

DEPARTMENT 14

RABBITS & POCKET PETS

RABBITS

*Judging Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
in the Dairy Barn*

*Co-Superintendents- Kim O'Conner (810) 327-6760
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Time of 5- 8 Year old judging will be announced
Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

***A Small Animal Cleanliness Policy and
ID Sheets must be signed and returned to
the MSU Extension Office by June 1,
2009!***

1. Rabbits must be entered from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Monday of fair week. All exhibitors must check-in and show their own animals as well as feed and care for them. Cleanliness policy must be on file upon check in.
2. **Class entry cut off is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday of fair week- no additions to classes after this time- only drop-outs. These class sheets will be posted in barn until that time- it is the exhibitor's or parent's responsibility to sign-up for classes!!**
3. All market rabbits must weigh 3½- 5 lbs. to be eligible for entry into Fair.
4. Market pens will be weighed in upon entry on Monday.
5. All rabbit entries must be exhibited in a class other than showmanship.
6. Once your animal is checked and placed in a cage, remove your carrying cage. Because of the large number of rabbits and pocket pets being exhibited, every member will have to take home any carrying cages used to bring their exhibits to the Fair. Any carrying cages not removed by Monday evening will be removed by the superintendent.
7. Each exhibitor must furnish their own feed. Feed should be store neatly. NO GLASS containers.
8. Pens must be cleaned each day. The Fairboard has the right to withhold premiums if not complied with. **Exhibitors must provide their own cleaning supplies. (Shovels, wheelbarrows, and etc.)**
9. Water and feed must be placed in plastic or ceramic crocks or water bottles only. No automatic/self feeders will be allowed.
10. Morning cleaning and feeding/watering done by 10:00 a.m. Night cleaning and feeding/watering done by 7:00 p.m. Feed and water maintained throughout the day. Parents are not allowed to do cleaning/feeding/watering.

11. Due to health reasons in containment of milking does with litters, they will not be allowed to exhibit. Sick or diseased animals will not be allowed.
12. Locked cages will not be allowed at the Fair at any time. Failure to comply with this rule will forfeit all premiums and trophies.
13. NO rabbits are to be put in rabbit pens until checked by Superintendent.
14. All exhibitors are required to wear a plain white long-sleeved lab coat or shirt (no names, logos, clubs, decorations, previous awards, advertisement, etc.) when rabbits are being judged.
15. Exhibitor is responsible for knowing sex of own rabbit prior to fair arrival. All exhibitors or parents/representatives must know class animal will be shown in. Superintendent is not responsible for class placement!
16. No Rabbits are to be taken out of/or walked from the barn during the week of the Fair.

SECTION 56

SHOWMANSHIP

Class	A	B	C
0565 Novice Showman 9- 10 years	\$3	\$2	\$1
0566 Junior Showman 11- 12 years	\$3	\$2	\$1
0567 Intermediate Showmanship 13- 14 years	\$3	\$2	\$1
0568 Senior Showmanship 15- 19 years	\$3	\$2	\$1
0569 Best of Show & Reserve Rabbit Showmanship (1 st & 2 nd place winner in classes 0565- 0568)		Trophy & Rosettes	

EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

1. All breeds will dictate the division or class that animal will be shown in. All market pens that receive A or B ribbons must sell in the sale. No animal may be shown in more than one class except fur or wool must be shown in normal breed classes. All classes are single animal classes other than the market class. Animals for the market class shall weigh between 3½- 5 pounds.
2. The fur or wool classes will be judged on the animal fur or wool quality alone.
3. The mixed breed classes will be judged on meat and fur quality.
4. The market pens will be judged on meat quality and uniformity of body type and weight.
5. Each exhibitor may bring 3 rabbits in addition to 1 meat pen. (For example: 2 from 4 Class Breeds and 1 mixed breed or 1 from 4 Class and 2 from 6 Class) Each exhibitor is still only allowed 1 rabbit per age group, per class. Example: only 1 senior buck, 1 senior doe Class 4 and/or 1 senior buck, intermediate doe Class 6. If you enter 2 class 4 senior bucks, you will receive premiums on 1 entry.

