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**BALTIMORE & HOWARD COUNTY
RABBIT & CAVY BREEDERS
ASSOCIATION
SPRING SHOW**

Open Rabbit and Double Open Cavy Shows

**Dwarf Hotot National Specialty Show
Open & Youth**

**Mid-Atlantic Dwarf Hotot Specialty Show
Open and Double Youth**
(Youth shows are only for Dwarf Hotots)

April 21, 2012
Howard County Fairgrounds,
2210 Fairgrounds Rd.
West Friendship, Md 21794

Pre-entry is requested for both the rabbit and cavy shows

For questions or comments on the show catalog, please contact:

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*A Special Thank You to Baltimore & Howard RCBA Club for your hospitality in
allowing us to sponsor the Dwarf Hotot National Specialty Shows!*

- Mid-Atlantic Dwarf Hotot Club

BALTIMORE & HOWARD COUNTY R&CBA
Saturday April 21, 2012
HOWARD COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
SHEEP & GOAT BUILDING
2210 Fairgrounds Rd.
WEST FRIENDSHIP, MD 21794

****Both the rabbit and cavy shows are pre-entered: day of show is at a higher entry fee****

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*Please e-mail Sally Turner for information on the Dwarf Hotot National Specialty Show Catalog and Mid-Atlantic Specialty Entry Forms– she has these for the 2 Open and 3 Youth Dwarf Hotot specialty shows. Catalog is also available online at www.midatlanticdwarfhotos.com
Entry deadlines for these shows are March 31 and April 14 respectively.*

Please no phone calls after 9 PM to any show secretary. Thanks! ☺

Baltimore & Howard Judging starts at 9 AM
Dwarf Hotot National Show starts at 8 AM

JUDGES

Jay Hreiz, NC (DH National 8 AM)
Pam Nock, PA (DH National 8 AM)
Bill Rice, NC
Sue Rice, NC

Stacy Sauter, PA
Bill Whaley, NC
Travis Finkle, MD rabbits & cavies
George Long, PA rabbits & cavies

SHOW SUPERINTENDENT: Howard Baker

REGISTRARS: Anne Copenhaver, Robin Keyser, Wayne Sanders; Faith Storms, cavies

Emergency day of show number: 410-206-8173 No parking next to building as these are fire lanes.

<u>Deadlines: Baltimore & Howard</u>	<u>Rabbit Fee:</u>	<u>Cavy Fee</u>
Mail-in: Postmark by Saturday, 4/14/12	\$4.00, fur \$2.00	\$4.00 one show \$7.00 both shows
E-mail: Wednesday, 4/18/12, 9 PM	\$5.00, fur \$2.00	\$4.00 per show \$7.00 both shows
Day of Show – please be in by 8 AM	\$8.00, fur \$2.00	\$6.00 per show

Changes - Please e-mail by 5 PM Thursday April 19 and you can change anything, at no charge!

Day of show changes: ear number changes are \$1. *Day of the show changes: moving the same animal to a different class is considered a scratch and day of show entry. No changes once judging of breed has started. Please check your cards when you get them as show secretaries do make mistakes and all changes must be done before judging starts even when it is the show secretary's fault!*

Writers: Please help by writing for your breed. If there is no writer, we will move to the next breed.

OFFICIAL ARBA SANCTIONED SHOW
Eric Stewart, Secretary, PO Box 5667,
Bloomington Il, 61702,
Sanction fee \$25 adult show, \$20 youth show;
adult dues \$20, youth \$12

ARBA Convention, Wichita, KS
Oct 27- 31, 2012
OFFICIAL PaRBA SANCTIONED SHOW
open all breed

BREEDS SWEEPSTAKED

American Fuzzy Lop, Angora – all 4 breeds, Belgian Hare, Californian, Champagne, Checkered Giant, Crème D'Argent, Dutch, Dwarf Hotot, French & English Lop, Flemish Giant, Havana, Himalayan, Holland Lop, Jersey Woolly, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Netherland Dwarf, New Zealand, Polish, Rex, Satin & Mini Satin, Silver Fox, Silver Marten, Standard Chinchilla, Thrianta, and Cavy

If you would like to sponsor an additional breed, please contact
Wendy Feaga wendyfl980@verizon.net

Dwarf Hotot National Show will begin at 8 AM.

All other breeds to be in showroom by 8:30; Baltimore & Howard Judging starts 9:00. Showroom opens at 7:00. Food will be available on the fairgrounds. Raffle donations are appreciated. Table items must be in place by 9AM. Rabbits with pedigrees are to be left with show secretary in exhibitor's carriers for selection. Those not selected and carriers of those selected are to be picked up after 10 AM.

