



# 2026 OPEN CLASS RABBITS & CAVIES

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Join us in celebrating 2026 4H, FFA, & Youth Livestock Expo Champions at the Breakfast with Champions at 9 a.m., Sunday, August 23 in the Clubhouse - Tickets are \$25 tickets each and can be purchased at [www.ecfair.org](http://www.ecfair.org)

## SHOW INFORMATION

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| Superintendent:     | Mr. Richard Hare                                 |
| Entry Deadline:     | Monday, July 13, 2026 – NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED |
| Entry Fees:         | \$.75 per animal                                 |
| Arrival & Check-in: | Tuesday, August 11, 6-8 p.m.                     |
| Judge:              | Mr. Michael Ross, NY                             |
| Release:            | Tuesday, August 18, 8 p.m.                       |
| Tack Vendor:        | Twist Of Fate (860) 759-9335                     |

**EXHIBITORS: PLEASE READ ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS, IAFE NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS, AND ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS.**

## RULES

1. All entries in all divisions of this Department close on **MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026**. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE DONE ONLINE BY MONDAY, JULY 13 AT 11:59 P.M.** AND PAID, total amount of entry fees and \$20 for Exhibitor wristband OR a \$100 membership to the Erie County Agricultural Society Membership. Exhibitor wristband will only be valid for the time the animals are at the Fair. \* NO WRISTBANDS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL ENTRIES ARRIVE AT THE FAIR\* Parking pass, not included please utilize the free parking throughout the Erie County Fair parking lots.
2. Rules of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Standards for the Conduct of Agriculture and Markets for Fairs and Summary of Livestock Health Requirements shall apply.
3. All New York State Veterinarian decisions are final and supported by Erie County Fair Staff inappropriate conduct will not be tolerated and can result in forfeit of premiums and removal from fair.
4. **All exhibits must remain until 8 P.M., Tuesday, August 18, 2026. Exhibitors whose exhibits are removed before the stated time will automatically forfeit their premium money or not be allowed to exhibit the following year. All exhibits must be called for by 10 P.M. Tuesday, August 18, 2026. No cooping out hours on Monday. Any exhibits left after said time are at owner's risk.**
5. All entries must be owned and brought to the Fair by the exhibitor. No exceptions!!!
6. The Society will not be responsible for loss, damage, mistakes or accidents. Feed and water will be supplied free of charge. Rabbits are fed once a day in the evening. The owner is responsible for the care of their own animals if they wish them to have special provisions.
7. A health check will be conducted on day of arrival to fair.
8. Youth exhibitors may enter any animal in the Open Class department. However, when entering in open class the youth must pay ALL appropriate fees; this includes the exhibitor wristband, and entry fees.
9. Competition is open to exhibitors from the United States and Canada.
10. In the event that more entries are received than space available, exhibitors **may** be asked to reduce their number of entries.
11. Exhibitors will be allowed to present exhibits to the Judge unless they cannot be present. If exhibitor cannot be present the day of the show, they are asked to inform the superintendent, and a presenter will be assigned by the superintendent.

12. Senior rabbits are all specimens over six months of age in Four Class Breeds, over eight months of age in Six Class Breeds. An intermediate rabbit is a specimen in six Class Breeds only that is between the ages of six and eight months. Junior rabbits are all specimens under six months of age.
13. No changes of Rabbits, Sex, Variety or Tattoos after Rabbits are checked in. Wrong sex and wrong ear numbers will be disqualified.
14. No pregnant rabbits or cavies should be entered into the Erie County Fair.
15. No tattooing of rabbits or cavies at the fair. This must be done prior to arrival, or exhibits will not be allowed to enter.
16. Rabbit/Cavy exhibitors can bring "sale animals" to sell while at the fair but MUST follow the below criteria otherwise will not be permitted to sell animals.
  - a. Exhibitor MUST have at least 5 show animals exhibited in the Erie County Fair Rabbit/Cavy Show.
  - b. Exhibitor MUST work a minimum of 5 hours in the poultry and rabbit barn during the open poultry and rabbit stay of the Erie County Fair.
  - c. Sale animals CAN NOT be entered in the Erie County Fair Rabbit/Cavy Show. Animals entered in the show are NOT allowed to be sold.
  - d. All animals will be health checked on arrival day (August 11)
  - e. Sale animals will only be allowed to leave the barn between 9 p.m.-10 p.m. each night.
  - f. Sale animals will have a designated area in the barn. They are not to be cooped/penned with the show animals.
  - g. All sale animals must meet the same health regulations as show animals.
17. Open Class and 4-H will be combined on the same stay.

