

## **DIVISION 800**

### **RABBITS**

#### **BRIDGET MOORE**

Co-Department Director

#### **NEWT LONG**

Co-Department Director

Fair Telephone Number (August 2 - August 6)  
614-644-4496

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including, but not limited to premiums**

### **DEPARTMENT STAFF**

#### **JOY GORDON**

Show Secretary

#### **SARA LAPE**

Show Secretary

#### **DON HOWARD**

Breed Show Superintendent

#### **AMANDA HUTCHESON**

Breed Show Superintendent

#### **KEVIN BOGAN**

Market Show Superintendent

### **RABBIT SKILLATHON SUPERINTENDENTS**

#### **VICKI BOGAN**

KVB Rabbitry and Bogan Cages and Supplies

#### **TRAVIS WEST**

Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development  
Vinton County

### **FEED PROVIDED BY**

#### **DIRECT FEEDS**

#### **DENNY MILLER**

Arrival Time: Between 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, August 2 and  
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Thursday, August 3

**Market Rabbits must be in by 10:00 a.m.  
Thursday, August 3**

Exhibitors' Meeting — Thursday, August 3, 4:00 p.m.

Breed I.D. Contest — Thursday, August 3, 1:00 p.m.

Market Show — Thursday, August 3, 5:00 p.m.

**Rabbit Hopping Demonstrations** — Thursday, August 3  
and Friday, August 4 — Times will be posted in the Barn

Skillathon — Friday, August 4  
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Judging Contest — Friday, August 4  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Showmanship — Friday, August 4  
2:00 p.m.

Contest and Skillathon Awards will follow  
Showmanship

Market Rabbit Barn Sale — Friday, August 4  
7:00 p.m.

Costume Contest — Saturday, August 5  
4:00 p.m. or following the Open Show

Breed Show — Sunday, August 6  
9:00 a.m.

Release Time — Sunday, August 6  
5:00 p.m.

### **RULES**

1. Participation is limited to 4-H and FFA members enrolled in rabbit projects in 2017. (i.e. must be enrolled in market project at county level to show market at Ohio State Fair) All exhibitors must be present on the day of judging.

2. Entries must be postmarked no later than June 20.

3. Those who want to participate in the Rabbit Showmanship must sign up when checking in.

4. All animals exhibited must have been a part of the exhibitor's project and cared for continuously by the individual exhibitor since June 1 of the current year, including all showing rights. Ownership of animal will be considered lost if, after June 1, of the current year, the animal has been consigned or sold in a Junior Fair Livestock Sale or any other type of transaction, even if the exhibitor "buys back" his animal.

5. Each entry must be listed on the entry blank: (1) entry breed (i.e. New Zealand); (2) list variety (i.e. white); (3) list class (i.e. senior); (4) list gender (i.e. buck); (5) list ear number (i.e. 30). If your rabbits have not been ear tattooed at the time of entering you must still list the number that you will be using as the official ear number for each rabbit entered, including meat rabbits. If you are going to enter into the open show, you must fill out the open entry form. **Must indicate on entry form, if rabbits are entered in both the open and junior shows.**

6. All 4-H and FFA rabbits including meat rabbits must have a permanent and legible tattoo in the rabbit's left ear before checking in. All entry forms must contain the ear number(s) for each entry. Entries with no ear number included will not be accepted. Only two (2) ear number changes per exhibitor will be allowed. Substitutions must be within the same breed, variety and class as on original entry.

7. Rabbits owned by the same exhibitor, in the same class, **must not** have duplicate ear tattoos.

8. Altering Appearance — Any animal disqualified for altering of appearance results in the disqualification of exhibitor's entire entry. This includes dying, plucking of colored hairs so as to be noticeably missing, trimming or clipping so as to alter markings, coloring toenails, any faking: including powdering and indiscriminate use of grooming preparations designed to alter the natural condition or appearance.

9. No health certificate is required, however, all animals will be checked for disease, etc. Animals declared diseased or unworthy of show will be dismissed from the grounds.

10. Exhibitors may show a maximum two (2) meat pen entries and paid premiums on a maximum of two (2) entries per breeding class.

11. Junior Exhibitors must show their own animals. Exceptions will be made only for exhibitors who may be physically impaired, who have two animals entered in the same class, or an exhibitor absent on show day due to other commitments. In case of these exceptions another boy or girl who is eligible to be an Ohio Junior Division Exhibitor may exhibit the animal with the authorization of the department director. If a Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitor cannot be present at the time of judging the exhibitor will need to present to the department director a written permission notice signed by the football coach, band director or any other person in charge of an activity that is in conflict and prevents the exhibitor from being present at the time of judging. This notice must be on official letterhead of the organization and given to the department director 24 hours before show day and must include name, county, birthdate, home phone number, and complete address of the exhibitor's, home and work telephone number of the person in charge of the event (i.e. football coach, band director, etc.) Also include a brief description of the conflict.