Emergency day of show number: 410-206-8173 (Wendy Feaga's cell phone).

No Parking in fire lanes (between the buildings and adjacent to our show building) – please park along the white fence, west of the cattle barn, the tie out area to the south of our building or area between bathrooms and I-70.

AWARDS - All awards donated by Baltimore & Howard unless otherwise indicated

RABBITS

Best in Show	Camp Chair
Best 6 Class, Best 4 Class	Show carriers
BOB, BOS, BOG, BOSG, BOV, BOSV with 10 or more	Glassware
Above with less than 10	Double overlay ribbons
BOB, BOS with less than 10	Rosettes

CAVIES both shows

Best in Show, Reserve	Cavy Tote Bags
BOB	Cavy Magnets
BOS	Cavy Magnet or Rosette

Make Rabbit Shows Happen!
Join Your Local Rabbit Club

Our meetings are the second Friday of every month at the Howard Co. Fairgrounds; new members are welcome! Ask the show secretary for details.

Rules

1. This show will conform to all ARBA show rules.
2. All stock must be permanently & legibly earmarked.
3. The decision of the show committee as to the placing of the breeds on a judge's show table will be final.
4. Rabbits should be cooped by breed wherever possible.
5. Any bad checks must be made good, or the exhibitor will be left off all show reports. Bounced check fee \$10.
6. Any stock showing signs of disease will be removed from the showroom and entry fee forfeit
7. No breeding allowed in the showroom.
8. **Exhibitors must act in a professional manner toward judges and the show committee, and follow the directions of the show committee or security officer, or they and their exhibits will be removed from the showroom, and entry fee forfeited.**
9. Parents are responsible for actions of their children.
10. No alcoholic foods or beverages on the show grounds.
11. The BHCRCBA will not be responsible in the case of fire, theft, and injury or providential loss, but every precaution will be taken to prevent these losses.
12. In the event of a dispute in the placing of a rabbit, the show record will determine the placing.
13. Rabbits exhibited in Maryland are to have a Self Certification Certificate of Health. These will be available in the showroom, but submission of an entry will serve as certification, which reiterates rule #6 above. Please, if you realize you have rabbits which are ill, leave them home or in your vehicle.

Vendor: Skip Martin – 717-684-1864. Feel free to call him before the show if you want some specialty items. His web site is www.martinscages.com. Other vendors must obtain permission from the show secretary and have a vendors' license for Maryland. Temporary licenses are issued at no charge by contacting the Maryland Comptroller's office at 410-767-6943.

Directions to Howard County Fairgrounds, 2210 Fairgrounds Road, West Friendship, MD 21794

From Baltimore: Take exit 16 - I-70 from the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) west 12 miles to Exit 80, which is Rt. 32. Turn left onto Rt. 32 at the bottom of the ramp. Go 1/4 mile and turn right at the light onto Rt. 144. Go to top of hill and turn right onto Fairgrounds Road. Fairgrounds are on the left.

From Washington D.C.: From I-95 or Rt. 29 north, take Rt. 32 west. Continue on Rt. 32 until the traffic light at Rt. 144 where you can see signs for I-70. Turn left on Rt. 144. Go to top of hill and turn right onto Fairgrounds Road. Fairgrounds are on the left.

From Frederick: Take I-70 east to exit 80 which is Rt. 32. Bear right onto Rt. 32 from the bottom of the ramp. Make your first right at the light onto Rt. 144. Go to top of hill and turn right onto Fairgrounds Road. Fairgrounds are on the left.

From Westminster: Take Rt. 32 south. Go past I-70 and make a right at the light onto Rt. 144. Go to top of hill and turn right onto Fairgrounds Road. Fairgrounds are on the left.

Motel information:

West of show:

Frederick has most of your favorite chain motels.

Closer to show grounds: Budget Inn Motel Mt. Airy, 301-829-1474 and 301-829-5331

East of show:

Ramada Limited, Catonsville, (410) 788-3900 – (800) 272-6232

Day's Inn, Baltimore West, 443-429-7600

Motel 6, Baltimore West, 410-265-7660

Specialty Club Information:

If you belong to the specialty club for sweepstaked breeds before judging begins, you will receive points which count toward a national ranking. The specialty clubs have guide books and newsletters which are helpful to people raising that breed. We encourage you to first join the American Rabbit Breeders Association, <http://www.arba.net>. For information on joining the specialty clubs, please go to the ARBA web site, member resources, affiliated clubs, National Specialty Clubs, and you will see the contact information and dues for each breed club.

