

2010 STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR CAVY RULES AND INFORMATION

A. GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. Any boy or girl, enrolled in a Stark County youth organization is eligible. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization (4-H, FFA, etc.).
2. Project animals must be purebred animals according to American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA). Contact a member of the Rabbit & Cavy Committee for help in finding purebred Cavies.
3. All project Cavies must be in the possession of the exhibitor by May 25th to be able to show at the Stark County Junior Fair.
4. No one is to handle a junior fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the junior fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency. Committee members may handle animals during the normal course of their duties (i.e., show, sale, weigh-in, pictures, loading, unloading).
5. Cavy projects must be taken in order, regardless of the number of Cavies exhibitor is showing at the fair. Projects should not be repeated. Only **ONE (1)** Cavy Project may be taken per year. **All youth with Cavy projects should participate in the Cavy Show.**
6. Entry forms due at Junior Fair Office **July 23. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!!**
7. All Cavies exhibited must be permanently earmarked by a tag in the left ear before arrival at the fair. (See enclosed calendar for date & time of Tattoo & Tag Clinic.)
8. Cavies exhibited must be clean, free of parasites and in good health. The superintendent may send any animal home at their discretion.
9. All Cavies **must** be checked in with the Jr. Fair Show Secretary, in the Rabbit Barn on Monday, August 30, between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. **All Cavies must be checked in and out with the jr. fair show secretary. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
10. All Cavies will remain on exhibit until 6:00 p.m. on the last day of the fair, except for sold animals, which are released at 4:00 p.m. **NO CAVIES will be released except through the Jr. Fair Show Secretary.** If an animal is removed from the fair early without checking with a committee member or show secretary, the junior fair member will not be permitted to show at the fair next year!
11. Exhibitors are responsible for caring for their project animal **daily** through the last day of the fair. Care includes checking in or out, cleaning pens, feeding and watering. Any failure to fulfill these requirements will result in forfeiture of premium money. **No early Departure.** Exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own feed and bedding. (Bedding will be provided the first day of the fair only.)
12. No locks may be placed on cages.
13. All animals sold in any Junior Fair Show throughout the state, may not be shown or sold in any other Junior show within the same year.
14. There must be a minimum of 5 Cavies in a breed for exhibitors to be eligible for trophies. Rosettes will be awarded if there are less than 5 animals.
15. Exhibitors winning a trophy must turn in an addressed, stamped thank you note to the Rabbit & Cavy Committee before receiving your trophy. The Rabbit & Cavy Committee will give out sponsors' name and address after the show.
16. In the event a project animal dies after the designated possession date, members will not be permitted to replace that animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale. Members may however, replace the animal for the purpose of completing the project, showmanship or skill-a-thon. Exhibitors should report the death of any animal immediately to a Committee member.
17. All exhibitors will receive a \$3.00 premium per cavy project registration.

18. Parents or Advisors need to contact a member of the Rabbit & Cavy Committee if they have a participant with a learning or physical disability.
19. **Each exhibitor should attend the Cavy Show and show their own cavy(s). If this is not possible, please find another Junior Fair exhibitor to show for you.**
20. The Board of Directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society will, to the best of their ability, safeguard persons, livestock and articles on the grounds, but will not be responsible for injury, damage, disease, theft, or loss of any kind.

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL YOUTH WISHING TO EXHIBIT CAVIES AT THE JUNIOR FAIR ATTEND THE JULY PRE-REGISTRATION ENTRY CLINIC. FOR FIRST AND SECOND YEAR MEMBERS IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THEY ATTEND THE SPRING EDUCATIONAL CLINIC.

The Junior Fair Cavy Show is under the supervision and direction of the Junior Fair Rabbit & Cavy Committee. The committee will supervise all shows and activities at the fair. Any questions regarding the rules, procedures etc. will be decided by a majority vote of the committee membership.

The decision of the Judge is final.

B. CAVY FAIR CLASSES

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| Senior Boars and Sows | - Over 6 months of age or weight over 32 ounces |
| Intermediate Boars and Sows | - Up to 6 months of age, OR weight over 22 ounces and maximum weight of 32 ounces. |
| Junior Boars and Sows | - Up to 4 months of age, minimum weight of 12 ounces, maximum weight of 22 ounces. |

C. CAVY EXHIBITION REQUIREMENTS

- CAVY I** First year exhibitors – may exhibit **TWO** pens
***MUST BE OF THE SAME BREED**
 **Exhibitor must complete first half of the Ohio Cavy Book, member project guidelines, one page report, record section of project book, AND must also purchase an Oregon 4H Guinea Pig Project Book (available at the clinic)
- CAVY II** Exhibitors who have completed Cavy I – may exhibit **THREE** pens
 *Requires **ONE** senior and **TWO** of your choice –**MUST BE OF THE SAME BREED**
 Exhibitor must complete the second half of the Ohio Cavy Book, member project guidelines, one page report, and record section of project book.
- CAVY III** Exhibitors who have completed Cavy II – may exhibit **FIVE** pens –
 Two Breeds may be exhibited. If exhibiting two breeds, One Senior of each Breed and THREE of exhibitor’s choice (either breed)(Offspring recommended)
 *If exhibiting only ONE breed, requires **ONE** senior or intermediate and **FOUR** of your choice and Offspring are recommended.
 **Exhibitor must complete the Advanced Guinea Pig Book (Oregon Book).
 Member project guidelines, one page report, and record section of the project book.**
- CAVY IV** Exhibitors who have completed Cavy III – may exhibit **SEVEN** pens-
 *Requires **ONE** senior, **ONE** junior or intermediate of each breed chosen and

THREE of your choice (offspring recommended). If exhibiting one breed, requires **ONE** senior, **ONE** junior OR **One** Intermediate and **FIVE** of your choice.

