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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Since my last message a few changes have taken place. Larry and Doreen put out our May-June issue of the Dutch Reporter, as Bob & Kathy had to change their plans. On such short notice it was still a good issue. We do owe Larry & Doreen a big Thank You for getting this issue out. THANKS, Larry and Doreen

To answer a lot of questions, Larry & Doreen are putting the Dutch Reporter out on a temporary basis until the Board of Directors meeting in Saginaw, Then the final decision will be made. At this time we have two parties interested in publishing the Dutch Reporter. Larry & Doreen and Al & Barbara Butler of Canton, Ohio. If anyone else would like the job, we will listen. I would like to hear from the membership on how they feel on this.

Remember the important resolution for dues increase. If you want quality you have to pay. It takes 2/3 of votes cast to raise dues, so think about it and VOTE!!

I'm making the following appointments to look into the fur situation of our Dutch.

Carl Decker, Pennsylvania, Chairman

Nelle Brady, Texas Elmer Hand, Ohio Don Lovejoy, California

David Paul, Iowa

These breeders are from all parts of the United States with different climates and weather conditions. Let's see what happens.

Don Reid has resigned, (effective June 1978) from the Board of Directors because he does not have Dutch rabbits at this time. I will have Board approval and appointment to fill this place before Saginaw. An appointment at this time would confuse the election ballot.

Let's keep articles and letters coming into the Dutch Reporter. If you have any ideas for a better club, don't be afraid to write me.

Get a few rabbits ready for Saginaw, as it will be here very soon. Time Flies! Don't forget to write to the fur committee if you have any ideas or comments at all.

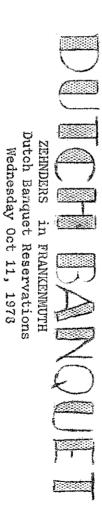
So 'til next time. Yours in Dutch, Jack Wireman

THANK YOU

The National Dutch Convention of 1978 is a very pleasant memory for the members of the Ohio State Dutch Rabbit Club. We wish to thank all those persons who contributed money for Specials and ads in the Catalog. Thank you for bringing those Dutch bunnies to Ohio and making it one of the largest National Convention Shows in a long time. Thank you for coming to Ohio to share in the fellowship of greeting old friends meeting new friends and enjoying your hobby of raising Dutch rabbits.

We sincerely hope you folks who came to Ohio enjoyed your visit as much as we enjoyed having you here. DUTCH RABBITS ARE BEAUTIFUL AND SO ARE THE BREEDERS!

See you in Saginaw. Al & Barb Butler General Chairmen N D S 1978



Banquet in our behalf. I am enclosing \$3.20 for each person, and we don't plan on eating all day Wednesday so we'll be ready for all that GREAT food! Make reservations for persons for the AMERICAN DUTCH RABBIT CLUB

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SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

I dont know how many of you have read the short story by Jack London entitled "To Build a Fire." It is a excellent story about a person in the far Northland who gets wet in weather well below zero (like -50) and who's life depends upon building a fire to dry and warm himself before he freezes to death.

Unlike Jack London's here, who doesn't get his fire built, and freezes, I dont intend to fail. I want to build a fire under many of the loyal Dutch fanciers and members....!

1979 is our GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY as a club. In order for this to be a successful year we are going to need YOU! We have planned special issues of some of the magazines, for which we will need articles and advertisements. We always need help and support for the DR. In order to promote our breed we will need a special effort for the 1979 NDS and ARBA convention shows.

IN OTHER WORDS WE NEED A COMMITTMENT BY EVERYONE THAT CARES, TO PITCH IN AND HELP US DO A BANG-UP JOB. MAKE THIS THE ONE TIME THAT YOU BECOME INVOLVED YOURSELF.

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convention show will be different this year.

Because we wish to have the next issue of the Reporter in your hands prior to the convention, we are moving the deadline for material to be published in that issue up to September 10th. Early material is always appreciated.

The Photo Contest deadline is the convention. Bring or send your photos for the contest to the show for

judging.

From Roger Guetschow: The sellers class to be held at the

trying a new format: The Dutch will be auctioned off as

before, but half of the monies received will be returned

to the donator of the rabbit, and half will go to the club.

BRING YOUR PEDIGREES! We hope that in this manner we will

get more good specimens in the auction, and everyone will

benefit. If you are familiar with what the New Zealand

club has been doing, this will be very similiar.

We will be

Secretary's message continues:

It has taken me three years to "build a fire" concerning the ARBA membership contest. (At least I'll take the credit for it, as I have been promoting it most strongly.) Today we are doing GREAT in this. But the thing to remember is that we dont have three years to get going for the GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION, so lets jump on it folks.

Doreen and I are to be the coordinators for this celebration. We would like to see members from different areas plan some activities for their area, or their local show, or what have you. Posters, special presentations, or maybe just noting on your specials when you donate them, that you would like the catalog to read something like: In recognition of the Dutch Club's GOLDEN JUBILEE, we would like to offer the following specials:

Don't read all this material concerning the Golden Jubilee celebration and think to yourself that next year we will do all these things. We have to start NOW if we are to get these things done.

Election ballots will go out the same time as this Reporter. They must be received by the election committee no later than September 15th. If you don't receive a ballot by August 25th, write us and we will send you one via first class mails. We hope you will make an effort to vote - and vote wisely.

October is convention month. We hope to see you there. Plan now on attending our Dutch Banquet on Wednesday evening. Tom Dietrich, our breed chairman, needs to have reservations early. He has assured us that the dinner will really be something so plan on being there, for an evening of a very enjoyable gathering of the Dutch people. These banquets, with our Dutch friends, have provided us with some great memories of shows of the past.

Our best wishes, and check your membership expiration date. Not only do we not want you to miss anything, but we hate to lose any of our members. Larry.

ELECTION

Once again election time is upon us. We, the ADRC, have been very fortunate over the years to have an election system that seems to work well. Yes, I know that we don't always get a large percentage of the members voting on nominations, and with the turnover of new members we sometimes have members voting for candidates that they may not know much about, but all in all, it has provided us with slate after slate, year after year, of good potential officers. This year is another fine example of having a bunch of well qualified candidates, active in club matters, and willing to seek office in order to see that their club continues to be one of the best.

Each year, when the nominations are completed, I send out a letter to the candidates notifying them that they have been nominated, and asking that they sign a form signifying that they are accepting nomination and will serve if elected. This year I also included a biographic sketch form for them to fill out and return to us for inclusion in this DR. EVERY SINGLE CANDIDATE RETURNED HIS LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE AND BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH WELL BEFORE THE DEADLINE FOR THIS DR. As a matter of fact, most of them were back to us by return mail. I have to comment that it is personally gratifying to have such splendid cooperation and promptness. It sure makes things go easier.

I have the pleasure of knowing each of these candidates personally. But for those of you who have not had a chance to meet them, here is a little about each.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

ROGER GUETSCHOW of Arlington, Wisconsin.

As the incumbent vice-president, Roger is seeking re-election so that he may continue working towards a bigger and better Dutch club, and Dutch fancy.

Married with two boys, Roger has been raising rabbits and Dutch since 1957. He has been a member of the ADRC for 13 continous years. Although he specializes in Dutch, and raises all colors, Roger has also raised several other breeds over the years. He is active in his local club, is an ARBA Registrar, and has been vice-president of the Dutch club since 1974.

His biggest thrill was winning Best Dutch at the Milwaukee convention, with a doe that had been best-in-show at several local shows. He enjoys showing at the National Dutch Shows and ARBA conventions, and has done well at them.

Some of the issues Roger noted that have become important to the Dutch club include the raising of dues to keep up with the expenses the club has, the importance of insuring that the Dutch Reporter is a high quality publication, and issued on a regular basis — for this is the communications lifeline of the club. He also feels that there is a need to involve ALL of the officers in active participation for the club.

Roger concluded by saying, "I enjoy the Dutch. I have friends all over the country that I have met thru the Dutch and the Dutch Club. We attend all the NDS and conventions, if possible, and I would like to continue my involvement with the club, helping where ever possible."

ROGER GUETSCHOW

BILL GEITZENAUER of Washington, New Jersey.

As a current Director of the club, Bill is seeking election as vice-president as he puts it, "To help breeders of Dutch stay organized to contribute helpful information to each other and protect their rights."

Married with two children, Bill is a High School Physics, Math teacher, and a Broadcast consulting engineer. He has raised rabbits since 1948, and raises only Dutch. His rabbit world activities include membership and holding office in local clubs, the Central Jersey R.F. and Lehigh Valley RBA, as well as being the present secretary of the Eastern Dutch R.F.C.

Among his biggest thrills are watching youth members winning adult classes with rabbits they had raised from Bill's bloodlines. He feels that current issues include the stabilization of judging, organization of minority groups in solution of Dutch problems, and the interpretation of standards for the good of all.

He comments, "I also feel that the Dutch Reporter should remain part of the secretary's office. Also if there is any chance, reduce the 100 entries required to print the full show reports down to 50, as a step in the right direction. Select territorial representatives for the purpose of both gathering relative Dutch animal/fanciers information and disseminating asked for helpful data.

BILL GETZENAUER

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

WARREN J. McNAMARA of Reistertown, Maryland.

Warren is a past director of the club, seeking a new term of office to serve what he calls, "the Best Specialty Club in the country." A machinist by trade, he operates his own shop and is self employed. He is married and has three children.

Dutch have been his love since he started raising rabbits in 1949. He is very involved in his local club, and in the Eastern Dutch Rabbit Fanciers, and has been an officer in both. His name is often seen in the show catalogs as show secretary, and one of his biggest thrills in Dutch was being the show secretary of the largest National Dutch Show, in Baltimore, 1971. (Warren also has a fine show record, with many impressive wins, but he neglected to mention these.)

One of the items that warren is concerned with for the future of the club is the printing of full show reports in the Dutch Reporter. As he puts it, "if it wasn't for the shows and the people that show, there wouldn't be any Dutch club or Dutch Reporter." Full show reports would give more credit to many members who, although they may not win BOB, do place some of their rabbits in the top five. The extra cost would be well worth it, as it would provide more coverage for the average member.





ROGER J. EICH of Dallas Center, Iowa.

An incumbent director, Roger is seeking re-election, because he feels that at the present time we are going through inflationary times which could, if not watched very closely, have a good deal of impact on the club. With his occupational background and his years of experience with the club, he would like to do everything within his power to keep the club financially sound.

Roger is married and has five children. He is a Certified Financial Examiner, and is employed by the Insurance Department of Iowa. He has raised rabbits since 1949, and has concentrated on Dutch. His biggest thrill in Dutch are selling a nice pair of Blacks to a young man who eventually had BOB at a National Convention, and also Roger's winning Best of Breed at the Baltimore, Maryland National Dutch Show. He notes that he has won several times before, but that that was somehting special to him.

