

# 2024

## Stark County Junior Fair Rabbit Rules



**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN ENTRY!!**

**DEADLINE IS JULY 26<sup>th</sup> 2024**  
***NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED***

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# RABBIT RULES 2024

## JUNIOR FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Stark County Junior Fair operates under the authority of and in conjunction with the Stark County Senior Fair Board. The Junior Fair Board is a department of the Stark County Fair with its own objectives. These objectives in many instances, require rules or guidelines that differ significantly from those of other Stark County Fair Departments.

Any boy or girl enrolled in a Stark County Youth organization is eligible to participate in the Stark County Junior Fair. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization (4H, FFA, Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.)

1. To participate in 4H activities, youth must comply with the State 4H membership policy. 4H eligibility begins at age 5 (AND in Kindergarten as of January 1) and ends December 31st of the year in which they attain the age of 19.
2. Exhibitors in 4H classes must be enrolled in 4H club work in Stark County. Exhibits must be from 4H projects approved by the State or Local Extension office.
3. All members are encouraged to show in open class events.
4. Health rules for the livestock exhibits are the same as those governing all open class exhibits. Health papers must be shown, if requested, to the proper person before an animal is assigned a stall.
5. The Board of Directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society will, to the best of their ability, safeguard persons, livestock and articles on the grounds, but will not be responsible for injury, damage, disease, theft or loss of any kind.
6. Animals released due to illness or injury must have a signed release from the Vet, Junior Fair Coordinator and/or barn superintendent. Anyone who removes an animal without permission will be subject to a 1-yr. suspension.
7. Members must clean stalls or pens daily and keep the area neat and attractive. The committee reserves the right to withhold payment if any exhibitor does not keep his/her area clean and/or feed and water livestock.
8. Anyone assisting with showing another exhibitor's animal must be enrolled as a current 4H or FFA or other youth organization member in Stark County.
9. All animals must remain on exhibit at the fair until 6:00pm on Monday, the last day of the fair, EXCEPT market animals.
10. All animals sold remain the property of the member and in the member's care until fair release time, 4:00pm, Monday, the last day of fair.
11. Animals sold are not eligible to be shown again by that exhibitor or any other 4H or FFA member in any Junior Show in the county or state or independent fair in the same year.
12. Exhibitors are responsible for their own veterinary bill.
13. Veterinarians assigned to the fair for check-in will decide all matters of health, presence of disease and stall release.
14. Ribbons and suitable award will be provided by the Fair Board. It is the privilege of the Fair Board to

prorate cash premiums if the budget is exceeded.

15. Eligible youth may be members of both 4H (clubs) and vocational agriculture (FFA) or of either group. In all cases, separate and different projects (also different animals and/or products) must be carried in 4H and in vocational agriculture by a member belonging in both organizations. Examples of different and separate projects are sheep breeding, market lambs, pullets, broiler. The same or similar animals or products cannot be shown in both organizations even though they may be carried under different projects or programs. An animal or product may not be shown in more than one county in 4H or FFA classes.
16. Stark County youth programs and the Junior Fair Board will not condone the use of alcohol or drugs by any of its members, volunteers, or anyone else associated with the Junior Fair. The Junior Fair Coordinator, Junior Fair Board advisors, FFA advisors, Extension office and the Senior Fair Board will contact parents or legal authorities to handle individuals caught using or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
17. If a project animal dies after the designated possession date, members will not be permitted to replace the animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale in any Junior Fair event.
18. **All entries are due on or before midnight of July 26, 2024 – NO EXCEPTIONS.**
19. For all market animals that will be shown, grooming must be done by Stark County Junior Fair exhibitor or the exhibitors immediate family (reference Ohio Administrative Code: Chapter 901-19(P))["Family" means the immediate family of an exhibitor, including but not limited to the exhibitor's parent, step-parent, foster parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, foster grandparent, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister, son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter or guardian]. A current Stark County junior fair exhibitor may also assist. This includes all projects entered in the Stark County Jr. Fair show during the Stark County Fair August 27 to September 2, 2024. Consequence of rule is no sale of animal.
20. No one is to handle a junior fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the junior fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency. Committee members may handle animals during the normal course of their duties (i.e., show, sale, weigh-in, pictures, loading, unloading).
21. Judge's decisions are final in accordance with other published committee rules.
22. Any Medical/School excuses must be submitted in writing to Committee Chair and Junior Fair Coordinator.
23. ***It is MANDATORY for all Junior Fair exhibitors taking to attend a QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING CLINIC (QA) by June 1 prior to the fair. Any member who does not attend a QA, will not be allowed to show at fair.***
24. ***Exhibitors must complete a DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF) for all market and lactating animals prior to show. Those who do not comply WILL NOT be permitted to show. Ohio Revised Code 901-19-06 and 901-19-07 (mandated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture). All Junior Fair Livestock should be drug residue free on the first day of fair unless specified on the DUNF. All members will be responsible for the care of their animals until completion of the Fair or until drug withdrawal period elapses, or if quarantined.***

