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A Newsletter for Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association Members

Spring 2018

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2018 PASRBA BEST IN SHOW

Sat. Youth



PTA SilverBack
Silver

Brown Senior Buck
Owner: Brianna Stoneburner
Bred By: Michelle Bauer/Wade Burkhalter

Sat. Open



Tiara Ethan

Netherland Dwarf
Black Otter Senior Buck
Bred/Owned By: Joe Metheney

Sun. Youth



Shy's Wonder Why SB37

Florida White
Senior Buck
Bred/Owned By: Shiane Boyer

Sun. Open



Checkered Giant

Blue 6/8 Buck
Bred/Owned By: Donald & Leslie Sheets

OFFICER REPORTS

President

Hello PaSRBA Members,

First of all, I want to thank the membership for trusting me to lead this organization for the next two years. I want to also thank Gerry Vaerewyck for his service to the club over the last two years as President. I also want to thank Ruth-Ann Bell for her service as our Vice-President. She has stepped down because of her respect for this organization and belief that the President and Vice-President positions should not be in the same household. I will be working on an appointment of a new Vice-President for Board of Director approval as soon as we can get that accomplished per the CBLs.

I want to start off my Presidency with an open door. Please contact me anytime via messenger or email (brian.sbfarms@gmail.com) with any concerns or ideas you may have. I plan to have a town hall style event later in March and/or in April and all PaSRBA members are invit

ed. Please feel free to think of any questions you have about our organization or bring forth any ideas or concerns you have. The purpose of the event will be for me to listen and gather feedback for the Board to review and address at our upcoming meetings.

We have a great organization made up of members and clubs that volunteer and contribute to our initiatives and successes. There are a lot of things we do well and some areas we can improve. I look forward to working with the Board and our membership to continue to grow the PaSRBA and achieve our mission of promoting rabbits and caviar in Pennsylvania and beyond.

If you have not already joined our club members only Facebook page, please request to join at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PaSRBAMEMBERS/>

Best regards,
Brian Bell

Vice-President

By: Ruth-Ann Bell

Hello everyone. I wanted to take the time to thank everyone for their support for the past few years as I served as Vice President. After the ARBA convention in 2013, then PaSRBA president Art Sweinhart and VP Val Mayle began discussions as to Art's stepping back as president. Both Val and Art approached me about being appointed VP if Val was elected as president and being one who loves this organization so very much, I agreed. So in March of 2014, I slipped into that role with board approval only to serve the president and our organization.

I have loved being a part of PaSRBA and have enjoyed serving on the board at various times, in the past as a youth club director, then as treasurer before moving to New Jersey, and then as a club director when moving back to PA. This organization and the people who have served on the board in years past when I was a youth have helped to shape me into the person that I am today. I am very thankful for the opportunities that I have been given over the years. It is out of this love for the organization that I must now step down and allow our new president to appoint a new VP.

I would have continued to serve on the board, but when Brian decided to run for President I knew that should he run, out of respect for the organization and its members that I should not continue as Vice President if he won. Since the outcome of the election now has Brian taking the lead, it is best that a husband and wife not be in both the position of President and Vice President. While I am extremely saddened to be stepping back and away, I am also excited for the organization and the new blood that is coming to the board. I have every confidence in the individual that Brian will be bringing before the board for approval. I also know that there will be a role for me to serve PaSRBA in a different capacity and I am looking forward to whatever that role may be.

Again, thank you to everyone who has been very supportive over the last 4 years. I have very much appreciated the kind words from many, particularly from those who have been my mentors. It is now time for a new and more exciting chapter to take place in the history of PaSRBA.

2020 Director At Large:

Hope all is well with everyone. It seems like just last weekend we were all gathered for the PaSRBA convention. For those who may not know me, I have been in the rabbit hobby for over twelve years and I currently raise Satins and Lilacs. I grew up in Dauphin County 4-H Fur and Feathers Club, where I am now the leader. I have been volunteering on the PaSRBA convention show committee for many years and have been honored to have acted as the Open superintendent this year. My first year as the Open Superintendent offered me many memories and trials and I definitely got in my step count for the next month. I am a 2016 graduate from Delaware Valley University with a B.S. in Animal Science. I am honored to be serving you as the new Director at large and am excited to see what the future holds for this great organization. Please feel free to reach out to me as I am here to represent you all. May everyone have a wonderful show season and enjoy the long awaited sunshine.

Lia Schmittel

2017 Director At Large:

Brian Bell—No report Submitted

2018 Director At Large:

Sarah Gregory — No report Submitted

2019 Director At Large:

Lori Jo Whitehaus—No report Submitted

Secretary:

Sue Werner—No report Submitted

Treasurer

Hello everyone! Attached you will find the current Treasurer's Report. If there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact me! I am now on my 4th year as Treasurer. It was an amazing experience but I am ready to move on and see how else I can better serve the club. I am planning on finishing out my term but come March 1, 2019, we will need a new Treasurer. This will give me a chance to train the replacement during PaSRBA. If you are interested, or know of someone that would be a good fit for the position, please contact myself or Brian Bell. Thank you for letting me serve in this position! I am excited to see what the future holds!