12. The order of show for Breed Classes will be posted Friday, August 4.

13. Showmanship will be based on information in the 4-H Rabbit Resource Handbook and additional resources. Classes of Showmanship are: 8-10 years of age, 11-12 years of age, 13-14 years of age, 15-16 years of age and 17-18 years of age. All ages as of January 1, 2017.

14. Rabbits will be placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd by classes according to A.R.B.A. standards (see A.R.B.A. Standard of Perfection). The best and best opposite sex of each breed, best 4 class and best 6 class as well as a best of show will be selected.

15. It is not necessary for a 4-H or FFA rabbit exhibitor to have been a county champion or a selected winner to enter and compete at the Ohio State Fair.

16. Junior exhibitors must check in their own rabbits: no adults allowed.

17. If rabbits are removed from the fairgrounds early, without prior permission of the directors, the exhibitor will forfeit all awards, including premiums, and will not be allowed to compete the following year.

## CARE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Ohio State Fair will furnish coops, bedding, water, feed and cups. However, exhibitors are welcome to bring their own feed, water and cups.

2. Exhibitors need to feed, water and freshen bedding each day. No feeding or watering will be conducted by the show committee.

### 3. NO PRIVATE SALE OF RABBITS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

4. A signed release slip must be obtained from the Directors or the Show Secretary before removing any rabbit from the fairgrounds.

5. Advertising will not be permitted on 4-H or FFA rabbit exhibits.

There will be a Registrar on duty Saturday, August 5 for those wanting their rabbit registered. (Current A.R.B.A. membership card and pedigree is required).

Premiums have been established based on numbers shown. As numbers shown fluctuate, future premiums will be adjusted to show these changes.

Class premiums are as follows:

1st - \$4; 2nd - \$3; 3rd - \$2

### AWARDS

Best in Show - **Rosette**

Second Best in Show - **Rosette**

Best Four (4) Class In Show - **Rosette**

Second Best Four (4) Class In Show - **Rosette**

Best Six (6) Class In Show - **Rosette**

Second Best Six (6) Class In Show - **Rosette**

### YOUTH RESERVE PROGRAM

#### 2017 Junior Rabbit Division Champions

Best of Show and Second Best in Show will each receive \$50 from the Youth Reserve Program. Best 6 Class, Reserve Best 6 Class, Best 4 Class and Reserve Best 4 Class each will receive \$25 from the Youth Reserve Program. Total amount paid to junior rabbit division champions is \$200.

### CLASS AGE BREAKS

Four classes are provided for all breeds having under 9 pound senior ideal weight.

Seniors — 6 months of age and older

Juniors — Under 6 months of age

Six classes are provided for all breeds having a 9 pound or larger senior ideal weight.

Seniors — 8 months of age and older

Intermediates — 6 months and under 8 months

Juniors — Under 6 months of age

Please indicate one of the above listed classes including breed, variety, sex and ear number on the entry form.

### 802 — MARKET SHOW

Thursday, August 3, 5:00 p.m.

### Meat Pen

Three animals, identical in size, weight, appearance and age; must be a minimum of 56 days and not exceed 70 days of age; each meat pen rabbit must weigh a minimum of 3.5 pounds, and not exceed 5.5 pounds.

Only meat rabbits meeting these weight requirements will be eligible to show. All meat pens will be weighed on show day.

All rabbits and/or brood does of meat pen rabbits shown must have been owned and under the continual care of exhibitor from June 1, 2017 until after show at the Ohio State Fair.

All rabbits in meat pens must have a permanent and legible tattoo in their left ear. **Meat pen rabbits owned by the same exhibitor, must not have duplicate ear tattoos.**

A maximum of two (2) meat pen entries are allowed.

### RABBIT MEAT PEN BARN SALE

The sale will be conducted on Friday, August 4 at 7:00 p.m. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pens will be auctioned during the sale. This will be a terminal sale and animals will be harvested after the fair is completed. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will not be allowed to be taken home by the exhibitors. When entering your Meat Pens on the entry form, you are agreeing to sell if selected as the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion.

