



**2016**  
**ARBA**  
**YOUTH CONTEST**  
**RESULTS**

**Total Youth Participants 280**  
**Total Entries in All Contests 1309**

<b>T-Shirt</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>228</b>
Participant	10	SkillaThon	16
Volunteer	7	Junior	42
<b>Management</b>	<b>105</b>	Intermediate	75
Cavy	13	Senior	95
Limited	35	<b>Royalty</b>	<b>132</b>
Average	36	Lord	3
Unlimited	21	Lady	6
<b>Achievement</b>	<b>110</b>	Prince	8
Junior	26	Princess	15
Intermediate	35	Duke	8
Senior	49	Duchess	34
<b>Breed ID</b>	<b>242</b>	King	12
Junior	64	Queen	46
Intermediate	80		
Senior	98		
<b>Educational</b>			<b>475</b>
Art – Drawing			44
Art – Painting			22
Art - Sculpture or Carving			12
Crafts - Any Other Craft			33
Crafts - Ceramics or Pottery			11
Crafts - Clothing (made by the exhibitor)			11
Crafts - Handmade Jewelry			12
Crafts – Needlework			14
Crafts - Puppet or Stuffed Animal			9
Crafts - Stenciled Item			6
Crafts - Wearable Art			7
Creative Writing – Poem			21
Creative Writing - Short Story			23
Display			13
Game			11
Poster			39
Photography - Photo Series			28
Photography - Single Photo – BW			56
Photography - Single Photo – Color			82
Woodworking and Metalworking –Decorative			11
Woodworking and Metalworking - Rabbit or Cavy Equipment			10

## Tee Shirt Design Contest Participant

National Winner

**ABIGAEEL MAY - CA**

National 1st Runner-up

**MELINDA PIEKSTRA - WA**

National 2nd Runner-up

**MADISON R SHAW - PA**

National 3rd Runner-up

**DIXIE CORBIN - FL**

National 4th Runner-up

**ABIGAIL CORBIN - FL**

## Tee Shirt Design Contest Volunteer

National Winner

**ALLISON HORVATH - IN**

National 1st Runner-up

**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

National 2nd Runner-up

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**

National 3rd Runner-up

**HANNAH TOERING - AZ**

National 4th Runner-up

**LINDSEY VAUGHT - CA**

## Management Contest Cavy

District Winner - District 1

**ALYSSA WELTER - OR**

District Winner - District 4

**LEEANDRA RUPPLE - CO**

District Winner - District 7

**ELIZABETH FREY - NY**

District Winner - District 8

**WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**

## Management Contest Cavy

National Winner

**ALYSSA WELTER - OR**

National 1st Runner-up

**TRINITY SERAFIN - OR**

National 2nd Runner-up

**AMY KOVICH - WA**

National 3rd Runner-up

**VIRGINIA HARNESS - ID**

National 4th Runner-up

**LEEANDRA RUPPLE - CO**

## Management Contest Limited

District Winner - District 1

**LOLA MELENDEZ - OR**

District Winner - District 2

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**

District Winner - District 3

**ANGELA PENTERMAN - WI**

District Winner - District 4

**KLAIRE SPIRZ - CO**

District Winner - District 5

**KALEIGH SALZMAN - KS**

District Winner - District 6

**JAMES KUHLMAN - FL**

District Winner - District 7

**KENNETH MARION - NY**

District Winner - District 8

**MARA FRANCE - OH**

District Winner - District 9

**JACOB UDOVICH - MD**

## Management Contest Limited

National Winner

**KALEIGH SALZMAN - KS**

National 1st Runner-up

**LOLA MELENDEZ - OR**

National 2nd Runner-up

**ELLA KONENCY - WA**

National 3rd Runner-up

**ANGELA PENTERMAN - WI**

National 4th Runner-up

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**

## Management Contest Average

District Winner - District 1  
District Winner - District 2  
District Winner - District 3  
District Winner - District 4  
District Winner - District 5  
District Winner - District 6  
District Winner - District 8  
District Winner - District 9

**KAITLIN SMITH - WA**  
**AUDREY HENNIGAN - CA**  
**EMILY MAKOS - WI**  
**JESSICA DORN - TX**  
**JULIA MADDOCK - KS**  
**PIEPER JAEHN - FL**  
**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**  
**MADISON R SHAW - PA**

## Management Contest Average

National Winner  
National 1st Runner-up  
National 2nd Runner-up  
National 3rd Runner-up  
National 4th Runner-up