**PROTEST RULE**

1. The judge's decision will be final in all cases, except where error, mistake, fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases, the decision of Show Management or an appointed referee will be final.
2. All New York State Veterinarian decisions are final and supported by Erie County Fair Staff.
3. Protests regarding any livestock competitions and events held by the Erie County Agricultural Society during the Erie County Fair (Youth Livestock Expo & Open Class Livestock Shows) must be made in writing using a form found in the Livestock Office. Submit the form and a \$300 cash deposit to the Erie County Agricultural Society CEO. Deposit is refundable **only** if the protest is upheld; otherwise, it will be donated to the Erie County Agricultural Society Scholarship Fund.
4. **Classification and the judge's opinion are not eligible for protest.**
5. Protests against the exhibition of animals must be filed at least three hours before the start of the show in question.
6. The CEO of the Erie County Agricultural Society may hold a meeting regarding the protest, at which time the protesting party may present evidence or argument in support of the protest. A written decision will be issued within five days and will be served via certified mail.
7. Exhibitors must always demonstrate honesty, sportsmanship, and professionalism. This code applies to both Junior and Open Class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition in all livestock events.

**RABBIT SHOW FEED PROVIDED BY PURINA**  
 Donated by Clyde's Feed Store, Hamburg, New York

**AWARDS**

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Best in Show</b>            | \$15.00     |
| <b>Best Reserve in Show</b>    | \$10.00     |
| <b>Best of Breed*</b>          | \$5.00 each |
| <b>Best Opposite of Breed*</b> | \$3.00 each |

*\*There must be 10 or more entries in a breed for exhibit to be selected for these awards\**

**CLASS PREMIUMS \$4, \$3, \$2**

**FOUR-CLASS BREEDS**

**All divisions offer SENIOR Buck, SENIOR Doe, JUNIOR Buck, JUNIOR Doe**

**Division 108 – American Fuzzy Lop**

Solid  
 Broken

**Division 109 – American Sable**

American Sable

**Division 110 – Belgian Hare**

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Belgian Hare

**Division 111 – Britannia Petite**

Black  
Black Otter  
Broken  
Chestnut Agouti  
Red Eyed White  
Sable Marten  
Blue Eyed White

**Division 112 – Dutch**

Black  
Blue  
Chocolate  
Gray  
Steel  
Tortoise

**Division 113 – Dwarf Hotot**

Dwarf Hotot

**Division 114 – English Spot**

Black  
Blue  
Chocolate

Gold  
Gray  
Lilac  
Tortoise

**Division 115 – English Angora**

White  
Colored

**Division 116 – Florida White**

Florida White

**Division 117 – French Angora**

White  
Colored

**Division 118 – Harlequin**

Japanese  
Magpie

**Division 119 – Havana**

Black  
Blue  
Broken  
Chocolate  
Lilac

## **FOUR-CLASS BREEDS Continued**

**Division 120 – Himalayan**

Black  
Blue  
Chocolate  
Lilac

**Division 121 – Holland Lop**

Solid  
Broken

**Division 122 – Jersey Wooly**

Agouti  
Any Other Variety  
Broken  
Self  
Shaded  
Tan Pattern

**Division 123 – Lilac**

Lilac

**Division 124 – Lionhead**

Tortoise  
Ruby Eyed White  
Chocolate  
Seal  
Any Other Variety

**Division 125 – Mini Lop**

Solid  
Broken

**Division 126 – Mini Rex**

Black  
Blue  
Blue Eyed White  
Broken  
Castor  
Chinchilla  
Chocolate  
Himalayan  
Lilac  
Lynx  
Opal  
Otter  
Red  
Sable  
Seal  
Silver Martin  
Smoke Pearl  
Tort  
White  
Ruby Eyed White  
Smoked Pearl Martin

