

# RABBIT DEPARTMENT

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## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Show is open to any Youth 5-18. Membership as a Cloverbud, 4H, or FFA member is encouraged.
2. All entries are due by June 17, 2024. All entry information will be on our web site [www.cmrfarmshow.com](http://www.cmrfarmshow.com). The Secretary will be available at the Culpeper Agriculture Enterprises on Saturday June 8 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm for assistance with entries.
3. An email with intentions to show a meat pen must be sent to Ashley Butler at [amisaacson@hotmail.com](mailto:amisaacson@hotmail.com) no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
4. The Rabbit Department entries are limited to 15 rabbits and 1 meat pen per exhibitor.
5. Rabbits will be checked in on **Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am-12pm or from 5-7pm**. Animals are entered at owner's risk. Leaders have the right to refuse animals deemed unfit to show. Meat Pen rabbits will all be weighed at check in in the presence of the department head. Sick animals will not be allowed in the showroom. Animals will be released on **Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup> between 5:30-6:30pm**.
6. Please bring your own water bottle or crock. All animals will be fed by the department leader or junior leader by 10 a.m. Rabbit feed will be available, or you can bring your own in a labeled container. Cages must be marked if you are feeding food other than what was donated.
7. We will have classes for all breeds. If your breed is not listed, please contact a leader to have it added. No rabbit under 3 months, pregnant, or with litter will be shown. Rabbit Classes will be divided by breed, sex, and age. Sr (Seniors) = rabbits 6 months of age or over. Jr (Juniors) = rabbits 3 to 6 months of age. B (Bucks) = males, and D (Does) = female.
8. All purebred classes will be judged by the American Rabbit Breeders Standard of Perfection.
9. A meat pen consists of three rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Broken groups must also be the same variety. A meat pen does not necessarily have to come from the same litter. Each rabbit in the meat pen must be no older than 10 weeks (70 days) by July 11<sup>th</sup>. This means meat pen rabbits must be born on or after May 2nd, 2024. The minimum weight at weigh in is 3 lbs 8 oz and the maximum weight is 5 lbs 8 oz. Meat pens will be judged to the American Rabbit Breeders Association's Standards of judging meat rabbit classes.
10. Judging will be **10am** Sunday July 15<sup>th</sup>. **ALL EXHIBITORS** have to participate in Showmanship. The exhibitor must be present at the show table while their rabbit is being judged. If the rabbit wins Best of Breed, the rabbit can only be qualified to compete for Best in Show if the exhibitor is still present and places the rabbit on the show table themselves.
11. The only schedule accommodations that will be considered are other CMR activity schedule conflicts. Any CMR schedule conflicts must be discussed and approved by the department heads before Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.
12. Entry fee: **\$2** per rabbit exhibited. A meat pen is \$16 of which \$10 is the sale fee and \$6 entry fee. No late entries will be accepted. No entry fee for Cloverbuds. Cloverbuds cannot win premiums. Premiums are as follows: Showmanship Classes 1<sup>st</sup> - \$24, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$20, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$16, 4<sup>th</sup> - \$12, 5<sup>th</sup> - \$8, 6<sup>th</sup> - \$4, and all other classes 1<sup>st</sup> - \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> - 1.00, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> ribbons. All rabbits should be identified by a tattoo or permanent marker in their left ear.

## BREED CLASSES

Please contact the show chairman if you need help filling out the entry form.