Roger comments, "I believe one of the first issues coming up is the election of officers. We need to elect officers and directors in the club who have a good record of not only attending and exhibiting at National shows, but those who have had a good attendance record at the meetings in the past. If one is elected to a term of office, it should be his responsibility to attend meetings if at all possible, or else choose not to run. As an officer Roger would make a special effort to promote new members for the club, and would like to help publish the new guide book when the time comes.





MORE DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

LYNN M. COOPER of Grass Lake, Michigan

As an incumbent officer, Lynn is seeking re-election to continue to "help my fellow breeders in every way possible and to promote Dutch at every opportunity, showing and helping children and new breeders in what to look for and to teach them the right way to act at shows."

Married, with two children, Lynn is a retiree from North American Rockwell. He farms part-time and devotes much of his time to raising rabbits, which he has had since 1922. While Dutch, which he has raised since 1947, are about 75% of his rabbitry, he also raises Polish, WNZ and Cals. His rabbit activities include past president (7 years) of the Michigan State Association, present president of his local club, and numerous other offices over the years.

Among his biggest thrills is watching Judge Don Reid choose between two of Lynn's entries at the national show for BOS Dutch. The last two does were the black and the blue senior does, and Don took ten minutes to make up his mind which one would win. (The black won.)

Lynn feels that the ADRC should consider having a fur class in the sanctions, that we should publish the show reports as much as possible, and that we need to promote youth more than we do. If elected he will work for the continued growth of the club, cooperation among all the officers, with differences of opinions being discussed in friendly ways. Differences of opinions, he feels, make for a better outgoing club.

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MICKEY WATTERS of Athens, Tennessee.

Seeking his first term as a director, Mickey would like to do his best to help support the club to the best of his ability, in any role that would be of benefit to the club. He is a loyal supporter of the Dutch club, and believes in promoting the club and the breed.

Mickey and Mae have three children, and Mickey is a technololigist at Brauatus Southern Paper Corporation. Starting with "just plain old rabbits: in 1953, they have been breeding Dutch since 1960. He is involved in local clubs, the All Southern Assocaition, of which he is a director, and acts as superintendent for many shows. Their biggest thrill was winning the All Southern Grand Final. They have an enviable record with their Dutch in the Southern Circuit, and have shown and done well on the national level as well.

"Having judges of better quality to judge Dutch, and the promotion of our Breed" are current topics that Mickey feels the club should work on. He adds, "I enjoy Dutch rabbits very much. I spend a lot of effort showing my rabbits, and getting new breeders started out right. I try to promote Dutch Breeders in the south. I try to promote any show in the south, with specials, trophies, or plaques. I feel that I am qualified as a director, and if given the chance to prove it, I will help in any way I possibly can."



WILBUR WILLIAMSON of La Porte, Indiana

Wilbur is seeking the office of Director because of his sincere interest in Dutch rabbits, and the Dutch club, and because he feels that he has the experience in other clubs and associations which would give him the ability to do a good job for our club.

Married, with four children, he has raised rabbits since 1961. Although he raises several breeds, Wilbur will be quick to tell you that he likes the Dutch best of all, and especially the Chocolates. His interest in Chocolates is high-lighted by his greatest thrill in rabbits being that of winning all four chocolate classes in Lima Ohio. Other thrills include winning BIS with a Black doe at Crown Point.

His experience incudes being chairman of the Indiana State 4-H Rabbit Committee, and membership in local associations, where he has served in a variety of offices.

Items that Wilbur feels he would like to see accomplished, and that he would work towards if elected are Better education of members at National Conventions and National Dutch Shows, The promotion of a youth program, and more promotion of rabbits in general, and Dutch in particular.



DON E. LOVEJOY of San Juan Bautista, Californai (recently Pomona, Ca)

A present director Don would like to be re-elected because as he puts it, "I am sincerely interested in the welfare and promotion of the Dutch Club. I love the breed and have its best interests at heart. I realize the importance of a strong specialty club and a good bulletin.

Don and his wife Ester have four children. His occupation is working with rabbits full-time as the manager of the Rex Fur Ranchers. He has raised rabbits since 1940, and has raised most of the breeds. He states, : "Dutch breeding is strictly a hobby with me and I have a small very select herd. I rarely have breeding stock for sale and am not interested in promotion for personal gain."

His rabbit activities include being the vice president of the Rex club, and a director of the Dutch and Silver clubs. He is also a Judge and a member of the ARBA standards committee.

Among his biggest thrills in rabbits was watching his son Mike win Best in show at the California State Convention when only 15 years old, with his Grand Champion Black Buck named Paradises Good News. But he insists that every time he looks into a nest box with a new litter of Dutch it is an enchantment which has never lost its thrill for him.

He feels that the youth program for the Dutch club is very important, and also that there must be an expansion of promotion of Dutch. He also feels that the Dutch Reporter must be maintained at its present high level.



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After noting with interest the recent <u>Dutch Reporter</u> articles on judging I'd like to make a few comments of my own, although our family is only in its third year of showing Dutch.

First of all, I strongly believe in practicing good showmanship and, above all, to me this means being a good sport. Whereas some people come home from work and "unwind" with a few drinks, I've found that a half hour with our Dutch accomplish the same effect for me. Likewise, the shows we attend are looked forward to for weeks, and enjoyed immensly as a day away from the cares of the world. Toward this end, win or lose, I always return home full of enthusiasm — either over the trophies and points we won, or over how we're going to do it better the next time.

I don't believe in criticizing a judge's placements whether I agree with him or not; however, on one occasion I did write to the officials of a show concerning how a particular judge had handled the Dutch at their show. This was only after having the misfortune to get this judge in two consecutive shows. In the one show I didn't see a Dutch properly posed all day and they were constantly handled like cargo. (I would prefer to see a show rabbit handled like a "piece of fine china".) In the second show the handling was a bit more refined, but just about every Dutch received a comment about a "jagged undercut" and that more or less speaks for itself. In both shows we did very well in placements so that certainly wasn't my complaint.

In our most recent show it was refreshing to have a judge who not only handled and posed the Dutch properly, but obviously had his standard open on the table for easy reference, and on about three different occasions consulted with another nearby judge on items of question, particularly concerning possible disqualifications. In brief, it was nice to have a judge who realized that he was only human and wasn't afraid to seek other advice when he wasn't absolutely certain about something.

Perhaps this is the quality we want to get across to some of the judges our members have been writing about. We all realize that these judges are human and to err is human. We just ask that they realize this about themselves. I think it is the mark of a real judge to seek advice when he is uncertain. To operate the other way is a mark of insecurity.

JUDGING DUTCH

by Don Reid reprinted from 1966 Small Stock Special Dutch Issue

Butch can be one of the easiest or one of the hardest breeds to judge. It all depends on the judges knowledge of the standard and how the animal is handled when being examined for markings, type, color, and fur.

Cobby is the type called for in Dutch. This means a compact close coupled saimal with a nicely rounded back. This is not a blocky or square animal. The judge should gently push the animal together, or examine it in a natural position, tather than stretch it out or flatten it.

Fur is to be short and dense with fine texture and lustre. There are ten points on fur and thirteen points on color, but it is more important than that, as a good furred Dutch's markings are sharper and more distinct. I have seen many animals fur stroked back and forth so much that it is a wonder there was any fur left. This will break down the guard hair and give the animal a dull, dead coat. One or two strokes is enough to check texture and color.

Markings are very important with fifty points. Blaze, cheeks, saddle, neck, and

JUDGING DUTCH, CONTINUE D

top of stops can be examined without turning the animal over. Most of these can be seen in the natural position. The animal is to be turned over to examine the undercut and bottom or the stops. This is where many judges and breeders goof. If loose fur on the neck and back are grasped to turn the Dutch over, you are bound to distort the undercut. By holding ears with one hand and supporting the rump with the other hand, a Dutch can easily be rolled or turned over without distorting the undercut. While the animal is being rolled it is a good time to look in the eyes again for spots or off color. You will catch one occasionally that you do not see in the natural position. Many breeders prefer low even cheeks to high even cheeks because of breeding, but, low cheeds are just as undesirable as high cheeks with neither given preference on the show table.

It is always a good idea to have the Book of Standards on the judging table and no one should object to any judge checking the value of different sections. Many animals are sent off the table with one fault and other animals remain on the table longer, with two or more faults that are larger cuts than the animal that has already been sent back. Do not use snap judgement and look over all the animals in the class before you weed out the animals that are left, after eliminated and disqualified entries have been sent back.

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As you will note from the chart above have been doing some thinking and delving into the question of why are our shows losing Dutch entries more and more. It seems that the number of Dutch is decreasing each year. I pulled some old DR's which are representative of show dates in the north and south and came up with the above. In '72 and '73 when we had full show reports, we had more shows with 50 and over. Since the full reports have discontinued, you can note that the number of entries at the shows are gradually going down from more in the 50-100 area to under 50. For instance in 1978, it has dropped to 1/3 above 50 and 2/3 below 50. I can't say that the show reports are the answer, but I do know that a number of new breeders here in Texas have quit. They have become discouraged. They will win a 3rd, 4th, or 5th, but so what. No recognition at all. Just the same old names in the DR. You do not go to

FULL SHOW REPORTS CONTINUED....

winning Best of Breed in a short time. We know. But we were happy to see our name listed with a placing. And to compare the names across the country. Personally I believe that something in the Reporter could be sacrificed; pay a little more for full reports, or have a couple of specials during the year with just show reports. The regular DR could carry the two national show reports, but the remainder in the special. Perhaps we could lower the figure to 50 rather than 100. Anything to get the new breeders to come back and stay. And help them. I know that I am learning every day, but if someone calls and asks for help we try to do just that. Course you may get some old fashioned, natural remedies, but they work for me, so I'll pass them on if you want to listen.

Anyway, just wanted to let Bill Tuck know what we do to get our does to concieve. First of all, they can't be too fat. We back off on the feed, or put them on the floor and in about a week or two they will be pretty well drawn down.

What has worked for us is to use "Apple Cider Vinegar", starting in their water bowl about 2 weeks before we want to breed. We put a large tablespoonful in their water and keep it there, changing when the water gets dirty or if they have consumed all of it. We keep the vinegar in the water while they are carrying the little ones and even after they have kindled. It makes for an easier birth, better babies and helps bring milk after birth. I think you will find that does who are not good milkers will be after the vinegar treatment. This has worked for more people than just us, and helps a lot. (In fact if you get sort of run down, try taking 2 Tbsp of honey and 1 Tbsp of apple cider vinegar. Put it in juice, water, or just take it straight. You will find that if you take this several mornings, you will have lots of vim and vigor). Anyway try the above on a doe or two and see how it works for you. Sometime when you are in a bookstore, pick up a copy of Dr. Jarvis' Folk Medicine. It's a paperback and is on vinegar, honey, kelp, and iodine. Read it good and see what has been done.

