

The Angora News

NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB



Featuring:

✿ 2026 NATIONALS MINI GUIDE ✿

✿ HOP BACK IN HISTORY: FRENCH ANGORA TEXTURE ✿

Table of Contents

NARBC Board & Committees	3
Groups	4
Calendar of Events	4
President's Message	5
Vice President Report	6
Secretary Report	7
Board Meeting Minutes	8
From The Treasurer's Desk	13
Proposed Budget	14
Broken English COD Update	16
2026 Nationals Mini Guide	17
District 1 Report	29
District 2 Report	32
District 3 Report	38
District 4 Report	42
Youth Director Report	43
Winner's Circle	44
New and Renewed Memberships	45
Expiring Memberships	46
Staying Safe From Email Scams	48
Specialty Club Reports	50
Hop Back in History: French Angora Texture	66
Upcoming Shows	68
Missing Show Reports	69
Sweepstakes	70
Cook's Corner	80
From the Editor	81

Angora Specialty Clubs

ANGORAS OF THE ROCKIES

KELLYJO C YOUNGGREEN
kyounggreen@mac.com

BLOWN AWAY ANGORA RABBIT GUILD

TAMMY VAUGHN
BlownAwaySpecial@gmail.com

CALIFORNIA ANGORA RABBIT SOCIETY

PAT DUGGAN
PJCDuggan@aol.com

EAST COAST ANGORA SPECIALTY CLUB

AMANDA SHARON
triplefhomestead21@gmail.com

LONE STAR ANGORA CLUB

SHEILA WRIGHT
SHEILAGWRIGHT@gmail.com

MICHIGAN ANGORA CLUB

JACKIE MCDONALD
splitrailangoras@gmail.com

NEW YORK STATE ANGORA CLUB

KARIN WEBER BAILEY
baileyjackarin@yahoo.com

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ANGORA GUILD

BETTY CHU
englishangora88@yahoo.com

SOUTHERN STARS ANGORA CLUB

KRISTI SALINAS
laccounts@mkfam.pw

UNITED ANGORA RABBIT CLUB

MELISSA DEITRICH
fuzzibuttsrabbitryandcaviary@gmail.com

UPPER MIDWEST ANGORA CLUB

CINDY STELLOH
arba600@aol.com

Angora News Advertising & Publication Information

Please submit articles and photos to our newsletter email: narbcnewsletter@gmail.com

Submission Deadlines:

- February 20, 2026
- June 1, 2026
- August 1, 2026
- December 1, 2026

	Single Issues Ads:	Two Issues Ads:	Three Issues Ads:	Four Issues Ads: (1 Year)
Full Page	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
1/2 Page	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
1/4 Page	\$6.00	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$18.00

Disclaimer: "The NARBC Inc. reserves the right to refuse to accept for publication, any advertising, or articles which it deems not in the best interest of its members. Articles, statements, and opinions published may not necessarily be those of NARBC Inc. and are solely the responsibility of the authors."

NARBC BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

OFFICERS

President: Jen Richardson
Term: 8/1/2024-7/31/2028
Phone: (cell) 352-650-8563
e-mail: moonriserabbits@gmail.com

Vice President: Andrea Evans
Term: 8/2/2024-7/31/2025
Phone: 847-309-1047
e-mail: akoeniger@gmail.com

Treasurer: June Abbott
Term: 8/1/2024-7/31/2028
Phone: 336-756-9004
e-mail: juneabbott@surry.net

Secretary: Laurie Penterman
Term: 8/1/2021-7/31/2025
7983 Outagamie Rd., Kaukauna, WI 54130
Phone: 920-740-8772
email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

COMMITTEES

Audit:
Deb Clemons & Lauren Cody

Budget:
June Abbott
Phone: 336-756-9004
email: juneabbott@surry.net

Commercial Fiber
Chair: Tammy Vaughn
Phone: 541-288-6276
email: Fuzzyvaughns@gmail.com