Tori Whitehaus Perry

See next 2 pages for full Treasurer's Report

Savings - \$27,117.36

Checking - \$23,539.78

Equipment Fund - \$954.61

PA State Rabbit Breeders Association

Profit & Loss

October 1, 2017 through March 6, 2018

	Oct 1, '17 - Mar 6, 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Youth Social	195.00
Convention Income	
Cavy Agility	36.00
Arts & Crafts	67.00
Catalog Advertising Income	45.00
Cooping Income	880.00
Entries	
Cavy Entries	
Open	99.00
Cavy Entries - Other	3,567.00
Total Cavy Entries	3,666.00
Open Entries	27,014.00
Youth Entries	10,426.50
Total Entries	41,106.50
PASRBA Raffle	1,463.00
Rabbit Hopping	465.00
Specialty Show Judge Fees	12,998.50
Sponsorship	675.00
Vendors	6,050.00
Convention Income - Other	105.00
Total Convention Income	63,891.00
Farm Show - Income	500.00
Membership - Affiliation	1,485.00
Membership - General	1,809.00
Merchandise	4,012.00
PASRBA Banquet	506.00
Sanctions (Sweeps) Received	
PASRBA	825.00
Sanctions (Sweeps) Received - Other	448.00
Total Sanctions (Sweeps) Received	1,273.00
Youth Income	
Mentor Raffle	300.75
Youth T-Shirts (Sponsors)	550.00
Youth Raffle and 50/50	746.00
Total Youth Income	1,596.75
Total Income	75,267.75
Gross Profit	75,267.75
Expense	
Merchandise Bought	5,041.98
ARBA	
Charter Renewal	20.00
Total ARBA	20.00
Convention Expenses	
Hall of Fame Award	99.93
Security	860.65
Awards	7,888.71
Equipment	813.26
Expo Center Fees	20,437.50

Judge Expenses	
Airline Fees	1,277.70
Goodie Bags	659.35
Judge Fees	21,100.00
Judge Lodging	7,943.00
Judge Expenses - Other	1,032.09
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Total Judge Expenses	32,012.14
Rabbit Hopping	259.74
Secretary	798.20
Convention Expenses - Other	500.00
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Total Convention Expenses	63,670.13
Equipment	
Cooping	4,395.80
Judging Equipment	41.31
Supplies	40.10
Trailer	11.00
Transport	2,453.88
Equipment - Other	872.52
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Total Equipment	7,814.61
Farm Show Expenses	
Promotional	892.89
Supplies	192.30
Farm Show Expenses - Other	59.00
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Total Farm Show Expenses	1,144.19
Gift Given	79.92
Insurance	1,506.00
Meetings - Board	
Breakfast	115.19
Meetings - Board - Other	74.85
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Total Meetings - Board	190.04
Operations	
Supplies	419.41
Website	382.80
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Total Operations	802.21
Sweepstakes Awards	
Operation Supplies	126.42
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Total Sweepstakes Awards	126.42
Youth	
PaSRBA Banquet	1,011.50
ARBA National	
ARBA Trip	250.00
Pizza Party	108.88
ARBA National - Other	265.00
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Total ARBA National	623.88
PASRBA Contests	
Contest Awards	564.41
PASRBA Contests - Other	758.42
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Total PASRBA Contests	1,322.83
PASRBA Royalty	
Royalty Awards	715.81
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Total PASRBA Royalty	715.81
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Total Youth	3,674.02
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Total Expense	84,069.52
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Net Ordinary Income	-8,801.77
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ELECTION:

Submitted By: Kathy Shea

The PaSRBA ballots were counted at convention.

Congratulations to,

Brian Bell – President
Sue Werner – Secretary
Lia Schmittel – Director at Large

The new officers started their terms on March 1, 2018.

Watch for the PaSRBA June newsletter for your 2018 Nomination ballot. In 2018 we will be electing Vice President and Treasurer with 1 Director at large.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Hello,

I hope that this finds everyone well.

First off I would like to thank everyone for their assistance during the PaSRBA Convention. We knew that there would be a lot of questions regarding the new verification process. Many of our members took the time to send us messages and ask good questions that helped us with the dissemination of information. I really appreciated everyone that kept their posts positive during this time. Each year I have been trying to raise the Facebook presence and some of the changes we made this summer I believe helped.

One PaSRBA member benefit that is not used by many of our affiliated clubs is the use of our Facebook page to promote your events. If you send me the info I am happy to make timely posts for your shows and other events. Feel free to email me at mlganassi@yahoo.com or contact me on Facebook "Michelle Forry." Also, send me links to Facebook events for your shows and links to your Facebook Pages.

If anyone has any questions or suggestions please let me know.

Thanks,

Michelle Forry

NEWSLETTER:

As you can see, the new year brings in a lot of new ideas for the PaSRBA Newsletter. As the editor and compiler, I am always looking for ways to engage the readers of **Discovery**; therefore, I am experimenting with a variety of designs which I hope you all enjoy. Of course, I am always wanting input if you happen to have an idea on what I can do to make the PaSRBA Newsletter the best it possibly can.

Now, I am requesting that all those responsible for submitting articles in the newsletter to please send your documents either directly in the email or through any Microsoft Office platform (2007 or newer edition) **ON TIME**. If you are late in submitting information, then there is no guarantee that it will make it in. As a representative of the PaSRBA, I would be prompt as I would not want to have that embarrassing "NONE SUBMITTED" next to my name. **Dates to submit items to me for future newsletters are as follows: June 5th, September 4th, and December 4th.**

As always, you can reach me at: sessamen.s@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,
Samantha Sessamen

MEMBERSHIP:

Submitted By: Kathy Shea

Hello Everyone! Thanks for a great renewal season. PaSRBA currently has 311 principal members. We had 65 members who did not renew their memberships, however, we had 75 new memberships.