### Rosettes - Top 5 Places

### TOP FIVE (5) RABBIT MEAT PEN AWARDS

The following premiums will be paid out to the top five Meat Pens from the Youth Reserve Program.

Grand Champion Meat Pen	<b>Barn Sale</b>
Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen	<b>Barn Sale</b>
Third Place Meat Pen	<b>250.00</b>
Fourth Place Meat Pen	<b>200.00</b>
Fifth Place Meat Pen	<b>125.00</b>

### JUNIOR FAIR RABBIT POSTER EXHIBIT

**Amanda Hutcheson**

Superintendent

1. To visually demonstrate Junior Fair Rabbit Project knowledge.

2. To stimulate an interest in Junior Fair Rabbit projects and the rabbit industry.

### RULES

1. Youth must be enrolled in either a 4-H or FFA rabbit project to participate in the Poster Contest, but need not show a rabbit at the Ohio State Fair.

2. Each youth must enter their poster on the Ohio State Fair Junior Rabbit entry form by checking the line for "Poster Contest" on the upper right side of the form. One entry per exhibitor is allowed. Posters must be delivered to the state fair rabbit office during rabbit check-in on Wednesday, August 2 or Thursday, August 3. Posters can be checked in by another 4-H or FFA member for the participating member if the poster contest participant is not exhibiting rabbits at the state fair.

3. Entries must be postmarked by June 20.

4. There is a \$5 entry fee for posters.

5. Posters must be made using size 22" x 28" poster board. Do not use foam core poster board or science fair display boards. Posters must be displayed horizontally.

6. Posters must represent the topic assigned for the current year's contest. Topic for 2017 is "**Misconceptions and Myths About Rabbits.**"

7. Each poster must be clearly labeled in the lower right hand corner, in a space no larger than 3" x 5" with the exhibitor's name, county, and age as of January 1, 2017. Posters should be covered in plastic or laminated.

8. Posters will be judged on Educational Content (50 pts.), Neatness/Appearance (30 pts.), and Originality (20 pts.)

9. Posters deemed inappropriate to display will be judged, but held in the Rabbit Office until dismissed.

10. Poster score sheets are used for judging only, and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

11. Posters will be displayed in the Rabbit building during the Junior Fair Rabbit Show.

12. Posters can be picked up at the Rabbit building after 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 6. Those not picked up at that time will not be returned.

### **AWARDS**

First through fifth place rosettes will be awarded to the top 5 poster winners in each age division.

A premium of \$18 will be awarded to the first place winner of each age division: Junior ( ages 8 - 11); Intermediate (ages 12 - 14); and Senior (ages 15 - 18) provided by the **Ohio State Fair**.

### **RABBIT COSTUME CONTEST**

**DON HOWARD**

Superintendent

**Newt Long**

Co-Department Director

Saturday, August 5, 4:00 p.m.  
or following the Open Show

The Rabbit Costume Contest is open to all 4-H and FFA youth exhibiting a rabbit(s) at the Ohio State Fair. First place in each category will receive an award. Categories include: Most Original, People's Choice, Best Coordinating Costume (exhibitor & rabbit) and Best Overall. A 50 word or less narrative is to be turned into the superintendent prior to the start of the event. Pre-registration is not required. Participants will register at check-in for this event.

### **COSTUME CONTEST AWARDS**

Best In Show — **Don and Sheree Howard**

2nd Best Costume — **Newt and Jonathan Long**

3rd Best Costume — **Bridget, Doug and Ty Moore**

4th, 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Best Costume —  
**Newt and Jonathan Long**

Most Original Costume — **Catch All Rabbitry**

Best Duo Costume — **Newt and Jonathan Long**

Crowd Favorite — **Newt and Jonathan Long**

### **RABBIT JUDGING CONTEST**

**Kevin Bogan**

Superintendent

**Newt Long**

Co-Department Director

Friday, August 4, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

The Rabbit Judging Contest is open to all 4-H and FFA youth enrolled in a rabbit project in 2017. First place in each age category will receive an award. First through fifth place participants will receive a rosette. Ages are by year, determined as of January 1, 2017.

8 - 10 year olds  
11 - 12 year olds  
13 - 14 year olds  
15 - 16 year olds  
17 - 18 year olds

Pre-registration is not required, participants will register on day of event.

