

RABBIT BREED SHOW



HAWKESBURY SHOW SCHEDULE 2025

APEX HALL – FRIDAY 9TH MAY 2025
HAWKESBURY SHOWGROUNDS
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BREED SHOW DETAILS for HAWKESBURY SHOW

DAY OF JUDGING: FRIDAY 9TH MAY 2025

SHOW MANAGER: Belle Janes

SHOW CHIEF STEWARD: Jenna Sinclair



Entry Fees: Minimum entry of \$25 will apply to each exhibitor to cover entry and car passes to the show (1-5 entries/classes)

MAIN SHOW: \$5 PER RABBIT PER CLASS.

ENTRIES WILL BE CAPPED AT \$60 EACH EXHIBITOR (12 CLASSES OR MORE)

VETTING IN: Vetting in will start at 6.30am and finish at 8am, All exhibits must be penned by no later than 8.30am ready for judging at 9am. Please line up as you arrive, late arrivals after 8.30am may not be excepted. Exhibits must be in good health, any rabbits that look sick or display ill health may be vetted out.

BUMP IN: Delivery of exhibits are to be between 6.30am – 8.30am only.

Due to venue requirements all exhibitors must have a car pass on display and valid ticket per person to enter the venue, cars are to be parked at the designated area near the hall inside the show grounds and cannot be removed until Bump Out time, if you need to leave during the day, you will need to park in the pedestrians carpark at the back or front of the showground gates and walk back in the grounds with your ticket.

PARKING: As per above Bump in details, please have your car pass always displayed with your contact details clearly visible on your dash.

ENTRY PASSES/TICKETS: 1 Show entry pass will be supplied to each exhibitor for the day of judging. There may be some extra spare tickets available for children and junior exhibitors, this will be confirmed closer to close of entries.

BUMP OUT: No exhibits shall leave the hall until 5pm, no exceptions due to safety of other pedestrians around the showgrounds and because all exhibits still need to be on display until 5pm.

THE PAVILLION/HALL: The hall is open to the public from 9am – 5pm. Judging will start promptly at 9am. No public are permitted to enter the judging and exhibits area for the safety and well-being of all exhibits. Only official stewards are allowed into the judging area to help with stewarding the exhibits.

ENTRIES CLOSE: MONDAY 7TH APRIL 2025 – NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Entries to be emailed in word format only, using the attached form or form online.

Email to: rbansw_entries@yahoo.com

PAYMENT FOR ENTRIES: Entry fees must be paid in full when submitting your entry form.

Monies are to be paid into the following account National Australia Bank (NAB) - Rabbit Breeders Association of NSW inc - BSB 082-753 A/C 184509249 receipt for payment and reference must accompany your entry form. **Payment on the day of the show will not be accepted.**

SCRATCHINGS: No refunds will be given for rabbits scratched after entries closing date. All scratching or withdrawals will need to be emailed directly to the show manager. On the day scratching's need to be submitted to the show manager no later than 8am or a \$40 fine will apply.

SHOW PREPARATION DETAILS

GROOMING: Power will be available at a designated area for those that need to groom exhibits before judging commences, bring your own equipment and please clean up your own mess.

VACCINATION: although it's not a requirement, it is advised that your exhibits have been recently vaccinated with Filavac due to the current release of RHDV2, consideration by the judge will be given for a small patch of missing fur, redness, small lump at the injection site due to the vaccination, please note on your entries if recent vaccinations have been given. Under no circumstances can you identify this to the judge on the day.

PENNING: All exhibits will need to be in a clean and tidy carry show cage with an easily accessible door for stewards to be able to take the exhibit out for judging. Cage curtains are advised and a fly net to also put over your carriers, all exhibits must have a wire base or grass mat for the exhibit to sit on. No names or any other identifying labels should be on the show cage.

Each exhibit will have their own penning number allocated to them on judging day, please always keep your copy with you.

Samples of suitable carry show cages

Ideal

acceptable



Sea grass mat (available at bunnings)

wooden bases with wire (you make to fit carrier cage)



WATER AND FOOD: Water and food must be available to exhibits at all times, Pellet food, wheatbix or hay cubes are recommended for long travelling exhibits. Attachable water bottles are recommended or small water bowls.

JUDGING AND SHOW DAY

WHAT HAPPENS ON SHOW DAY

After all show preparations have been completed, judging will commence.

Those that have been selected for exhibit stewarding, photographers, runners, bookkeeper and card writers will remain in the arena, other exhibitors will need to leave the arena and sit in the spectator's area or are free to leave the hall and enjoy other parts of the Hawkesbury Show.