## I. RABBIT RULES

1. Project animals must be purebred animals according to American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA). Contact a member of the Rabbit & Cavy Committee for help in finding purebred rabbits.
2. Rabbit projects must be taken in order, regardless of the number of rabbits the exhibitor is showing at the fair. Projects should not be repeated.
3. All rabbits exhibited must be permanently earmarked by a legible tattoo in the rabbit's left ear, prior to fair check in. All tattoos must be done by the final July Entry Clinic Free (only exception is meat pens) or there will be a \$5.00 fee per rabbit.
4. Rabbits exhibited must be clean, free of parasites and in good health. The superintendent may send any animal home at their discretion.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for caring for their project animals through the last day of the fair. Care includes: Checking in or out, cleaning pens, and feeding and watering on a **daily basis**. **Any failure to fulfill these requirements will result in forfeiture of premium money. NO EARLY DEPARTURES.** Exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own feed, feed and water containers and bedding. (Bedding will be provided the first day of the fair only.)
6. No locks may be placed on cages. Zip ties are permitted.
7. All animals sold in **any** Junior Fair Show throughout the state **may not** be shown in any other Junior Fair Show within the same year.
8. There must be a minimum of 7 rabbits in a breed with a minimum of 2 exhibitors for exhibitors to be eligible for awards. Rosettes will be awarded if there are less than 7 animals.
9. Exhibitors winning an award must turn in a thank you letter, addressed and **stamped**, to the Junior Fair Rabbit committee by Saturday during the fair. The Rabbit & Cavy Committee will give out sponsors names and addresses after the show.
10. In the event that a project animal dies after the designated possession date, member will **not** be permitted to replace that animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale. However, you may replace it for the purpose of completing the project, showmanship, or skill-a-thon. Exhibitors should report the death of any animal immediately to a committee member.
11. All exhibitors will receive a \$5.00 premium per rabbit project registration.
12. *Parents or Advisors need to contact a member of the Rabbit & Cavy Committee if they have a participant with a learning or physical disability.*
13. Each exhibitor should attend the Jr. Fair Rabbit Show and show their own rabbit(s). If this is not possible, you must notify the committee and you must find another Junior Fair exhibitor to show for you.
14. **Market Projects - Thank you notes for buyers must be turned into a Rabbit and Cavy committee member before 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2024, for you to receive your check.**
15. **The Pet Rabbit Project is no longer a Junior Fair Project. Please contact 4-H Extension Office for rules and information. PET RABBITS WILL NOT BE EXHIBITED AT THE FAIR!**

**For all youth wishing to exhibit rabbits at the Junior Fair it is *HIGHLY RECOMMENDED* to attend the July Pre-registration Entry Clinic. For all First- and Second-Year Members it is *MANDATORY* to attend the Spring Educational clinic. Roaster, Meat Pen AND Fryer Exhibitors must also attend a Quality Assurance Clinic.**

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

**II. PURCHASING/POSSESSION RABBIT**

All rabbits must be in the possession of the exhibitor by **May 25** to be able to show at the Stark County Fair. **EXCEPTION:** Meat Pen and Junior aged rabbits, which are raised by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must have in their possession, the Dam (mother) of any Homegrown Meat Pens, or Junior aged rabbits shown. Project Animals must be of American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) standard breeds.

