

Sussex County Regal Rabbits 4-H Club

RABBIT/CAVY WORKSHOP Saturday, March 30, 2019

Newton High School- 44 Ryerson Ave, Newton, NJ 07860

The 4-H Rabbit/Cavy Workshop is open to all. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children.

We encourage 4-H members, parents, families and 4-H Leaders to attend!

I hope you will take advantage of this special opportunity to learn from some of the top names in the rabbit/cavy industry.

Registration

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Workshops have limited space available. Preference will be given based on the arrival of your paid registration.

Registration Fee

The 4-H registration fee is seven dollars (\$7.00) per person (this fee also applies to 4-H members, family members and leaders). Your fee must be sent with your registration. Registrations must be postmarked by March 20th.

Registration fee for non 4-H participants (youth and adult) is \$7.00 per person.

Walk-in/day of registration fee is \$10.00 per person.

Parents who are attending workshops also must pre-register and pay the registration fee. Parents may choose to stay for the day and not attend workshops, as there is seating available in the cafeteria.

Please make checks payable to "Bunnies-N-Buddies".

Registrations must be postmarked by March 20th, 2019.

Mail registration and fees to: **Mackenzie Kratzsch, 45 Dogwood Drive, Newton, NJ 07860**

Lunch:

There will not be any food available for purchase. Please bring a bagged lunch to eat during lunch.

NO SALE OF ANIMALS IS ALLOWED IN THE SCHOOL. ONLY RABBITS BEING USED IN A WORKSHOP ARE ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING.

Sale rabbits and cavies may be viewed and/or purchased from owner in the parking lot area.

Arrival and Check-in will take place in the rear of the building. Please park and enter in the rear where there will be signage.

SCHEDULE

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Arrival and Check-in
9:35 – 9:50	Opening Assembly
10:00 – 11:00	Workshops “A”
11:05 – 12:05p.m.	Workshops “B”
12:05 - 12:50	Lunch
12:55 – 1:55	Workshops “C”
2:00 – 3:00	Workshops “D”

Any questions or concerns please contact

Mackenzie Kratzsch

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Meet the Instructors

Vincent Consiglio- Massachusetts

Vincent is an animal science major with years of experience with animals. Teaching at many seminars over the years and supporting local youth with projects and to obtain good stock and breed to the ARBA Standards. He is also an ARBA judge.

Kacey & Kalli England- New Jersey

Kacey & Kalli are sisters who grew up in Toms River. They were both apart of several clubs in Ocean County 4-H for about 12 years. The also both were Ocean County 4-H Ambassadors. They have been showing and raising both rabbits & cavies for several years. They both attended the New Jersey State Agricultural Convention the years that they served as ambassadors. They both also had the privilege to attend National 4H Congress in Atlanta Georgia. Kacey also was able to attend National 4-H Conference in Washington DC as well as leadership for life in Ireland during her time as a 4H member. Kacey was also involved in FFA during her High School Career and served as the President of the Ocean County FFA Chapter. Kacey is currently dual major at Delaware Valley University where she studies small animal science and agriculture education. They both raise French Lops, Standard Chinchillas and Jersey Woolies as well as assist their mother with English Angoras. Kalli enjoys raising cavies but primarily focuses on Texels.

Kaitlyn Smith-Conklin -New York

Kaitlyn has been raising fancy and commercial rabbits since 1998. She got her registrars license at the age of 16 and has been an ARBA judge for almost 3years. She has been competing nationally since 2006 and was a 4-H member for 16 years. She is currently serving her 6th year as a 4H volunteer and works for the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. Kaitlyn has also serves as the New York State Rabbit and Cavy Breeders association youth chairman for almost 6years.

Zachary Newman-New Jersey

Zachary is currently a Sophomore at Rutgers University. He is majoring in Environmental Public Policy and minoring in Animal Science. He was a member of Ocean County 4-H for 13years in which he was involved with Rabbits, Poultry, Dairy Goats, Shooting Sports, Swine, Herpetology and a few other project areas. While in 4-H he attended several national events including National 4-H Conference, National Congress, and CWF Presidential Inauguration. He has shown on the ARBA level for about 7 years. He currently raises English & French Lops and received his ARBA Registrars License in 2018. He is also a Director of the Mid Atlantic Lop Club and a member the Guidebook Committee for the Lop Rabbit Club of America.