On March 1, 2018 we have 30 affiliated clubs and one club who is in the process of moving their ARBA charter, so they can become a PaSRBA affiliated club. In those clubs there are 777 affiliated members.

Affiliated Membership:

Clubs wishing to affiliate with PaSRBA must send a membership roster with name and address of all members to the PaSRBA membership chair. Your members will not be eligible for the PaSRBA sweepstakes if a roster is not available. All individual members of affiliated clubs have an affiliated membership with PaSRBA. If any individual wishes to have additional member benefits

(such as those listed below), those individuals need to pay separately for a principal membership.

Principal Membership Benefits:

- Annual Directory of Members
 - Quarterly Newsletter
 - Membership Card
- PaSRBA Sweepstakes Points
- Voting Rights (PA Adults Only)
- Royalty, Management, Achievement, and other contests. (PA Youth Only)
 - Youth Scholarships

Affiliated Clubs must be located within Pennsylvania, hold a current ARBA Charter and the PaSRBA director must be a member of ARBA.

INSURANCE:

We issued 1 certificate so far for 2018.

All insurance policies are up to date.

Reminder for clubs that they need to have their affiliated membership paid and the show is to be PaSRBA sanctioned in-order to use the general liability policy as an additional insured to cover their event. In order for a club to use PaSRBA General Liability insurance policy and have a Certificate of Liability issued for your club's show when requested by the location for your show. Your club appointed director must have attended 2 of 3 PaSRBA board meetings within the past year unless your club is a new club or newly affiliated within PaSRBA the past year. Your show must also be sanctioned with PaSRBA. Fee is \$100.00 per year (Youth clubs have free insurance coverage). Any questions contact MaryAnn Barbacow at Barbacow@comcast.net. A copy of the checklist of what info is required can be found on the PaSRBA website or contact MaryAnn.

See the following page for an insurance check list.

Thanks,
MaryAnn Barbacow

PaSRBA Insurance Check List

<i>Hosting Club Information-</i>	<i>Show Location Requiring Insurance-</i>
Covered by PaSRBA Insurance? If show not held by 4-H club was fee paid?	*These are required items in-order for a certificate of Liability to be issued by the insurance company. Please give at least 2 weeks prior notice to needing certificate-
*Club Name-	*Location name:
*Clubs Contact-	*Locations contact person-
Contacts phone #-	Locations Phone-
Contacts email-	Locations email-
*Show date-	*Location Mail Address-
*Show location (actual place where show is being held)-	*What are their inquire requirements?(limits needed or special wording)-
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This is to use PaSRBA General Liability insurance policy and have a Certificate of Liability issued for your club's show when requested by the location for your show. Your club appointed director must have attended 2 of 3 PaSRBA board meetings within the past year unless your club is a new club or newly affiliated within PaSRBA the past year. Your show must also be sanctioned with PaSRBA. Fee is \$100.00 per year (Youth clubs have free insurance coverage).

Insurance coordinator's for PaSRBA if any questions

MaryAnn Barbacow at- Barbacow@comcast.net

FARM SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT

Lori Jo Whitehaus, Co-Chair

Entries – Down from last year by 119 entries (mostly open). 1463 total with 85 Meat; 466 Open; 538 Youth; 160 Fur/Wool; 60 Showmanship and 79 Posters.

Location – East Hall. Shared with Poultry.

Show Secretary/Superintendent – Sue Toth. New show software for Farm Show staff. Show ran smoothly.

Showmanship & Posters – Deb Schmittel. Great contest this year.

Celebrity Hopping – Sally Turner. Fifth year still draws a full house to watch this event. Contact Sally for a youth applications for 2019 participation.

Meat Pen Auction – Ruth-Ann Bell First year in the Junior Livestock Auction on Tuesday morning. Stunned with prices for the Champion and Reserve pen at \$2000 and \$3500 with nothing below \$275 for any of the top 10 meat pens.

AgExplore Station – Carl Gentile. Very popular with lots of room this year. We distributed \$500 of meat sticks (locally sourced)

AngoraPalooza – Angie Shaw Third year for this event that brings a spotlight to the wool industry and the first time it was covered by PCN. Great prices for the scarves auctioned at the end of the event.

Presentations – Deb Gregory Lancaster Farming Stage and the East Hall Stage provided many opportunities to give a presentation. We will seek to improve this aspect next year.

Royalty – Deb Gregory Our Royalty Court was visible all week long with participation in Opening Ceremonies and all Department events. **THANK YOU.**

Employees – Marisa Furlow, Kane Furlow and Penny Furlow. These three very experienced workers handled everything on their own. Cleaning pens (morning) takes 5 hours of labor daily. Watering (morning & evening) takes 1 hour of labor. Feeding (evening) takes 4 hours of labor daily. Sweeping is continuous to keep all of East Hall spotless.

Exhibitors – A huge round of applause goes to each and every exhibitor for following the rules set down by the Committee and the Farm Show Commission. This is a big event and the size and scope of the Rabbit Department is recognized by everyone involved to be a major player in the success of the Farm Show.