**Division 127 – Mini Satin**

Black Chocolate  
Chinchilla  
Opal  
Otter  
Red  
Siamese (Blue, Chocolate, Lilac)  
White  
Blue  
Silver Marten  
Tortoise  
Broken Chocolate Agouti  
Copper  
Himalayan  
Squirrel

**Division 128 – Netherland Dwarf**

Black  
Blue  
Blue Eyed White  
Chocolate  
Lilac  
Ruby Eyed White  
Chestnut  
Chinchilla  
Lynx  
Opal  
Squirrel  
Sablepoint  
Siamese Sable  
Siamese Smoke Pearl  
Otter

**Division 130 – Rex**

Amber  
Black  
Otter  
Blue  
Broken  
Californian  
Castor  
Chinchilla  
Chocolate  
Lilac  
Lynx  
Opal  
Red  
Sable  
Seal  
White

**Division 131 – Rhineland**

Blue Rhineland  
Rhineland

**Division 132 – Satin Angora**

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Sable Marten  
Smoked Pearl Marten  
Tan  
Broken  
Fawn  
Himalayan  
Orange  
Steel

**Division 129 – Polish**

Black  
Blue  
Broken  
Chocolate  
Blue Eyed White  
Red Eyed White

**FOUR-CLASS BREEDS Continued**

White  
Colored

**Division 133 – Standard Chinchilla**

Standard Chinchilla

**Division 134 – Silver**

Black  
Brown  
Fawn

**Division 135 – Silver Marten**

Black  
Blue  
Chocolate  
Sable

**Division 136 - Tan**

Black  
Blue  
Chocolate  
Lilac

**Division 137 – Thrianta**

## **SIX-CLASS BREEDS**

All divisions offer SENIOR Buck, SENIOR Doe, Inter. Buck, Inter. Doe, JUNIOR Buck, JUNIOR Doe

**Division 138 – American**

Blue  
White

**Division 139 – American Chinchilla**

American Chinchilla

**Division 140– Argente Brun**

Any Variety

**Division 141 – Beveren**

Black  
Blue  
White

**Division 142 – Blanc de Hotot**

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**Division 143 – Californian**

Californian

**Division 144 – Champagne D’Argent**

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**Division 145 – Checkered Giant**

Black  
Blue

**Division 146 – Cinnamon**

Cinnamon

**Division 147 – Crème D’Argent**

Crème D’Argent

**Division 148 – English Lop**

Solid  
Broken

**Division 149 – French Lop**

Solid  
Broken

**Division 150 – Giant Angora**

White

**Division 151 – Giant Chinchilla**

Giant Chinchilla

**Division 152 – Flemish Giant**

Black  
Blue  
Fawn  
Light Gray  
Sandy  
Steel Gray  
White

## **SIX-CLASS BREEDS Continued**

**Division 153 – New Zealand**

Black  
Broken  
Red  
White  
Blue

**Division 154 – Palomino**

Golden  
Lynx

**Division 155 – Satin**

Black

Blue  
Broken  
Californian  
Chinchilla  
Chocolate  
Copper  
Otter  
Red  
Siamese  
White

**Division 156 – Silver Fox**

Black  
Blue

# Cavies

All divisions offer SENIOR Boar, SENIOR Sow, JUNIOR Boar, JUNIOR Sow

## Division 157-Abyssinian

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

Agouti  
Marked

## Division 166 - Teddy

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked  
Tan

## Division 158 – Abyssinian Satin

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 167 – Teddy Satin

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 159 – American

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked  
Gold  
Marten  
Tan Pattern

## Division 168 - Texel

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 160 – American Satin

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 169 – White Crested

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 161 – Coronet

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 162 – Peruvian

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 163 – Peruvian Satin

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 164 - Silkie

Self  
Solid  
Agouti  
Marked

## Division 165 – Silkie Satin

Self  
Solid