**JULIA MADDOCK - KS**  
**KAITLIN SMITH - WA**  
**EMILY MAKOS - WI**  
**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**  
**SARAH KOVICH - WA**

## Management Contest Unlimited

District Winner - District 1  
District Winner - District 2  
District Winner - District 4  
District Winner - District 5  
District Winner - District 6  
District Winner - District 7  
District Winner - District 8  
District Winner - District 9

**PJ HEUSTED - WA**  
**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**  
**KENDALL LISLE - TX**  
**MADELYNN YALOWITZ - KS**  
**EMILY POZNANIAK - FL**  
**ALEXANDER UCIECHOWSKI - NY**  
**KIRSTEN MORRIS - IN**  
**ELI BELL - PA**

## Management Contest Unlimited

National Winner  
National 1st Runner-up  
National 2nd Runner-up  
National 3rd Runner-up

**MADELYNN YALOWITZ - KS**  
**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**  
**PJ HEUSTED - WA**  
**AMBERLIN FLEMING - AZ**  
**KIRSTEN MORRIS - IN**

## Achievement Contest Junior

District Winner - District 1  
District Winner - District 2  
District Winner - District 3  
District Winner - District 4  
District Winner - District 5  
District Winner - District 6  
District Winner - District 7  
District Winner - District 8  
District Winner - District 9

**ISABELLA STOUFFER - WA**  
**TRINITY ROACH - CA**  
**MATTHEW BOEDER - WI**  
**KLAIRE SPIRZ - CO**  
**CLARA JOHNSON - KS**  
**LYLABETH CORBIN - FL**  
**ALEXANDER UCIECHOWSKI - NY**  
**WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**  
**ISAAC BELL - PA**

## Achievement Contest Junior

National Winner

National 1st Runner-up

National 2nd Runner-up

National 3rd Runner-up

National 4th Runner-up

**ISAAC BELL - PA**

**ELI BELL - PA**

**LEVI BELL - PA**

**CALEB BELL - PA**

**WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**

## Achievement Contest Intermediate

District Winner - District 1

District Winner - District 2

District Winner - District 4

District Winner - District 5

District Winner - District 6

District Winner - District 7

District Winner - District 8

District Winner - District 9

**SARAH KOVICH - WA**

**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**

**MORGAN BARBA - CO**

**VICTORIA BRYAN - KS**

**SOFIA DELISA - GA**

**REBECCA COOMBE - NY**

**PIPER PHILLIPS - IN**

**JACOB BELL - PA**

## Achievement Contest Intermediate

National Winner

National 1st Runner-up

National 2nd Runner-up

National 3rd Runner-up

National 4th Runner-up

**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**

**JACOB BELL - PA**

**LENA MAGEE - CA**

**SOFIA DELISA - GA**

**PIPER PHILLIPS - IN**

## Achievement Contest Senior

District Winner - District 1

District Winner - District 2

District Winner - District 3

District Winner - District 4

District Winner - District 5

District Winner - District 6

District Winner - District 7

District Winner - District 8

District Winner - District 9

**ALYSSA WELTER - OR**

**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**

**ANGELA PENTERMAN - WI**

**RACHEL PENTERMAN - WI**

**LIANA DORN - TX**

**KALEIGH SALZMAN - KS**

**DESTINY BEARDEN - LA**

**CHASE DOMINGUE - LA**

**ELIZABETH FREY - NY**

**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

**SHIRLANN HARMON - PA**

## Achievement Contest Senior

National Winner

National 1st Runner-up

National 3rd Runner-up

National 4th Runner-up

**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

**KALEIGH SALZMAN - KS**

**ALYSSA WELTER - OR**

**SHIRLANN HARMON - PA**

**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**

## Educational Contest Best of Class Winners

Each division lists Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Division class winners.

National winners marked with an \* and underlined.