Non sweepstaked, recognized breeds receive the same awards as sweepstaked breeds as their numbers qualify, and do compete for BIS.

Lionheads will be taken all the varieties supported by the Gesswein Show Program (all varieties with a COD). If entering a variety not in the program, it will be placed in AOV. Lionheads do earn the ribbons and awards if their number qualifies as if it was a recognized breed. ☺

Other working standard breeds and varieties are accepted, and qualify for awards as their numbers qualify, but they cannot compete for BOB or BIS. Be sure to bring your working standards. Red Havanas especially are encouraged.

Beginner's pages

How to fill out an entry form for rabbits – Lop breeds are shown as solid or broken, Jersey Woolies and Harlequins are shown by group (see your standard for the groups), Angoras are shown as white or colored, and all other breeds are shown by specific variety if different varieties are recognized. Class means senior, 6-8, or junior. Small breed rabbits have no 6-8 class. Juniors are under 6 months old in all breeds. Small breed rabbits are seniors at 6 months of age or older. If you enter a small breed rabbit as a 6-8, it will be moved to the senior class. Large breed rabbits have a 6 - 8 class. These rabbits are 6 months old to just under 8 months old. They are a senior the day they turn 8 months old. Sex is buck or doe. Fur - this is an optional class usually only used for wooled breeds, Rex, Mini Rex, and Satins, although any breed can be judged in fur. This is a re-judging of that breed on fur qualities only. Breed disqualifications apply, and the rabbit must be entered in breed before it can be entered in fur.

Hints on filling out the form:

1. List all of one breed before going to another breed.
2. List all of the same variety in a breed before going to the next variety.
3. Ideally begin with senior buck, then senior doe, then 6-8s then juniors which is the judging order.
4. Use dittos when the next breed or variety is the same as the one above.
5. Be sure you have the breed, variety, class, and sex correct. If you try to change a rabbit to a new breed, variety, class, or sex this is a scratch and day of show entry (very expensive!). If you sent the entry and realized the mistake, please call by 2 days before the show so the paperwork can be printed out correctly.

Traveling to the show

Put your rabbits in a rabbit show carrier – please do not use the plastic cat carriers which open from the end; top opening carriers are best. Use shaving in the tray under the rabbits to absorb urine and odors – better yet, use underpads. If your carrier has a solid bottom, use a terry cloth towel for the rabbit to sit on and absorb the urine.

At the show

Arrive by 8 AM if this is your first show. If you mailed in an entry, your cards will be on the table to pick up. **Check your cards for accuracy as no changes are allowed once judging of that breed has started.** If you phoned or e-mailed your entry, you will need to stand in line at the show secretary's table to pay for your entry.

Changes are handled by the show secretary, and all go in the spiral notebook. Ear number changes are easy and will be marked with a dot on your card letting the writers know to change the ear number on the control sheet. Changing a rabbit to a different class is much harder – please call in your class changes by 9 PM the Thursday before the show. If you change information at the show table, these changes will be ignored. The only acceptable changes are done by the show secretary into the spiral notebook. Once judging has started on the breed, no changes are allowed.

Put your carriers in front of the judge who has that breed. When showing more than 4 rabbits, put them in the carriers and line them up in judging order. I like to stack my cages, and as I empty the carriers, put them on the floor next to the stack. This way I only have to bend over for the carrier on the bottom, and it saves room in the show room. Keep alert for the judging. If you are no where to be found and we have called for your rabbits 3 times, you will be skipped. It's best if you let friends also showing your breeds know where your rabbits are, and put your cards on the correct rabbits so if you can't be found, someone knows where your rabbits are. When it is time for your class, bring your rabbit and the card to the show table. Do not let the judge know which rabbit is yours, and never, never tell a judge how that rabbit placed in another show. That is called influencing the judge, and can result in your rabbit or even your whole entry, from being dismissed from the show. After your rabbit is judged and you are taking it back to its carrier, then you can ask a question about the rabbit. If, for example, you didn't understand what buck teeth were, you may ask and the judge will gladly show you.

Food - We will have a kitchen, so you do not need to pack a lunch, but the rabbits would enjoy some hay to munch on during the day.

Leaving

Please leave your area as orderly as possible, picking up big trash like soda cans and disposing of them in the barrels. Be sure to get your ribbons and any other awards (ask). Be sure you have all your rabbits and have not left a rabbit or child behind. If you realize you have left something behind, call the show secretary after the show so we can get your things back to you.