Going back a couple of issues of the DR, I think we had some good articles. Did enjoy Mr Stedman's ideas. If some judges will read, then stop and examine their handling of rabbits, they will realize they are violating the rules. Such articles as Mr Burke's should make the judges realize what they are doing, but I would bet the offenders believe that articles are written for someone else.

Also enjoyed Mr Summer's articles. Have to assume he didn't raise Torts or he surely would have commented on color. In selecting Torts, you need to stay with the lighter babies if they show shading. If they are too dark in the ne st box they will surely be too dark on the show table. As for type, it hurts to see a long headed rangy, long eared rabbit with good markings picked over a good cobby typed one. I know markings are important, but type is too. Too much is put on markings.

Sure enjoyed the convention and all the good friends. Also thank the Maryland friends, especially Larry for my shirt. I will show up in it at a rabbit show here this fall you can be sure.

Let's get out and get more Dutch breeders. We need them. Then let's keep them going by helping.

We are sorry to report the death of Bob Ernst of Kansas. Bob was a valued and longtime member of the Kansas State and the Three Corners Rabbit Club and a 20 year member of the ADRC. Bob was the Dutch breed chairman at a National ARBA Convention and the Superintendent of the NDS in Hutchinson, Kansas in 1977. Bob was active in the rabbit fancy for 20 years, raising Dutch for most of that time. His face and his rabbits were a familiar sight at the Colorado State Fair. Bob was well liked by all breeders and left a wife and three children.

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I normally would not touch a June issue commentary on Dutch weight with a ten foot pole, unless it needed touching. When looking over our Standard of Perfection, it is quite clearly stated that a Dutch can retain a cobby appearance at 3% or 5% pounds. This in no way states that only a 3% pound Dutch has cobby type. If you like to breed small Dutch within our framework, it is your perogative and no one should criticize. There is also a statement to the fact that the ideal (conceived as very desirable or supremely excellent) weight is 4% pounds. This does not imply that an ideal weighted Dutch has cobby type rather, a 4% pound speciman with cobby type is more desirable than a cobby any other weight from a standpoint of showing under A. R. B. A. judgeship. This writer takes offense when some attempt to instruct new breeders in "culling" larger rabbits out of their program. If the rabbit is cobby (stout and stocky: short legged and short coupled) and weighs 5 pounds, particularly in does, do not cull them! They do show and must be recognized as candidates living within our framework. As to showing a junior Dutch at 2 or 3 pounds, it "does catch the judges' eye" in that neither the fur or body type is developed and is normally outclassed.

Occasionally I agree with a compatriot in his belief. Yes, a weight limit on juniors would be desirable. The current standard has no weight limit on juniors. A junior Dutch could be 7-8 pounds, and yet not be eliminated due to excessive weight. A 5½ pound limit on juniors would be a start to solving this problem only because there is nothing defined on this subject except the 6 month limit.

As for the "small" Dutch being exhibited as ideal and winning occasionally, I can only say that if it is the best speciman against the Standard of Perfection, so be it. As a member of the A. D. R. C. I must follow my bible (Standard of Perfection) and defend it until the majority changes it, not I nor you, but the majority.

This past spring at a show a judge placed a 3½ pound buck Best of Breed. After the Dutch judging I sat at his table in the eating stand and asked why he placed the buck over 3 others which were larger but apparently as well marked, perhaps "slightly" better on markings. He stated that cobby meant small! With my Standard of Perfection "dug" under his nose he was shown page 61 which disagrees with his impression. He looked at it and his parting statement "I don't care what it says, I like them small". End of retort!

The point is that the 3½ or 5½ pound Dutch are as you see them. They do adhere to our standard and there should be no remarks particularly to new breeders to cull their larger "standard" Dutch. With a high of \$1.80 per pound at our local market this week, a great percentage of the feed bill is paid. Some breeders do raise Dutch for a profit, deriving income from this source.

The above points mentioned are that of the writer and do not represent a group or the A. D. R. C. officers.

In conclusion, it must be stated that the writer of the June issue article must be congratulated for speaking his piece. My departing statement to both you new breeders and some judges must be: T H I N K S T A N D A R D!

COMMERCIAL - TWO WORLDS - FANCY

After surveying a group of processors, Howard Mays, Chairman of the American Rabbit Breeders Association Commercial Committee, reports that the breeds of rabbits most sold to processors are 1. New Zealand 2. Californian 3. Satins 4. Dutch.

Can't help but thinking that maybe Dutch breeders have the best of two worlds-Fancy & Commercial. Dutch will never compete with New Zealands, Cals, or Satins for the commercial aspect, but then neither will they compete with DUTCH on the fanciers side of the fence.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAST SUPPORT

LYNN M. COOPER

DO UNTO OTHERS.

MORE THAN JUST A SELL! by Robert C Gardner

If you're marketing your rabbits to individuals rather than large companies, you may have neglected an important aspect which can be used to increase your sales — simple interest in your customers.

I think that all too often, we place too much emphasis on what we have to sell, and not enough emphasis on the person who is going to buy. Of course, we all strive for the best possible stock and are proud of our animals. This is as it should be. but this alone won't build a business. In selling my Dutch, I have built a solid business foundation on a few simple principles and techniques focussed on human relations. I share them here because I know they make a difference in sales volume—they work!

First of all, the cornerstone of my approach to any customer is basic honesty. I am completely candid with the buyer in explaining type, color, markings, and in general standards of the animals I sell. The individual buying should know exactly what he or she is getting and be happy with the selection long after the sell is made Never lead a person into false expectations...let him know what he is buying. After deciding why a person wants to purchase a rabbit, I always guide him to the right animal for his purpose. Many times, I'll tell a person that I simply don't have what he is looking for at the time. Usually, this same person will return later because of his trust and confidence in my word established during his first trip to the rabbitry.

I always go out of my way to help young people (and some not so young) who purchase my stock. Often, they lack the basic knowledge required to take care of what they buy. When I realize this, I feel obligated to help them get off to a good start. One way of accomplishing this is by giving them printed material at the time of their purchase. Plenty of this material is around ... and it's free. Why not use it in this manner...when it's really needed. I try to keep a supply handy for my customers. Many feed companies have pamphlets which contain "the basics" needed by the novice rabbit raiser. Here in the State of Arkansas, the Cooperative Extension Service of the University has several excellent circulars which I give my customers. If you are familiar with the Easter Kit furnished at no cost by the American Rabbit Breeders Association, you know that it contains quite a bit of good information which can assist in guiding your new customers. This practice of giving the buyer printed Material serves two good purposes. First, it introduces the American Rabbit Breeders Association to potential members and emphasizes the services rendered by the club. Secondly, it lets the buyer know...and rightly so...that you are interested both in his success and the future of the animal sold. It's good for today's business and tomorrow's.

When a customer is looking over the stock, I use the time to mention the value of belonging to the American Dutch Rabbit Club, as well as the American Rabbit Breeders Association. By showing him samples of publications, I stimulate his interest in becoming a member and offer a membership application. This is always appreciated by the customer.

In selling rabbits, I have found that all types of people become customers.

Nach has to be treated individually and the sell must be approached from the individual's viewpoint and needs. Knowing the importance of this, I take much time to get to know my customer... I let him know that I am interested in him as a personnot just a buyer. This establishes a relationship which leads to future visits from and sales to that person. It's good business...

Summarily speaking, when I sell a rabbit, I view it as the beginning...not the end of the transaction. I look forward to seeing the purchaser again, and again, and again. I also look forward to meeting his friends because of the good "word of mouth publicity I receive by "going the second mile" to assist my customers. By applying these simple techniques of human relations, I know my customers are satisfied. They leave happy, stay happy, and return happy... They know that the rabbit business means much more to me...more than just a sell! They come back for more...

After providing several articles which primarily asked questions, I finally have reached the point where I'm soing one because I have something to say.

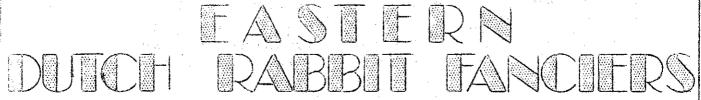
Several weeks before Easter our family was shopping at a nearby Mall. On these trips we usually stop in at the pet shop to see what kind of rabbits they're selling and for how much. On this particular visit, as we neared the rabbit section, my son David (the chocolate Dutch breeder in our family) started to laugh and said "Dad, look at what they're calling a chocolate Dutch". Well, in that particular cage, complete with a sign that said "Pedigreed Chocolate Dutch, \$29.99", sat a rabbit that looked as though it had been retrieved from a burrow out in back of somebody's barn. It was colored somewhat like a sandy Flemish and had no markings whatsoever. As a matter of fact it didn't even have any white fur showing anywhere.

Then we noticed that the pedigree paper was taped to the side of the cage. That was the real shocker, for there for the world to see was a paper denoting several generations of our own rabbits. The parents on the paper were breeding stock we had sold some time previously, and, knowing the stock, it was obvious to us that the rabbits on the pedigree would be incapable of producing an offspring such as sat in that cage. We then noticed that the papers did not identify an ear number for the rabbit for which they were intended.

Returning home, I called the family to whom we had sold the breeding stock (approximately 100 miles away) and learned that four mismarked young chocolates had been sold to a pet store near them for \$2.50 each with papers. These rabbits had not been tatooed because the youthful breeder did not have a tatoo set. I advised them that it is not a good practice to provide papers for a rabbit that has not been tatooed as a reference to the papers. To do otherwise is just assisting some of these stores (especially of the chain variety) in their continued "rip-off" of the unsuspecting public.

To our readers, expecially the new ones and the youth, I urge that you do not provide papers for one of your rabbits without first tatooing the animal and putting the number on the pedigree, and, second, without being adequately compensated for your pedigree. Unless you have more rabbits than you know what to do with you should have no trouble in selling them at a fair price if you put forth a minimum of effort. The "culls" or "pet" quality seem to require more salesmanship than the good ones. There are usually buyers waiting in line for the good Dutch. In our area there is a weekly "Shopper's Guide" that offers free classified ads. We have found this a good way to keep the "pet" quality moving cut of our rabbitry. We do not word our ads to sound like a distress sale, however, and we always state a minimum price. This avoids aggravating telephone conversations with the caller that always knows where he can get \$2.00 rabbits. To which we usually say "Fine, go buy it and you'll have just that - a \$2.00 rabbit".

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STATE AND AREA DUTCH CLUB NEWS

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CHARGE ???