### Art

Art - Drawing

**IVY HARNESS - ID**  
**PIPER PHILLIPS - IN**  
**EMMA PERSON - MN**

Art - Painting

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**  
**JESSIE-LAUREN FOSTER - WY**  
**\*MELINDA PIEKSTRA - WA**

Art - Sculpture or Carving

**MICHAEL ROBERTS - CA**  
**LENA MAGEE - CA**  
**n/a**

### Craft

Crafts - Any Other Craft

**CARMELLA TERRONES - WA**  
**LARA TAYLOR - CA**  
**\*JORDAN SAGER - CO**

Crafts - Ceramics or Pottery

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**  
**KENZIE HAYES - NM**  
**HALEY AMIRSEHI - CA**

Crafts - Clothing (made by the exhibitor)

**TRISTA FRY - CA**  
**SARAH GALKOWSKI - IA**  
**SISSY SUGARMAN - CA**

Crafts - Handmade Jewelry

**PEYTON PROCTOR - MI**  
**SARAH GALKOWSKI - IA**  
**n/a**

Crafts - Needlework

**ISABELLA STOUFFER - WA**  
**ROBERT BJ JONES - IA**  
**MADISON R SHAW - PA**

Crafts - Puppet or Stuffed Animal

**MICHAEL ROBERTS - CA**  
**SISSY SUGARMAN - CA**  
**n/a**

Crafts - Stenciled Item

**n/a**  
**ROBERT BJ JONES - IA**  
**n/a**

Crafts - Wearable Art

**SELAH GALKOWSKI - IA**  
**ROBERT BJ JONES - IA**  
**MADISON R SHAW - PA**

### Creative Writing

Creative Writing - Poem

**TRISTA FRY - CA**  
**CLAIRE FERNANDEZ - CA**  
**RILEY ROBERTSON - TX**

Creative Writing - Short Story

**RACHEL EMMA ROBERTSON - TX**  
**\*CLARA HILL-GASTON - CA**  
**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

### Photography

Photography - Photo Series

**CARMELLA TERRONES - WA**  
**SARAH GALKOWSKI - IA**  
**EMILY ROBERTS - OR**

Photography - Single Photo - BW

**HENLEY BALLINGER - TX**  
**ALINA ADAMS - WA**  
**KIRSTEN MORRIS - IN**

Photography - Single Photo - Color

**IVY HARNESS - ID**  
**CODY MORRIS - IN**  
**\*GRACE A BETZ - IL**

### Poster/Display/Game

Display

**SELAH GALKOWSKI - IA**  
**\*ROBERT BJ JONES - IA**  
**GRACE A BETZ - IL**

Game

**ELYSE PAUKEN - OR**  
**AMY KOVICH - WA**  
**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

Poster

**TRISTA FRY - CA**  
**SARAH KOVICH - WA**  
**BAILIE SHULTZ - WA**

### Wood and Metal

Woodworking and Metalworking - Decorative

**TRISTA FRY - CA**  
**\*ROBERT BJ JONES - IA**  
**n/a**

Woodworking and Metalworking - Rabbit or Cavy  
Equipment

**n/a**  
**HANNAH OTTO - CA**  
**EMILY ELIZABETH ZIMMER - IN**

## Individual ID Contest Junior

National Winner  
National 1st Runner-up  
National 2nd Runner-up  
National 3rd Runner-up  
National 4th Runner-up

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**  
**ISABELLA STOUFFER - WA**  
**ISAAC BELL - PA**  
**EMMA JOHNSON - KS**  
**CALEB BELL - PA**

## Individual ID Contest Intermediate

National Winner  
National 1st Runner-up  
National 2nd Runner-up  
National 3rd Runner-up  
National 4th Runner-up

**MORGAN BARBA - CO**  
**PIPER PHILLIPS - IN**  
**SANDIS WALTER - CO**  
**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**  
**ALINA ADAMS - WA**

## Individual ID Contest Senior

National Winner  
National 1st Runner-up  
National 2nd Runner-up  
National 3rd Runner-up  
National 4th Runner-up

**ELIZABETH SANDY - WA**  
**CHRISTINE L TOERING - AZ**  
**JULIA MADDOCK - KS**  
**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**  
**PJ HEUSTED - WA**

## Team ID Contest Junior

National Winner - Team Bell

**CALEB BELL - PA**  
**ELI BELL - PA**  
**ISAAC BELL - PA**  
**LEVI BELL - PA**

National 1st Runner-up - CA State Junior Team

**AVA CURLETTO - CA**  
**BETTINA CURLETTO - CA**  
**ISABELLA POLASIK - CA**  
**TRINITY ROACH - CA**

National 2nd Runner-up - District 1 Breed ID 1

**AUBREY BRYAN - WY**  
**IVY HARNESS - ID**  
**JESSICA HOFFMAN - WY**  
**MAYA LOWDER - ID**

## Team ID Contest Intermediate

National Winner - Team OH Intermediate Breed ID **EMMA EARLY - OH**  
**ELISE SILIPINI - OH**  
**DEE DEE SONCRANT - OH**  
**JOSEPH SONCRANT - OH**

