

POULTRY

Department 7

Check-In: Tuesday, 1 - 8 p.m., Pavilion 2 - Southwest corner

Judging: Wednesday, 8 a.m., Pavilion 2 - Showing C,
Conference Judging

Department Chair: Brandi Johnson 608-444-0282, Dave and
Laura Johnson

Superintendents: Betty & Greg Wolff, Ken Rankin,
Mitchell Schleicher and Mary Schenk

Junior Leader: Nathaniel Johnson, Carly Geier and Carol &
Denise Rankin

Eligible 4-H Project Areas: Animal Sciences - Poultry

Regulations:

- **NEW THIS YEAR**** Youth planning to show OR sell a small animal at the Dane County Fair will need to attend at least one educational meeting pertaining to the type of animal they intend to show or sell. Youth intending to sell an animal MUST attend a Small Animal Market Sale Meeting. They will then fill out an Educational Card to show they attended these meetings.
 - If an exhibitor plans to sell their animal at the Small Animal Market Sale, they MUST attend a qualifying meeting specifically targeted to those participating in the sale. This meeting is also considered an educational meeting.
 - The Small Animal Educational Card must be turned in to the Dane County 4-H Office **no later than June 15**. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility to show or sell at the Dane County Fair.
- All exhibitors must read and adhere to the Youth Animal Exhibitor Code of Practice as stated on page 10.
- Exhibitors with birds in the Small Animal Market Sale will be required to sign a form stating proper withdrawal times have been observed for any drug used, to be turned in at check-in. (Poultry - **7 days withdrawal**).
- **NEW THIS YEAR**** Up to 20 Lots may be entered per exhibitor, excluding Showmanship.
- All show coats should be white and are to be free of patches, names and any sponsors.
- All entries must be owned or managed by the exhibitor by May 15 of the exhibit year. Exhibitors may show two managerial animals as long as the form is filled out and on file at the Extension Office by May 15 of the exhibit year. Exhibitors showing managerial animals may not own or show any other Poultry.
- Entries must have a numbered leg band. Record number on online entry form.
- Exhibitors are responsible for daily feed and care of entries. In addition, exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own bedding, such as wood shavings. Exhibitors not providing adequate food & water or neglecting to perform housekeeping duties may forfeit their premiums for said birds.
- All exhibitors** are responsible for the general housekeeping and clean-up in their area. Livestock exhibitors must clean-up after their animals and regularly dispose of waste in an appropriate manner. Exhibitors must completely clean out their spaces at release time. Example: cages, clean off boards, fold cages and stack on pile. **Please provide your own tools and equipment for clean-up.** Department superintendents will explain proper procedure for the department.
- All exhibitors are encouraged to enter the Poultry Showmanship class.
- For the poultry health rules and regulations see Animal Health Regulations at the front of the book.

- Market birds (chicks, poults, ducklings, goslings) must be hatched by exhibitor or purchased at less than 2 weeks of age and be raised on the exhibitor's premises. This requirement will be strictly enforced.
- Market birds must be washed prior to check-in and if necessary, spot washed prior to judging and the sale. Failure to have presentable market birds on sale day may cause ineligibility.
- See further sale requirements under Small Animal Market Sale.

Premiums:	Blue	Red	White	Pink
Class A	\$3	\$2.50	\$2	\$1.50
Classes B - H	\$2	\$1.75	\$1.50	\$1.25

Terms:

Cock - Hatched before January 1 of exhibit year.
Cockere| - Hatched on or after January 1 of exhibit year.
Hen - Hatched before January 1 of exhibit year.
Pullet - Hatched on or after January 1 of exhibit year.
****NEW THIS YEAR** Young** - Hatched after January 1 of current year
****NEW THIS YEAR** Old** - Hatched before January 1 of current year
Breed - A group of birds of similar shape and size.
Variety - Various plumage colors and comb types within a breed.

CLASS A. Showmanship

- Senior - Grades 9+
- Intermediate - Grades 6-8
- Junior - Grades 3-5

CLASS B. Chickens Large Birds

Cock	Pullet	Cock	Hen	
1)	2)	3)	4)	Any American breed/variety
5)	6)	7)	8)	Any Mediterranean breed/variety
9)	10)	11)	12)	Any Asiatic breed/variety
13)	14)	15)	16)	Any English breed/variety
17)	18)	19)	20)	Any Continental breed/variety
21)	22)	23)	24)	Any other breed/variety
25)	26)	27)	28)	Any Crossbred (Red-Earlobed)-meat
29)	30)	31)	32)	Any Crossbred (White-Earlobed)-egg

CLASS C. Bantam Small Birds

(Varieties as recognized by Standard of Perfection only)

Cock	Pullet	Cock	Hen	
1)	2)	3)	4)	Single combed, clean legged variety
5)	6)	7)	8)	Any rose combed, clean legged variety
9)	10)	11)	12)	Any feather legged variety
13)	14)	15)	16)	Any other variety of bantam

CLASS D. Ducks

****NEW THIS YEAR****

Young Duck	Old Duck	Young Drake	Old Drake	
1)	2)	3)	4)	Light Weight
5)	6)	7)	8)	Medium Weight
9)	10)	11)	12)	Heavy Weight
13)	14)	15)	16)	Bantam
17)	18)	19)	20)	Runner

CLASS E. Geese (Current year hatch)

Gander	Goose	
1)	2)	Embden
3)	4)	Toulouse
5)	6)	Any other standard variety of goose
7)	8)	Any standard variety mature goose

CLASS F. Turkeys (Current year hatch)

Tom	Hen	
1)	2)	Broad Whites
3)	4)	Bronze
5)	6)	Any other standard variety of turkey
7)	8)	Any standard variety mature turkey

CLASS G. Market Birds

(Current year hatch, raised by exhibitor and eligible to be sold in the sale. Exhibitor must be present during judging to participate in the sale. Showmanship is mandatory.)