**III. CHECKING IN / CHECKING OUT**

- All rabbits must be checked in with the Junior Fair Show Secretary, at the Rabbit barn, on Monday August 26, between 12pm and 8pm. **ALL RABBITS MUST BE CHECKED IN AND OUT WITH THE JR. FAIR SECRETARY. NO EXCEPTIONS**
- **All rabbits will remain on exhibit until 6:00 p.m. on the last day of the fair**, except sold or meat pen, roaster, and fryer rabbits, which are released at 4:00 p.m. **NO RABBITS will be released except through the Jr. Fair Show Secretary.** If an animal is removed from the fair early, without checking with a committee member or Junior Fair Show Secretary, you will not be permitted to show at the fair next year!

**IV. SKILLATHON**

**A. PROJECT COMPLETION**

The Junior Fair Rabbit & Cavy Committee has determined that each exhibitor **MUST** complete a Skill-a-thon, for project completion. *Check calendar for date & time.*

**Divisions:**

Senior	15 years and up
Intermediate	12 – 14 years
Junior	9 – 11 years
First Year (In project only)	8 years and up

1. Exhibitors must bring completed project books and a one-page report to Skill-a-thon. If unable to attend Skill-a-thon, books and one-page report must be turned in to a committee member before Saturday, AUGUST 24, 2024. If books and reports are not turned in by deadline, your rabbits will not compete for any awards. Your animals will be judged at the end of the class for comments ONLY.
2. Skill-a-thon will consist of 5-6 stations, with each station being timed, to evaluate project knowledge.

#### IV. RABBIT FAIR CLASSES

For all classes, you must complete the member project guidelines, focus questions=one-page report, Quality Assurance section, medication scenario, and record section of the project book.

##### A. RABBIT I

1. First year exhibitors – begin project book, Breeding Rabbits - Beginner Level.
  - a. This project may exhibit **TWO** pens.
  - b. Requires **ONE** Buck and ONE Doe of the same breed.

##### B. RABBIT II

1. Exhibitors who have completed Rabbit Fair Class I – continue with Breeding Rabbit beginner level.
  - a. May exhibit **FOUR** pens.
  - b. Requires **ONE** Senior and **ONE** Intermediate/Junior and **TWO** of Exhibitor’s Choice from class list.
  - c. All rabbits shown **must be** of the same breed, offspring recommended.

##### C. RABBIT III

1. Exhibitors who have completed Rabbit Fair Class II – Move into Breeding Rabbit – Intermediate Level.
  - a. May exhibit **SIX** pens.
  - b. **Two** breeds can be shown.
    - i. If exhibiting one breed – Requires: 2 Seniors, 2 Junior or Intermediate and 2 Exhibitors Choice.
    - ii. If exhibiting two breeds- Requires **ONE** Senior of each breed and **TWO** Intermediate/Junior of either breed and **TWO** Exhibitor’s Choice from class list.  
*Exhibitors Choice may NOT include Meat Pen and/or single fryer.*

##### D. RABBIT IV

1. Exhibitors who have completed Rabbit Fair Class III – complete Breeding Rabbits Project Book – Intermediate Level.
2. May exhibit **EIGHT** Breeding Pens.
  - a. Breeding Project Requirements:
    - i. Exhibiting One Breed - Requires **TWO** Senior, **TWO** Intermediate/Junior and **FOUR** of Exhibitor’s Choice from class list.
    - ii. Exhibiting Two Breeds – Requires **TWO** Senior of each breed, **TWO** Intermediate/Junior (either breed) and **TWO** of Exhibitors Choice from class list, using either breed to fill pens.

## E. RABBIT V

1. Exhibitors who have completed Rabbit Fair Class IV – begin Advanced Level “Breeding Rabbits” project book.
  - a. May exhibit 10 pens.
  - b. **THREE** breeds may be exhibited in Rabbit V.
    - i. Exhibiting One Breed – requires **TWO Senior**, **TWO Intermediate/Junior** and **SIX** of Exhibitors Choice from class list.
    - ii. Exhibiting Two Breeds – Requires **TWO Senior** of each breed, **TWO Intermediate/Junior** and **FOUR** of Exhibitors Choice from class list, using either breed to fill pens.
    - iii. Exhibiting Three Breeds – Requires **ONE Senior** of each breed, **ONE Intermediate/Junior** of each breed, and **FOUR Exhibitor’s Choice**.