National 1st Runner-up - Colorado Intermediate **MORGAN BARBA - CO**  
**TARYN DOWDEN - CO**  
**SANDIS WALTER - CO**  
**OCEANA WILLIS - CO**

National 2nd Runner-up - WA Breed ID 1 **ALINA ADAMS - WA**  
**ELLA KONENCY - WA**  
**KAITLIN SMITH - WA**  
**ISABELLA TERRONES - WA**

## Team ID Contest Senior

National Winner - WA Breed ID 1 **KATE BIAS - WA**  
**PJ HEUSTED - WA**  
**ASHLEY MAHAFFEY - WA**  
**ELIZABETH SANDY - WA**

National 1st Runner-up - CA State Senior Team **AUDREY HENNIGAN - CA**  
**SARAH MARTIN - CA**  
**LINDSEY VAUGHT - CA**  
**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**

National 2nd Runner-up - D2 Breed ID Team **MEGAN BINFORD - CA**  
**JORDAN MINER - CA**  
**SETH THOMAS - NV**  
**CHRISTINE TOERING - AZ**

## Individual Contests Junior

National Winner **TRINITY ROACH - CA**

National 1st Runner-up **WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**

National 2nd Runner-up **ISAAC BELL - PA**

National 3rd Runner-up **SAM SONCRANT - OH**

National 4th Runner-up **CALEB BELL - PA**

## Individual Contests Intermediate

National Winner **LAYNA HOFF - MN**

National 1st Runner-up **CLAYTON SCHWENDIMANN - WI**

National 2nd Runner-up **FAITH WYLIE - TX**

National 3rd Runner-up **ISABELLA TERRONES - WA**

National 4th Runner-up **TRINITY SERAFIN - OR**



## Individual Contests Senior

National Winner

National 1st Runner-up

National 2nd Runner-up

National 3rd Runner-up

National 4th Runner-up

**EMMA PERSOON - MN**

**MELANIE LYONS - NY**

**BRENNA WHITE - IN**

**ABIGAIL LUERSSEN - WI**

**LOLA MELENDEZ - OR**

## Team Contest Junior

National Winner - CA State Quizbowl

**AVA CURLETTO - CA**

**BETTINA CURLETTO - CA**

**ISABELLA POLASIK - CA**

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**

National 1st Runner-up - Team D8 Promising Juniors

**NATHAN BOYCE - IN**

**RANDI CARPENTER - IN**

**WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**

**PEYTON PROCTOR - MI**

**SAM SONCRANT - OH**

National 2nd Runner-up - D1 Quizbowl

**AUBREY BRYAN - WY**

**IVY HARNESS - ID**

**HAYDEN HOFFMAN - WY**

**JESSICA HOFFMAN - WY**

**MAYA LOWDER - ID**

**JARED TALMADGE - WY**

## Team Contest Intermediate

National Winner - District 9 Intermediates

**JACOB BELL - PA**

**AIDAN DOUGLAS - MD**

**JACOB UDOVICH - MD**

**JOEY UDOVICH - MD**

National 1st Runner-up - Colorado Intermediate

**TARYN DOWDEN - CO**

**MADISON MORTIMER - CO**

**STELLA WALTER - CO**

**OCEANA WILLIS - CO**

National 2nd Runner-up - Team OH Intermediate

**EMMA EARLY - OH**

**ELISE SILIPINI - OH**

**DEE DEE SONCRANT - OH**

**JOSEPH SONCRANT - OH**

## Team Contest Senior

National Winner - Wisconsin Senior Judging Team **ELLA BREITENFELDT - WI**  
**GRACE LEGRAVE - WI**  
**ABIGAIL LUERSSEN - WI**  
**RACHEL PENTERMAN - WI**

National 1st Runner-up - CA State Team Senior **AUDREY HENNIGAN - CA**  
**SARAH MARTIN - CA**  
**LINDSEY VAUGHT - CA**  
**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**

National 2nd Runner-up - District 9 Seniors **KARA HUTCHISON - MD**  
**BRIANNA KELLY - MD**  
**ANDREW MILES - PA**  
**MADISON R SHAW - PA**

## Royalty Contest Lord

ARBA Lord  
1st Runner-up Lord  
2nd Runner-up Lord

**LEVI BELL - PA**  
**WESTON JOHNSON - KS**  
**ALESSANDRO CURLETTO - CA**

## Royalty Contest Lady

ARBA Lady  
1st Runner-up Lady  
2nd Runner-up Lady  
3rd Runner-up Lady  
4th Runner-up Lady

