Management Contest 2024

Carol Prosseda Memorial Management Contest

PURPOSE

To acknowledge excellence of management style by PaSRBA youth members in the areas of housing and equipment, feeding and animal care, disease control, record keeping, and breeding and genetics for the care and production of rabbits and/or cavies.

RULES

- 1. Any youth member that is a member of ARBA and PaSRBA, principal or associate only, is eligible to compete. Attendance at the State Convention is not necessary.
- 2. Applications must be made on forms provided by the PaSRBA youth department and submitted on the PaSRBA website.
- 3. Applications will be judged based on the number of cages/adult animals that a youth member has for housing their animals. Limited (10 holes or less/10 or fewer adult animals), Average, Unlimited (51 holes or more/51 or more adult animals)
- 4. Applications are to be completed by the contestant. Youth in the pre-junior division may choose to have some help in filling out the application.
- 5. Up to seven pages and less than 5500 words, printed on one side only, may be submitted by the applicant. Include information needed to complete the answers. Multiple document submissions will have points deducted. Visual aids may be included within this page limitation. They must be submitted in .PDF format. Applications not submitted on time and/or in the wrong format will have pointed deducted.
- 6. Winners will be announced at the PaSRBA Convention Banquet and youth need not be present to win.
- 7. Applications must be submitted online at ww.pasrba.org by 11:59 pm on **Jan 1st**, 2024.

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The following information must be in one .PDF document. Fill in the information requested after you have copied each question. No more than seven pages and less than 5500 words are allowed. Use Times New Roman 12-point font, points are allocated for Clarity in the Rubric. On the top of each page have your name along with Limited, Average or Unlimited which ever applies to your application.

- 1. When did you join the PaSRBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged?
- 2. Name the breed(s) you raise, how many animals you have in each breed and why you raise these breed(s). Also include breed(s) you have raised in the past and why you no longer raise them.
- 3. Describe where your animals are located: barn, outbuilding, yard, garage, basement, house, etc.?
- 4. How do you protect your animals from heat, cold or drafts?
- 5. Describe your cages/coops, list the number, size, materials they are made of and how they are constructed.
- 6. Describe the equipment you use to feed and water your animals.
- 7. What type(s) of feed(s) do you give your animals? Do you give your animals feed supplements? If so, why?
- 8. How do you dispose of the manure and waste your animals generate?
- 9. Describe any other equipment used for the care of the animals in your project.
- 10. Describe everything you consider and do when breeding your animals. Include ages, time of year, system for keeping track of bred animals and provisions for kindling.
- 11. Describe everything you do to care for the mother and young from birth until weaning.
- 12. How many litters with how many total animals did you have born Since January 1, 2021? How many young did you wean?
- 13. Do you track the quality of your offspring to the breeding animals? Explain.
- 14. Describe your culling procedure. What do you do with your surplus animals?
- 15. How many replacement animals have you added since January 1, 2021? What qualities do you look for in selecting replacements?
- 16. Describe any diseases that have affected your production and explain what you did to control them.
- 17. Explain your system for keeping records and what information is kept on each animal.
- 18. Did your ARBA animal project show a profit or loss last year? Explain.