## F. RABBIT VI & UP

1. Exhibitors who have completed Rabbit Fair Class V, use rabbit project book, Breeding Rabbits – Advanced Level. May exhibit **TEN** pens. **FOUR** breeds may be exhibited in Rabbit VI & Up.
  - a. Exhibiting One Breed – requires **TWO Senior**, **TWO Intermediate/Junior** and **SIX** of Exhibitors Choice from class list. Exhibitor’s Choice may NOT include Meat Pen and/or single fryers.
  - b. Exhibiting Two Breeds – Requires **TWO Senior** of each breed, **TWO Intermediate/Junior** of each breed and **TWO** of Exhibitors Choice from class list, using either breed to fill pens. Exhibitor’s choice may NOT include meat pen and/or single fryers.
  - c. Exhibiting Three Breeds - Requires **ONE Senior** of each breed, **ONE Intermediate/Junior** of each breed, and **FOUR** of Exhibitors Choice from class list, using either breed to fill pens. Exhibitor’s choice may NOT include meat pen and/or single fryers.
  - d. Exhibiting Four Breeds – Requires **ONE Senior** of each breed, **ONE Intermediate/Junior** of each breed and **TWO Exhibitor’s Choice** of any breed to fill pens.

**\*\*THE COMMITTEE HIGHLY RECOMMENDS A NEW PROJECT BOOK  
AFTER THE BOOK HAS BEEN USED FOR TWO or THREE YEARS! \*\***

## **CLASS LIST**

### **SIX CLASS BREEDS**

Senior Buck (Over 8 Months)  
Senior Doe (Over 8 Months)  
Intermediate Buck (6-8Months)  
Intermediate Doe (6-8 Months)  
Junior Buck Under (6 Months)  
Junior Doe Under (6 Months)  
Pre-Junior Buck (Under 3 Mos.) \*\*Must Own Mother  
Pre-Junior Doe (Under 3 Mos.) \*\*Must Own Mother  
Homegrown Rabbit Meat Pen \*\* Must Own Mother

### **FOUR CLASS BREEDS**

Senior Buck (Over 6 Months)  
Senior Doe (Over 6 Months)  
Junior Buck (Under 6 Months)  
Junior Doe (Under 6 Months)

### **American Rabbit Breeders Association - Standard Breeds**

#### **Six Class Breeds**

American	American Chinchilla	New Zealand*#
Giant Angora	Cinnamon #	Palomino*#
Beveren #	Cream D'Argent#	Satin*
Blanc de Hotot#	Flemish Giant	Silver Fox
Californian *#	English Lop	Argent Brun
Champagne D'Argent *#	Giant Chinchilla#	
Checkered Giant #	French Lop	

*\* Good for Meat Pen Use*

*# Has a Pre-Junior Class*

**Six Class Breeds** – Rabbits, that at their ideal senior weight is 9 pounds and over. These breeds are divided in to six classes. Some are even divided further to 8 classes adding the pre-Junior Bucks and Does.

#### **Four Class Breeds**

American Fuzzy Lop	Dwarf Hotot	Mini Lop
American Sable	English Spot	Mini Rex
English Angora	Florida White	Netherland Dwarf
French Angora	Harlequin	Polish
Satin Angora	Havana	Rex
Belgian Hare	Himalayan	Rhineland
Britannia Petite	Jersey Wooly	Silver
Standard Chinchilla	Lilac	Silver Marten
Dutch	Holland Lop	Tan
Thrianta	Mini Satin	Lionhead
Dwarf Papillon	Czech Frosty	Blue Holicer

**Four Class Breeds** – Rabbits, that at their ideal senior weight is under 9 pounds. These breeds are divided into four classes.



