

RABBITS

Director in charge: John Livingston
Superintendents: Bev Welty & Avery Hollond
Wednesday – 3:00 p.m. Showmanship
NWO Arena

Showmanship

- All Jr Fair Exhibitors must enter Showmanship.
- No premiums will be awarded if exhibitor does not participate.
- Exhibitors must show own rabbit.
- Exhibitors should dress with white long sleeve shirt or white lab coat and dark pants.
- Age of exhibitor determined as of January 1, current year.
- Classes:**
 - Senior Showmanship – 14 yrs and older**
 - Intermediate Showmanship – 11 yrs to 13 yrs**
 - Junior Showmanship – 8 yrs to 10 yrs**
 - Super Showmanship – Previous Winners**
 - Adult Showmanship – Rosettes Only**
- Winners in Showmanship Classes may not compete in that class the following year, but may compete in Super Showmanship. Exhibitor may resume competition upon completion of year absent period.
- 1st Rabbit Senior Showmanship is eligible to participate in Small Animal Showman Contest and must represent their department. [Refer Small Animal Showman rules.] (Winner must sit out Senior showmanship the following year but can compete in Super Showmanship).
- Awards to: Senior, Intermediate, Junior, and Super Showmanship winners.

Order Of Events:

Tuesday:

- Check in 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Weigh-In (at check-in) – Market Pen & Fryers only 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Barn meeting will be held, and time will be posted in barn at check in.

Wednesday, NWO Arena, 3:00 p.m.

Showmanship is Mandatory

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 Intermediate Showmanship – 11 yrs. to 13 yrs.
 Junior Showmanship – 8 yrs. to 10 yrs.
 Super Showmanship – Previous Winners
 Adult Showmanship

Saturday, NWO Arena, 10:00 a.m.

Jr. Fair Rabbit Market/Breed Show

Order of show:

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| 1. Meat pen of 3 | 3. Single Rabbit |
| 2. Single Fryer | 4. Doe and Litter |

Saturday – 10:00 a.m. Market/Breed Show
NWO Arena

Order of Show:

- Meat Pen of Three – Born & Raised (must bring the breed doe)
- Meat Pen of Three – Independent
- Single Fryer
- Trio of Rabbits
- Single Rabbits (by breed, sex, and age)
 - Senior Buck
 - Senior Doe
 - Junior Buck
 - Junior Doe

Buck is Male. Doe is Female.
 Senior is age 6 months and up.
 Junior is under 6 months of age.

- Meat Doe & Litter
- Fancy Doe & Litter

Class Description

Meat Pen of Three Classes

- Born & Raised by Exhibitor Meat Pen of Three (3)
 - Age limit is 8-12 weeks old depending on your breed.
 - Weights will be minimum of 3.5 lbs. and maximum of 5.5 lbs. each rabbit. All rabbits must make this weight at weigh in at the fair.
 - These three rabbits may not be shown in any other class.
 - The four factors in order of their importance for judging meat pens are: 1) Meat Type, 2) condition, 3) uniformity, 4) fur.
 - Meat pens shall be all the same breed and variety
- Independent Meat Pen of Three (3)
 - Three (3) rabbits must be in exhibitor's possession by August 1 of present year and remain in their possession until shown at the Hancock Co Fair
 - The exhibitor must have another project rabbit in their possession on or before June 1 to show in this class
 - These three rabbits may not be shown in any other class.
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 - Meat pens shall be all the same breed and variety.
 - Age limit is 8-12 weeks depending on the breed.
 - Minimum weight is 3.5 lbs. and maximum weight is 5.5 lbs. each rabbit. All rabbits weights must be made by weigh in at the fair

All rabbits must be sold at auction unless noted to go to base bid.

Breed Show Classes

01 Trio of Rabbits

Three Rabbits of breeding age et. One buck and two does. This trio will be all the same breed and showing the best qualities of that breed. You demonstrate how correcting the best traits will improve your flock.

02 Single Fryer

Rabbit Any sex, 8 – 12 weeks old, commercial breed for meat only. Minimum 3.5 lbs. and maximum 5.5 lbs Cannot be part of any meat pen. And will not be sold at the sale. This ideally could be returned to your stock and used for breeding next year.

Single Rabbits

- Single Rabbit, Meat, New Zealand
- Single Rabbit, Meat, Californian
- Single Rabbit, Meat, AOV – Meat
- Single Rabbit, Fancy, Dutch
- Single Rabbit, Fancy, Netherland Dwarf
- Single Rabbit, Fancy, Mini Rex
- Single Rabbit, Fancy, Holland Lop
- Single Rabbit, Fancy, Lion Heads
- Single Rabbit, Fancy French Lops
- Single Rabbit, AOV- Fancy
- Best of Each Breed Returns to compete for B.O.S
- Meat Doe & Litter
[6-8 weeks old / commercial breeds for meat only]
- Fancy Doe & Litter
[6-8 weeks old / Fancy breeds only]