Said you liked the DUTCH REPORTER? Good, glad to hear it. Did you realize, the Dutch Reporter is you? Have YOU contributed anything to it lately? SHAME!!! Don't put it off, sit down NOW, forget about deadlines, you'll have forgotten about what you wanted to do by then. I know, you'd send in an Ad, but you haven't really got anything to sell. OK, send in a booster ad that says "I LIKE DUTCH". Or your comment on that last article that you really found helpful, or that one that really got you upset. But, the secret is DO IT NOW! Since I have been playing with the DR I have come to realize that the regular contributors, those folks you hear from each time, don't wait until the deadline to do something. They do it NOW and mail it to the DR and then they don't have to worry about missing the deadline!

Everyone has a couple of extra dollars for something they feel is important, so if you don't send an ad for the DR, the only thing we can assume is that you say you like the DR, but when it comes right down to the "ROOTS" of the matter, you really DONLT CARE!

DON'T CARL!'
Everyone (YES EACH OF YOU) has an article lurking somewhere inside of them.
Sit down with a piece of paper and a pencil and let it all come out!!!! It doesn't need to be typed and double spaced, (sometimes it's nice though) but the secret is

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I'll be checking the mail box everyday for the next two months.

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Doreen

PS: That inside front cover ad at \$20.00 for 2 yrs is a "Peach" of a deal.

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GLAD TIDINGS YOU CAN BEAU THE DUTCH

DUTCH CLUB does it again! Still number 1 in the ARBA membership contest.

Congratulations to ADRC member Kendra Schwenke. Kendra leads the Youth Sweepstak Contest.

Dave Holloway of Arizona and Julie Wichert of Washington are among the list of new A. R. B. A. Registrars. If you have a Dutch to register and Julie or Dave live in your area you are in business.

Please note A D R C Election!!!! We have competition for every office. Not like some specialty clubs that have to appoint directors because of lack of candidates. Every 1978 candidate responded to our request for a biographical sketch. The sketches will appear elsewhere in the Dutch Reporter. A Super slate of responsive candidates. Please take time to read about each one of them and then VOTE!!

January 1979 is the date for the Dutch Special Issue of Rabbits Magazine. Let's show the world what "You can't beat the Dutch" really means. We'll need articles and advertising. Much more about this in the next Dutch Reporter.

An article entitled "A Profile on the Type of Rabbits" in the July-August Domestic Rabbits merits your attention. The article was authored by ADRC Life member R J Bernhardt. Check page 42 in your ADRC Guide Book and you will note that Dick is also the author of the very fine article "The Good & Bad in Dutch".

A belated Thank You to ADRC members
Bonnie Guile of New York, and Alan Miller
of Indiana. These folks sat right down
when they got their March-April Dutch Reporter
and whipped out some art work for us. We thank
you for your interest, and would like to
encourage anyone else with any artistic
inclinations to try a little something with
a Dutch angle. Sketches, poster ideas,
chalk, pencil, pen, whatever. We could sure
use some more.

GRAND CHAMPIONS

From the July-August issue of DOMESTIC RABBITS

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2BITS-4BITS-6BITS---A WINNER &

I believe it's time to write an article for all the young Dutch breeders, and many of the old ones also, regarding what to select for future breeding stock.

In my 32 years with the Dutch, all I have ever read regarding how to raise them is to select for type, color, fur, and markings, and pick the best for future breeding.

This is hard to do. The best type may not have good color or fur, and the best marked may lack type, color, or fur. So you see how confused a breeder can get if he doesn't come up with some young stock to meet all the standards.

What about the mismarks, the spots. Here is where the answer lies. How about a black spot as big as a quarter in the white section of the back? To most breeders it would be meat, without looking any further at the rest of his qualifications. Well, I didn't, and his name was "Two Bits". He had type, color, and a fur that I have never seen on any Dutch. So the answer was simple, that's what I want in a Dutch, and here I have it. Now all I have to worry about is the quarter.

Now I know that what you breed into your Dutch is going to come out, so I got the type, color, and real fur, also a few quarters. So remember to look very closely at those mismarks, your answer could be in them.

Old "Two Bits" is dead several years now, and all he left me with was three quarters, the best Dutch at the National Dutch Show, and the best fur in the country.

A Proud Life Member

John L. Nelson

A LETTER FROM JESSIE AND BILL

When Bill went out to feed yesterday morning he found a dead steel doe and a little blue baby lieing in the driveway. He got inside and found three hounds tearing things apart—dead rabbit all over the floor. He came back to the house for the shotgun and was so upset he couldn't make sense to tell me what was wrong. I followed him back to the barn—he got two of the dogs and wounded the third, but what a toll! They got two bucks, including the one that was 5th in that class of 44 fur at the National Dutch Show. Altogether they killed eight senior does and one of the 2 bucks was our grandsons black Polish, and 20 babies were missing. Today we have found seven of them and have fostered them on four other does. Hopefully with the help of Vicks and rolled oats we may save some of them.

Had a real nice visit with Earl Hord at Montpelier on Sunday. Shades of the Convention in Colorado when we went home with him to see the damage dogs had done in his rabbitry.

You know Larry, we all hear of such stuff and say "well thats one thing that hasn't happened to me", but if we stay in the rabbits, sooner or later there comes a day. We've had thieves, a total fire, and now those #!*&% dogs.

But you should see those babies that we caught today!! You come to Saginaw, we'll bring you home with us to see them. Might even have some at Saginaw, I hope.

Editors note: About all we small animal fanciers can do is protect our hobbies to the best of our resources. We have heard rumors of rabbits being destroyed in many other rabbitries, and when this happens, we just have to sit back and come up with a little of that eternal optomism that Jessie & Bill display in their letter and that is in all Dutch Fanciers. I can remember 3 dog incidents in my 26 years with rabbits None of them were very pretty, but none of them stopped me either. Doreen

MEET THE FANCIER

CLIPFORT

Most Dutch Rabbit Breeders throughout the United States, who have been showing Dutch for any length of time know who the person is who is number one in the American Dutch Rabbit Club's annual Sweepstake Contest and who shows under the name of Clipfort, but for those who don't attend the National Conventions or are newcomers to the showing of that beautiful little Dutch rabbit I'm sure you would like to know.

To start with he is one of the most dedicated rabbit showmen of all breeds anywhere showing at about two dozen shows and making about one thousand entries a year. That's hard to beat in itself, but he has been doing this for over a quarter of a century. This is "Dave" Holland of Fontana, California.

During the fifties Dave was following the county fairs showing a string of beautiful Dutch. At that time Dave's mother was the breeder - taking care of a back yard full of Dutch while Dave was on the fair circuit. When Dave mentions those times now he usually says "when I was making a living showing rabbits". He had other breeds, but the Dutch is the only one that I remember. Today Dave has a wholesale pet supply business selling baby Dutch, Cavies, Parakeets, Canaries, other birds and cages and other pet supplies to the pet stores in the Los Angeles area. He and his friend, Carl "Catfish" Earl, working together.

"Clipfort" is tough to beat in any of the classes, and of course doesn't always take first in each class (who does), but when you beat him you can feel real good although not to comfortable because you know that he has one or two good ones breathing down your neck - and will probably beat you in points.

Dave is a very quiet man, and at the shows usually stands quietly watching the Dutch being judged, but if you want to see his face light up and get him talking just ask him about the little black doe that went Best in Show - all breeds at Ventura or some other recent show. But then wouldn't you? When he is at a show you know you have a good show, cause his entry is a show in itself. When he isn't there we really miss him.

Dave is an ARBA Registrar and Judge. And he also knows that "You Can't Beat the Dutch."

editors note: Paul Conley submitted the above fanciers article. Do you know of a fancier that the membership would like to meet. If so, jot the information down on some paper (ESP just doesn't work) and send it in. Wouldn't that make a good regular feature for our Dutch Reporter? Doreen

PAUL CONLEY ALSO SAYS: I was shocked at the idea of changing the weights for the Dutch rabbit. Personally I would hate to see any changes made from the present weights. I'll agree that those little three and a half pounders are CUTE and there may be some judges who would pick a small fairly good one over a real good large one, but I'm sure that most of the judges in this area will place them by the quality of the animal rather than by weight. The trouble with those little 3½ pounders is that they usually produce more 3 pounders than 4 pounders, and no matter how good the quality of the animal, if it is under the standard weight it's strictly pet stock. It is my feeling that if we put a weight limit on jr Dutch we will be in fact changing the definition of a jr from 6 months of age or under to 4 pounds or under. We will have more perpetual juniors at the shows than we have now.

NEWS 979 VIEWS FROM DIHID

Here is something for everyone to think about. If we decide, as a membership, to vote a raise in the fees to join; we as a club should establish a youth section. It is not fair for a child to pay the full amount. Not only that, many do not know how to use their voting privileges a full membership establishes. So this would eliminate unnecessary ballots, too.

Don't leave the establishment of a Youth section to the kids. Like all new things; the adults need to start the ball rolling and show the children they are interested in what is happening. (And this means do it, not talk about it!) And not by letters from the youngsters does this start anything. Many children feel that their letters won't be read; or they, being kids, don't like to write. (I say this as I have been talking to a few.) And don't tell me they should have written anyway. How many of you "should have written" and never did?!

Now for something else. Our Mad River Valley Rabbit & Cavy Club, of Urbana, Ohio had an overall show of 1,078 rabbits on Fathers Day. And the Dutch were well represented with 151 head. There were breeders from all over. And we even had one by the name of Bud Karriker from North Carolina. It was his first exhibit with us and he did pretty fair. Bud won BOB with a blue junior buck. (That also gave him Best Junior all colors and Best Blue)

My husband and I got to talk with him for a short time, and my smallest daughter Helena was really taken by him. All of us hope to see him next year. As usual, it's great meeting the people you read about, and putting faces with names!

Hempey's Hoppers won BOS with a Gray Doe. All in all it was a pretty fair show. And as usual we enjoyed visiting with other exhibitors.

A Dutch Friend Lee Anna Burkholder

FROM LAKE VILLAGE, INDIANA

Greetings:

As fate does, so happens to everyone at one time or another.

I didn't make the NDS Canton, nor did I really get anywhere else during my vacation either. I did visit two rabbitries though, one in Wisconsin that had Californians and Flemish Giants and the one in Illinois had the beautiful unbeatable Dutch. Blacks, Blues and Torts.

Really I felt bad about not being able to visit Canton, but when the field tile plugs up, it's got to be done, and there went my money.

Since you last heard from me, a problem has developed. I've lost a pretty good Dutch doe four days before kindling. Also lost was another doe, orphaning her litter at two weeks of age. Another doe lost her entire litter at kindling, went off her feed, lost weight, as well as many other animals. Three young also had to be destroyed

A short time back my daughter and I found foreign feed in with the rabbit chow. Samples were sent to the feed company. Thus far, I haven't received a return on the lab analysis, but I did receive a letter saying they sent the samples to be checked.