HOW THE SHOW WILL RUN:

Our 4 breed sections (Fancy, Lop, Fur and Rex) and our other classes (unrung and pet classes) will be assessed as normal with stewards taking the exhibits to the judges table for assessment.

When it's time for the final line-ups to be assessed, the exhibit stewards will take all the final line up exhibits to the main (final line up table) judging area. Stewards will be present at the table when the judge is assessing the final line-ups, along with the bookkeeper and photographer.

Since the judging will be on public display, Stewards must remain silent at the judges table at all times (unless there is a general safety concern) the spectators must be able to hear the judge speaking whilst making their assessments and whilst they're communicating to the book steward.



DISPLAY TABLE AND GUEST SPEAKERS

On the opposite side of the hall whilst judging commences, there will be a table with important rabbit information, show and club details. There will also be a number of experienced guest speakers educating and showing the members of the public specific breeds known and shown here in Australia.



CLASS, AGE CLASSIFICATIONS & COLOUR GUIDE

RUNG CLASSES: The main breed show is made up of exhibits that have a registered ring or a tattoo identification number on their leg or inside their ear, exhibits that don't have an identification number will be classed as either "Unrung" or "pet"

Unrung: for exhibits that fit the (British Rabbit Council standards) category but don't have an identification ring or number.

Pet: for exhibits that don't fit into any standard category and don't have an identification ring or tattoo. Pet exhibits will be assessed differently to the standard.

AGE CLASSIFICATIONS: A birth date is required for all exhibits to confirm that the exhibit is placed in the correct age class.

KITTEN: Must be over 10 weeks of age, but under 14 weeks.

JUNIOR: 14 weeks of age and under 5 months*

ADULT: Over 5 months of age, *except for the Flemish giant chinchilla giganta breeds that shall be 6 months and over.* (Flemish giant and chinchilla giganta shall be under 6 months for the junior age class).

COLOUR GUIDE: Most classes are broken down into specific colour classes for various breeds, so its important to have your exhibit in the correct class for their colour and breed.

Red Eyed White (REW) = as pure white coat as possible and eyes to be ruby red in colour.

Self Class - Blue Eyed White (BEW) = as pure white coat as possible and eyes to be bright blue in colour.

Ivory = specifically to the satin breed, eye colour to be red or blue.

Self = black, blue, brown/chocolate, lilac, blue eyed white. (colour must be in full with no other colour in coat)

Shaded = Siamese sable, smoke pearl, seal point, blue point, iron grey, chocolate tort, sooty fawn, beige.

Tan Pattern = fox, otter and tan (in black, blue, lilac or chocolate) marten sable, smoke pearl, marten.

Agouti pattern: = agouti/castor/brown grey, opal, lynx, chinchilla, cinnamon, squirrel.

Any other Colour: Any other colour conforming to the breeds individual breed standard, for example Himalayan, steel, fawn, orange/ buttery/broken unless a separate class is offered for the breed.

COLOUR DEFINITIONS: For REX and MINI REX only.

Ermine = As pure white as possible with ruby red eye colour.

Self = black, blue, lilac, chocolate.

Shaded = Siamese sable, Siamese smoke pearl, seal, tortoiseshell.

Tan Pattern = smoke peal marten, marten sable, marten seal, orange, fawn, fox, otter and tan (in black, blue, chocolate and lilac)

ORANGE – Orange class only

Agouti pattern = castor, chinrex, cinnamon, lynx and opal.

STD REX AOC – Broken, Himalayan, Dalmations, harlequin, all other accepted colours

MINI REX = BROKEN

MINI REX AOC - Himalayan, Dalmations, harlequin, all other accepted colours



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2025 HAWKESBURY RABBIT SHOW



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RABBIT SHOW

WITH

NSW JUDGE

MR PAUL YOUNG



Paul has 29 years of experience in judging rabbits and has witnessed many changes in the rabbit fancy during this time. New clubs have been established, national collaborations have strengthened, and the diversity of breeds exhibited has expanded significantly. Paul's passion for rabbits began in childhood when his father brought home a pet rabbit. His introduction to the Rabbit Breeders Association of NSW (RBANSW Inc.) came after seeing an advertisement in The Telegraph for the inaugural rabbit show in NSW. Enthralled by the experience, Paul joined the club and began breeding and showing Netherland Dwarf rabbits.