**PEYTON PROCTOR - MI**  
**ABBY FORRESTER - WA**  
**ABIGAIL BELL - PA**  
**CHEYENNE HARTFIELD - TX**  
**KLAIRE SPIRZ - CO**

## Royalty Contest Prince

ARBA Prince  
1st Runner-up Prince  
2nd Runner-up Prince  
3rd Runner-up Prince  
4th Runner-up Prince

**ISAAC BELL - PA**  
**CALEB BELL - PA**  
**ELI BELL - PA**  
**SAM SONCRANT - OH**  
**NIKOLAI S KALININ - MD**

## Royalty Contest Princess

ARBA Princess  
1st Runner-up Princess  
2nd Runner-up Princess  
3rd Runner-up Princess  
4th Runner-up Princess

**TRINITY ROACH - CA**  
**WILLOW PHILLIPS - IN**  
**AVA CURLETTO - CA**  
**MAYA LOWDER - ID**  
**ISABELLA STOUFFER - WA**

Royalty Contest Duke

ARBA Duke  
1st Runner-up Duke  
2nd Runner-up Duke  
3rd Runner-up Duke  
4th Runner-up Duke

**JOSEPH SONCRANT - OH**  
**JOEY UDOVICH - MD**  
**JACOB BELL - PA**  
**JACOB UDOVICH - MD**  
**CODY MORRIS - IN**

Royalty Contest Duchess

ARBA Duchess  
1st Runner-up Duchess  
2nd Runner-up Duchess  
3rd Runner-up Duchess  
4th Runner-up Duchess

**PIPER PHILLIPS - IN**  
**ABIGAIL POLASIK - CA**  
**ALINA ADAMS - WA**  
**KAITLIN SMITH - WA**  
**MORGAN BARBA - CO**

Royalty Contest King

ARBA King  
1st Runner-up King  
2nd Runner-up King  
3rd Runner-up King  
4th Runner-up King

**DALE MIZE III - MI**  
**JON HERBERT - MO**  
**TREVOR SIERZPUTOWSKI - IN**  
**DYLAN WHITMER - IN**  
**CARL ELMORE - IN**

Royalty Contest Queen

ARBA Queen  
1st Runner-up Queen  
2nd Runner-up Queen  
3rd Runner-up Queen  
4th Runner-up Queen

**EMILY ROBERTS - OR**  
**PJ HEUSTED - WA**  
**ELIZABETH SANDY - WA**  
**JULIA MADDOCK - KS**  
**BAILEY WALVOORD - CA**

## Royalty Contest Lord



Hi, my name is Levi Bell. I am in 3rd grade and am homeschooled. I am 8 years old. Currently, I am the 2016 PaSRBA Lord and was the 2015 ARBA Lord. I have 5 siblings: Jacob, Caleb, Isaac, Eli, and Abigail. I am the second youngest. My parents are Brian and Ruth-Ann Bell. My mom is an ARBA judge. Both of my parents run shows like the Pa State Convention.

I raise all of the varieties of Havanas. I also raise white New Zealands, Silver Fox, Californians, Mini Lops, and all of the varieties of Tans. I also have black, chocolate, and blue Himalayans. I have red, black, and golden agouti American cavies. Whenever I show, I show as a team with my siblings. I like to play with the animals and work with them. Someday I want to raise Flemish Giants. Someday I also want to be a judge.

I am a member of the Fur and Feathers 4-H Club, Dauphin County Youth Rabbit Club, Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association, Mid-Atlantic Rabbit and Cavy Shows, Lebanon Valley Rabbit Breeders, the East Coast Havana Organization, and the Mid-Atlantic Tan Club. I like to help at shows with setting up and tearing down. I like to help other people with their rabbits. I like to help to write for my mom when she judges. I like to help at Farm Show and Ag Progress Days, letting people touch the rabbits and cavies. I teach people at these events about rabbits and cavies and hand out samples of rabbit meat. This spring we went to the governor's mansion with rabbits, let kids pet the rabbits during an Easter Egg hunt, and we spoke with the governor. Another time we also went to the capitol early this spring, spoke with our State Representative and told all of the people to not take 4-H away.

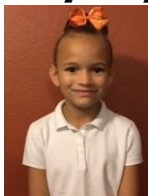
Besides the rabbits and cavies, we have buff Orpington chickens, chocolate Orpington, khaki Campbell and Pekin ducks, guinea hens, and some cats. I used to have Nigerian Dwarf goats, but we gave them to the Schmittels so they could use them for petting zoo animals. I would like to have sheep.