Farm Show 2019: Rabbit Show on Friday, January 5th, 2019.
Show open to public from January 5th – 12th



2018 PA State Farm Show



2018 PaSRBA Royalty Court



KING

Jacob Bell



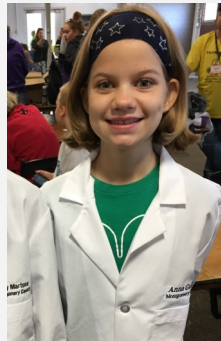
QUEEN

Lauren Turner



DUKE

Isaac Bell



DUCHESS

Annika Gulling



PRINCE

Clayton Martone



PRINCESS

MolliLyn Petro



LORD

Austin Stutler



LADY

Abigail Bell

Find out more about the 2018 PaSRBA Royalty Court in the following pages

Royalty Court Bios

Queen- Lauren Turner

Hi, my name is Lauren Turner and I am proud to be representing the Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeder's Association as your 2018 PaSRBA Queen. I am sixteen years old, am currently in tenth grade, and homeschooled. I live near Philipsburg, Pennsylvania with my Mom and Dad, and my sister Sydney. We own a farmette and raise rabbits, have several horses, and chickens. The name of our rabbitry is Turners' Rabbit Habit and we raise Dwarf Hotots, Mini Rex, English Spots, Britannia Petites, and Californians.

My parents are 4-H leaders and my brother and sisters have been very active with 4-H, so I grew up around animals. Dwarf Hotots are the main breed I raise and show, and I also raise Mini Rex, and Californians. I enjoy going on community service trips with my 4-H club to visit nursing homes, classrooms, or other 4-H clubs to do rabbit breed demonstrations and rabbit hopping clinics, and to host rabbit hopping competitions at rabbit shows across the state. I have also had the privilege of going to ARBA Convention in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Fort Worth Texas, and Indianapolis, Indiana to show my rabbits and participate in the Youth Contests, and Rabbit Hopping. Every trip we go on is an adventure, and an opportunity to see new places, make new friends, and learn life skills. There are several clubs that I am a member of, including the American Rabbit Breeder's Association, the Pennsylvania Rabbit Breeder's Association, the American Dwarf Hotot Rabbit Club, the Mid-Atlantic Dwarf Hotot Specialty Club, the Central Pennsylvania Rabbit Breeder's Association, the Tri-County Rabbit Breeder's Association, and the American Hopping Association for Rabbits and Cavies. I am Vice-President and this is my ninth year as a member of my 4-H club, Thundering Hoofbeats 4-H Horse and Rabbit Club of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania. I also serve as Treasurer of Clearfield County 4-H Teen Council, which I have been involved with for four years now.

Outside of showing rabbits, I enjoy the outdoors and swimming, Miracle Mountain Ranch church camp in the summer, 4-H activities, showing my Quarter Horse "Echo", having a young Miniature Horse "Ladyhawke" to train and show, and driving and showing my Miniature Horse "Ice". I am interested in pursuing Veterinary Science or Medical Science as a career in the future, as well as becoming an ARBA registrar, and possibly a judge.

I am very thankful for the help and advice I have received from my parents and family, from ARBA judges, rabbit breeders, and other youth. It is hard not to have good time while you are learning about rabbits. Thank you for recognizing me and choosing me as your 2018 PaSRBA Queen.

King- Jacob Bell

Hi, my name is Jacob Bell. I live in Lickdale, PA. I am 15 years old and am in 10th grade in my Homeschool Curriculum. I am the oldest of 5 boys and 1 girl. My Mom and Dad are Ruth-Ann and Brian Bell. My mom is an ARBA licensed judge and the D-9 director. My mom and dad both help run the Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association Convention, and I am starting to help out as well. My parents were some of the highest people running the 2013 ARBA Convention in Harrisburg, PA. I love rabbits and love to learn about them. I also have Buff Orpington chickens and Khaki Campbell ducks.

I raise all the colors of Havanas, New Zealand Whites, all the colors of the Tan, Mini Lops, and Silver Fox. I am involved in the Dauphin County Fur and Feathers 4-H Youth Club in Dauphin County, PA. I am one of the Superintendents, judge Liaison, and Chair of the Dauphin County Youth Show. I was the 2012, 2013, and 2014 PaSRBA Prince, was the 2015 and 2016 PaSRBA Duke. I was also the 2013 ARBA Prince, 2014, and 2015 ARBA Duke. I help to superintend the 2nd largest show in the United States, the PaSRBA Convention. I am also the Judges Liaison for the PaSRBA Convention.

As your ARBA King I will go to different shows and promote the ARBA. I will be given an ARBA King hat that I will wear often to places that aren't rabbit shows so that people can ask me "What is ARBA mean?" I will give presentations on Rabbit Uses, Butchering, Showmanship, Youth Contests, and other things in the rabbit world.

At church I am an AWANA Student Leader and help out with the SPARKS Division, or the K-2nd graders, and hope to be a T&T Leader, which are grades 3-5th. They are a handful, but are fun to lead.

I like to fly in my family's 1946 Taylorcraft BC-12D and like to fly in gliders as well. I am currently taking Glider Flying Lessons for my Glider Pilots License in a Schweitzer 2-33 and Powered Flying Lessons for my Single Engine Land License and hope to solo on my 16th birthday. I want to be a Pilot when I grow up. I also want to join the Air Force. I also want to commission as an officer in the United States Air Force through either the Air Force Academy in Colorado or Penn State ROTC.