### JUDGING CONTEST AWARDS

Ages 17-18 Champion  
**T & K Rabbitry**

Ages 17-18 Reserve Champion  
**Cassidy and Brooke Vanderveer**

Ages 15-16 Champion  
**Millers New Zealand**

Ages 15-16 Reserve Champion  
**Schwartz Rabbitry**

Ages 13-14 Champion  
**M. E. Rabbitry**

Ages 13-14 Reserve Champion  
**Phyllis Smith**

Ages 11-12 Champion  
**Yeager Smith**

Ages 11-12 Reserve Champion  
**Newt and Jonathan Long**

Ages 8-10 Champion  
**Sweet Stuff Rabbitry**

Ages 8-10 Reserve  
**Kimberly Tieben**

Champion Overall  
**Chicken Slop Farm**

### RABBIT BREED I.D. CONTEST

**Travis West**  
Superintendent  
**Vicki Bogan**  
Assistant Superintendent  
Thursday, August 3, 1:00 p.m.

The Rabbit Breed I.D. Contest is open to all 4-H and FFA youth enrolled in a rabbit project in 2017. First place in each age category will receive an award. First through fifth place participants will receive a rosette. Ages are by year, determined as of January 1, 2017.

8 - 10 year olds  
11 - 12 year olds  
13 - 14 year olds  
15 - 16 year olds  
17 - 18 year olds

Pre-registration is not required; participants will register the day of the contest.

### BREED I.D. AWARDS - CHAMPIONS

Ages 17-18, Senior Division  
**Hoppin N Trottin**

Ages 15-16, Senior Division  
**Ruth Johnson**

Ages 13-14, Senior Division  
**T & K Rabbitry**

Ages 11-12, Junior Division  
**AC Rabbitry**

Ages 8-10, Junior Division  
**Pat and Tip Timperio**

Champion Overall  
**Bridget, Doug and Ty Moore**

### SPECIAL AWARDS

(each of the following will receive a trophy)

Best in Show  
**The Ohio State Fair Rabbit Dept. Staff**

2nd Best In Show  
**Ohio State Youth New Zealand Club**

Best 6 Class  
**David Moll**

2nd Best 6 Class  
**Lane Kleilein**

Best 4 Class  
**Bogan Cages**

2nd Best 4 Class  
**Luke Kleilein**

Best Commercial Meat Pen  
**In Memory of Larry Lunz**  
**Auglaize County Rabbit Breeders Association**

2nd Best Commercial Meat Pen  
**Boutwell Bunny Barn**

3rd Best Commercial Meat Pen  
**Stoodt Insurance**

(each of the following will receive a medallion)

4th through 8th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Amanda Hutcheson and Ryan Lentz**

9th through 13th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Olivia Ward**

14th through 18th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Dawn, Jim and Kennedy Pressler**

19th and 20th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Paul Stoodt**

21st through 25th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Rob and Janeen Boutwell**

26th through 30th Best Commercial Meat Pen —  
**Vollrath Family**

#### **BEST OF BREED RABBIT AWARDS**

(each of the following will receive a trophy)

American — **Charles and Ginger Bree**  
American Fuzzy Lop — **Jacob and Carrie Arnold**  
Beveren — **In Memory of Sheryl Furer, Luke Kleilein**  
Californian — **Jack and Jane Butler**  
Champagne D'Argent — **Keith Motter and Family**  
Checkered Giant — **Catch All Rabbitry**  
Dutch — **Cody Lape**  
Dwarf Hotot — **Cindy and Bree Vining**  
English Spot — **Roger and Joyce Stull**  
Flemish Giant — **Shayd Farms**  
Florida White — **Rick McCoy**  
Havana — **G. Joseph Colucci**  
Himalayan — **Kit 3 Rabbitry**  
Holland Lop — **Abby Stask**  
Jersey Wooly — **Elise Silipini**  
Lilac — **Russ and Molly Johnson**  
Lop (English) — **Judy Wortman**  
Lop (French) — **Brayden Donohue**  
Lop (Mini) — **Ohio Mini Lop Rabbit Club**  
Mini Rex — **Pine Ridge Rabbitry**  
Netherland Dwarf — **Chesney Stackpole**  
New Zealand — **Addi Hill Dairy Goats**  
Polish — **Cindy and Dave Lamb**  
Rex — **Malones Rabbitry**  
Silver Martin — **Bob and Roberta Stromski**

Tan — **California Dreamin**

Thrianta — **Susan Pohto**

#### **BEST OPPOSITE SEX RABBIT AWARDS**

(each of the following will receive a plaque)

American — **Breeders of the American Rabbit Club**

Californian — **Casbro Trucking**

Champagne D'Argent — **R & R Rabbitry**

Checkered Giant — **Sharon Walker**

Dutch — **Dan Lape**

Dwarf Hotot — **Madison Niemeyer**

English Spot — **CBR Farm**

Flemish Giant — **Gebhart Acres Rabbitry**

Florida White — **In Memory of Aggie Schmerge,  
Auglaize County Rabbit Breeders Association**