I like to play with my mom, dad, and siblings. We like to go kayaking together. I enjoy flying mom, dad, and my Uncle Neil. I like to go to church AWANA club. This summer I was a junior VBS junior leader where I helped with directing younger kids. I like to square dance and I'm a part of the Juniata County Junior Hillbillies square dance set.

With this project, I am going to learn to take care of things. I am going to learn to teach other people about bunnies. I am going to learn how to lose happily and win very happily. I am learning to encourage people, even when I lose. It is going to teach me how to keep good records. It teaches me to work as a team to get chores done. It helps me learn to talk in front of other people. I am learning how to make decisions. These things will help me with disappointments when I grow up. Someday I want to be in the Air Force. I will need to know how to take care of things, teach others, be kind, encourage people, keep good records, work as a team, talk to groups, and make good decisions when I am in the Air Force.

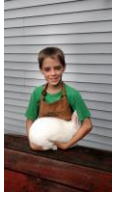
Thank you for letting me be the ARBA Lord. I will try to do my very best and a good job to teach and encourage others

## Royalty Contest Lady



Hello my name is Peyton Proctor and I am 8 years old. I attend Jennings Elementary School in Quincy, MI and am in the second grade. I raise Mini Lops, Polish, and American Cavies. I have been showing rabbits since 2014. Besides showing rabbits I show dogs at my county fair. I enjoy dancing, spending time with my sister, and friends. I also like to go to movies. I would like to thank everyone that has helped me especially my Mom, my sister, Bryan Shirk, Ed Mercer.

## Royalty Contest Prince



Hi! My name is Isaac Bell. I live in Lebanon, PA. I am 11 years old and am in 6th grade in my homeschool that we call the Bell Academy. I have four brothers, one who is my twin, and one little sister. I am number three in line out of the six of us.

I am involved with the Fur and Feathers 4-H Club in Dauphin County, PA. Mrs. Lori Jo is my leader. I was also in the Hoppin' Habbits youth club where I was a director. My brothers, sister, and I raise black, blue, broken, and chocolate Havanas, Silver Fox, black, blue, and chocolate Tans, Californians, and White New Zealands. We also raise Red, Black, and Golden Agouti American cavies. I show my Havanas and New Zealands and like to do showmanship with them. I help at shows by watching rabbits and cavies that are put on the table. I also help by writing for judges at shows. I like to help with whatever I can at all shows and fairs that I go to. My mom is a rabbit judge and I like to go to shows whenever I can with her. I was the 2013 American Rabbit Breeders Association Lord, 2014 American Rabbit Breeders Association Prince, and I am also currently the 2015 American Rabbit Breeders Association Prince. I have helped my mom and other friends set-up and tear down shows and fairs.

Besides our rabbits, I used to raise Nigerian Dwarf goats. I loved to feed, water, and hay my goats and also clean out their pens. I also liked to play with my goats. A couple years ago, I watched the birth of one of our goats. It was cool to see a goat give birth to a baby. I also had two hooded rats named Moose and Franklin. I liked to play with moose and Franklin and put him on my shoulders and head. About every 2 years we get baby Buff Orpingtons chickens. Our sister named them Ariel, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, Snow White, Rapunzel, and Strawberry Shortcake. We also get Peking ducklings and Khaki Campbell ducks.

Besides playing with animals, I like to ride scooters and bikes with my brothers. I like to fly in our family's Taylorcraft whenever I can. I would like to be a pilot someday and would like to live close to my mom and dad so that I can fly with them. When I grow up, I would like to be a baseball player. I would also like to be a rabbit judge because I like to raise rabbits.

Thank you for letting me be the 2016 American Rabbit Breeders Association Prince. I look forward to teaching others more about rabbits and I hope to have a good time.