## V. JUNIOR FAIR MARKET ANIMAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS – (MEAT PEN RABBITS, FRYERS & ROASTERS)

**IN ORDER TO TAKE A *Homegrown* MEAT PEN, ROASTER, AND/OR SINGLE FRYER PROJECT, YOU MUST ALSO TAKE A BREEDING PROJECT! YOU MUST RAISE YOUR OWN *Homegrown* MEAT PEN, ROASTER, AND SINGLE FRYER RABBITS.**

*Meat animals do not have to be the same breed as your breeding animal project.*

**\*\*MUST COMPLETE NEW RABBIT RECORD BOOK (MARKETING SECTIONS), THE QUALITY ASSURANCE SECTION (Medication scenarios), RECORDS SECTION, MEMBERS PROJECT GUIDELINES, MARKET PROJECT POSTER AND ONE PAGE REPORT (Focus Questions) AND COMPLETED DUNF FORM\*\***

- **First and Second Year: Work on Beginner level in the above-mentioned book;**
- **Third and Fourth Year: Work on Intermediate level in the above-mentioned book;**
- **Fifth Year and Up: Work on the Advanced level in the above-mentioned book.**
- **Market Project 1 or 2: May exhibit ONE Rabbit Meat Pen and/or Single Fryer, and/or Roaster.**
- **Market Project 3 and above: May exhibit TWO Meat Pens and/or Single Fryers, and/or Roasters**

1. Exhibitors must have in their possession the dam (mother) of any Homegrown meat pen, fryer, or roaster exhibited. **You may not purchase meat pen and/or fryer animals. YOU MUST RAISE YOUR OWN MEAT PEN, SINGLE FRYER, and ROASTER RABBIT PROJECTS.**
2. All qualifying meat pens, fryer, and/or roaster projects will be sold at auction. (Contact Buyers for the Auction). Grand and Reserve Champion Homegrown Meat Pen, Fryer and Roaster projects may be processed by a Commercial Processor.
3. All meat pens, fryer and/or roaster projects must be entered with all other Junior Fair rabbits by July 26, 2024.
4. For each meat pen group entered, six ear numbers may be placed on the entry form. This allows exhibitors to choose the three best rabbits, per pen at fair time.
5. For Single Fryer and Roaster projects, you may list up to FOUR tattoo numbers. This way you can choose the best One or Two fryers or roasters to bring to the fair. Tattoo numbers may be out of meat pen numbers or can be totally different tattoo numbers.
6. **SINGLE FRYERS CANNOT BE ONE OF THE RABBITS OUT OF YOUR MEAT PEN PROJECT BEING SHOWN.**
7. Meat Pens must contain three rabbits of the same breed and from the same litter. They may not be more than 70 days old on the day of the Meat Pen Show. SINGLE FRYERS MAY NOT BE MORE THAN 70 DAYS OLD ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW.

8. Meat Pen and Single Fryer rabbits must weigh from 3.0 to 5.5 pounds. **Roasters need to be UNDER 6 MONTHS OF AGE AND WEIGH between 5.5-9 pounds on the day of the show. \*\*\*\*UNDERWEIGHT ANIMALS CAN BE SHOWN IN THEIR RESPECTIVE CLASS BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD AT THE AUCTION. THEY CAN BE SOLD IN THE BARN ONLY.\*\*\*\*\***
9. Judging of meat pens will be based on meat type (conformation), condition of flesh, uniformity in body and weight of the pen (all three rabbits), and condition of fur.
10. Single fryer & Roaster judging will be based on meat type (conformation), condition of flesh, and condition of the fur.
11. The exact date of birth must accompany each Junior Fair Meat Pen, single fryer and/or roaster entered on the form. **Contact a committee member within 1 to 2 days after kindled (birth).** A date will be set for a home visit within 2 weeks (last week of June, first week of July). **(If a committee member is not contacted for a home visit you may exhibit at the fair for remarks only not for an award or sell at the Jr. Fair Auction.) Optional facetime / Zoom inspections set up with Committee member.**
12. There will be a \$3.00 commission taken out of each meat pen and \$1.50 single fryer and roaster project sold, monies to go to the Stark County Jr Fair Marketing Committee. Exceptions: a 6% Commission will be taken out of the Grand Champion Meat Pen, Grand Champion Single Fryer, and Grand Champion Roaster and a 3 ½ % commission will be taken out of the Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen, Reserve Grand Champion Single Fryer, and Reserve Grand Champion Roaster.
13. You must be present for Meat Pen, Fryer, and Roaster Project Pictures. (Time to be announced)
14. **Thank you notes for buyers must be written and turned into a Rabbit and Cavy committee member before 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2024 in order for you to receive your check.**