I've since sent them a letter containing dates and what happened with various rabbits with a notation of articles on feed contamination from RABBITS MAGAZINE, May 1973. It's their move now.

Has anyone else had the same problems? If so, I myself at least would like to hear about it and learn. I have other questions, but will ask them as I go along. There are questions, answers and ideas to be shared, I'm sure. There are certainly enough new ADRC members who want to know, even the little things, of rabbit breeding just like me.

A rabbit that has an incomplete or unreadable tattoo in its left ear will lose out on the show table. So take a small darning needle, india ink and redo or complete the tattoo yourself.

Larry Hillestad

55TH ARBA CONVENTION SAGINAW, MICHIGAN OCTOBER 9-12, 1978

Introducing----DUTCH BREED CHAIRMAN---Tom Dietrich----Tom says.....

Catalogues for the National Convention can be obtained from Jan Ery for \$3.00. Checks should be made out to MICHIGAN RABBIT SHOWS, INC. The \$3.00 will be refundable with entry. The catalogue will be out sometime in August. Watch for particulars in Mark Rollers Column in DOMESTIC RABBITS.

The Dutch Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday October 11, 1978. We have reservations at ZEHNDERS in Frankenmuth. They are world famous for their Family Style chicken dinners. The price is \$8.20 per person and it will be a dinner well worth it. You can either have family style chicken or beef dinners. Please send your check or money order to me as soon as possible, they would like a definite number at least a week ahead of time. Zehnders is 12 miles from Saginaw.

Tom Dietrich 3462 Royal Drive Columbiaville, MI 48421

I would like to commend the Ohio State Dutch Club for a very organized and well run National Dutch Show. I hope the A. R. B. A. Convention will go off as well.

"Some Thoughts I've Had"

Would like to see a 4 pound weight limit set for juniors. The rabbit would become a senior when it either reached 4 pounds or became 6 months of age. (Whichever came first) This would eliminate some of the confusion in judging and showing.

I agree that we should look into another system for identifying our animals, tattooing has its drawbacks.

At major shows would like to see bleachers more available so everyone can see the judging, not just the front row people.

Would like to see more major shows go with a coop number in the right ear, would save some confusion when a judge is having a hard time reading a tatoo number.

AND IN SAGINAW - - - -

Tours: German town of Frankenmuth. Some say Frankenmuth is one of Michigans most beautiful towns. I has two world famous restaurants and one of them will be the site for our Dutch Club Banquet. The tour will include a guided tour of the town and of Carling Brewery. The tour will also stop at Bonners, which is world famous for its Christmas decorations from all over the world.

Bintz Apple Mt. and Ski Lodge. One of Michigans largest apple orchards. We will watch a cider mill in operation. Browse through a bakery, gift shop, ski & sports shop, etc.

The Convention Committee has promised to put each specialty club booth near their breed. This is a necessity for real Convention Spirit. Plan now to spend some time visiting at the Dutch Booth.

Dutch Fair Ladies: Do you have a handicraft hobby? How about doing some little thing to send to the convention as a donation to the Dutch Club. I would think we would be able to conjur up enough to pay for a full page ad in the Dutch Special issue of RABBITS MAGAZINE. It would be a great way to let the world know that we support our beautiful Dutch in everyway. As you know the Dutch Club will celebrate 50 Golden Years in 1979. Rabbits Magazine has agreed to a DUTCH SPECIAL ISSUE in January '79.

Doreen

IN MEMORIUM

In the fall of 1977 the Secretary of the Ohio State Dutch Rabbit Club received a letter from Al Emery who lived in Elyria, Ohio. The letter had a check for Specials for the 1978 National Dutch Convention. The Specials were in memory of his grand-daughter who had died the year before. Al sent the Specials in then "in case I don't make it to the Convention". He wanted the following poem printed in the program sheet for the banquet and then printed in the Dutch Reporter. Al passed away in December. He contributed much to the Ohio State Dutch Rabbit Club and we wish to grant one of his last wishes.

A TRIBUTE TO BARBARA EMERY

Barbara suffered a brain hemmorrhage and was in a coma for twelve days. She made a valiant fight, but her heart gave out. She died on September 6, 1976 at the age of five years. The her span of life seemed very brief, yet she filled so many lives with joy and pleasure, that her contribution has touched many hearts. Her life has been what all lives should be, in its relationship with others. Hence we can truly say, her life was complete, and having fulfilled her purpose, God has claimed her now for life in Eternity with Him. A poem envisioning the challenge God gives to parenthood, is so applicable to her and to her family. The poem speaks as if God were speaking of her to her family.

I'll lend you for a little time a child of mine, He said,
For you to love the while she lives, and mourn for when she's dead.
It may be six or seven years, or twenty-two or three;
But will you, 'till I call her back, take care of her for me?
She'll bring her charms to gladden you, and shall her stay be brief,
You'll have her lovely memories as solace for your grief.

I cannot promise she will stay since all from earth return, But there are lessons taught down there I want this child to learn. I've looked the wide world over, in my search for teachers true And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes, I have selected you. Now will you give her all your love, not think the labor vain, Nor hate Me when I come to call to take her back again?

I fancied that I heard you say, "Dear Lord, Thy will be done; For all the joy thy child shall bring - the risk of grief will run. We'll shelter her with tenderness, We'll love her while we may, And for the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay; But shall the Angel's call for her much sooner than we've planned, We'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand."

The Lord gave unto us a beautiful and radiant spirit and has now claimed her to be with Him, always, in Eternity. Our gratefulness unto the Lord, for having shared her life with us.

Pastor Martin Waidmann - St. Paul United Church of Christ Elyria, OH

Thank you, Pastor Waidmann for such a tribute and THANK YOU to the Emery family for wanting to share such a tribute with their Dutch family.

L. R. McMillen

Lee Ray McMillen, Akron, Ohio died March 5, 1978. Mac raised a number of breeds of rabbits over the years, but the Dutch were his favorites. Mac had been a member of the Akron, Ohio Rabbit Club for 53 years.

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PLA	CE NAME	STATE	NO. SHOWS	TOTAL POINTS
1.	Clipfort Rabbitry (D Holland)	California	24	3838½
2.	Mae & Mickey Watters	Tennessee	10	6415%
3.	June & Mike Lovejoy	California	15	5291%
Ą.	Sandy & Terry Reed	Indiana	15	5028
5.	Jean & George Schill	Pennsylvania	25	4950½
5	Laura & Paul Conley	California	· 14	4768½
7.	E D Smith	Virginia	7	4102½
8.	Roger Guetschow	Wisconsin	14	3837
9.	Wenton Carlton	Arizona	12	3453
0.	Louise & Lester Johnson	Kansas	10	3246%
1.	Nelle & Don Brady	Texas	12	3132
2.	Mae & Michael Sutton	Texas	13	3113½
.3.	Doreen & Larry Bengtson	Minnesota	.12	3020
4.	Macel & Glenn Morgan	Ohio	20	2926
.5.	Wm Schaeffer	Connecticut	.11	28761/2
6.	Anthony Micallef	Michigan	10	2760
17.	Dan Dee Rabbitry (Frank Miller)	Texas	8	2305½
L8.	Sweet Success Rabbitry (Hermans)	Colorado	8 9 -4-2	2166
19.	Lois & R C Farrill	Texas	. 8	2091½
20.	Robert Scott	Texas	6	1970½

If there are any questions concerning the final report, I would ask you to let me know by September 1, 1978. If you feel that there are any errors, I will be appy to check them out for you. If, however, you are all quiet, the above report shall stand, and I will forward the above addresses and names to Willard Morris, and ne will take care of your trophies.

Thank you all for another good year, keep on showing, and I'll keep on counting. The following show reports will complete the reports for the 1977-1978 Sweepstakes series. Next issue we begin anew. Best Wishes, and when the bell rings, come out showing.

Doreen Bengtson

SHOW REPORTS

October 16, 1977 Winnebagoland RBA at Oshkosh, WI Disqualified for failure to submit show report.

larch 11-12, 1978 So Univ Rabbit Sho at Baton Rouge, LA Judge: Not listed 15 Dutch
BOB: Blue JD-nm BOS: Blue JB-S Alexander 2 Blk: J Parkinson 2 Blue: JD-nm
J Tort: SB-P Stockstill 4 Steel: SD-P Stockstill 4 Gray: SB-S Alexander.
POINTS: S Alexander-45½ P Stockstill-26 J Parkinson-24 5 exhibitors

April 1 Butler Co R & CBA at Butler, PA Judge: Al Butler 25 Dutch BOB: Blk SD-Glenn Morgan BOS: Choc SB-Jack Wireman 12 Blk: SD-G Morgan 3 Blue: SD-Schills 4 Choc: SB-J Wireman 6 Tort: JD-Schills POINTS:J & G Schill-114 G Morgan-70 J Wireman-36½ S Jureatic-16 6 exhibitors.

Did you know? ADRC sweepstakes year begins and end in April at the National Dutch Sho