## Royalty Contest Princess



If you are reading this, then I am your 2016 ARBA Princess! My name is Trinity Roach and I am 11 years old. I am in the Tremont 4H Club in Dixon, CA. I live with my mom, step dad, baby brother and sister (twins!) 2 dogs, 1 cat, 2 guinea pigs and a bunch of bunnies in Fairfield, CA. I am in the 6th grade at Heritage Peak Charter School. Some of my non-rabbit hobbies include singing, drawing, ice skating and Shotokan Karate where I am currently a blue belt. I love to travel with my family, especially to my home state of Mississippi. I've been on at least 5 cruises and have visited places like Canada, New England, the Mexican Riviera, the Bahamas, the Florida Keys and other places in the Caribbean. I got into rabbits in 2012 when I learned that my mom had raised rabbits in 4H. Since then I've won several Best and Best Opposite of Breeds and some Specialty Best in Shows. I just won my first all breed Best In Show with my American cavy sow! I started participating in the Royalty contests in 2014 at Cal State. Since then I've won 2 West Coast Classic Princess titles, 1 Cal State Princess title, 2 Arizona State Princess titles, 1 Mother Lode Rabbit and Cavy Princess title, 1 Cal State Jr Achievement win and an Average Management win also at Cal State. My proudest achievements have been my wins at the ARBA Conventions the last 2 years. In Fort Worth my District 2 Jr Quiz Bowl Team was National Runner Up. In Portland my California Quiz Bowl Team won National Champion and I was also 1st Runner Up for National Rabbit Princess! Of course I wouldn't be able to have done any of this without the support of my parents and leaders. I want to send a huge thank you to my parents, my rabbit leader Melinda Smith (who is also my mom!), and all of the judges who have helped me through the last few years

## Royalty Contest Duke



Hi my name is Joe Soncrant, and I want to start off saying congratulation to everyone who participated in the 2016 ARBA royalty contest. Also, if you are reading this, a youth member, and going to nationals next year, I highly suggest you participate in this great event. Some people might think that they are too young, but the youngest participants can be 5 years old. Ask your parents if you can participate, or parents get your kids to participate.

Now a little about myself. I am 14 years old, in 9th grade at Chardon High School, and live in Chardon, Ohio. I have a brother named Sam, and a sister named Dee Dee, who also raise rabbit, and our rabbitry is called Kits 3 Rabbitry. I have been raising Netherland Dwarfs for 5 years now. I currently raise and show them in the varieties of Blue, Black, Chocolate, REW's, Chestnut, Opal, Black Silver Marten, Blue Silver Martens, Siamese Sable Martens, Smoke Pearl Marten, and Otters in Black, Blue and Chocolate. My personal favorite is the Opal because the color is unique. It presents a challenge for me with all the genetic problems such as no ring color, wrong belly under color, white or mismatched toenails and finally white spots. The challenge helps me understand what to breed, to get the traits I am looking for in a quality Opal.

I am a member of the Hare Raisers 4-H club in Geauga County, Ohio and have placed first in showmanship the last four years and, last year I won Showman of Showman. This year at the 2016 Ohio State Fair I placed 4th in Showmanship, second in Breed Identification, second in Skillathon, and 4th in Judging. I placed 2nd in team judging at nationals in 2014.

I am involved with boy scouts, have obtained the rank of star, and office of Senior Patrol Leader, which means I lead all of the boys ages 10-18 years old. I enjoy camping out, community service projects and teaching the newer scouts the skills I have learned. I act as an assistant den chief with my brother's Cub Scout den. As part of this I help the adult's run the meetings, coordinate events and teach the younger scouts the scouting skills that they need for the arrow of light. This then teaches me the life skills of leadership, patience, responsibility. I spend most of my free time fishing, trap shooting, hiking, biking, or just being outside. One of the biggest fish I ever caught was a 24 inch channel catfish.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who have helped me to get to this point. In addition, I would like to thank all of the volunteer that helped with the royalty selection process and anyone who help in the planning and running of the 2016 American Rabbit Breeders National Convention.

## Royalty Contest Duchess



Hi, I'm Piper Phillips. It is my pleasure to serve as this year's ARBA Duchess. My family is from Indiana, where we have a small rabbitry and caviary. I got started in rabbits because I wanted a pet. My mom had rabbits when she was little. We got our first rabbit when I was 5. I was permanently hooked! I have participated in many shows since then. I've made lots of friends through rabbits and caviaries. This is my 5th time to be able to show at the ARBA National Convention, and I hope to participate in many, many more.

I love my rabbits and caviaries, and would like to learn as much as I can about them. When I am not in the barn, I enjoy being on the swim team, knitting, drawing, spinning, and spending time with my family. I would like to thank my parents, my sister Willow, and my Grandpa and Grandma Pike for their help and support in my project, and for helping me learn to take good care of my animals. Thank you to the American Rabbit Breeder's Association for naming me ARBA Duchess 2016.