### **Extended Market Rabbit Project**

**In response to purchasing market rabbit projects as they do with other market animals, one additional project is being offered. This class is designed to introduce members into the commercial rabbit industry.**

**Homegrown or Purchased Roaster class – will be one single animal either sex, under six months of age weighing between 5.5#-9# on the date of the show. Animals under or over weight will not be considered for champion. This animal must be in your possession by June 1, 2024 with check/tag in by the committee at the Fairgrounds. (Kindled after March 1, 2024)**

**Those youth participating only in the purchased Roaster will be required to complete Skillathon.**

- **Requirement will be a poster on market rabbits and/or buyer appreciation. Examples; sample thank you letters, buyers letters, commercial breeds, cuts of meat, etc. TURN IN POSTER AT FAIR CHECK ON AUGUST 26, 2024**
- **A copy of your receipt of purchase must be included in your Skillathon material/report**

- Showmanship will be optional not required.
- Youth participating in breeding classes DO NOT have the option to opt out of showmanship
- You may list up to FOUR tattoo numbers. This way you can choose the BEST one or two animals to bring to the Fair.

**AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION (ARBA) RULES  
DO NOT APPLY IN THE COMPETITION**

**VI. RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

1. **SHOWMANSHIP IS MANDATORY FOR FIRST- AND SECOND-YEAR EXHIBITORS and Showmanship is strongly recommended for all other exhibitors. Exhibitors entering showmanship must sign in and you must have the tattoo number of your animal you are using! Check calendar for dates and times.**
2. **Exhibitors must show their own project animal, which is entered on their entry form.** (See exception Rabbit Rule #10 and contact a committee member as soon as possible) Any member not doing so will be disqualified from showmanship competition and forfeit any showmanship awards. In case of a tie, all exhibitors involved must be present. Any exhibitor not present will forfeit.
3. Exhibitors should have a good understanding of what is expected of them and their project before entering showmanship classes. Attend the Spring Clinic for additional information.
4. Exhibitors should be appropriately dressed. Wear a long-sleeved jacket, which can be removed after judging and will protect exhibitor’s arms and clothing. This jacket need not be a show coat or white shirt. NO hats, jewelry, or nail polish should be worn. NO gum, and hair should be pulled back.
5. Showmanship classes are determined by age as of January 1, current year.

SENIOR	15 YEARS & UP
INTERMEDIATE	12-14 YEARS
JUNIOR	9 –11 YEARS
FIRST YEAR	8 YEARS & UP

(First Year Showmanship class limited to those taking a rabbit project for the first time)

6. All awards and score sheets will be awarded at the completion of all the showmanship classes.
7. **An exhibitor may win only once in a Showmanship class.** These exhibitors may compete in Champion of Champion Showmanship while waiting to move into the next showmanship class.
8. Any member, whose enrollment form was received after the March 15 deadline, may compete for remarks only, not awards.

### **VIII. CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

1. Winners of Rabbit Showmanship classes (see list above) and any other exhibitors who have won or participated in Champion of Champions in the past but are not eligible to move into the next class yet may participate in Champion of Champions.
2. Champion of Champions Rabbit Showmanship will be held the same day as Skillathon/Showmanship on August 17<sup>th</sup>. The order of competition will be decided by a drawing, held before the competition.
3. The winner of Champion of Champions will participate in the Showman of Showman Contest. If the Champion does not wish to participate, the Reserve Champion may go in his/her place. The winner of Champion of Champions may return to defend the title each year until they advance to the next age division. Then they must start over again.

### **VIII. RABBIT SALES**

Any exhibitor may put their Junior Fair Rabbit(s) up for sale, after the show, by entering the information in the Junior Fair Rabbit Sales Book. There will be a 10% Sales Commission taken from exhibitor's check to be used for the Jr. Fair Rabbit & Cavy Committee expenses.