Constitution and By-laws:
Laurie Penterman
Jackie McDonald

Election/Voting:
Angel Smerling
email: hairybunsrabbitry@gmail.com

Hall of Fame: Sue Scott Needle
email: sueneedle20@gmail.com

History:
Chair: Casey Jones
email: angoracj@gmail.com

Linda Cassella Memorial Youth Scholarship Committee
Chair: Yvonne Lyons
Phone: 607-761-4194
Email: ylyons@stny.rr.com

WS&G Sweepstakes:
Chair: Vanessa Rich
Phone: 317-442-5085
email: gigglinggoatcreations@gmail.com
Members: Ana Ederich & Kristi Salinas

DIRECTORS

District 1: Jackie McDonald Term: Ends 7/31/2028
email: splitrailangoras@gmail.com
Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/280623382975644>
{Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Canada: Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland-Labrador, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario; International: Europe.}

District 2: Lauren Cody Term: 8/1/2025-7/31/2029
email: Lcody121@aol.com
Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/924812594332554>
{Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Washington D.C., North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee, Puerto Rico. International: Caribbean, South America, Africa, Middle East}

District 3: Tammy Vaughn Term: 8/1/2024-7/31/2028
Phone: 541-288-6276
email: Fuzzyvaughns@gmail.com
Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/237696934201665>
{Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota. Canada: Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Yukon, Northwest Territory, Nunavut.}

District 4: Laura Parker-Clark Term: 8/1/2025-7/31/29
Phone:
Email:
Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/872145346620263> {California, Nevada, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Hawaii. International: Mexico, Central America, Pacific/Asia}.

Youth Director: Keegan Ertel
Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2029
Email: LavenderandHoneycomb@gmail.com



Groups and Event List

Membership:

Chair: Laurie Penterman
Phone: 920-740-8772
Email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

Mentoring Group:

Rachel Penterman
Phone: (cell) 920-740-0248
Email: rachelpenterman@gmail.com

Tammy Vaughn
Phone: 541-288-6276
email: Fuzzyvaughns@gmail.com

Madison Wisecup
Phone: 678-630-5640
Email: cloverhoney562@gmail.com

Newsletter:

Alicia Andrus
Phone: (cell) 907-378-4027
Email: narbcnewsletter@gmail.com

Publicity:

Rachel Penterman
Phone: (cell) 920-740-0248
Email: rachelpenterman@gmail.com

Show Advisory:

Laura Parker-Clark
Email: Lclark_1971@yahoo.com
Andrea Evans
Email: akoeniger@gmail.com

Show Rules:

Cindy Stelloh
Phone Number: 262-363-4186
Email: arba600@aol.com

Social Media:

Committee Members:

Jen Richardson
Cell: 352-650-8563
Email: moonriserabbits@gmail.com

Laurie Penterman
Cell: 920-740-8772
Email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

Casey Jones
Cell: 707-449-8022
Email: angoracj@gmail.com

Standards, Research, and Development:

Chairperson: Adam Schuller

Members:
English: Andrea Evans
Email: akoeniger@gmail.com

French: Rachel Penterman
Email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

Giant: Cory White
Email: coryjbillings@gmail.com

Satin: Laurie Penterman
Email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

Varieties: Nichole Wilson
Email: nicholemgwilson@gmail.com

Sweepstakes/Angora of the Year:

Graham Thomas

Youth/Bunny Bucks:

Sarah Wisecup
Madison Wisecup

Special Committees will be appointed when necessary.

**NARBC
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

2026 National Angora Show

In Conjunction with the West Coast Classic Show
on May 16, 2026 in Reno, Nevada



103rd ARBA Convention

October 24th - 28th, 2026 in Reno, Nevada

President's Message: Jennifer Richardson

Greetings fuzzy friends!

We are all gearing up for the next round of show seasons as the weather is starting to break up here in the frozen tundra in Michigan. We have busted out after working through frozen dishes, slippery walkways, and matted coats from the lack of daily/weekly grooming. We are grateful for the February thaw. I am sure we will have a few more days of winter, but it was nice to get the sunshine!



We are gearing up for Nationals in Reno, Nevada, and are super excited about the collaboration of West Coast breeders who are working hard to pull off two major shows for us angora breeders this year in Reno! It's time to start grooming.

It has been exciting to see all of the angoras finishing out the show tables and winning the high honors of Best in Show, Reserve in Show, and Honorable Mention! I do have to give a special shout-out to those winners and aspire to meet you all on the show tables this year.