Exhibitor must complete the Advanced Guinea Pig Book (Oregon Book), member project guidelines, on page report, and record section of project book

CAVY V & UP

Exhibitors who have completed Cavy IV – may exhibit **NINE** pens - may exhibit **THREE** Breeds AND Exhibitor must complete Advanced Guinea Pig Book (Oregon Book), member project guidelines, one page report, and record section of the project book. If exhibiting three breeds, you need one Senior of each breed and six of exhibitors choice (any breed). If exhibiting two breeds, you need one senior of each breed and seven of exhibitor's choice (either breed).

D. PROJECT COMPLETION

The Junior Fair Rabbit & Cavy Committee has determined that each exhibitor will complete a skillathon for project completion. **Bring completed work book, one-page report , project record book, and One project animal to skillathon.** Awards for highest skillathon scores will be given in each age division and an overall high score. Divisions are the same as showmanship classes.

E. CAVY SALES

Exhibitors wanting to put their Junior Fair Cavies up for sale may do so after the Cavy Show, by entering the information in the Junior Fair Cavy Sales Book. A 10% Sales Commission will be taken from all Cavy checks to be used for Junior Fair Rabbit & Cavy Committee expenses.

F. CAVY SHOWMANSHIP

SHOWMANSHIP IS MANDATORY FOR FIRST AND SECOND YEAR EXHIBITORS

Showmanship is highly recommended for all other exhibitors. Exhibitors entering showmanship must sign in.

1. Exhibitors must show his/her OWN project animal. Anyone not doing so will be removed from the competition and forfeit any awards.(See exception in Rule #16.)
2. Exhibitors should have a good understanding of what is expected of themselves and their Cavy before entering showmanship classes. Attend the spring clinic for this information.
3. Exhibitors must be properly dressed. Arms must be covered by a long sleeve shirt or jacket, which can be removed after judging and should also protect clothing underneath.
4. Showmanship Classes are determined by exhibitor's age as of January 1, current year.

SENIOR	15 years and up
INTERMEDIATE	12 – 14 years
JUNIOR	8 – 11 years

G. CHAMPION OF CHAMPION CAVY SHOWMANSHIP

1. Winners of Cavy Showmanship classes (see list above) and any other exhibitors who have won or participated in Champion of Champions in the past but are not eligible to move into the next class yet may participate in Champion of Champions.

2. Champion of Champion Cavy Showmanship will be held in the Rabbit Barn on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. during the fair. The order of competition will be decided by a drawing held before the competition. You must be present and sign in by 10:45 a.m. or **FORFEIT** you right to participate.
3. The winner of Champion of Champions will participate in the Showman of Showman Contest. If the Champion does not wish to participate, the Reserve Champion may go in his/her place.
4. The winner of Champion of Champions may return to defend the title each year until they advance to the next division. Then they must start over again.

2009 JUNIOR FAIR CAVY CHAMPIONS

Grand Champion Winner: George Heitger Twitchers 4H Club

Reserve Champion Winner: Leah Biggerstaff Twitchers 4H Club

2010 CAVY DATES TO REMEMBER

April 27 Educational Clinic – Stark County Fairgrounds at Art Hall 7:00 pm
First and Second Year Members are Highly Encouraged to attend

May 16 Stark County Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Sanctioned Open & Youth Show
 All are encouraged to attend and show

May 25 Exhibitor **MUST have their Cavy in their possession. Exceptions: Junior Aged Cavies (MUST HAVE MOTHER)**

July 17 Pre-registration Clinic – Stark County Fair Grounds – 9 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Must bring all animals that will be exhibited. This will be the only day to get your animals pre-registered for the fair.
This will be the last chance to have your animals tagged for free. After the July clinic the charge will be \$5.00 per animal.

July 23 Stark County Junior Fair entries due at the Jr. Fair Office

August 21 Skill-a-thon & Showmanship – Stark County Fairgrounds Begins at 9 a.m.
 Sign-In begins at 8:30 a.m.
 Showmanship Classes Senior begins at 9 am (must be signed in by 8:50 a.m.)
 Intermediate and Junior Class to follow
 Showmanship will continue until all classes are finished.
 You must have your ear tag number with you for showmanship sign-in.
Champion of Champion will be held Saturday of the fair

August 30 Stark County Fair Check In – 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
 Check in with the Junior Fair Rabbit Show Secretary

August 31 – September 6 Stark County Fair

September 1 Cavy Show – Approximately 1:00 pm – immediately following Open Cavy Show

September 4 Champion of Champion Cavy Showmanship 11:00 a.m.
Must sign in by 10:45 a.m.

September 6 Check out day 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. - Must check out with Jr. Fair Show Secretary

2010 RABBIT & CAVY COMMITTEE

Theresa Young
Earline Hermann
Marie Richards
Bernie & Jerry Pawlak
Tina Kline-Elsass
Rosemary Nau
Jeannie Grable
Michelle Young
George Heitger
Kim Bowers
Teri & Brian Miller

2010 COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Chairman	Theresa Young
Vice-Chairman	Marie Richards
Secretary	Tina Kline-Elsass
Treasurer	Rosemary Nau

Advisory Representative:
Theresa Young

Marketing Representative:
Earline Hermann