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Rules

1. Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter a maximum of eight (8) classes. Having at least one Rabbit by June 1. No substitutions will be allowed after official entry is submitted.
 - a. Only one (1) entry will be allowed by Exhibitor in #01 Born & Raised Meat Pen of Three or #02 Meat Pen of Three Independent.
 - b. When entering a Born & Raised Pen of Three the Breed Doe must be entered and come to the fair as a single rabbit. This rabbit will be registered with the Superintendent as your June 1 rabbit and designated as the breed doe.
 - c. When entering an Independent Meat Pen of Three you must have at least one other entry in Breed Class 03 through 14. One rabbit will be registered with the Superintendent as being in your possession by June 1.
 - d. Only one entry will be allowed in #02 Single Fryer Rabbit and may not be part of the meat pen of three.
2. All rabbits must be tattooed prior to bringing them to the fair. A date will be offered to tattoo all rabbits coming to the fair at a date to be announced around the first of August.
 - a. All **meat pen rabbits must be tattooed** on the date offered in August. This will be at 6:00 pm at the Fairgrounds. The exhibitor does not need to be present. The tattoo numbers will be recorded and verified at check in for the fair during check in and weigh in.
 - b. You may tattoo up to 6 rabbits for meat pens coming to the fair. You will choose 3 at check in to be your meat pen and 1 for fryer. The others may be shown as single junior rabbits.
3. Rabbit Barn Meeting will be posted following the check in, and time will be posted at check in.
4. All Rabbits must be free of any visible signs of disease and have no open sores to remain on the grounds.
5. All Independent Meat Pens must be in the Exhibitors possession by August 1.
6. All Born and Raised Meat Pens must be bred by the exhibitor and remain in his/her possession until shown at the Hancock County Fair.
7. Drug Use Notification Forms are now automated, and information will need to be provided at weigh in on Tuesday prior to fair.
8. Exhibitor must be present and exhibit rabbits at time of Junior Fair Judging (refer to Rules and Regulation, Section 20. In case where Jr. Fair Exhibitor has more than one (1) animal in the same class or cannot be present for the Show, the handler must be a Hancock Junior Fair Exhibitor)
9. All cages must be cleaned before 10:00 a.m. or after 9:00 p.m.
10. All Junior Fair Exhibitors must be responsible for care, feeding and handling of livestock exhibits and area around exhibits. Exhibits inspected daily and premiums will be withheld if exhibit has not received proper care.
11. Eligibility for sale refer to Junior Fair Livestock Sale Rules
12. Failure to comply with weight restrictions for Meat Pen of Three (3) or Fryer classes will be cause for elimination
13. Grand and Reserve single rabbit will be selected from the Best of each Breed.
14. Grand and Reserve Doe and Litter will be selected for each Market and Fancy pens.
15. Meat pens consist of three (3) animals per pen. Any pen of three (3) with a single rabbit less than 3.5 lbs. or greater

than 5.5 lbs. or not 8 – 12 weeks in age may show in separate weight class but cannot receive any awards and cannot go through the Sale Ring and must go base bid.

16. Trophies: 1st and 2nd place single rabbits will be selected as either Grand and Reserve or Best of Show and Best Opposite (judge's discretion). Awards will be presented from the best of breeds of each class.
17. Trophies: Champion & Reserve Market Doe & Litter, Champion & Reserve Fancy Doe & Litter, Champion & Reserve Fryer, Champion and Reserve Independent Meat Pen of 3, and Champion and Reserve Born & Raised Meat Pen of 3 and Best of Breed Trophies.

Division – ?? BORN & RAISED

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per fleece Paid to 1st, 2nd & 3rd placing

Classes

01 Born & Raised

Breed Doe must be entered and shown at the fair the same year; if she is not, the Meat Pen of Three will be considered an Independent meat Pen of 3

General Rules

1. When entering a Born & Raised Pen of Three the Breed Doe must be entered and shown as a single rabbit the same year at the Jr. Fair Rabbit Show. This rabbit will also be registered with the Superintendent as your June 1 rabbit and designated as the breed doe to accompany your Born and Raised Pen of Three Rabbits.
2. Failure to comply with the weight restrictions for Meat Pens of Three (3) or Fryer classes will be cause for elimination and are not eligible for placement.
3. Trophies: Best of Breed (with breeds having more than one rabbit shown); Grand and Reserve Best of Show Single Rabbit; Grand and Reserve for Pens of 3 Born and Raised and Independent Pens of Three; Grand and Reserve Trio of Rabbits; Grand and Reserve Fancy Doe and Litter – Grand and Reserve Meat Doe and Litter

Best Dressed Small Animal Contest

Director in charge: John Livingston
Superintendents: Bev Welty & Jr Fair Board
Sunday –3:30 p.m.
Recker Arena

1. Open to **any exhibitor, Open Class or Jr. Fair**, from the poultry, chicken, turkey or rabbit departments.
2. Sign up on day of contest in the Rabbit barn.
3. Event will be located in the Show Tent
4. Places will be given 1st through 6th.
5. This is a fun and friendly competition.