

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SHOWS, INC.

2011 TEAM JUDGING CONTEST

ENTRY FEES:

- 1) \$0.00
- 2) Submit at least one educational item to the 2011 RMHS State Convention.
- 3) At check in on Saturday, please bring two (2) raffle items for the Sunday RMHS Youth Contest Raffle.
- 4) All youth entering this competition **MUST** enter rabbits in the RMHS Convention Show.
- 5) All youth entering the competition are required to work: either behind the show table sometime during the State Convention, and/or the youth raffle table on Sunday.

Send 1 copy of the contest entry form and 1 copy of your current ARBA and RMHS membership cards to: rockysbest@aol.com, Rosie Scanlon, 21580 E 118th Ave., Commerce City, CO 80022-9640.

ENTRY MUST BE EMAILED OR POSTMARKED BY: **March 26, 2011.**

1. State judge-off will be held during RMHS State Convention April 30 – May 1, 2011, Pueblo, Colorado
2. ARBA National Team Judging Contest Rules will apply. Complete set of Rules for all youth contest can be found in the ARBA yearbook. Please watch “Domestic Rabbit” or the ARBA website for specific or additional rules.
3. Contestants must participate in their true age group.
4. Participation in the Judging Contest and Breed Identification Contest may be done without filing a Royalty application.
5. Copy of **current** ARBA & RMHS membership card must accompany entry form. **Entries will not be accepted without copies of membership cards enclosed.** All applications received with incorrect membership expiration dates will be returned and the youth will be ineligible to compete in the 2011 Judging Contest.
6. **RMHS and ARBA memberships must expire after November 2, 2011.**
7. Winners and alternates will be announced at the RMHS Banquet/General Membership meeting.
8. State Contest will be used to determine eligibility for the National Contest.
9. Contestant must be willing and able to attend the ARBA National Convention. Parent(s) of Contestant must provide or arrange all transportation and travel expenses to the ARBA Convention for Contestant.
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11. Team members and alternates **MUST GIVE A DEFINITE COMMITTEMENT** by July 31, 2011. Please call or email Rosie Scanlon (303) 654-1936, email address rockysbest@aol.com, and advise her of your status.
12. Alternates, **please be very prepared to attend the ARBA Convention.** Due to the fact our state competition is held so early in the year, our alternates often are asked to go to Nationals.
13. Any State Team member unable to attend the ARBA Convention must notify Rosie Scanlon (303) 654-1936 immediately.
14. For additional information contact Rita Lipke or Rosie Scanlon (303) 654-1936, email rockysbest@aol.com.

Colorado State Team Breed Identification

Each team member will be required to identify 25 animals, both rabbits and cavies, listing the complete breed name as printed in the ARBA Standard of Perfection. They will also identify the showroom variety, whether a 4 class or 6 class breed, and the registration variety of each of the 25 animals. A separate animal or question will act as a tie-breaker.

Breed ID Rules

1. No abbreviations allowed. For example: you **must** write Californian not “Cal”.
2. Show Room Variety/Group: List the show room classification (color), as they would be called to the judging table, not necessarily the variety.
3. List if the animal is a 4 class or 6 class breed.
4. Registration Variety. This is the variety (color) on the pedigree or registration. If the breed has only one variety or no variety listed under the breed, the show room classifications will be “Standard”.
5. No talking while in the breed ID area.
6. Breed Identification Score will be used in determining Judging Team members.

NOTE: The ARBA “Individual Judging Contests” requires a separate application that must be requested from ARBA, completed and returned to ARBA by the Contestant. **Entry deadline for ARBA Youth Contest is typically September 1.** Participation in the Colorado Team Judging does not enter you in any other contest. ARBA requires a “Contest Participation Release Form” included with all entries. ARBA youth contest are usually held on Sunday. Call backs to break ties are posted Monday, with re-judging on Tuesday.

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YOUTH CONTEST PARTICIPANT’S OBLIGATIONS

Youth Contest participants and winners are Rabbit Goodwill Ambassadors

1. Wear your Contest attire at all rabbit functions.
2. Volunteer to assist behind the show table at each show you attend. Older members as ramrods or comment takers. Younger members as runners, getting drinks or general assistance. **VOLUNTEER!**
3. Send an educational entry to A.R.B.A. National Convention.
4. Promote your hobby. Mentor a new rabbit enthusiast.

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