I am also in the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program, and am a C/TSgt, which means Cadet Tech Sergeant. That means that I worked hard to past testing, PT (physical training), and take character classes, and now I have a leadership role and have to take tests in leading flights and details, which are different groups of people. Civil Air patrol is the official Air Force Auxiliary, and helps in Emergency Services such as rescuing lost people, flight line security at airshows, and airplane crash site security. This program is teaching me to be a leader, teaching me about Emergency Services and rescuing people, it teaches me that a steady workout routine helps develop character, and it also teaches me about Aerospace and Aircraft. This will greatly help me in my goal to commission in the Air Force. I want to thank my Mom for helping get into rabbits and supporting me in my endeavors and for pushing me. Without her I couldn't do anything. I also want to thank Madi Shaw for pushing me and being a great study partner. Thanks guys!

I love to go to rabbit shows to learn, have fun, talk, meet new people, hangout with and help my friends and others. I enjoy teaching others about Rabbits, Cavies, and Aircraft. Thank you for allowing me to be the 2018 PaSRBA King.

Duchess: Annika Gulling

Hi. My name is Annika Gulling and I am 13 years old and in the Seventh grade. I live in Maryland and my parents are divorced so I live in two houses. I have four siblings and four moms.

I currently raise Netherland Dwarfs with my twin brother and my family raises several different breeds of rabbits and I am very active in my local 4-H rabbit club. I love rabbits because each rabbit has a slightly different personality and because rabbits can teach people so much. Aside from rabbits my other hobbies are reading, horseback riding, singing, and acting, and participated in my school's annual play, and for the first time we are going to local schools to perform it. I would describe myself as bubbly, boisterous, extroverted, and thoughtful. I attended my first ARBA convention and participated in the royalty contests this year. I am really looking forward to what 2018 will bring.

Duke: Isaac Bell

Hi! My name is Isaac Bell. I live in Lebanon, PA. I am 13 years old and am in 8th grade in my homeschool that we call the Bell Academy. I have four brothers, one who is my twin, and one little sister. I am number three in line out of the six of us.

I am involved with the Fur and Feathers 4-H Club in Dauphin County, PA. My leader is Lia Schmittal. I am also now in a Fiber Arts Club and I am learning to spin and will be spinning/plying at the angorapalooza this year at the Farm Show. I was also in the Hop-pin' Habbits youth club where I was a director. My brothers, sister, and I raise black, blue, broken, chocolate and lilac Havanas, Silver Fox, black, blue, chocolate and Lilac Tans, Californians, Mini Lops, and my favorite, White New Zealands. We also used raise Red, Black, and Golden Agouti American cavies. I show my Havanas and New Zealands and like to do showmanship with them. I help at shows by making sure rabbits and cavies are put on the table. I also help by writing for judges at shows. I like to help with whatever I can at all shows and fairs that I go to. My mom is a rabbit judge and I like to go to shows whenever I can with her. I was the 2013 American Rabbit Breeders Association Lord, 2013 Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association Lord, 2014 American Rabbit Breeders Association Prince, the 2015 American Rabbit Breeders Association Prince, 2016 American rabbit Breeders Association Prince and now 2017 American Rabbit Breeders Association Duke, as well as the 2017 PaSRBA Duke. I have helped my mom and other friend's set-up and tear down shows and fairs.

Besides our rabbits, I used to raise Nigerian Dwarf goats. I loved to feed, water, and hay my goats and also clean out their pens. I also liked to play with my goats. A couple years ago, I watched the birth of one of our goats. It was cool to see a goat give birth to a baby. I also had two hooded rats named Moose and Franklin. I liked to play with Moose and Franklin and put them on my shoulders and head. About every 2 years we get baby Buff Orpingtons chickens. Our sister named the old batch Ariel, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, Snow White, Rapunzel, and Strawberry Shortcake. We also get Peking ducklings and Khaki Campbell ducks.

Besides playing with animals, I like to ride scooters and bikes with my brothers and do 5 mile bike troops down the road. I like to fly in our family's Taylorcraft whenever I can. I would like to be a pilot someday and would like to live close to my mom and dad so that I can fly with them. When I grow up, I would like to be able to go to the Air Force Academy and serve there and while there maybe play on their Baseball team or Hockey. I am already working on this because of my involvement in Civil Air Patrol or CAP. In CAP my rank is C/SSgt or Cadet Staff Sergeant and am working for Tech Sergeant now. I would also like to be a rabbit judge because I like to raise rabbits.

Thank you for letting me be the 2018 Pennsylvania Rabbit Breeders Association Duke. I look forward to teaching others more about rabbits and I hope to have a good year.

Princess: MolliLyn Petro

Hi! My name is MolliLyn Petro. I am 11 and in 6th grade at Southern Columbia Area. I am sooooo excited to be the PaSRBA Princess this year. If you have been around PaSRBA the past few years you probably know that I have been the Lady and the Princess too, before. I keep applying again because I really, really think PaSRBA is an AWESOME club to be in! I love that my job is to represent PaSRBA. We are also lucky to be in District 9. When I go places, people are always saying how great we are right here in D9.. I think so too!! I am very proud of what we do here in PA.

I should tell you a little bit about myself. I raise Himalayan rabbits and work very hard to get them as close to the Standard of Perfection as I can. I love to go to shows and also do all of the youth activities. I also love to dance! Last spring, I learned ballroom dancing to introduce a new program at my dance school. But, mostly I do ballet, tap dance, and acro. Acro is definitely my favorite. My family also does civil war reenacting. I dress as a boy on the battlefield during the day, and a girl at the reenactors' dance ball at night. I love to camp and cook on the campfire.