Remember, as we are showing, this is just one judge's opinion, on one given day, with a rabbit that could win next week or even next show. We do our best with what we have. Remember to be kind and support each other, help each other out, as this is how we continue to grow on the tables, in our breeds, and maintain those friendships that we have!

Happy showing!

Jen Richardson
NARBC President

Vice President's Message: Andrea Koeniger Evans



As we continue preparing for the 2026 ARBA Convention in Reno, one of the key areas we have focused on is securing proper judging coops for our Angora breeds. While Angoras are removed from the coop for hands-on evaluation, the judging coop still plays an important role in the process. Small coops, especially those with rough or unfinished sides, can damage a carefully prepared coat. Exhibitors spend months growing, conditioning, and preparing their animals, and even brief contact with rough surfaces can cause breakage, webbing, or loss of presentation.

To address this, we obtained three quotes for larger, well-constructed judging coops designed to better accommodate Angoras in full coat. After careful review, NARBC has voted to purchase KW Cage Company judging coops and donate them to ARBA. This donation represents a long-term investment by our club to support the proper evaluation and presentation of Angoras at the national level.

By donating these coops, we are helping ensure that appropriate judging equipment will be available not only for the 2026 convention in Reno, but for future conventions as well. As part of this agreement, NARBC will retain priority use of these coops for Angora judging at ARBA conventions moving forward. This proactive step helps protect the condition of our animals and supports exhibitors who work hard to present Angoras in full coat.

In addition, many of you recently received a survey requesting your suggestions for future convention judges. We are beginning the process of identifying and hiring Angora judges for the 2031 ARBA Convention and beyond. Advance planning is critical, as qualified Angora judges are limited and schedules fill quickly.

I created the survey form to make it simple and straightforward for members to provide input. It is designed so that your feedback is easy to submit while also allowing the Board of Directors to organize and review the information efficiently. Thoughtful, structured input helps us make informed decisions that reflect the priorities of our membership.

I appreciate the time members have taken to share their input and support these efforts. These are important steps in planning not just for Reno, but for the continued success of Angoras at ARBA conventions in the years ahead.

Andrea Evans

Secretary's Report: Laurie Penterman

I don't know about you, but I've had enough of winter! I'm tired of the cold, windy days here in Wisconsin. I know spring is right around the corner, and I am so much looking forward to longer, warmer days!



I am planning to attend the 2026 National Angora Show in Reno, Nevada, and I look forward to seeing many other Angora breeders there. I have never traveled that far in a car before, so hopefully the weather will cooperate and the trip will go smoothly. I have never been to West Coast Classic and am so excited to finally be able to go!

Please check the list of expiring memberships, and if your name is on it to renew. Also, if you are paying for your renewal with PayPal, to make sure your PayPal account has your current address and email address. I will be going on vacation from March 17-29, so any membership requests I receive during that time will be taken care of when I get back. I will check my email every day while I'm gone.

I hope as spring arrives that you all have nest boxes filled with little future champions!

Board Meeting Minutes

NARBC Board Meeting October 28, 2025

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, via a Microsoft Teams Meeting. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm EST. Board members present were Laurie Penterman, Jen Richardson, Keegan Ertel, Tammy Vaughn, Laura Clark, Andrea Evans, Lauren Cody and Jackie McDonald.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the September 16, 2025, board meeting. A MOTION was made by Andrea Evans to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by Lauren Cody. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 327 members in the club, 270 being Open members, and 57 Youth members. Since our September meeting, the club has gained nine new Open members and 6 new Youth members. Five Open members and no Youth members renewed their membership since the last meeting. Laurie continues to send out renewal notices to expiring members via email.

Financial Report- June Abbott reported that the balance in the checking account is \$1,950.63, there is \$32,350.39 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$767.64 in the PayPal account, for a total cash balance of \$35,068.66. There is \$3,483.14 in the held funds, so there are \$31,585.52 available funds.