### AMERICAN

AMERICAN CHINCHILLA  
AMERICAN FUZZY LOP  
AMERICAN SABLE  
ARGENTINE BRUN  
BELGIAN HARE  
BEVEREN  
BLANC DE HOTOT  
BLUE HOLISER  
BRITANNIA PETITE  
CALIFORNIAN  
CHAMPAGNE D' ARGENT  
CHECKERED GIANT  
CINNAMON  
CREME D' ARGENT  
DUTCH  
CZECH FROSTY  
DWARF HOTOT  
DWARF PAPIILLION

ENGLISH ANGORA  
ENGLISH LOP  
ENGLISH SPOT  
FLEMISH GIANT  
FLORIDA WHITE  
FRENCH ANGORA  
FRENCH LOP  
GIANT ANGORA  
GIANT CHINCHILLA  
HARLEQUIN  
HAVANA  
HIMALAYAN  
HOLLAND LOP  
JERSEY WOOLY  
LILAC  
LIONHEAD  
MINI LOP  
MINI REX

MINI SATIN  
NETHERLAND DWARF  
NEW ZEALAND  
PALOMINO  
POLISH  
REX  
RHINELANDER  
SATIN  
SATIN ANGORA  
SILVER  
SILVER FOX  
SILVER MARTEN  
STANDARD CHINCHILLA  
TAN  
THRIANTA  
OTHER/PET  
MEAT PEN

## Poster Contest

Posters should be at least 22 inches x 28 inches in size with visuals and large print. Posters should be made horizontally. Names should go on the back of the poster. Posters must be brought to Ashley Butler by the end of the day on Thursday, July 11th.

**Senior Poster Topic- Rabbit Genetics**

**Intermediate- Rabbit Housing**

**Junior Poster Topic- What is the American Rabbit Breeders Association?**

**Cloverbud Poster Topic- Rabbit Fur Types**

## Rabbit Department Awards

Best In Show: Sponsored by **Bent Oak Farm, LLC**

Reserve Best of Show: Sponsored by **Haregon Rabbitry**

Honorable Mention: Sponsored by **Bent Oak Farm, LLC**

Grand Champion Meat Pen: Sponsored by **Cedar View Farm**

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen: Sponsored by **Mary Ellen Stamets**

Best Poster by Senior: Sponsored by **Bent Oak Farm, LLC**

Best Poster by Intermediate: Sponsored by **Bent Oak Farm, LLC**

Best Poster by Junior: Sponsored by **Marvin & Carol Isaacson**

Best Poster by Cloverbud: Sponsored by **Genesis Soaps, LLC**

Overall Senior Skillathon Winner: Sponsored by **The Clark Family**

Overall Intermediate Skillathon Winner: Sponsored by **Long Family Markets**

Overall Junior Skillathon Winner: Sponsored by **Bruce & Isabell Hodge**

Novice Showmanship: Sponsored by **Cedar View Farm**

Senior Showmanship: Sponsored by **Fire House Rabbitry**

Intermediate Showmanship: Sponsored by **Treehouse Alpaca Farm**

Junior Showmanship: Sponsored by **Sunshine & Sprinkles Custom Cookies**

Cloverbud Showmanship: Sponsored by **Briarwood Cottage Nigerian Dwarf Goats**

**Outstanding Exhibitor Award: Sr., Int., Jr. Rabbit Department : Sponsored by The Davis Family, Genesis Soaps, LLC and Bruce & Isalell Hodge**

Qualifications: Participation at clean up. Entry into the poster contest. Participated in showmanship class.

Participated in the rabbit skillathon. Helped feed & water rabbits during the week. Had your rabbit out for at least an hour during the week for spectators to pet. Willingness to help others and a wonderful 4-H attitude.

## Rabbit Skillathon

Saturday, July 13th at 2:00PM Sign up beforehand for a time slot

### **Part 1: Rabbit Judging Contest**

1. There will be 4 classes of 4 rabbits for participants to judge and place on their own. There will be a 7-minute time limit for judging each breed. Participants will write down their placements to hand in for scoring.

2. The rabbits will be placed ahead of time by a judge using the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Standard of Perfection (SOP).

### **Part 2: Rabbit Breed Identification Contest**

1. Participants will be asked to identify 24 rabbits. Juniors and Intermediates will fill out the complete breed name and the registration variety of each Rabbit. Seniors will fill out the complete breed name, registration variety, showroom variety, and the class. There will be a 20 minute time limit to complete the breed ID contest.

The skillathon results will be announced at the awards ceremony on Monday.