One of the best things about PaSRBA is all of the people. I just LOVE all of the friends that I have in PaSRBA. We work hard, but the royalty team always has FUN. Every person on our royalty team wants to help you if you need our help. Just ask! And, please come to the youth activities. You will thank me for telling you that you will have a great time while you learn new things. Thank you so very, very much for the honor of being PaSRBA Princess. I LOVE to tell everyone how great this club is! And I can't wait to go to National Convention in Massachusetts! I promise to work very hard and make you proud this year as the PaSRBA Princess!

Prince: Clayton Martone

My name is Clayton (Tony) Martone and I am 10 years old. I am in fourth grade. I have five siblings. We first got rabbits when I was 4, and I have helped take care of them ever since. We raise Silver Foxes, Rex, Himalayans, Californians, Netherland Dwarfs, and Dutch. We all take care of all of the rabbits, but my rabbit project includes the Himalayans and Californians. I raise all four colors of Himalayans, Black, Blue, Chocolate, and Lilac. I raise Californians for meat rabbits. My favorite ARBA-recognized breeds are the Himalayan, Harlequin, and Belgian

Hare. I love rabbits! I like taking out my Himalayans and playing with them and breeding my rabbits to make better rabbits. I also like going to shows because I like seeing all the other rabbits and seeing how they get judged.

My hobbies that do not relate to my rabbit project are basketball, playing with my siblings, reading, playing with my dog, building with legos and Little Bits, and helping around the house and farm. I also like volunteering at stuff like events where I let people meet my rabbit, volunteering at shows, and other volunteer work. My family is doing a fundraiser for an orphanage/school called Flying Kites in Kenya. We are raising money so that they can buy more

rabbits and collecting donations of magazines or other materials to send so they can learn more about how to take care of rabbits.

When I grow up I want to be a park ranger or a zookeeper. I really like all animals and learning more about them. In addition to rabbits we also have goats, sheep, chickens, ducks, two dogs, cats on our mini-farm, and I have a bearded dragon, a nerite snail, and a crab as pets.

I am a member of a lot of rabbit clubs, Montgomery County 4-H Rabbit Club, American Himalayan Rabbit Association, Californian Rabbit Specialty Club, Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association, Ohio Californian Rabbit Specialty Club, the Mid Atlantic Himalayan Rabbit Club, and of course ARBA. Thank you to everyone in those clubs and the people who have really helped me with my rabbit project - my parents, my friends in rabbit 4-H, the breeders I get my rabbits from, Kyla (my rabbit club leader), and Dr. Fitzpatrick (my judging coach).

Lady: Abigail Bell

Hi, my name is Abigail Bell. I am seven years old. My mommy homeschools me and I am in second grade. I have 5 big brothers, Jacob, Caleb Isaac, Eli, and Levi. They take really good care of me and we take care of and show our rabbits as one big team. My mommy is Ruth-Ann and my daddy is Brian. We live in Lebanon County, PA. We have a lot of rabbits. We have Havanas, Californians, white New Zealands, Tans, Mini Lops, Silver Fox, and a French Angora. My favorite is my French Angora named Hershey Kiss. He was given to me by Mr. Eric and Mr. Gabe. They have been helping me to learn more about French Angoras.

We have other animals too, like buff Orpington chickens, Khaki Campbell ducks, and cats. I love to play with all of the animals. They are teaching me about being responsible. I am learning to work really hard.

I like to go to shows with my family. At shows, I help with set-up and clean-up. I like to try to help wherever I can, like handing out ribbons. I like to watch my mommy judge and I am learning how to write for her. I like the big, wooly rabbits. I also like the color chocolate on bunnies. This past year I learned about butchering rabbits and I really like to help with this.

My mommy and daddy are both pilots and I love to go flying with them. Flying is lots of fun. Someday I want to be a Blue Angels pilot. The rabbits are teaching me to work hard and learn how to study so I can do this. I like to do lots of things outside, like playing games with my brothers and going hiking. Our family goes kayaking and this is lots of fun. I love to square dance and look forward to competing at the PA Farm Show again this year. For the past three years we were pretty good and won blue ribbons both times. I like to help people and meet people. I like to learn new things. Thank you for letting me be your 2017 PaSRBA Lady.

Lord: Austin Stutler

Hi, my name is Austin Tyler Stutler. I am five years old. I am in kindergarten at St. Michael the Archangel school. I live in Levittown, Pennsylvania with my mommy, daddy, Gracie and all of the bunnies. Gracie is a blue Weimaraner and is my younger sister. My mom-mom and pop-pop live close by and they have bunnies too! I love English Spots; my favorite is Hooper, he is a lilac buck. He loves to play with all the toys I give him and he chases his tail which is so silly. I also have one Mini Rex, one Dutch, five English Spots and 3 Mini Lops. My mommy and daddy show Mini Lops.

I love being a Cloverbud in two 4-H rabbit clubs: Fuzzy Buddies and Little Rascals. I really am excited when I can start the Pledge of Allegiance or the 4-H Pledge. I have a lot of fun with the older members of the club and they like to help me with showmanship. We help a lot of people in 4-H; each month we help feed people who need food.

We also take our bunnies to different places, Easter Egg Hunts, visit the old people, hot dog sales and Grange Fair. Grange Fair is my favorite; I like all the animals, the horse drawn hayrides and the Dancing Diggers! The Dancing Diggers are JCB tractors that do amazing tricks. I was so lucky that I got to ride in a JCB at the fair this year. It was so exciting.

I like to go to rabbit shows and am so happy when my bunnies win! We get up super early and drive with my parents and mom-mom and pop-pop to the shows. We have a truck full of bunnies! I get so excited and sometimes bored, so I bring books, cars and tractors to play with while I wait. I love talking about the shows at school and I bring my ribbons for show and tell.