Old Business

2025 ARBA Convention

1. **Show Coop Donation Update-** Andrea followed up. We will not have the new coops for the upcoming ARBA Convention. We will use the ones that Jen donated to the Rabbit Renegades for this past National Angora Show. We will have the new coops for the 2026 ARBA Convention in Reno. Rabbitry Woodshop is making them, and they will transport them to Reno. ARBA will store them in their trailer from now on.
2. **Banquet Update-** So far 20 tickets have been sold.
3. **Booth Volunteers-** There are still spots available for members to sign up to help out.
4. **Breed Chairs-** Jen is going to be the Breed Chair for English Angoras. Lauren Cody is no longer going to attend the convention, so Skyler Starrett will be the Breed Chairs for Giant Angoras.

Certificate of Development-COD

There is a Broken English COD Facebook page. Andrea wants to know if she can share what is on this page to the NARBC Facebook page. The more information the better, so we agreed to allow her to do this. Cory White may want to do the same with the Chestnut Giant Angoras.

Live Angora Rabbit Auction at the ARBA Convention- Andrea will put together a proposal to do a live animal mini auction at the 2026 Angora National Show in Reno.



Board Meeting Minutes Continued

New Business

2027 National Angora Show Bids- There are five bids to host the 2027 National Angora Show:

1. Bloomington, Illinois on April 17, 2027, in conjunction with the Illinois State Rabbit Breeders All-Breed Shows.
2. Wilmington, Ohio on April 17, 2027, in conjunction with the Diamond in the Hare RBA All-Breed Shows.
3. Greensboro, North Carolina on March 20, 2027 hosted by the East Coast Angora Specialty Club in conjunction with the North Carolina Rabbit Breeders Association All-Breed Shows.
4. Pendleton, South Carolina on April 17, 2027, in conjunction with the Flint Fire United Rabbit Rebels.
5. Lowell, Michigan on May 8, 2027, in conjunction with the Blood, Sweat and Tears Rabbit Club's All-Breed Shows.

The board discussed all of the different possibilities, and then we voted. The 2027 National Angora Show will be held in Lowell, Michigan on May 8, 2027, in conjunction with the Blood, Sweat and Tears Rabbit Club's All-Breed Shows.

Hall of Fame- There are two nominees for the 2025 Hall of Fame recipient. They are Tammy Vaughn from Washington, and Debbie McCormick from Virginia. A MOTION was made by Laurie Penterman to award the Hall of Fame to both nominated members, since they are both very deserving of the award and meet all the criteria, and because last year the award was not given since no nominations were made by the deadline of September 1st. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. Motion CARRIED.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Andrea Evans. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 7:00 pm EST via Microsoft Teams Meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary

NARBC Board Meeting December 16, 2025

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, via a Microsoft Teams Meeting. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm EST. Board members present were June Abbott, Laurie Penterman, Jen Richardson, Andrea Evans, Jackie McDonald, Laura Clark, Tammy Vaughn, and Lauren Cody.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the October 28, 2025, board meeting. A MOTION was made by Tammy Vaughn to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 349 members in the club, 285 being Open members, and 64 Youth members. Since our October meeting, the club has gained fifteen new Open members and seven new Youth members. Eight Open members and three Youth members renewed their membership since the last meeting. Laurie continues to send out renewal notices to expiring members via email.

Financial Report- June Abbott reported that the balance in the checking account is \$6,412.67, there is \$30,452.83 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$311.23 in the PayPal account, for a

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

total cash balance of \$37,176.73. There is \$3,642.14 in the held funds, so there are \$33,534.59 available funds. June also presented the financial report for the 2025 ARBA Convention. The booth brought in a profit of \$928.00, including new memberships, guidebook and patch sales, and the raffle. The silent auction brought in a profit of \$657.53 after deducting PayPal fees, and the Live Online Auction brought in a profit of \$154.03. The WSG competition had a loss of \$648.73 after paying the expenses of awards, judge's pay, meal and gifts, WSG ribbons, and 1/3 the cost of the booth.

Old Business

Convention Judge Status- Laurie received an email yesterday (December 15) from Nate Burbidge, saying that he could no longer judge Angoras at the 2026 ARBA Convention in Reno because he was booked to judge Holland Lops before he told us he could judge Angoras. We also need one more judge for the 2027 ARBA Convention. Andrea recommended Courtney Collins. Laurie will reach out to Courtney and some other judges.