1977-1978 Show Report Wrap Up

- April 1 Tidewater RBA at Boykins, VA Judge: L C Franklin 18 Dutch 4 exhibitor BOB: Blue SD-Stan Freed BOS: Blk JB-Stan Freed 10 Blk: JB-S Freed 3 Blue: SD-S Freed 5 Choc: JD-V Murphy POINTS: Stan Freed-110 V Murphy-57 J Rose-23
- April 1-2 Van Wert Co RBA at Delphos, OH Judge: Lowell Trausch 59 Dutch
 BOB: Blk JB-Sandy & Terry Reed BOS: Steel SD-Sandy & Terry Reed 20 Blk: JBT & S Reed 10 Blue: SD-T&S Reed 9 Choc: SB-T&S Reed 6 Tort: SD-nm
 3 Steel: SD-T&S Reed 11 Gray: SD-nm POINTS: S & T Reed-208½ D&L Small Stock137 B Weber-110 S Gunsett-60 B Szymanowski-55 D Nicol-44 H Burkholder-38
 M/M Burkholder-20 J Swartz-20 P Junis-12 M Roller-12 16 exhibitors
- April 2 Greater Pittsburgh RBA at Butler, PA Judge: Bram Van Veldon 26 Dutch BOB: Blk SB-Jean & Geroge Schill BOS: Blk SD-Jean & George Schill 11 Blk: SB-Schills 4 Blue: SB-nm 4 Choc: nm 4 Tort: SB-Schills 3 Steel: JB-T Bauer POINTS: J & G Schill-157 T Bauer-56 G Morgan-49 J Wireman-20 5 exhibitors
- April 8 Fair Game RC at Crescent City, CA Judge: Jan Coffelt 18 Dutch 8 exhibitors BOB: Gray SB-nm BOS: Blk JD-nm 4 Blk: JB-C Veirs 3 Blue: SD-C Veirs 5 Choc: SB-C Veirs 1 Steel: disq 4 Gray: SB-nm POINTS: C Veirs-56 J Pfaff-14
- April 8 San Gabriel Cavy BA at Pomona, CA Judge: Carl Earl 12 Dutch BOB: Tort SB-June & Mike Lovejoy BOS: nm 4 Blk: JD-nm 2 Blue: nm 5 Choc: JD-nm 1 Tort: SB-M&J Lovejoy POINTS: J & M Lovejoy-18 5 exhibitors.
- April 8 Houston All Breed RC at Houston, TX Judge: Don Hawkins 22 Dutch
 BOB: Tort SB-N & D Brady BOS: Tort SD-J & D Lorenz 1 Blk: SD-B Thomas 1 Blue:
 SB-B Thomas 17 Tort: SB-N & D Brady 3 Gray: SB-T Kyle POINTS: N & D Brady-173
 J & D Lorenz-86 T Kyle-18 B Thomas-12 4 exhibitors (All members)
- April 9 Tibbar RBA at New Lenox, IL Judge: Oren Reynolds 48 Dutch
 BOB: Blk SD-Al Seeman BOS: Blk SB-Al Seeman 25 Blk: SD-A Seeman 5 Blue: SD
 G & E Williams 7 Choc: SB-D Erickson 4 Tort: SB-J Nelson 2 Steel: SDG & E Williams 5 Gray: SB-G & E Williams POINTS: A Seeman-144 E Corn-101
 El-Bee-R-91 G & E Williams-83 L & J Archer-70 J Nelson-53 D Erickson-46
 D Gehr-37 W Lorenz-18 14 exhibitors (4 non members)
- April 9 Tri-State All Breed RC at Columbus, KS Judge: Fibber McGehee 27 Dutch BOB: Blk SB-L & L Johnson BOS: Blk SD-nm 11 Blk: SB-Johnsons 5 Blue: SB-Addisons 3 Choc: JD-Johnsons 2 Tort: JD-Johnsons 3 Steel: SB-nm 3 Gray: SB-Addisons POINTS: L & L Johnson-109 C Addison-45 J Burton-19 5 exhibitors
- April 9 Cape Fear RBA at Raleigh, NC Judge: Horace Curtis 12 Dutch BOB: Blk JB-nm BOS: Choc JD-Virgil Murphy 6 Blk: JB-nm 2 Blue: JB-nm 4 Choc: JB-V Murphy POINTS: V Murphy-58 J Rose-15 4 exhibitors (Half members)
- April 9 Delaware RBA at Newark, DE Judge: Robert Rome 17 Dutch
 BOB: Gray JB-nm BOS: Blue JD-Diane Borden 9 Blk: SB-J Shutter 2 Blue: SBD Borden 1 Choc: SB-G Strahler 2 Steel: SB-J Gioriolli 2 Gray: JB-nm
 POINTS: J Shutter-56 D Borden-32½ J Giorelli-26 G Strahler-6 8 exhibitors
- April 14-23 Pima Town & Country Fair at Tucson, AZ Judge: 0 Onkst 45 Dutch BOB: Blue SD and BOS: Choc SB- Wenton H Carlton 12 Blk: JB-W Carlton 9 Blue: SD-W Carlton 6 Choc: SB-W Carlton 11 Tort: JB-W Carlton 7 Gray: SB-W Carlton POINTS: W Carlton-335 B Carrasco-54 J Milburn-42 7 exhibitors
- April 15 South Mississippi RBA at Gulfport, MS Judge: E W Storey 10 Dutch BOB: Blk SB-S & F Licciardi BOS: Steel SD-P & S Stockstill 1 Blk: SB-Licciardi 3 Blue: SB-nm 1 Choc: SD-M Mays 2 Tort: SB-M Mays 2 Steel: JB-S Alexander 1 Gray: SD-R & C Pruitt POINTS: P & S STockstill-19 M Mays-18 S & F Licciardi 16 S Alexander-6 B & C Pruitt-6 6 exhibitors

Show Reports

April 15 Chattaneoga RB at Athens, TX Judge: Billy Dodge 104 Dutch

BOB: Blk SB- and BOS: Blue JD-Mae & Mickey Watters

- 50 Blk BV-SB BOV-SD
- 21 SB-1.2.3.4.5,-Watters
- 14 SD-Portwood, Tuck, Watters, Portwood, Watters
- 10 JB-Watters, Tuck, Perry, Griffith, Watters
- 5 JD-Tuck, Perry, Griffith, Watters, Watters
- 22 Blue BV-JD BOV-SB
- 7 SB-Watters, Watters, nm, McPherson, Watters 4 SD-1,2,3, Watters, 4 nm.
- 6 JB-Watters, Watters, Perry, Watters, Watters
- 5 JD-Watters, Watters, Griffith, nm, Perry
- 11 Chocolate BV-SD BOV-SB
- 5 SB-McPherson, 2,3,4, Watters, Tuck
- 4 SD-Watters, Tuck, Watters, Watter

- 2 JD-Griffith, Watters
- 20 Tortoise BV-SD BOV-SB
- 8 SB-Watters, Portwood, 3,4,5, Watters 4 SD-1,2,3,4, Watters
- 6 JB-Tuck, 2,3,4, Watters, McPherson 2 JD-Griffith, Watters
- 1 Steel SB-Portwood
- POINTS: Mae & Mickey Watters-1209 Carolyn & Bill Tuck-183 Joe Portwood-150 W R & Wilma Griffith-74 Fred Perry-73 Allan McPherson-50 11 exhibitors
- April 16 North East Iowa RBA at Waverly, IA disqualified for non report!
- April 16 Central Wisconsin RC at Wisconsin Rapids, WI Judge: Craig Zimmerman 24 Dutc BOB: Blue JB-Roger Guetschow BOS: not listed 7 Blk: SB-nm 9 Blue: JB-R Guetschow 2 Choc: JB-Doubecks Rbty 4 Tort: SB-nm 1 Gray: elim POINTS: R Guetschow-90 Doubecks Rbty-14 5 exhibitors.
- April 16 Central New Hampshire RBA at Contoocook, NH Judge: Robt Noble 23 Dutch BOB: Blk JD-Wm A Schaefer BOS: Blk SB-Wm Schaefer 8 Blk: JD-W Schaefer 9 Choc: SD-Wm Schaefer 6 Tort: SB-W Schaefer POINTS: W Schaefer-248½ 3 ex.
- April 16 North Central Indiana RC at Goshen, IN Judge: Wally Zahn 17 Dutch
 BOB: Gray SB and BOS Steel SD-Sandy & Terry Reed 3 Blk: SB-Reed 6 Blue: JB-Reed
 3 Choc: SB-Reed 1 Tort: JB-J & C Swartz 2 Steel: SB-J & C Swartz 2 Gray: SBReed POINTS: S & T Reed-106% J & C Swartz-36 L & D Boroff-14 3 exhibitors
- April 16 Akron Rabbit Club at Tallmadge, OH Judge: Harold Krahl 43 Dutch
 BOB: Blue JB-J & G Schill BOS: Blue JD-nm 13 Blk: SB-Williamson 13 Blue:
 JB-Schill 4 Choc: SB-Williamson 6 Tort: JD-Schill 4 Steel: SB-T Bauer
 3 Gray: SB-D Nicol POINTS: J & G Schill-241 T Bauer-89 R Williamson-63
 B & T Garfield-30 D Nicol-32 P Junis-8 C Junis-6 J Rieger-6 10 exhibitors
- April 21-23 East Alabama RC at Gadsden, AL Judge: C F Simpkins 50 Dutch
 BOB: Blue SB-Fred Parry BOS: Blk SD-Joe Portwood 33 Blk: SB-nm 7 Blue: Perr
 3 Choc: SD-B Tuck 6 Tort: SB-nm 1 Steel JB-F Perry POINTS: F Perry-314
 B Tuck-146 W & W Griffith-63 Joe Portwood-137 A Svara-16 8 exhibitors
- April 22 Essex County R & CBA at Topsfield, MA Judge: Sam Rizzo 11 Dutch BOB: Blk SB & BOS: Blk SD-Barb & Don Mahan 3 Blk: SB-Mahan 5 Blue: SD-Mahan 1 Choc: SD-nm 2 Gray: JB-Mahan POINTS: Mahan-84½ 2 exhibitors
- April 22 Hudson Valley RBA at Rinebeck, NY Judge: William Franklin 30 Dutch
 BOB: Choc JD & BOS: Choc JB-Clarence Dansro 8 Blk: SB-Timdads Rbty 5 Blue: SBnm 5 Choc: JD-Dansro 5 Tort: SB-Bunny Bunch 1 Steel: JD-R Sidman 6 Gray: SDBunny Bunch POINTS: Timdads Rbty-148 Bunny Bunch Rbty-60 C Dansro-57
 R Sidman-30 10 exhibitors (only 4 members?????)

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO.....

April 22 Satellite RBA at ?, TX Judge: Fibber McGehee 17 Dutch
BOB: Blue SD & BOS: Steel JB-Charles Pipes 4 Blk: SD-B Thomas 4 Blue: SD-C Pips
4 Tort: SB-J & D Lorenz 2 Steel: JB-C Pipes 3 Gray: SD-T Kyle POINTS: C Pipes72½ T Kyle-32 J & D Lorenz-32 B Thomas-30 C Reed-6 5 exhibitors ALL MBRS!!!