**6. RELEASE TIME FOR RABBITS IS SUNDAY,
AUGUST 16, 2009 FROM 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.**

4 CLASS BREEDS

American Fuzzy Lop	Dwarf Hotot	Netherland
American Sable	English Spot	Dwarf
Angora (English)	Florida White	Polish
Angora (French)	Harlequin	Rex
Angora (Satin)	Jersey Wooly	Rhinelander
Belgian Hare	Lilac	Silver
Britannia Petite	Lop (Holland)	Silver Marten
Chinchilla (Standard)	Lop (Mini)	Tan
Dutch	Mini Rex	

6 CLASS BREEDS

American	Chinchilla (Giant)	Lop (English)
Angora (Giant)	Cinnamon	Lop (French)
Beveren	Crème D'Argent	New Zealand
Californian	Flemish Giant	Palomino
Champagne D'Argen	Hotot	Satin
Checkered Giant		

FUR, REX, & WOOL CLASS

American Fuzzy Lop-Wool	Jersey Wooly-Wool
Angora (English)-Wool	Mini Rex-Rex
Angora (French)-Wool	Rex- Rex
Angora (Satin)-Wool	Satin-Satin
Angora (Giant)-Wool	

**SECTION 57
4 CLASS BREED**

Class		A	B	C
0572	4 Class Senior Buck	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0573	4 Class Senior Doe	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0574	4 Class Junior Buck	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0575	4 Class Junior Doe	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0576	Best of Show & Reserve 4 Class (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0572- 0576)	Trophy & Rosettes		

**SECTION 58
6 CLASS BREED**

Class		A	B	C
0579	6 Class Senior Buck	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0580	6 Class Senior Doe	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0581	6 Class Intermediate Buck	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0582	6 Class Intermediate Doe	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0583	6 Class Junior Buck	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0584	6 Class Junior Doe	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0585	Best of Show & Reserve 6 Class (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0579- 0585)	Trophy & Rosettes		

**SECTION 59
FUR, REX, WOOL CLASS**

Class		A	B	C
0588	Fur Class Rex	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0589	Fur Class Normal	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0590	Fur Class Satin	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0591	Wool Class	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0592	Best of Show & Reserve Wool & Fur (1 st & 2 nd place from classes 0588- 0591)	Trophy & Rosettes		

**SECTION 60
MIXED BREED**

Class		A	B	C
0595	Mix Breed Senior Bucks	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0596	Mix Breed Senior Does	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0597	Mix Breed Junior Bucks	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0598	Mix Breed Junior Does	\$3	\$2.25	\$1.25
0599	Best of Show & Reserve Mix Breed (1 st & 2 nd from classes 0595- 0598)	Trophy & Rosettes		

**SECTION 61
OVERALL BREEDS**

Class		A	B	C
0602	Market Pen (Must be 3 of the same breed and same color)	\$3	\$2	\$1
0603	Best of Show & Reserve in the Rabbit Show	Trophy & Rosettes		

**SECTION 62
RECORD BOOKS**

Learning Objective: Participants will be learning the care of, feeding, housing, costs, and breeds of rabbits.

Due Tuesday of Fair Week by 5:00 P.M.

Class		A	B	C
0605	4-H Rabbit Record Book (Optional)	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$1.00

POCKET PETS

Pocket Pet Judging- Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at
8:00 a.m. in the Dairy Barn

Cavies Judging- Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at 9:00
a.m. in the Dairy Barn

Pocket Pets may be entered on Sunday evening
between 6:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. or on Monday
morning between 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**RELEASE TIME FOR POCKET PETS IS
SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.**

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PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

Cavies (Guinea Pigs), Hamsters, Gerbils, Mice and
Rats

***A Small Animal Cleanliness Policy must
be signed and returned to the MSU
Extension Office by July 1, 2009!***

**1. Class entry cut off is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday of
fair week- no additions to classes after this time-
only drop-outs. These class sheets will be posted in
barn until that time- it is the exhibitor's or parent's
responsibility to sign-up for classes!!**

**2. Due to health reasons in containment of animals
with litters, they will not be allowed to exhibit.
Diseased or infected animals will not be allowed to be
exhibited.**

3. No animal may leave the fairgrounds until Sunday, August 16, 2009 from 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.
4. Exhibitors must help set up and clean up.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for proper care and appropriate feeding dishes and bedding.
6. Water and feed must be placed in plastic or ceramic crocks or water bottles only. No automatic/self feeders will be allowed. **Feed may not be stored in any type of glass container.**
7. Exhibitor is responsible for supplying their own cage. Cages should be enclosed on all sides with a solid bottom. All cages are to be disinfected and cleaned. Only one animal per cage.
8. Exhibitor is required to keep appropriate pocket pet record. Guinea Pigs (4-H 1129), Hamsters (4-H 1130), Gerbils (4-H 1128), Mice and Rats (4-H 1127) Record Books are available at the Extension Office. Record books are due to the 4-H Office at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday of fair week.
9. Rats and mice must be of the laboratory type (tame). Wild rats and mice will not be allowed.
10. Cage sizes are to be no larger than 15" wide x 25" long x 18" high.
11. Locked cages will not be allowed at the fair at any time. Failure to comply with this rule will forfeit all premiums and trophies.
12. No animals are to be put in place until checked by the superintendent.
13. Ribbons will be awarded 1st- 6th except Champion classes.
14. No Pocket Pets are to be taken/or walked outside of the barn during the Fair.