BIS/RIS 100 Point Bonus- Angora Specialty shows are being held with very few rabbits being shown and many points being racked up. A MOTION was made by Andrea Evans to keep the BIS/RIS points the same as we previously discussed, for specialty show BIS winners to receive the number of points as rabbits entered and RIS winners receiving half as many points. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. Motion CARRIED.

New Business

2026 National Angora Show Update- Randy Shumaker will be the judge for the 2026 National Angora Show in Reno, Nevada. Scott Rodreiguez may possibly be judging the Angora Specialty Show.

Scholarship Issue- In 2024 Madison Wisecup was one of the NARBC Linda Cassella Scholarship recipients. Madison did not enroll for college classes within her 1-year time frame, as you have to have proof of enrollment to receive the scholarship. She would now like to have the money to enroll in trade school. Since Madison is out of compliance with the timing and we need to follow our rules, the answer is no.

2025 ARBA Convention Review- At Convention there was an issue where a NARBC member moved coops around so they could get the nicer cages with big doors for their rabbits. This is not something that NARBC can manage, ARBA needs to. We can let the NARBC members know that there could be consequences by ARBA if someone does this. We need to be mindful of ARBA rules. We need to reach out to ARBA about the wool grooming area at Convention. Arian Dworzecki said that ARBA is not required to provide a grooming space, and he wants to charge wool breeds more money for entries because the grooming area takes up a lot of electricity. Andrea will speak to Eric Stewart about this after Christmas. We need to come to a common ground.

Wool, Skein, Garment Display Center- NARBC members agree that the items that compete in the WSG competition at the ARBA Convention and the Angora National Show should be displayed so people can see these beautiful items. So, a display center is needed. Tammy Vaughn will be bringing her own display center to Reno. June spoke to Angel Semerling, who looked into the cost of a display center that NARBC could purchase, and she said we could get something for less than \$200. The problem is that if we purchase a display center, where will it be stored, and how will it get to the next Convention or National Show? It probably is the responsibility of the person in charge of the WSG competition to make sure there is a display. Also, the person collecting the WSG entries shouldn't be the one writing for the judge. Perhaps there should be a committee of people, not just one person being the WSG Chair.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Raffle Box: Materials needed and cost effectiveness- Does a big tote filled with raffle table supplies need to be taken to each ARBA Convention and Angora National Show? Jen has the tote, and will go through it to see what's all in there.

2027 Convention Breed Chair- Who is it? We need to figure this out.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Laura Clark. The motion was SECONDED by Tammy Vaughn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 7:00 pm EST via Microsoft Teams Meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary

NARBC Board Meeting **January 13, 2026**

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, via a Microsoft Teams Meeting. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm EST. Board members present were Jen Richardson, Andrea Evans, Laura Clark, June Abbott, Lauren Cody, Tammy Vaughn, Laurie Penterman and Jackie McDonald.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the December 16, 2025, board meeting. A MOTION was made by Laura Clark to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by June Abbott. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 331 members in the club, 277 being Open members, and 54 Youth members. Since our December meeting, the club has gained one new Open member and no new Youth members. Four Open members and one Youth member renewed their membership since the last meeting. Laurie continues to send out renewal notices to expiring members via email.

Financial Report- June Abbott reported that the balance in the checking account is \$2,507.92, there is \$32,498.49 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$235.33 in the PayPal account, for a total cash balance of \$35,241.74. There is \$2,272.09 in the held funds, so there are \$32,969.65 available funds. June also presented the financial report for the 2025 ARBA Convention.

Old Business

Convention Judge Status- We have no judges lined up to judge the Angoras at the ARBA Convention after 2031. Andrea will create a Google form that will be sent to the members so they can nominate possible judges and say why they think the judge they are nominating would be a good Angora judge. Andrea will present this nomination form at our next meeting.