April 23 Garden City RBA at Missoula, MT Judge: Lester Helm 8 Dutch BOB: Choc SD & BOS: Choc JB-non member 3 Blk: SB-nm 5 Choc: SD-nm POINTS: E Houseman-12 D Gehrke-8 4 exhibitors

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ALABAMA		· - ::-	INDIANA		
Fred Perry	10	1414	Sandy/Terry Reed	15	5028
ARIZONA		•	Ed Hewson	4	920
Wenton Carlton	12	3453	Curtis Shriver	- 5	408
Judy Olson	5	699	John I Scott	4	346½
Jennifer Milburn	11	637½	IOWA		
Dave Holloway	5	523	Dale Zentner	6	1173
ARKANSAS			Dan Erickson	11	947
Becky/Al Smith	5	470	David Paul	6	761%
Twala/Rhonda Hodg	e 5	184½	Bonnie/Roger Eich	3	555
Perry Appling	3.	178	KANSAS	_	
CALIFORNIA	-	en e	Louise/Lester Johnson	12	3246½
Dave Holland	24	8838½	Robert Ernst	7	1469
June/Mike Lovejoy	15	5291%	Barbara/Conall Addison	n 11	
Laura/Paul Conley		4768%	Marvin Cole	7	
Elmer Paquette	10	1353½	KENTUCKY		
Roxanne Hawkins	10	717		- 3	446
Dani White	12	616	Michael Mayhew	5	500
Norton Raetz	6	597½	Joe Brannock	6	393
Liz Jenner	5	440½	LOUISIANA	Ť	000
CANADA	Ū	2	Michael Constant	- 5	250
P J Eyma	2	400½	Andrew Wingfield	. 4	236½
COLORADO			MARYLAND	-	200/2
Sweet Success Rbt	v 8	2166	Warren McNamara	10	1711
Charles Bedard	11	1338½	Rohrer Rabbitry	2	463
Richard Gassman	7	479%	Lawrence Thompson	3	365½
Pasty/Estel Schul		453½	MASSACHUSETTES	J	303/2
Connecticut		100/2	Barb/Don Mahan	11	13121/2
Wm Schaefer	11	2876½	Mrs C Thompson	10	891
Clarence Dansro	4	176%	Charles Jalbert	11	8651/2
FLORIDA		1.072	Mark Bean	8	652
Karl Damm	5	279½	MICHIGAN	0	052
Butch Johnson	5	118½	Anthony Micallef	10	2760
GEORGIA	Ū	110/2	Lynn Cooper	12	1668%
Ann/Joe Portwood	6	858	Ehnis Rabbitry	5	472
IDAHO	•		Myrl Milhahn	6	472 470
Judy Farmer	5	262	Ray Willey	3	458%
ILLINOIS	Ü	202	MINNESOTA	, J	4200/2
Wm Eck	6	1233	Doreen/Larry Bengtson	19	3020
Elaine/Geo Willia		1171½	Ted Merickel	7	771%
Ev Corn	10	893	MISSISSIPPI	4	111/2
John Nelson	4	854	Suzanne Alexander	a	761
Bob/Bobbi Kahler	7	84 <u>4</u>		9 8	361 274
El-Bee-R Rbty	13		Sal Licciardi	-	274
Al Seeman	8	812½ 760	Patsy/Shirley Stocksti	111 8	9 252
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Adrienne/Wm Loren	z 17	170			

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MISSOURI	o bicepseanes i	OKLAHOMA	بهاخا	
Jack Gilmore 6	1595½	Donnie Showalter	4	91%
Russ Hess 4	448	OREGON	4	31/2
Letha/Don Schultz 4	447	Maxine/George Parmer	5	235
Derek Drefke 5	374	PENNSYLVANIA	J	20.0
MONTANA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Jean/George Schill	27	4950%
Vicki/Ron Stevenson 3	192	Carl Decker	8	$\frac{4330\%}{1718\%}$
NEBRASKA		Aaron Martin	4	564
Deanna Banks 6	4221/2	SOUTH CAROLINA	- *	00-1
NEW JERSEY	-	Al Meier	6	187
Wm Geitzenauer 8	6971/2	SOUTH DAKOTA	Ŭ	101
Hero Wolters 7	2931/2	Judy/Steve Blythe	4	568
NEW MEXICO		TENNESSEE	_	v v
M/M John Norris 2	271	Mae/Mickey Watters	10	64151/2
NEW YORK		Carolyn/Bill Tuck	10	14431/2
Timdads Rabbitry 10	1927	M/M W Griffith	7	728
Howard French 7	1682	TEXAS	•	
Jan Klaben 8	1507	Nelle/Don Brady	12	3132
Bonnie/Dave Guile 8	837	Mae/Michael Sutton	13	31131/2
John Stenson 5	627	Dan Dee Rabbitry	8	2305½
NORTH CAROLINA	r.	Lois/R C Farrill	8	2091½
Michelle/Jennifer Johns		Robert Scott	6	$1970\frac{1}{2}$
Bud Karriker 11	694%	Glenda/Norval Wilburn	9	1453
Virgil Murphy 10	460½	Janet/Donnie Lorenz	13	1264
John Dean 3	301	VERMONT		
OHIO		M M/M Theo Jones	5	464
Macel/Glen Morgan 20	2926	VIRGINIA		
Mike Stinehelfer 13	1769	E D Smith	7	4102%
Millie/Elmer Hand 15	1760%	Stan Freed	6	590½
Sharon Gunsett 13	1681½	WASHINGTON		
Rich Williamson 13	1633	Jim Kelly	2	3611/2
Jack Wireman 18	1284	Glen White	3	285
Andy Barton 13	1106	WISCONSIN		
Norm McNary 8	1064	Roger Guetschow	14	3837
Roy Fox 3	1046½	Anna/Walt Cook	4	1135%

When a local Club purchases a sanction from the American Dutch Rabbit Club, one of the requirements is that the local club pay \$1.00 for Best of each Variety. (A few of our local clubs in Ohio are doing just that-offering only \$1.00 for best of each Variety and NO MORE extra specials are offered.)

Mark Doubeck

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Our entry fees average \$1.25-\$1.50 per head. As you can see, this does not balance out, and with the higher cost of entry fees, many of us are being much more selective with what we show. (Which has its good points.) Entries have been down the last two years (so far in 1978 our entries have increased some), anyway, back to the point. I would like to hear from some of our officers and directors on the following points:

- 1. Does the \$6.00 that a local club pays for a sanction cover the cost of Rosettes, Ribbons, and postage that the ADRC has to pay for these items?
- Can we increase the requirements on the sanction to perhaps \$5.00 for BOB, \$2.50 for BOS and at least \$1.50 for Best of each Variety? (so we can at least get our entry fee back if we win) This would cost the local club

\$16.00. I'm sure most local clubs receive at least double this in entry fees. (These are just examples-Local clubs have other expenses too, such as building rental, judges fees, ribbons, etc.)

3. If these required specials are increased—for the benefit of the local club we can set a limit on the number of entries, such as 50 Dutch must be entered in order to receive the \$5.00 for BOB and perhaps 10 of each variety in order to receive the \$1.50 I'm trying to be fair to the exhibitor, the local club, and the ADRC. So I would really appreciate other comments on this point.

Secondly, there were 3 points brought up at the ADRC meeting held at Canton. One exhibitor said she had never received her \$2.00 from a local club on two best of Variety wins. In a case like this I feel that the ADRC officers should be contacted and the matter investigated with further sanctions being witheld until all is settled. I believe our members should come first in matters like this—They pay twice, membership dues, and entry fees.

Another point brought up was fur classes, apparently the Eastern Dutch promote fur classes more than other parts of the country, and I'm all for it, but I think this is a matter that should be discussed and promoted through State Dutch and Regional Dutch Clubs. Its a beginning point. One thought I had is to include a requirement in the sanction, perhaps that the local club donate \$2.00 for best fur, providing there are 5 or 10 in the class.

Last, another point brought up was a maximum weight for juniors. I'm AGAINST THIS. I haven't heard or discussed the problems that are going on in some areas. I would like to hear more about this, though, and discuss it. But a good Dutch should be above 3½# and pretty close to 4½# by the time it reaches 5½ months of age. The individual who brought this point up at the meeting stated that he has shown Juniors in the Senior class, and I have known other people who do. I don't mind that, but if a 4½# -5 month junior needs to be shown in the Senior class to do well, you've got problems. What are you going to do when that rabbit is mature and overweight? May I suggest a little more inbreeding in your bloodline to bring the size down. Out breeding is needed once in a while to make improvements, but too much is going to create bigger rabbits, and big problems. I have seen some really beautiful Dutch that weigh 5½# that carry the weight well, and have really got what it takes sometimes anyway, lets hear more of the problem and perhaps someone can come up with a solution

By the way, Dutch dress out beautifully at 3 months of age-weighing 21/2#. We have a waiting line of customers who want strictly Dutch for meat.

God Bless you all Georgia Wireman

HARD TO BELIEVE, ISN'T IT &

After reading the May-June issue of the <u>Dutch Reporter</u> show reports, I sat in shock at the number of exhibitors that are Non-members! Let's all, members, of all clubs and states, get these breeders to join. Take your <u>Dutch Reporter</u> your <u>Guide Book to all shows and show them what we have to offer!</u>

AFTER ALL, WE HAVE THE BEST SPECIALTY CLUB!! LET'S PROVE IT WITH THE BEST MEMBERSHIP!!

SUPPORT THESE SHOWS

August 4-6

Marion County Fair at Indianapolis, Indiana
John Keenan 6737 McFarland Road Indianapolis, IN 46227

August 6

Ventura County Rabbit Breeders Association at Ventura, California Elmer Paquette 334 Acacia Road Santa Paula, CA 93060

August 7-12

Teays Valley Rabbit Breeders Association at Chillicothe, OH
Jeanne Maddox Rt 9 Box 39 Chillicothe, OH 45601

New WEstern Michigan Fair at Ludington, Michigan
Mrs Galen R Smith Rt 3 Victory Co Rd Ludington, MI 49431

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B C Thorpe Rt 1 Box 112 Austin, MN 55912

August 10

Clinton Agricultural Society at Wilmington, Ohio Bert Baker 11932 St Rt 729 New Vienna, OH 45159

August 10-15

Wisconsin State Fair at Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Elmer Guetschow 6004 Schroeder Road Madison, WI 53711

August 11-13

Springfield Rabbit Club at Ozark Fairgrounds

Dawn K Forgey Rt 20 Box 437 Springfield, MO 65803

August 11-20

Illinois Rabbit Breeders Association at Springfield, Illinois Kathy Reese 3216 South 4 Street Springfield, IL 62703

August 12

Southwest Rabbit Breeders Association at Keller, Texas
Roselle Antwine 5204 Flamingo Road Fort Worth, TX 76119
Northland Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Association at East Jordan, Michigan
Ray Fisher Rt 2 Box 246E East Jordan, MI 49727

August 14-19

Zanesville Rabbit Breeders Association at Zanesville, Ohio J Robert Jardine 410 Stardust Circle Zanesville, OH 43701 Clermont County Fair at Owensville, Ohio Paul Curtsinger 62 Judd Road Amelia, OH 45102

August 17-27

Iowa State Fair at Des Moines, Iowa Sally Van Horn 5360 Burr Oak Drive Des Moines, IA 50324

August 18-27

Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, Missouri Mrs Pat Ryan Missouri State Fair Box 111 Sedalia, MO 65301

August 19-24

Lima Rabbit Breeders at Lima, Ohio Persetta Bowsher 1420 Trebor Drive Lima, OH 45805

August 19

Genesee County Fair at Mt Morris, Michigan Linda Fleming 7475 North Linden Road Mt Morris, MI 48458 August 19-26

State Fair of West Virginia at Lewisburg, West Virginia G W Rock, Manager Lewisburg, W V 24901

August 20

Calumet Rabbit Breeders Association at Crown Point, Indiana
Icele M Case 3136 North Wozniak Michigan City, IN 46360