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS CAVIES (GUINEA PIGS)
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1. Cavies must be entered from 6:00- 7:00 p.m. on Sunday or 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon on Monday of Fair week. All exhibitors must check-in and show his/her own animals as well as feed and care for them.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for supplying their own cage. Cages should be enclosed on all sides with a solid bottom. All cages are to be disinfected and cleaned. Only one animal per cage.
3. Each exhibitor must furnish their own feed and bedding.
4. Pens must be cleaned each day. The Fairboard has the right to withhold premiums if not complied with.
5. Water & feed must be placed in plastic or ceramic crocks or water bottles only. No automatic/self-feeders will be allowed.
6. Cavy (Guinea Pig) exhibitors are required to complete 4-H Pocket Pet record for Guinea Pigs (4-H 1129). Record is due to the 4-H Office Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

7. Due to health reasons in containment of milking sows with litters, they will not be allowed to exhibit. Sick or diseased animals will not be allowed.
8. Locked cages will not be allowed at the fair at any time. Failure to comply with this rule will forfeit all premiums and trophies.
9. No covies are to be put in place until checked by the superintendent.
10. All exhibitors are required to wear a long sleeved white lab coat or long sleeved white shirt when covies are being judged.
11. Ribbons 1st- 6th will be provided in all classes except Championship classes.
12. Cavy exhibitors may show 1 in each class.

SECTION 63 **HAMSTERS**

Judging will be at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 in the Dairy Barn.

Class	A	B	C
0607 Male Hamster	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0608 Female Hamster	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0609 Best of Show & Reserve Hamster (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0607 & 0608)			Rosettes

SECTION 64 **GERBILS**

Judging will be at 8:00 a.m. on
Wednesday, August 12, 2009 in the Dairy Barn.

Class	A	B	C
0612 Male Gerbil	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0613 Female Gerbil	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0614 Best of Show & Reserve Gerbil (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0612 & 0613)			Rosettes

SECTION 65 **MICE & RATS**

Judging will be at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 in the Dairy Barn.

Class	A	B	C
0617 Male Mice or Rat	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0618 Female Mice or Rat	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
0619 Best of Show & Reserve Mouse or Rat (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0617 & 0618)			Rosettes

SECTION 66 **OVERALL BREEDS**

Class	A	B	C
0621 Best of Show & Reserve Pocket Pet (winners of classes 0609, 0614 & 0619)			Trophy & Rosettes

SECTION 67 **CAGE PRESENTATION**

Learning Objective: Participants will learn how to prepare a cage for presentation that best shows off their animal when on display.

Class		A	B	C
0623	Cage Presentation	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.00

SECTION 68 **RECORD BOOK**

Learning Objective: Participants will be learning the care of, feeding, housing, costs and breeds of hamsters, gerbil, mice and rats.

Due Tuesday of Fair Week by 5:00 P.M.

Class		A	B	C
0625	4-H Hamster Record Book (4-H 1130)	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.00
0626	4-H Gerbil Record Book (4-H 1128)	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.00
0627	4-H Mice & Rat Record Book (4-H 1127)	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.00

SECTION 69 **CAVY (GUINEA PIG) SHOWMANSHIP**

Cavy Judging will be at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 12, 2009 in the Dairy Barn

Class		A	B	C
0630	Novice Showmanship 9- 10 years old	\$3	\$2	\$1
			Trophy	
0631	Junior Showmanship 11- 12 years old	\$3	\$2	\$1
			Trophy	
0632	Intermediate Showmanship 13- 14 years old	\$3	\$2	\$1
			Trophy	
0633	Senior Showmanship 15- 19 years old	\$3	\$2	\$1
			Trophy	
0634	Best of Show & Reserve Cavy Showmanship (1 st & 2 nd place winners from classes 0630- 0633)		Trophy & Rosettes	

SECTION 70 **CAVIES (GUINEA PIGS)**

Class		A	B	C
0637	Cavy Boar Senior (over 30 oz. and/or older than 6 months)	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$1.25
0638	Cavy Sow Senior (over 30 oz. and/or older than 6 months)	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$1.25
0639	Cavy Boar Junior (under 30 oz. and less than 6 months)	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$1.25
0640	Cavy Sow Junior (under 30 oz. and less than 6 months)	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$1.25
0641	Best of Show & Reserve Cavy		Trophy & Rosettes	

SECTION 71 **CAVY RECORD BOOK**

Learning Objective: Participants will be learning the care of, feeding, housing, costs, and breeds of a cavy.

Class		A	B	C
0643	4-H Cavy Record Book (4-H 1129)	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$1.00

SECTION 72 **Super Glider**

Class		A	B	C
0644	Super Glider Exhibition		Ribbons	