Through his involvement in the rabbit fancy, Paul developed a keen interest in genetics, which later became his area of expertise and shaped his judging philosophy. His dedication to promoting breed improvement and preserving genetic diversity continues to guide his work with breeders and exhibitors.

In the 1990s, Paul commenced his judges' training under the mentorship of Australia's esteemed judge John Porritt. His extensive judging career has taken him to numerous local clubs throughout New South Wales and to interstate events in South Australia, Victoria, Canberra, and Tasmania. In 2015, Paul was honoured to judge at the Hobart Royal, followed by the prestigious Sydney Royal in 2021.

Currently, Paul keeps a variety of breeds, including English, Satin, Minilop, Thrianta, and English Angora rabbits. His past breeding experience spans Netherland Dwarf, Tan, and German Angoras, giving him comprehensive knowledge across all show sections. Dedicated to fostering excellence in the rabbit fancy, Paul is passionate about supporting breeders in achieving their exhibition goals. Through education centred on breed standards, as well as his expertise in biology, genetics, ethical breeding programs, and rabbit husbandry, he strives to help fanciers develop strong, healthy, and competitive stock.

2025 HAWKESBURY SHOW – BREED SHOW

MAJOR PRIZES



Best Fancy Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Fancy Rabbit in Show

Best Adult Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Adult Rabbit in Show

Best Lop Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Lop Rabbit in Show

Best Junior Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Junior Rabbit in Show

Best Fur Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Fur Rabbit in Show

Best Kitten Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Kitten Rabbit in Show

Best Rex Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Rex Rabbit in Show

Judges Choice

Best Unrung Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Unrung Rabbit in Show
 Best Pet Rabbit in Show
 Runner-Up Best Pet in Show

People's Choice Award

Overall Best Rabbit in Show –
 Grand Champion
 Overall Runner-Up Best Rabbit in Show –
 Champion
 Overall 3rd Runner-Up Best Rabbit in Show –
 Reserve Champion



PEOPLES CHOICE AWARD



Members of the public and the Hawkesbury Community will be given the opportunity to vote on photos displayed outside of the APEX Hall for the 2025 Hawkesbury Show People's Choice Award.

HOW TO VOTE

A ballot box will be available outside the hall, write the number for the chosen rabbit's and place it in the box, you can only vote once.

During the conclusion of the show the votes will be counted, and a special award will be given to the winner during presentation.



Photo entry examples

FOR EXHIBITORS - HOW TO ENTER

You must submit 1 photo of your choice from the group of rabbits you're entering in the show as per the entry form.

The photo entered must be clear and consist of a side profile of your rabbit only with no person or other identifying information. The Rabbit must be posed nicely and have a clean and tidy appearance. (see above examples)

FANCY SECTION

BREED	COLOUR	KITTEN Class numbers	JUNIOR Class numbers	ADULT Class numbers
ENGLISH ANGORA	REW	1	2	3
	SELF	4	5	6
	SHADED	7	8	9
	All Other Colours	10	11	12
DUTCH	SELF	13	14	15
	All Other Colours	16	17	18
DUTCH-TRI	Tri-Colour	19	20	21
ENGLISH SPOT	All Colours	22	23	24
HARLEQUIN	MAGPIE	25	26	27
	All Other Colours	28	29	30
NETHERLAND DWARF	REW	31	32	33
	SELF	34	35	36
	SHADED	37	38	39
	AGOUTI	40	41	42
	TAN PATTERN	43	44	45
	All Other Colours	46	47	48
POLISH	REW	49	50	51
	SELF	52	53	54
	SHADED	55	56	57
	AGOUTI	58	59	60
	TAN PATTERN	61	62	63
	All Other Colours	64	65	66
TAN	BLACK/CHOCOLATE	67	68	69
	BLUE/LILAC	70	71	72
THRIANTA	RED	73	74	75
JERSEY WOOLLY	REW	76	77	78
	SHADED	79	80	81
	AOC	82	83	84
FLEMISH GIANT	BRC STEEL	85	86	87
FLEMISH GIANT INTERMEDIATE	BRC STEEL *Flemish Giant Junior is under 6 months. Adult 6 months of age and over.	-	-	88
AOV FANCY	Any Other Colour	89	90	91

