2019 Small Animal Specialty Contests

All of the following are the specialty contests offered at Fair 2019. Please see the description of each class and how to enter!

Rabbit/Cavy Skill-A-Thon: Open to Rabbit and Cavy Junior, Intermediate, or Senior members. This is a knowledge based contest. It will take place in the Small Animal Performance Ring on Tuesday between the hours of 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm. You start at any time but the test must be completed by 3:30 pm. You may not leave the area until you are finished. You must sign up on your fair entry form.**

Rabbit Breed Identification: This will be Tuesday from 2:00 to 3:00 pm in front of the Rabbit & Cavy Barn. It will be an identification test of between 10-15 breeds with showroom variety, 4 or 6 class, and registration variety. You must sign up on your fair entry form.**

** Youth who have conflicts with other 4-H events can ask the Superintendent during move-in day about a possible alternate time to complete the Skill-A-Thon or Breed ID.

Rabbit Agility: This is a presentation opportunity for Rabbit members on Wednesday at 1:00 pm in the Small Animal Performance Ring. It will not be judged. The agility rabbit must already be entered in conformation and housed at the fairgrounds. Presentation is dependent on temperature and may be canceled at any time if it is in the best interest of the members and the animals. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

Carrot Eating Contest: This just for fun contest is open for all Rabbit and Cavy members. It will be held Wednesday at 3:00 pm in the Small Animal Performance Ring. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

Rabbit and Cavy Meet the Breed: This is a presentation opportunity for all Rabbit and Cavy members. You will be able to share your knowledge of your breed with the public. Please make sure you are prepared to answer questions! Tuesday and Wednesday, 4:00 - 4:30 pm at the Small Performance Animal Ring. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in to reserve your spot with your breed.

Rabbit Husbandry: This class is open to all Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Rabbit members. This class is anything that you make for your rabbit, from your rabbit, or helps you to run your rabbit business. They will be judged during showmanship or conformation classes. Items must be brought to fair check in. Sign up on your fair entry form.

Fur Rabbit: Rabbit fur will be judged as a separate conformation class. The rabbit entered in fur must also be entered in breed conformation class. Sign up on your fair entry form.

Wool Rabbit: Rabbit wool will be judged as a separate conformation class. The rabbit entered in wool must also be entered in breed conformation class. Sign up on your fair entry form.

Rabbit Doe with Production Record: Bring your 4-H Production Record with your doe. The doe must also be entered in her breed conformation class. She must have kindled during the current 4-H year. Record needs to be brought to fair at check in. The class will be judged after Best In Show Conformation. Sign up on your fair entry form.

Cavy Agility: This is a presentation opportunity for cavy members on Friday at 1:30 pm in the Small Animal Performance Ring. It will not be judged. The agility cavy must already be entered in conformation and housed at the fairgrounds. Presentation is dependent on temperature and may be canceled at any time if it is in the best interest of the members and the animals. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

Cavy Sow with Production Record: Bring your 4-H Production Record with your sow. The sow must also be entered in her breed conformation class. She must have produced at least one litter of pups during the current 4-H year. Record
needs to be brought to fair at check in. The class will be judged after Best in Show Conformation. Sign up on your fair entry form.

**Small Animal Costume Contest:** This presentation contest is open to all small animal members and will be held Friday at 3:00 pm in the Small Animal Performance Ring. Members will be able to sign up in either the diorama/set category or dress up category. If you prefer to build elaborate sets and backdrops for your animal, enter the diorama category. If you want to simply dress your animal up in a cute costume, then enter the dress up category. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

**Small Animal Talent Show:** Does your animal have a special talent you want to share with everyone? You will have the opportunity on Wednesday at 2:00 pm in the Small Animal Performance Ring. This is open to all members and all small animal species. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

**Small Animal Photo Contest:** This is open to all small animal members. All species will be judged together. Photos will be displayed at the Small Animal Barn during fair. The member may enter only one photo taken by themselves of their personal animal. It must be a regular photograph. The picture and frame cannot be larger than 5” x 7”. The public will vote for their favorite. Winner will be announced at the Small Animal Awards Ceremony. Bring your photo to fair check in to enter.

**Poultry and Pigeon Skill-A-Thons:** Test your knowledge of all things avian. Open to all Poultry and Pigeon members. Contests will be held Tuesday at 11:00 am at the Small Animal Performance Ring. Sign up on your fair entry form.

**Egg Judging:** Do your birds lay great eggs? Open to all Poultry members. Bring a dozen to be judged! Judging will take place on Tuesday at 10:30 am. Sign up on your fair entry form.

**Rooster Crowing:** Open to all poultry member’s with a rooster who likes to show off. This presentation contest will be held Thursday at noon in the Small Animal Performance Ring. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

**Poultry/Pigeon Meet the Breed:** This is a presentation opportunity for all Poultry and Pigeon members. You will be able to share your knowledge of your breed with the public. Please make sure you are prepared to answer questions! Tuesday and Thursday, 4:00-4:30 pm in the Small Performance Animal Ring. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in to reserve your spot with your breed.

**Pigeon Rolling:** This is a presentation opportunity open to all Pigeon members. Pigeons must be entered into conformation classes and already housed at the fairgrounds. It will be held in the Small Animal Performance Ring on Thursday at 10:00 am and 2:00 pm and Friday at 10:00 am. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

**Chicken Races:** This is a fun presentation open to all Poultry members who want to see how fast their animal is! Chicken used must be entered in conformation classes and already housed on the fairgrounds. The races will be held in the Small Animal Performance Ring on Thursday at 3:00 pm and Saturday at 2:00 pm. Sign up at the July Social or fair check in.

**Cloverbud Fun Activities:** Following the show-and-tell experience on Saturday, Cloverbuds are invited to participate in these fun experiences. All events take place in the Small Animal Performance Ring. Sign up at the July Social or Cloverbud fair check in.

- Costume Parade – The animal can wear a costume. Member costumes and props are optional.
- Talent Show – Members may demonstrate their animal’s special trick or talent.
- Chicken Races – youth of all ages can race their chicken down an enclosed racing chute.