August 20-21

National Capital Rabbit Breeders Association at Gaithersburg, Maryland Chris Sainato 4104 Holly Tree Road Temple Hills, MD 20031

August 20-26

Marshfield Agricultural & Horticultural Society at Marshfield Fairgrounds
A P Chandler 19 Tarhiln Road Kingston, MA 02364
Lenawee County Fair at Adrian, Michigan
Don Bills 602 North Dean Street Adrian, MI 49221

August 22-27

Ohio State Fair at Columbus, Ohio
Kathy McDonald 254 Thurman Avenue Columbus, OH 43206

August 24-September 5

Minnesota State Fair at Saint Paul, Minnesota
Doreen Bengtson Rt 1 Lewiston, MN 55952

August 26-September 4

Colorado State Fair at Pueblo, Colorado
Marjorie Vaughn 2416 Rice Avenue Pueblo, CO 81004

August 26 & 27

Benton-Franklin County Fair at Kennewick, Washington Bonnie M Kelly 1025 East 27 Avenue Kennewick, WN 99336

August 27

Paulding Rabbit Breeders Association at Paulding, Ohio Rex Russell Rt 5 Defiance, OH 43512 Heart of Ohio Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Club at Mt Vernon, Ohio Tom D Stream 11072 Blue Road Mt Vernon, OH 43050

August 28-September 2

Cherryland Rabbit Breeders Association at Traverse City, Michigan Robert Sauer 1450 West Street Benzonia, MI 49616

August 30

Michigan State Fair at Detroit, Michigan
Angie Ellis State Fairgrounds Detroit, MI 48203

August 30-September 4

Stark County Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Association at Canton, Ohio
Roger Dent 233 Aultman Avenue North West Canton, OH 44708
Sunflower State Expo Fair at Topeka, Kansas
Roberta Morrissey 1710 South East Tecumseh Road Topeka, KS 66605

August 31-September 4

Canfield Fair at Canflied, Ohio
Grace E Williams Box 27 Canfield, OH 44406

September 2

North Dakota Rabbit Breeders Association at Forman, North Dakota La Vancha Jansen Rt 2 Box 60B Valley City, N D 58072 Van Wert County Rabbit Breeders Association at Van Wert, Ohio Donald Long Rt 3 Box 102 Delphos, OH 45833 September 3

Southeast Arkansas Livestock Show at Pine Bluff, Arkansas Becky Smith Rt 1 Box 337 Pine Bluff, AR 71601

Western Iowa Rabbit Breeders Association at Correctionville, Iowa Marlene Solomon 117 Washington Street Vermillion, South Dakota 57069

September 5-9

Ann Arbor Rabbit Breeders Association at Saline, Michigan Julie Tobias 7563 Saline Water Works Road Saline, MI 48176

September 8-9

Guadalupe County Fair at Guadal upe County Fairgrounds
Betty Altherr 1710 West Kingsbury Street Seguin, TX 78155

September 8-16

York Interstate Fair at York, Pennsylvania Catherine O Morgart 334 Carlisle Avenue York, PA 17404 Tennessee Valley Agricultural & Industrial Fair at Knoxville, Tennessee George C Sliger Box 6066 Knoxville, TN 37914

September 9

Hop To It Rabbit Club at Stewart, Minnesota Paula Bulau Rt 2 Box 219 Glencoe, MN 55336

South Valley Rabbit Warren Association at Morgan Hill, California Barbara Baird 19665 B Hale Avenue Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Fox River Valley Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Association at Kaukanna, Wisconsin Kenneth Fehrman Rt 7 French Road Appleton, WI 54911

Central Virginia Rabbit Breeders AT Centerville, Virginia Lewis Heath Rt 1 Box 207 Mechanicsville, VA 23111

September 9-10

Columbus Rabbit Breeders Association at Hilliards, Ohio
Dolores Breckenridge 1487 Cole Road Columbus, OH 43228
Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson, Ka nsas
Louise Johnson 712 North Street Halstead, KS 67056

September 10

Will County Rabbit Breeders Association at Elwood, Illinois
Norma Hart 7 Belmont % Burt Estates Coal City, IL 60416
Fleur De Lys Rabbit & Cavy Breeders of Quebec at Bedford, Quebec, Canada
Jean Eakins Rt 1 Bedford, Quebec, CANADA JOJ 1A0
Rhode Island Rabbit Breeders Association at Richmond, Rhode Island
Louisa Fenner Box 93 Kenyon, RI 02836

September 13-18

Western Washington Fair at Puyallup, Washington Janice Saum Box 430 Puyallup, WA 98371

September 13-24

New Mexico State Fair at Albuquerque, New Mexico Chloe Baker Box 8546 Albuquerque, N M 87108

September 15-October 1

Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona, California Mrs Vickie Gladney Box 2250 Pomona, CA 91766

September 16

Worcester County Rabbit Breeders Association at Topsfield, Massachusettes John Schlichte 506 Linden Street Boylston, MA 01505

Panhandle Rabbit Breeders Association at Bonners Ferry, Idaho Mary Robertson Star Rt 2 Box 126 Bonners Ferry, ID 83805

Niagara Frontier Rabbit Club at Hamburg, New York Helen M Brose 2973 Upper Mountain Road Sanborn, N Y 14132 September 16

Anoka County Rabbit Club at Elk River, Minnesota
Mary Malikowski 2139 131 Avenue North West Anoka, MN 55303

September 16-17

Indiana State Rabbit Breeders Association at Indianapolis, Indiana Icele Case 3136 North Wozniak Michigan City, IN 46360

September 16-23

Tri State Fair at Amarillo, Texas Betty Futch 2535 Orange Amarillo, TX 79107

September 17

Akron Rabbit Club at Tallmadge, Ohio
Mrs Dorothy Krahl 2555 Wadsworth Road Norton, OH 44203
Mid-States Cavy and Rabbit Breeders at Carlinville, Illinois
Judith C Hupperts Rt 1 Box 73A Brighton, IL 62012

September 23

Capilano Rabbit & Cavy Club at White Rock, BRitish Columbia, CANADA Mrs B Spady 19537 76 Avenue Surrey, B C CANADA V35 4P1

September 23-24

Wisconsin State Rabbit Breeders Association at Jefferson, Wisconsin Larry Schwochert 360 Huntington Road Delafield, WI 53018 Richmond Rabbit Breeders Association at Richmond, Virginia Georgia Sophia 7515 Donder Road Richmond, VA 23229 Illinois Rabbit Breeders Association at Springfield, Illinois

Mrs Moan Dennis 4N670 Country Club Drive West Chicago, IL 60185

September 23-26

National Dairy Cattle Congress at Waterloo, Iowa Richard Byrum Box 298 Waterloo, IA 50704

September 23-30

Lawrence County Rabbit Breeders Association at Lawrenceburg, TN
Krystal McDow Rt 2 Box 111 Lawrenceburg, Tennessee 38464
Panhandle South Plains Fair at Lubbock, Texas
Mrs Rosalie Berry 513 East Kent Lubbock, TX 79403

September 24

Capilano Rabbit & Cavy Club at White Rock, British Columbia, CANADA Mrs B Spady 19537 76 Avenue Surrey, B C , CANADA V35 4P1 Council Bluffs Rabbit Breeders Association at Council Bluffs, Iowa Rex Shelton 415 Fuller Avenue Council Bluffs, IA 51501

Washington County Rabbit Breeders Association at Washington, Pennsylvania Jane N Porter Rt 2 Box 624 Eighty Four, PA 15330

Sandusky Valley Rabbit Breeders Association at Fremont, Ohio Robert Bowman Rt 3 Bellevue, OH 44811

Grand River Rabbit Breeders Association at Chillicothe, Missouri Evonne Peterie Rt 1 Chillicothe, MO 64601

Chemung Valley Rabbit Breeders Association at Elmira, New York
Mrs George Morehead Box 161 Maine, N Y 13802

August 26-27

Northern California Rabbit Breeders Association at Sacramento, California Mrs Charlotte L Martin Rt 2 Box 395A Woodland, CA 95695

September 30

Union Rabbit Breeders Association at Monroe, North Carolina Stan Summerlin Rt 1 Box 246 Monroe, N C 28110 Arizona Rabbit Fanciers Association at Prescott, Arizona Nancy M Carter Box 322 Paulden, AZ 86334 September 30

Minnesota State Rabbit Breeders Association at St Paul, Minnesota Marge & Harry Snyder 19980 Nicolai Avenue Hastings, MN 55033

Rabbit Promoters of San Mateo County at Daly City, California Diane Hansen 1645 Van Buren San Mateo, CA 94403

Pikes Peak Rabbit Breeders Association at Colorado Springs, Colorado Carla Lucas 227 Security Boulevard Security, CO 80911

September 30-October 7

Central Washington Fair at Yakima, Washington Greg Stewart Box 1381 Yakima, WN 98907

October 1

Hendricks County Rabbit Club at Bridgeport, Indiana Caleb Thomas Rt 1 Box 67 Clayton, IN 46118

Harvey County Rabbit Association at Newton, Kansas Ramon Block Rt 2 Peabody, KS 66866

Mohawk Rabbit Breeders Association at Sutton, Massachusettes
A Scott Phillips 559 Prospect Street East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Kettle Moraine Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Association at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin Dennis Janisse Rt 2 Kewaskum, WI 53040

October 2-3

Arkansas State Fair & Stock Show at Little Rock, Arkansas Bill Dorough Box 907 Little Rock, AR 72203

October 4-8

Southern New Mexico State Fair at Las Cruces, New Mexico Daisy Corgan Rt 2 Box 294 Las Cruces, N M 88001

October 6-8

Alabama Rabbit Breeders Association at Birmingham, Alabama
Maxine Coleman 1132 Fieldstown Road Gardendale, AL 35071

October 7

Southern Colorado Rabbit Breeders Association at Pueblo, Colorado Anna Smart 7610 Hyacinth Pueblo, CO 81005

October 7-8

SouthWestern Louisiana Rabbit Breeders Association at Sulphur, Louisiana R D Guthrie 1215 Elizabeth Westlake, Louisiana 70669

October 9-13

American Rabbit Breeders Association Convention at Saginaw, Michigan Jan Ery Box 266 Ranger Highway Morenci, MI 49256

October 13-14

Texas State 4-H at Crane, Texas
Carol Bulman Box 1267 Crane, TX 79731

October 14

Southwestern Dutch Rabbit Club at Lamesa, Texas Linda Scott 1509 S Avenue M Lamesa, TX 79331

Virginia-Carolina Rabbit Breeders Association at Mount Airy, North Carolina Carol T Mounce 5050 Ches Lane Rt 6 Kernersville, NC 27284

October 14-15

North Texas Rabbit BReeders Association at Dallas, Texas Wilma Wilson 11007 Seagoville Road Dallas, TX 75217

October 15

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