Nicole Bortz- Pennsylvania

Nicole has been raising rabbits for 15 years. Currently specializing in Tortoise and Broken Tortoise Mini Rex. Showing along with her mom and sister ranking 1st nationally in the Tortoise Variety for the past few years. Their partnership also raises and shows Californians. Other breeds raised have included Satins, Flemish Giants and Rex. Nicole has an ARBA licensed judge for 2years. She also currently serves as President and Show Secretary of the Majestic Mini Rex Club. She is a Director of the Delaware Valley Rabbit Breeders Association, and a 4-H leader in Pennsylvania of the Montgomery County Furry Friends Youth Club.

Denise Ancharski-Stutler- Pennsylvania

Denise is a seasoned rabbit breeder and a 4-Her, having raised rabbits (Rascally Rabbits Rabbitry) and been involved with 4-H since the early nineties. During this time, her family (mom, dad, husband and son) has raised Mini Lops, Dutch, Silver Martens, American Fuzzy Lops, Mini Rex, Mini Satins and Thriantas. Currently, they raise Mini Lops and English Spots. Denise has participated in state and national educational and royalty contests, winning the title 1996 Pennsylvania State Rabbit Queen. She has served in several leadership positions within local and national breed specialty clubs (Mini and Fuzzy Lops) and Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association (PaSRBA). Currently she is the leader of two 4-H rabbit clubs in Bucks County, PA, member of ARBA's Rabbit and Cavy Health Committee and chair of the ARBA's Research and Development Committee.

Denise graduated in 2001 with a Bachelor's degree in Small Animal Science from Delaware Valley College. She began her career as a Transgenic Research Technician and as a Research Associate in the Division of Infectious Diseases Center for Botulism and Biodefense Research (CBBR) at Thomas Jefferson University. During her time at the benchtop, she was an author for ten scientific journal publications, seven scientific poster presentations, and ten abstracts and conference proceedings. Denise received her Master's Degree in Microbiology and Immunology from Thomas Jefferson University, after successfully defending her Thesis entitled *Parenteral, Mucosal, and Transcutaneous Immunization Against Botulinum Neurotoxin Type A With The Non-Toxic Component Of The Toxin*. In 2008, she transitioned to a compliance position within the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). In 2012, Denise accepted an Assistant IACUC Directorship at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). She has since created and directs the Post Approval Monitoring Program for animal research at CHOP. Denise is a member of many professional animal and compliance organizations and has presented at many national conferences.

Linda Keller- New Jersey

Linda has been raising cavies since age 12. She currently holds the office of President of the Mid Atlantic Cavy Breeders Association and is director for the Garden State Rabbit and Cavy Breeders Association. She is a member of both American Rabbit and American Cavy Breeders Associations. She currently raises 4 breeds of cavies that include Abyssinian, American, American Satin and Teddy. She is a leader of the Whiskers & Squeals Sussex County 4-H club as well.

2019 4-H Regal Rabbits Workshop Registration Form

Name _____ Youth _____ Adult _____

Street _____ Town _____

State _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

E-Mail _____

Number of years in the 4-H rabbit/cavy project _____

Name of 4-H Club & County (if a 4-H member) _____

*****Workshops – please use the numbers 1, 2 & 3 to indicate three choices for each time slot.*****

Workshops “A”

_____ Cavy Diseases & Diet

_____ Diseases

_____ Tattooing/Record Keeping

_____ Buying a Show Quality Rabbit

_____ Everything Meat

_____ Standard of Perfection/Obtaining a COD

Workshops “B”

_____ Cavy Breeds & Show Varieties

_____ RHD

_____ Semi- Arch Breeds

_____ Careers with Animals

_____ Becoming a Registrar/Judge

_____ Basic Care of Rabbits/Rabbit 101

_____ Internal Anatomy (Part 1)

Workshops “C”

_____ Breeding & Showing Cavies

_____ Genetics

_____ Rabbit Showmanship

_____ Breeding Rabbits

_____ 4-H Project vs. Social Media vs. Animal Rights Activism

_____ Nutrition/Feeding Practices (Part 2)

Workshops “D”

_____ Cavy 101/Cavy Showmanship

_____ Participation in Youth Activities

_____ Necropsy

_____ Body Types

_____ Diseases

WORKSHOPS “A” – 10:00-11:00am

Cavy Diseases & Diet

Learn all the Cavy Specific diseases, causes, prevention and treatments. Cavy Diet is key to help keep our cavies healthy. Learn feed options and the best feeding practices for a well-balanced diet.

