homegrown project or a purchased project.
2. Market rabbits exhibited at the fair can be raised or purchased. If you are raising your market rabbits your brood doe(s) must be in your possession by June 1, 2024. If you are purchasing your market rabbits, they must be in your possession by July 13, 2024.
3. All single fryers and meat pen rabbits must be between 50 and 70 days old on the day of the show.
4. No exhibitor is to replace the single fryer or meat pen if it should die.
5. Market project weigh-ins (Meat Pen & Single Fryer) is from 7:00 am - 7:45 am., Saturday August 10th.
6. Single Fryers and Meat Pen rabbits must each weigh between 3 ½ to 5 ½ pounds per rabbit (3# 8 oz - 5# 8 oz.) at weigh-ins; re-weighs are not allowed. If any of your rabbits do not make weight, there will be under/over weight classes but these rabbits are not eligible to compete for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion.
7. There will be a Homegrown class for Market rabbits. This class is for any exhibitor who had their litter born and raised on their own homestead. All exhibitors who raised their own market rabbits will be eligible to show in both the Junior Fair show as well as the Homegrown class. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champion rabbits from the Junior Fair Rabbit Show *cannot* compete in the Homegrown Class.
8. A Single Fryer rabbit may be shown as part of a Meat Pen, but may not show in the breeding classes. Example: You can show a Meat Pen with rabbits A, B, & C. Rabbits A and B can also be shown as a Single Fryers, however, none of these rabbits can also be shown in the Breeding classes.
9. All Market Rabbit Exhibitors must complete the Miami County Quality Assurance Certification and record books must be completed. Each animal must also have a DUNF form completed.
10. Prizes will be awarded for Grand/Reserve Champion Single Fryer and Grand/Reserve Champion Meat Pen.

BREEDING RABBITS

1. Rabbit must be in the exhibitor's possession by June 1st.
2. Any breed that has 5 or more entries will have its own class.
3. Any breed with less than 5 entries will be shown in a class consisting of the breeds with less than 5 entries. 6-class breeds and 4-class breeds will not be shown together.
4. Exhibitors can show more than 1 rabbit per class.
5. All breeding rabbit exhibitors must complete the Miami County Quality Assurance Certification and must complete record books.
6. Pure bred rabbits will be judged by suggestions in ARBA Standards of Perfection; however, this is NOT an ARBA show.
7. Each breed class has a Champion & Reserve Buck & Doe. Ribbons will be awarded to the top 5 places in each class. Vouchers will be given to all exhibitors each time they show. (Example: If you show a total of 3 rabbits, you would get 3 vouchers.)
8. Prizes will be awarded to the Grand & Reserve Buck & Doe in each class (4-Class and 6-Class).

4 Class Rabbit Breeds - American Fuzzy Lop, American Sable, Argenta Brun, Belgian Hare, Blue Holicer, Britannia Petite, Czech Frosty, Dutch, Dwarf Hotot, English Angora, English Spot, Florida White, French Angora, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan, Holland Lop, Jersey Wooly, Lilac, Lionhead, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Mini Satin, Netherland Dwarf, Palomino, Polish, Rex, Rhinelander, Satin Angora, Silver, Silver Martin, Standard Chinchilla, Tan, Thrianta

4-Class Rabbit Classes:

1. Sr. Buck: 6 months and older at the time of the show.
2. Sr. Doe: 6 months and older at the time of the show.
3. Junior Buck: under 6 months at the time of the show.
4. Junior Doe: under 6 months at the time of the show.

6 Class Rabbit Breeds - American, American Chinchilla, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, English Lop, Flemish Giant, French Lop, Giant Angora, Giant Chinchilla, New Zealand, Satin, Silver Fox

6-Class Rabbit Classes:

1. Sr. Buck: 9 months and older at the time of the show.
2. Sr. Doe: 9 months and older at the time of the show.
3. 6/8 Buck: 6 to 8 months of age at the time of the show.
4. 6/8 Doe: 6 to 8 months of age at the time of the show.
5. Junior Buck: under 6 months at the time; of the show.
6. Junior Doe: under 6 months at the time; of the show.

All Cross Breeds—All 4-Class and 6-Class Crossbred rabbits will be shown according to the 4-Class division of classes. They will not earn grand and reserve champion awards and are not eligible to show for Best 4 class awards.

Please see the Release of Animal section of the Fairbook for information on the animal release process this year.

Showmanship - Tuesday, August 13, 2024 after the Cavy Show which begins at 4:00 p.m.