- 1) Broilers (two birds, same sex, 2 1/2-5 lbs)
- 2) Roasters (two birds, same sex, 5-10 lbs not over 10 lbs)
- 3) Duckling - Duck (minimum weight 6 lbs)
- 4) Duckling - Drake (minimum weight 7 lbs)
- 5) Turkey - Hen (minimum weight 14 lbs not over 26 lbs)
- 6) Turkey - Tom (minimum weight 23 lbs not over 36 lbs)
- 7) Goose (minimum weight 10 lbs)
- 8) Gander (minimum weight 11 lbs)

CLASS H. Pigeons

(Young bird classes date hatched January 1 or after)

Young	Young	Old	Old
Cock	Pullet	Cock	Hen
1)	2)	3)	4)
5)	6)	7)	8)
9)	10)	11)	12)

Commercial breeds
Fancy breeds
Performing breeds

Special Awards:

Miller & Sons Supermarket - All ribbons. Trophy to Champion of the following. Rosette to Reserve Champion of each class grouping.

- Class A: Champion Junior, Intermediate, Senior Showmanship
Class B: Champion Standard
Class C: Champion Bantam
Class D: Champion Duck
Class E: Champion Goose
Class F: Champion Turkey
Class G: Champion & Reserve Champion Market Bird
Class H: Champion Pigeon

Merit Award - Awarded to an exhibitor on basis of bird care, cleanliness, knowledge, courtesy, and sportsmanship

Rosette - Awarded to "Best of Show" exhibited in Department 7

Mark your calendars for the... Fourth Annual Rooster Crowing Contest Saturday, July 22 at 7 p.m. Pavilion 2 - Showing C

We are excited to invite Poultry exhibitors to participate in the Rooster Crowing Contest! This fun event is sure to provide a friendly, entertaining contest for poultry exhibitors, their friends, family and fair attendees.

What you need to know:

1. The Rooster Crowing Contest is open to Poultry exhibitors who entered a rooster in a breed or showmanship class at the 2017 Dane County Fair. Contact one of the Poultry Department Chairs at the fair to enter the contest.
2. You must be entered in the Rooster Crowing Contest by 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 22. No entries will be accepted after 4 p.m.
3. Each exhibitor may enter one rooster. Only one rooster per cage is acceptable.
4. One to two judges (non-participating exhibitors or parents) will be assigned to each cage to count crows.
5. Over the time span of 20 consecutive minutes, the crows of each rooster will be counted. A declared "go time" will be given to start counting crows. The rooster with the most crows during that time will be the winner.
6. Participants may not touch animals to make them crow.
7. Any sort of cruelty to the animals will NOT be accepted and will result in automatic disqualification from the contest.
8. Prizes will be awarded to the top crowing rooster and the top three participants.

RABBITS Department 8

Check-In: Tuesday, 1 - 8 p.m., Pavilion 2 - Southwest corner

Judging: Pavilion 2 - Showing C:

Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Table 1, Conference Judging Class A, Commercial and Best Commercial followed by Class B, Market Rabbits followed by Class D Fancy Breeds and Best Fancy

Thursday, 8:00 a.m., Table 2, Individual Conference Judging, Class C, Pet Rabbits followed by Class E, Showmanship.

Department Chairperson: Brenda Reilly, 212-4419

Superintendents: Justin Cimaroli, Christi (577-3924) & Gary Ringelstetter and Ron Rogers

Eligible 4-H Project Areas: Animal Sciences - Rabbits

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2. All exhibitors must read and adhere to the Youth Exhibitor Code of Practice as stated on page 10.
3. This fair will be judged under the latest show rules of the American Rabbit Breeders Association. Ask any superintendent for information on how to obtain a copy of these rules.
4. Showmanship is recommended for all exhibitors. Be sure to enter the appropriate grade category. Judging is individual conference and will be done on a first come basis. A sign up sheet will be posted and judging will start at 9 a.m.
5. Up to 15 lots may be entered per exhibitor, excluding Showmanship and Costume.
6. All entries must be owned by the exhibitor by April 15 of the exhibit year.
7. An exhibitor enrolled in the rabbit project may show two managerial animals. Exhibitors or their family members, showing managerial animals, may not own or show any other rabbits. A rabbit managerial form is available through the Extension Office and must be filled out and on file at the Extension Office by April 15 of the exhibit year.
8. Commercial, Market and Fancy breeds must be purebred. Breed must be included on the Fair entry form.
9. Pet rabbits may be crossbreds.
10. If unsure of rabbit's sex or breed, call the department chair.
Try to purchase rabbits with pedigree papers. This can be important. Junior rabbits must be at least 12 weeks old to exhibit. Any animal(s) of questionable age will be accepted at the discretion of the committee. **Showing animals younger than 12 weeks is very stressful and could stunt future growth.**
11. Exhibitors are responsible for the daily feeding and care of entries. Exhibitors are required to provide crocks or bottles for water and feed. Rabbits with improper dishes may be sent home. In addition, exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own bedding such as wood shavings.