#### **2023 JUNIOR FAIR RABBIT MEAT PEN CHAMPIONS**

<b>Grand Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Noah Mackey</b>	<b>Twitcher's Rabbit &amp; Cavy 4H Club</b>
<b>Reserve Champion:</b>	<b>Larry Mackey</b>	<b>Twitcher's Rabbit &amp; Cavy 4H Club</b>

#### **2023 JUNIOR FAIR SINGLE FRYER CHAMPIONS**

<b>Grand Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Larry Mackey</b>	<b>Twitcher's Rabbit &amp; Cavy 4H Club</b>
<b>Reserve Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Noah Mackey</b>	<b>Twitcher's Rabbit &amp; Cavy 4H Club</b>

#### **2023 JUNIOR FAIR ROASTER CHAMPIONS**

<b>Grand Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Caitlyn Arbogast</b>	<b>Little Rascals 4H Club</b>
<b>Reserve Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Isabella Arbogast</b>	<b>Little Rascals 4H Club</b>

#### **2023 JUNIOR FAIR RABBIT CHAMPIONS**

<b>Grand Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Ellie Exposito</b>	<b>Twitcher's Rabbit &amp; Cavy 4H Club</b>
<b>Reserve Champion Winner:</b>	<b>Aidan Arbogast</b>	<b>Little Rascals 4H Club</b>

## **2024 RABBIT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- February 17** Stark County Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Sanctioned Open & Youth Show. All are encouraged to attend and show (Stark County Fairgrounds)
- February 18** Summit County Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Sanctioned Open & Youth Show (SC Fairgrounds)
- April 21** Educational Clinic – Art Hall at Fairgrounds 1-3 p.m.  
**\*\*Mandatory clinic for first and second-year members to exhibit at the fair\*\***
- May 25** Exhibitor MUST have their rabbit in their possession Exception: Meat Pens or Junior Aged Rabbits (MUST have Mother)
- June 1** Roaster Tattoo Clinic **MANDATORY CHECK IN** Rabbit Barn
- July 20** Pre-registration Clinic: Stark County Fairgrounds  
9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. **Must bring entry form and all animals and that will be exhibited. This will be the only day to get your animals pre-registered for the fair. This will be the last chance to have your animals tattooed for free. After the July clinic the charge will be \$5.00 per animal. Exceptions: Meat Pens and Fryers**
- July 26** Stark County Junior Fair entries due **ONLINE**
- August 17** **Skillathon & Showmanship:** Stark County Fairgrounds Begins at 9 a.m. (Skillathon from 9am – noon) Sign in begins at 8:30 am Showmanship classes: Intermediate & Senior start at 9:00 am (all must be signed in by 9:00 a.m.) **First Year and Junior Class to Follow; Showmanship will continue until all classes are finished. \*\*You must have your rabbit's tattoo number with you for showmanship sign-in & the one that you have entered for 2024 Fair\*\***
- August 26** Stark County Fair Check In 12pm. to 8pm. **TURN IN MARKETING POSTERS**
- August 27 – Sept. 2** Stark County Fair
- August 27** Meat Pen/Single Fryer/ Roaster Rabbit Show 3:00 pm
- August 28** 4-H Rabbit Show 9:00 a.m.  
**\*\*Meat Pen Auction\*\* 6:00 p.m.**
- August 30** Scavenger Hunt, Rabbit Barn 9am-8pm
- August 31** Rabbit and Cavy Costume Class, 3pm  
Market Project Thank You Notes deadline 4 p.m.
- September 2** Check out day 6 pm – 8 pm. Must check out with Jr. Fair Show Secretary (Clean your pens before you leave!)
- September 4** Pen Tear-down/Barn Cleanup: 5pm until done - **\*\*Junior Fair Help is Needed\*\***

**2024 RABBIT COMMITTEE**

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Rosemary Nau	5348 Georgetown Rd., NE	E. Canton 44730	330-488-1275
George Heitger	2815 Manchester Rd.	N. Lawrence 44666	330-844-9553
Laurie Brennan	2063 Manchester NW	Massillon 44647	330-417-0218
Taylor Jordan	962 Kenyon Ave	Massillon, OH	330-417-4542
Caryn Arbogast	634 Colebrook St.	Louisville 44641	330.495.2418
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