- All Junior Fair exhibitors are eligible to show in a showmanship contest with their animal only.
- Classes are as follows: (All ages are based on the Exhibitors age as of January 1 of the current year.)
 - Junior: ages 9-11
 - Intermediate: ages 12-14
 - Senior: 15 years and older
 - **Showman of Showmen** includes showmanship winners for this year and previous years and previous Showman of Showmen
 - A pee-wee class will be held. This is for the kids not eligible for 4-H and are between the ages of 3 and 8.
- To enter the Showmanship Competition, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the Rabbit Barn and will be available after the barn meeting on Friday and until the time of the show.
- Awards will be given for Showmanship class winners as well as Showman of Showmen.

Rabbit Royalty

The Miami County Rabbit Advisors sponsor the Miami County Rabbit Royalty Contest. This competition is open to any Junior Fair Exhibitor with a rabbit project. The competition will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024 in the Rabbit Barn. The results will be announced on Saturday, August 10, 2024 during a break in the Jr. Fair Rabbit Show.

Categories: Prince & Princess: ages 9-11 ~ Duke & Duchess: ages 12-14 ~ King & Queen: ages 15-18

Rabbit Costume Contest

The rabbit costume contest will take place on Wednesday, August 14 at 10:00 in the rabbit barn. There will be 2 classes (ages 5-11 and ages 12-18). The contest is for you to dress yourself and your rabbit up in costume.

Buddy Ganger Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor Award

The Buddy Ganger Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor Award recognizes the exhibitor who excels in rabbit knowledge, Showmanship, and class placings. The winner of the award will have their name added to a plaque on a rotating trophy. Any exhibitor wanting to compete for this award must have at least one rabbit project entered at the fair, take a written test based on rabbit knowledge, and participate in Rabbit Showmanship. The written test will be given in the Rabbit Barn at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 12, 2024. If you are not able to attend at this time, see Jane Jess prior to the original testing time to arrange a time to take the test.

Since you are allowed to bring 12 projects to the fair, only your top 9 placings worth the most points will be counted towards the Buddy Ganger award.

Buddy Ganger Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor Award Point System

Rabbit Class Placings During Jr. Fair Rabbit Show:

If there are 6 or more rabbits in the class:

- 1st Place = 6 Points
- 2nd Place = 5 Points
- 3rd Place = 4 Points
- 4th Place = 3 Points
- 5th Place = 2 Points

If there are 5 or less rabbits in the class:

- 1st Place = 3 Points
- 2nd Place = 2 Points
- 3rd Place = 1 Point

Showmanship Points:

- 1st Place = 12 Points
- 2nd Place = 10 Points
- 3rd Place = 8 Points
- 4th Place = 6 Points
- 5th Place = 4 Points

Written Test Points:

- Highest Score = 12 Points
- 2nd Highest Score = 10 Points
- 3rd Highest Score = 8 Points
- 4th Highest Score = 6 Points
- 5th Highest Score = 4 Points

Tie Breaker Rules (In the event there is a tie with scoring, the following rules will apply in this order):

1. The Exhibitor with the highest score on the written test.
2. The Exhibitor with the best Showmanship score.
3. The Exhibitor with the most points from their class placings during the Jr. Fair Rabbit Show.

JUNIOR FAIR CAVY SHOW DEPARTMENT 950

Check-In Time: 3:30 PM on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 @ Rabbit Barn

Show Time: 4:00 PM on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 @ Rabbit Barn

Exhibitor Rules:

- An online Cavy entry must be completed by June 1st.
- Cavies must be in your possession by June 1st.
- Cavies will be shown in 4 Classes:
 1. Senior Boar: 6 months & older.
 2. Senior Sow: 6 months & older.
 3. Junior Boar: under 6 months old.
 4. Junior Sow: under 6 months old.
- Each Exhibitor can show up to 5 Cavies.
- Awards will be given to Best and Best Opposite Boar & Sow Cavies.
- The Jr. Fair exhibitors who exhibit at this show will be issued one voucher per cavy shown. All vouchers need to be redeemed at the Sr. Fair Secretary's Office by Friday, August 16, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Cavy Showmanship - 4:00 PM on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 @ Rabbit Barn (following the Cavy Show).

Showmanship Rules

- All Junior Fair exhibitors are eligible to show in the Cavy Showmanship contest with their animal only.
- To enter the Showmanship Competition, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the Rabbit Barn and will be available after the barn meeting on Friday and will remain up until the time of the show.
- You will show in the rabbit showmanship with your appropriate age division. You will show your cavy in place of the rabbit.
- If an exhibitor shows both rabbits and cavies, they need to choose one species to enter into the showmanship contest..

Miami County Rabbit Advisors Open Youth-Only Rabbit Show

The Miami County Rabbit Advisors will be sponsoring a youth only ARBA rabbit show on Sunday, August 11, 2024 starting at 9:00 AM. Pre-entry of rabbits will be required. For more information contact show secretary Jolene Naff at jolenenaff94@gmail.com.