I love John Deere tractors; my bed is a tractor that pop-pop made for me. I have a lot of tractors!!!! I also like the JCB tractors. I also love to swim and had a lot at the pool when it was warm outside. I am not able to swim by myself and have to wear things to help me swim. Planes, I love them a lot. Each year we go to Ocean City, MD to have fun on the beach and watch the awesome planes and Coast Guard helicopters. I love music and like to sing. My favorite is Luke Bryan and I have been to a few of his concerts; we had so much fun.

When I grow up I want to be a JCB tractor driver and do cool tricks!

Youth Contest Placings

Showmanship

Pre-Junior

1. Sara Forry
2. Riley Werner
3. Emmaline Blatt

Junior

1. Madison Smith
2. Krista Skovira
3. Clayton Martone

Intermediate

1. Alexandria Neff
2. Julia Tonkinson
3. Caleb Bell

Senior

1. Madison Shaw
2. Sonnet Robertson
3. Mikayla Musgrove

Presentation

1. Mikayla Musgrove
2. Alyssa Neff
3. Addison Neff

Judging

Pre-Junior

1. Joshua Bramble
2. Austin Stutler
3. Delaney Henry

Junior

1. MolliLyn Petro
2. Eli Bell
3. Addyson Blatt

Intermediate

1. Julia Tonkinson
2. Isaac Bell
3. Annika Gulling

Senior

1. Morgan Cheyney
2. Shirlann Harmon
3. Elizabeth Sandy

Breed ID

Pre-Junior

1. Landon Ordway
2. Abigail Bell
3. Sara Forry

Junior

1. Clayton Martone
2. Lauren Schroeder
3. Levi Bell

Intermediate

1. Emma Early
2. Annika Gulling
3. Caleb Bell

Senior

1. Sonnet Robertson
2. Elizabeth Sandy
3. Jacob Bell

Management

1-10 Animals/Holes

1. Morgan Kulha
2. Kyla Tonkinson

Average (11-49)

1. Madison Shaw
2. Julia Tonkinson
3. Lacy Beck

Unlimited (50+)

1. Lauren Turner
2. Isaac Bell
3. Joshua Bramble
4. Shiane Boyer

Achievement

Pre-Junior

1. Abigail Bell
2. Sara Forry

Junior

1. Eli Bell
2. Levi Bell
3. Clayton Martone

Intermediate

1. Caleb Bell
2. Isaac Bell
3. Julia Tonkinson

Senior

1. Jacob Bell
2. Madison Shaw
3. Hannah Cunnard

Team Judging

1. Clayton Martone, Annika Gulling, Joey Udovich, Jacob Udovich,
2. Isaac Bell, Asher Hoffman, Caleb Bell, Jacob Bell
3. Sarah Brandon, Ryan Brandon, Andersen Brunst, Sonnet Robertson

Team Breed ID

1. Tanner Anthony, Krista Skovira, Hannah Cunnard, Sabrina Hayward
2. Joey Udovich, Jacob Udovich, Annika Gulling, Clayton Martone
3. Zach Farlow, Hannah Smith, Casey Lucas, Sara Forry

Royalty

Queen

1. Lauren Turner
2. Sonnet Robertson
3. Mikayla Musgrove
4. Morgan Kulha
5. Hannah Smith

King

1. Jacob Bell
2. Anderson Brunst
3. Zach Farlow

Duchess

1. Annika Gulling
2. Julia Tonkinson
3. Alexandria Neff
4. Abigail Smith
5. Lauren Smith

Duke

1. Isaac Bell
2. Caleb Bell
3. Jaden Biller

Princess

1. MolliLyn Petro
2. Krista Skovira
3. Madison Smith
4. Kayla Tonkinson

Prince

1. Clayton Martone
2. Eli Bell
3. Levi Bell

Lady

1. Abigail Bell
2. Sara Forry
3. Delaney Henry
4. Arianna Martone Gulling

Lord

1. Austin Stutler

AFFILIATED CLUB REPORTS

MID-ATLANTIC TAN CLUB

Hello everyone,

Just to let you know the PaSRBA specialty shows went great. Show A, our Best of Breed winner is Tim Putnam, Best Opposite was Karla and Terri Mayberry, also we had about 70 entries which is outstanding! Show B, our Best of Breed winner is Wendy Hansen, Best Opposite was Valerie Tucker, also we had about 61 entries which is pretty good for past shows we had. All breeders when you fill out your sheets and comment cards, please fill them out properly and please look the sheets over when you're done, thank you. Our next Nationals will be in Iowa and we hope to have a big turnout this year. The ARBA convention is going to be in Massachusetts this fall and we hope to see a good amount of Tans there too.

Thank You
Best Regards
Caleb Bell

EAST COAST HAVANA ORGANIZATION

Hello Everyone,

My name is Jacob Bell, and I represent the East Coast Havana Organization on the PaSRBA Board. Recently, we had a specialty show at the PaSRBA Convention. The show went well. In Show A we had 59 entries, and in Show B we had 29 entries. Our Show A Best of Breed was won by Jason Tanner with his Broken Sr. Buck, and our Show B Best of Breed went to Kim Weems with her Black Sr. Buck. We thank all of our exhibitors for coming out and showing and getting their rabbits to the table quickly and efficiently. And although we have no Specialty Shows planned for a while, we hope to see you all at the next specialty show we have. Hope you all have a great day!!