LOP SECTION

BREED	COLOUR	KITTEN	JUNIOR	ADULT
CASHMERE	REW	101	102	103
	SELF	104	105	106
	SHADED	107	108	109
	AGOUTI	110	111	112
	TAN PATTERN	113	114	115
	BUTTERFLY	116	117	118
	All Other Colours	119	120	121
	MINI CASHMERE	REW	122	123
SELF		125	126	127
SHADED		128	129	130
AGOUTI		131	132	133
TAN PATTERN		134	135	136
BUTTERFLY		137	138	139
All Other Colours		140	141	142
DWARF		REW	143	144
	SELF	146	147	148
	SHADED	149	150	151
	AGOUTI	152	153	154
	TAN PATTERN	155	156	157
	BUTTERFLY	158	159	160
	All Other Colours	161	162	163
	GERMAN	REW	164	165
AGOUTI		167	168	169
All Other Colours		170	171	172
MINIATURE	REW	173	174	175
	SELF	176	177	178
	SHADED	179	180	181
	AGOUTI	182	183	184
	TAN PATTERN	185	186	187
	BUTTERFLY	188	189	190
	All Other Colours	191	192	193
	MINI PLUSH	Any Colour	194	195
PLUSH	Any Colour	197	198	199
AOV LOP	Any other Colour	200	200A	200B

FUR SECTION

BREED	COLOUR	KITTEN	JUNIOR	ADULT
BRITISH GIANT	WHITE	201	202	203
	AGOUTI	204	205	206
	BLACK, BLUE, OPAL	207	208	209
	All Other Colours	210	211	212
CALIFORNIAN	All Colours	213	214	215
CHINCHILLA	CHINCHILLA	216	217	218
CHINCHILLA GIGANTA	CHINCHILLA *Chin Gi Junior is under 6 months. Adult 6 months and over.	219	220	221
SILVER FOX	BLACK/CHOCOLATE	222	223	224
	BLUE/LILAC	225	226	227
NEW ZEALAND WHITE	REW	228	229	230
SABLE	All Colours	231	232	233
SATIN	IVORY	234	235	236
	SELF	237	238	239
	SHADED	240	241	242
	AGOUTI	243	244	245
	TAN PATTERN	246	247	248
	All Other Colours	249	250	251
SMOKE PEARL	SIAMESE/MARTIN	252	253	254
SWISS FOX	WHITE	255	256	257
	SELF	258	259	260
	SHADED	261	262	263
	AGOUTI	264	265	266
	All Other Colours	267	268	269
MINITURE STAIN	IVORY	270	271	272
	AOC	273	274	275
DEILENAAR	BRC COLOUR	276	277	278
ALASKA	BLACK	279	280	281
PERLFEE	OPAL	282	283	284
SQUIRREL	SQUIRREL	285	286	287
THURINGER	SOOTY FAWN	288	289	290
BLANC DE HOTOT	AOC	291	292	293
AOV FUR	AOV	294	295	296

REX SECTION

BREED	COLOUR	KITTEN	JUNIOR	ADULT
STANDARD REX	ERMINE	301	302	303
	SELF	304	305	306
	SHADED	307	308	309
	TAN PATTERN	310	311	312
	AGOUTI	313	314	315
	ORANGE	316	317	318
	All Other Colour	319	320	321
MINITURE REX	ERMINE	322	323	324
	SELF	325	326	327
	SHADED	328	329	330
	TAN PATTERN	331	332	333
	AGOUTI	334	335	336
	ORANGE	337	338	339
	BROKEN	340	341	342
	All Other Colour	343	344	345
SATIN REX	All Other Colour	346	347	348
AOV REX	All Other Colour	349	350	351

UNRUNG	All Breeds, All Ages			401
OWNER BRED	All Ages			404
NOVICE EXHIBITORS*	NEW MEMBERS			414
PET RABBIT**	All Breeds, All Ages			416
PEOPLE'S CHOICE***	Any Breed, Any Age	Submit 1 clear photo of your rabbit of choice with your entry form- Class No. 500		
NON-STANDARD BREEDS AND BREEDS IN DEVELOPMENT				
ALL BREEDS ****		501	502	503

* Novice exhibitor – for new members within their first 2 years of showing and not won an award higher than a group award.

** Pet Rabbit – Open to all rabbits wanting to compete for Best Pet Rabbit.

**** Not eligible for CC's



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PEN	CLASS	BREED	COLOUR	EXHIBIT NAME	RING NO	AGE	SEX	D.O. B	EXHIBITOR

NAME _____ **STUD** _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ **EMAIL** _____

By submitting this entry, I hereby certify that I am the Bonafede owner of the rabbits entered hereon. I also certify that none of my stock has been in contact with any infected stock and that I have not suffered losses from any form of disease within the specified quarantine period for such diseases.

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