Everything Meat

How to judge meat quality, meat pens, three classes of meat, grading carcass yield, yield gain and weight gain.

Buying a Show Rabbit

What breed is right for you and your family? Where to go, what to look for and all the dos and don'ts of looking for and purchasing a show rabbit.

Tattooing/Record Keeping

Tattooing rabbits & keeping records are very important parts of running a successful rabbitry. Tattooing practice and share ideas on record keeping.

Standard of Perfection & COD

Learn all about the Standard of Perfection. Using/Reading the ARBA Standard of Perfection can be challenging. Learn how this informative book can help you understand your breed and all other breeds of rabbits and cavies. Also learn how to obtain a Certificate of Development to begin the introduction of a new breed or variety.

Rabbit/Cavy Sanitation and Disease Management

This session will provide an overview of rabbit/cavy diseases, causative agents of disease, sanitation practices, and development of good management practices. Participants will be able to develop their own management plan regardless of the number of animals in their herds.

WORKSHOPS “B” – 11:05-12:05pm

Cavy Breeds, Varieties for Showing

Explore the differences between the 13 Cavy Breeds and their colors/variations.

RHD

We have been hearing a lot about RHD so lets learn all about it. Where does it come from? Importance of Biosecurity and all there is to know to keep our animals safe.

Semi-Arch Breeds

These breeds are a unique body type. What breeds fall into this body type and understand a good semi arched typed rabbit looks likes. Semi Arch breeds are a worthwhile experience.

Becoming a Registrar or Judge

Want to take the next step and become a registrar or judge? Bring your questions and learn the steps it takes to accomplish this task!

Basic Care of Rabbits & Rabbit 101

Learn the basics- handling, grooming, nail cutting, clean and proper housing. Proper equipment. Rabbit basic facts

Internal Anatomy (Part 1)

Lets start on the inside and learn the inner makeup of our rabbits and how their bodies work. If you take this class it is recommended to take Part 2.

Careers in Animal Science

This session will provide a brief overview of the career paths available in the Animal Science field. Do you have a love for animals? Explore the many careers available.

WORKSHOPS “C” – 12:55-1:55pm

Breeding and Showing Cavies

All there is to know about breeding cavies. Sexing, breeding and raising healthy litters. As well as showing cavies and how to decide what class they should be entered in.

Genetics

All about colors genetics, dilute vs. non-dilute, pattern colors, broken vs. solid and SO much more!

Showmanship- Rabbit

Become comfortable in learning rabbit showmanship. Think you're already a pro? This workshop can help you spruce up and perfect your showmanship.

Breeding Rabbits

Workshop will include how to sex your rabbit, breeding, kindling and raising healthy litters. Also keeping records in your rabbitry from breeding, to showing, making a pedigree and much more.

Nutrition/Feeding Practices (Part 2)

You have learned the internal anatomy of your rabbits, now we will learn how Nutrition & Feeding practices are important to keep everything working right.

4-H Projects vs. Social Media vs. Animal Rights Activism

This session will provide way to balance having a 4-H project in the world of social media and animal rights activists on social media and at events such as shows and fairs.

WORKSHOPS “D”- 2:00-3:00pm

Showmanship- Cavy/Cavy 101

Become knowledgeable and comfortable in learning cavy showmanship all while brushing up on your cavy facts.

Necropsy

This workshop will involve a live necropsy of a previously diseased specimen. Find out the cause of death while looking inside and learning all about the inner parts of a rabbit.

Youth Contests/Royalty

Looking to compete in youth contests/royalty but aren't sure what to expect. Learn the process, what to expect, what to study and how to prepare yourself for these great learning experiences.

Body Types

Every breed of Rabbit falls into one of the several body types. Learn the body types, the breeds that fall into them and the differences between them.

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