Best Regards,
Jacob Bell

DAUPHIN COUNTY 4-H YOUTH

By Isaac Bell

Hello everyone! Some recent things that our 4-H club has done are Farm Show, 4-H SLS and the Pennsylvania State Rabbit convention.

At Farm show our club helped out a lot in areas like the rabbit room, the poultry room, and various types of information booths and food stands. We also sent a couple of 4-Hers to both the regular SLC (State Leadership Conference) and the Junior SLC. Everyone has said that they enjoyed it a lot and recommend it to anyone who can go.

At the Pennsylvania State Rabbit Convention several 4-Hers helped run the show. Others showed there. Everyone had a great time. Everyone did well in not just rabbit showing but also in other areas like Royalty or any other type of youth contest.

Our 4-H club has been doing some exciting stuff and more is to come! In our recent meetings we did a livestock breeding learning workshop. We learned about rabbits, goats, pigs, and so many more livestock.

We can't wait for some of our upcoming meetings to, especially since we are already planning for our show that is very quickly approaching us. It will be held on the 8th of December and there will be contests like rabbit hopping, showmanship, rabbit dress up contests. Be sure to be watching social media for more updates regarding our show!

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***** DOUBLE YOUTH RABBIT/CAVY SHOW *****

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Open Rabbit Judges: Bill Bramble, Nita Butler, Ryan Fedele, Travis Finkle, Robert Frizzell, Johnny Haussener, George LaRue, Mike Ross, Tom Schweikart, Piper Smith, Mary Ellen Stamets, Peter Velcheck

Youth Rabbit Judges: Nicole Barbacow, Ben Haagen, Brock Meanor, Kim Weems

Cavy Judges: Judith Ann Cook (ME), Anne Hartge, Faith Storms (Apple Country Cavy Specialty)

SPECIALTIES

***** OPEN & YOUTH *****

MINI REX (OPEN & YOUTH)

HOLLAND LOP (OPEN & YOUTH)

NETHERLAND DWARF (OPEN & YOUTH)

RABBIT HOPPING

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR SPRING SHOW NEXT YEAR.

SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2019

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Mail-in: \$4.00, fur \$1.50 (will be entered as breed fur unless otherwise indicated). Entries must be post-marked by Saturday April 7, 2018 to insure receipt.

Entry fee must accompany mail-in entry or will be treated as email entry.

E-mail Entries: \$5.00, fur \$1.50. E-mail entries will be taken up to 12 noon on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 before the show. Please mark your e-mail entries as Show A, Show B, or both.

Day of Show Entries: \$6.00, fur \$1.50 SHOW "A" DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES MUST BE IN BY 8:00 AM SO THE SHOW CAN START ON TIME

Changes Rabbit/Cavy DOS: \$1 for ear number change, \$6 for changing a rabbit/Cavy to a different class per show. There is no charge for any changes if e-mailed in by 12 PM Thurs day.

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SANCTIONED BREEDS: American*, American Chinchilla, American Fuzzy Lop, American Sable, Angoras*, Argent Brun, Belgian Hare*, Beveren*, Britannia Petite, Californian*, Champagne D'Argent*, Checkered Giant, Cinnamon, Crème D'Argent, Dutch*, Dwarf Hotot*, English Spot*, Florida White*, French & English Lop*, Flemish Giant*, Harlequin*, Havana*, Himalayan*, Holland Lop*, Jersey Wooly*, Lilac*, Lionhead*, Mini Lop*, Mini Rex*, Netherland Dwarf*, New Zealand*, Palomino*, Polish*, Rex*, Rhinelander*, Satin & Mini Satin, Silver Fox*, Silver Marten, Standard Chinchilla*, Tan*, Thrianta, CAVIES*, PaSRBA*.

(* Also, sanctioned in Youth)

Save the Date

Furry Friends Rabbit & Cavy Youth Club

and

Delaware Valley Rabbit Breeders Association

ARBA Show

Double Open & Youth & Cavy Show

Specialties: Mini Rex (O/Y), Holland Lop (O/Y), Californian (Open), Rex (Open), English Spot (Open)

Saturday, May 26th, 2018

Montgomery County 4-H Fairgrounds

1015 Bridge Rd, Collegeville, PA 19426

****PaSRBA Sancellation****

Sanctioned Breeds (* denotes youth sanction)

Angoras*, Argente Brun, Britannia Petite*, Californian, Cavy*, Champagne D' Argent, Dutch*, English & French Lop*, English Spot*, Florida White* Havana*, Himalayan*, Holland Lop*, Jersey Wooly*, Lionhead*, Mini Lop*, Mini Rex*, Netherland Dwarf*, Palomino*, Polish (Youth ONLY) Rex, Satin & Mini Satin, Silver Fox, Silver Marten, Tan, Thrianta

**** We will be doing Breeders Choice (Rabbit) and Cavy Fun Classes****

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Backyard Bunnies 4-H Youth Club	Eastern States American Specialty Club	Mid-Atlantic Cavy Breeders Assoc.
Chesapeake Dutch Rabbit Club	Eastern States Flemish Giant Club	Mid-Atlantic Dwarf Hotot Club
Chesapeake Holland Lop Rabbit Club	Eastern States Polish Rabbit Club	Mid-Atlantic Lop Club
Color Me Dwarf Club	Furry Friends Rabbit & Cavy Youth Club	Tri-Co. Rabbit Club of PA
Dauphin County 4-H Youth	Lebanon Valley RBA	Washington County RBA
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