## Royalty Contest King



Hi, my name is Dale Mize and I am 17 years old and I'm from Fowlerville, Michigan. I am currently a Senior at Fowlerville High School, and plan to attend Oakland University next fall to pursue a degree in Political Science and Law. I raise and show Tan rabbits and Abyssinian and Abyssinian Satin cavies. I am also currently active in the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Michigan Rabbit Breeders Association, American Tan Rabbit Specialty Club, American Cavy Breeders Association, and The Fuzzycritters 4-H club. I got started in rabbits by my aunt Kathy Erway, she gave me a Jr. Buck black Tan which started this whole crazy thing for me, this thing called "showing rabbits". So, I started showing him and soon found a black Sr. doe to breed to him and that's when my rabbit project took off. My cavy project got started when I went to the Michigan State 4-H Show and bought a Roan Sr. boar Abyssinian from Becky Dubbink and started showing him. Then later that year I bought a Brindle Jr. sow from Amy Newberry to breed to my boar. Then throughout the year Mike Ginder helped me and my breeding program. Being in the rabbit world has been one of the greatest experiences of my life and has taught me countless lessons. Sportsmanship, responsibility, teamwork, and leadership are just a few of these lessons. Along with being President of the Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Youth Association, some of my achievements include, making the Top 15 in individual judging at the National Rabbit and Cavy Convention in 2012, 1st judging team at the National Rabbit and Cavy Convention in 2012, 2nd Runner- Up Duke at the 2013 ARBA Convention, and winning 2nd place Breed ID Team in 2014 at the ARBA Convention. I am also a Cavy Registrar, and I have plans to become a rabbit registrar too. Once I finish my Rabbit Registrar's stuff, I hope to eventually become a dual judge for cavies and rabbits. Lastly, I would like to give a huge thank-you to everyone who's helped me, and to all of my friends I have made due to this hobby, because I surely could not have achieved this honor without everyone's help and support.

## Royalty Contest Queen



Hi! My name is Emily Roberts. I have been showing 4-H and open cavies since I was ten and rabbits since I was eleven. I love to sing and perform, run cross-country, write, draw, and do artistic things. Ever since I began showing I knew this was the hobby for me, and after my first ACBA Specialty in 2012, I knew this was my passion. I have had so much fun during my years of showing rabbits and cavies. I would like to thank all the breeders that have helped me learn about rabbits and

cavies, but especially Kim Redmond for teaching me about Abyssinians, Becky O'Hogan for being so kind and informative when I first started showing, Ron Smelt for selling me and teaching me about my first Himalayan, and Bob Birman for teaching me and getting me involved with Satin Rabbits

I have enjoyed raising different breeds of cavies and rabbits. I have been raising Teddies and silver agouti Americans for about seven years, and Abyssinians and Abyssinian Satins for five years. I also raise Himalayan, Satin, and English Spot rabbits. I have traveled all over the state and to other states competing with my animals. Some of my favorite awards that I have accomplished with my animals have been winning Best in Show in the Himalayan Specialty at the West Coast Classic, Reserve Best in Show with my teddy at the 2012 ACBA Specialty, and Best of Breed Teddy at the 2014 ARBA Convention in Texas! I also won Best of Breed American, Best of Breed Abyssinian, and Best Opposite Sex of Breed Teddy at the 2015 ARBA Convention. At the 2015 ARBA Convention I placed in Achievement, Breed ID, and Team Judging. I was also Third Runner-Up Queen! I had so much fun and am looking forward to many conventions to come! I am also your 2016 ACBA Queen and 2016 Oregon State Queen.

I have had a lot of fun competing with my 4-H club at different shows. It has been fun interacting with other youth that share my passion, and one of my favorite parts of the cavy and rabbit project. I have learned a lot and have learned through the royalty contests that I would like to someday become a rabbit and cavy judge. I am currently working on obtaining my registrar's license. Through the contests I have had a lot of fun with my friends, and have gained many memories I will cherish forever. I would like to thank all the judges, breeders, and people who help put on the youth programs. This part of my life has become a huge part of my character and who I am, and has helped me with my leadership, business, and communication skills. It has helped me gain the confidence to go into pre-med when I get into college, and medical school. Another dream of mine is to complete a marathon. I wouldn't trade my royalty experience for the world and am very excited for the many adventures to come. The places I get to see, the people I get to meet, and the memories that I get to take with me, will always be the greatest achievement I have received through showing rabbits and cavies. Throughout this journey, I have gained an ARBA and ACBA family. I have made lifelong friends who care about me, and I know I will continue to meet many more amazing people in the future. I have had so much fun on this journey and can't wait to continue.