Havana — **JTC Havanas & New Zealands**

Himalayan — **Kit 3 Rabbitry**

Holland Lop — **Baileys Rabbitry**

Jersey Wooly — **Tera Mills**

Lilac — **Glen Carr**

Lionhead — **Making It Fun**

Lop (French) — **Anthony and Karen Anderson**

Lop (Mini) — **Ellen's Lovable Lops**

Mini Rex — **Mad Max Farms**

Mini Satin — **Angela Kosie**

Netherland Dwarf — **T & K Rabbitry**

New Zealand — **Betsy Briggs**

Palomino — **Kevin and Del Corcorn**

Polish — **Larry Pohto**

Rex — **Malones Rabbitry**

Rhineland — **Tammy McComis**

Silver Fox — **Jason Mills**

Tan — **AC Rabbitry**

Thrianta — **Ruth Johnson**

## RABBIT SKILLATHON

Friday, August 4, 8 a.m.-12 noon., Rabbit Barn

All junior fair skillathon age champions (9 through 18) will receive money from the Youth Reserve Program. This amount varies from year to year and will be announced during each skillathon award ceremony. Each age winner and the overall skillathon champion in all nine (9) skillathons will receive an award sponsored by The Ohio 4-H and FFA Foundations.

## SHOWMANSHIP

Friday, August 4  
2:00 p.m.

In 2017 Junior Rabbit showmanship age winners will receive money from the Youth Reserve Program, with first place receiving \$40; 2nd place receiving \$30; third place receiving \$20; 4th place receiving \$15; and 5th place receiving \$10. There are 5 age groups for a total of \$575.

(Each of the following will receive a plaque)

Showman of Showmen — **David Moll**

Ages 17 - 18 yrs. of age — **Eberhart Service Center, Inc.**

Ages 15 - 16 yrs. of age — **Schwartz Rabbitry**

Ages 13 - 14 yrs. of age — **David Moll**

Ages 11 - 12 yrs. of age — **M. E. Rabbitry**

Ages 9 - 10 yrs of age — **T & K Rabbitry**

An award will be presented to the Ohio State Fair Rabbit Scholarship Winner by **Koby Donohue**.

Additional information regarding Skillathons and Showmanships can be found under Showmanship Division listed on the Ohio State Fair website.

No advance entry is required to enter showmanship or skillathon.

## ENTRY INFORMATION

Junior entry blank requires specific signatures: exhibitor, parent and either County Extension Educator or FFA advisor. Indicate clearly if the entry is 4-H, or FFA. Complete animal information as required on the entry blank.

Entry due date of June 20 means the entry blank and payment must be postmarked by this date. Metered mail is not acceptable.

You may use your credit card to pay for your entry fees. Just fill out the information on the entry form for credit card payment.

Checks should be made payable to: Ohio State Fair. It's permissible to pay for multiple family members with only one check, provided all entries are sent in the same envelope.

## LATE ENTRY

(June 21-July 20) requires a \$50.00 late fee per exhibitor, per species, plus the usual per animal charge. If wanting to enter both Junior and Open, then it would be \$50.00 for each area, plus the animal entry fee. Any entry made July 20 and after will be charged \$75.00 per exhibitor, per species and per animal charge.

## TICKET INFORMATION

Junior Fair exhibitors are provided a ticket for each day they are required to participate as a Junior Fair exhibitor. These tickets are color coded.

Junior Fair Exhibitors may not purchase parking permits! Tickets, for family member use, are available throughout the fair:

\$28.00 - 6 day punch ticket (multi person use - example: 3 people, 2 admissions)

\$6.00 - one day ticket (one individual use)

## PREMIUMS

Premium (amount listed after the class information) are processed and mailed at the conclusion of the fair. Any exhibitor who has not received due money by October 31, 2017, should notify the Entry Department at 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Oh 43211, phone 614-644-4052, or e-mail [b.prince@expo.ohio.gov](mailto:b.prince@expo.ohio.gov) or Stacey French, 614-644-4049, [s.french@expo.ohio.gov](mailto:s.french@expo.ohio.gov)

## IMPORTANT

Exhibitors whose premium payments are over \$499, will need to have a W-9 and Vendor Information Form filled out. These forms are required by the State of Ohio in order to process payment. You may find these forms online under competitions.