Convention Show Table Coop Quotes- All Things Bunnies can do 3 compartments for \$160. They could deliver them to Reno, but someone from NARBC would have to be there to sign for the coops and get them off the truck. There's another company called Cage Space, located in Wyoming, who have never made coops before but are willing to do it. How would we get them from Wyoming to Reno? We are still waiting to hear from KW Cages.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Nationals 2026 Update- The show committee came up with the idea of instead of having a normal silent auction like we normally do, to have members create competition baskets instead. Teams of however many people can go in together to put a basket together worth at least \$100. No alcohol can be part of the baskets. The Angora Banquet will be held at Fox Brewery with a taco bar and a pasta bar. If people have dietary restrictions prohibiting them from eating either, they can order off the menu. The restaurant needs a deposit of \$161.23, and Tammy will send June a check request form for this.

2026 ARBA Convention in Reno- The NARBC Annual Membership Meeting will be held during the Angora Banquet. The banquet will be a breakfast banquet held on Tuesday morning of Convention at the Black Bear Diner.

WSG Display Center- At our last meeting we discussed that the display center for WSG entries should be the responsibility of the WSG Chair to make sure there is one. We will put this in the budget.

2027 Convention Breed Chair- The East Coast Angora Club will most likely want to do something.

New Business

Hosting a Specialty Show on the Same Day and Place as the Angora National Show- It clearly states in the NARBC Policies and Procedures Manual that no Angora Specialty Shows can take place the day of the National Angora Show. So, no worries.

Concerns About Spam Emails to Members- Andrea did some research about spam emails to NARBC members, and this is what she found out:

- Once an email address is used in direct correspondence, it no longer exists only in one place. It is stored in the recipient's inbox, may be backed up automatically, and can be duplicated through replies, forwards, synced devices, and standard email system processes. Because of this, an email address can be exposed through many routine channels that are unrelated to the website or to any single individual. The presence of spam or spoofed emails does not, by itself, indicate that a specific person's email account or a club system was compromised.
- **Q: How could someone get my email address if it isn't posted on the website?**
- **A:** Once an email address is used in direct communication, such as show entries, emails with officers, or newsletters, it exists in multiple inboxes and systems. From there, it can be exposed through routine email processes, third-party services, or common spoofing tactics, without any breach of NARBC systems or individual accounts.

This information will be shared in the March Angora News.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Andrea Evans. The motion was SECONDED by June Abbott. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 7:00 pm EST via Microsoft Teams Meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary



From the Treasurer's Desk: June Abbott



The proposed budget for the fiscal year August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027 has been prepared and reviewed by the Board. We invite all members to submit questions or comments by April 1, 2026. The budget will be finalized on April 30 2026. Your feedback is appreciated.

June Abbott, Treasurer



NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB

PROPOSED BUDGET - 8/1/26 - 7/31/27

INCOME	
PayPal Sanctions	3,700.00
Sanction Fees	3,400.00
W/S/G Sanction Fees	50.00
PayPal Memberships	2,800.00
Membership Dues	250.00
Newsletter Print Subscriptions	100.00
PayPal Newsletter Ad's	50.00
Newsletter Ad's	100.00
PayPal Breeders Listing	200.00
Guide Books	500.00
Boutique Sales	245.00
Patches	75.00
ARBA: W/S/G Entries	700.00
ARBA: WSG Raffle	150.00
NARBC Specialty: W/S/G Entries	250.00
Auctions	1,500.00
Raffles	1,500.00
Misc. Contributions	100.00
Miscellaneous Income	50.00
32 On Line Auctions	400.00
Contributions - Youth Scholarship Award	50.00
Interest Savings	500.00
	16,670.00
Transfer from Held Funds	
Youth Scholarship Award	800.00
	800.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>17,470.00</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES	
Print Subscriptions	50.00
Editor's Pay	500.00
Newsletter Software	120.00
Newsletter Postage	25.00
Sanctions: Pay	250.00
Secretary: Pay	250.00
Supplies	100.00
Postage	175.00
Sweepstakes: Pay	500.00
Treasurer: Postage/Supplies	100.00
Pay	250.00
ARBA Charter Renewal	30.00
Postage	100.00
Shipping Supplies	25.00
Internet/Website	450.00
Pay Pal Fees	400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Dishonesty Bond	535.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>3,960.00</u>



NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB PROPOSED BUDGET - 8/1/26 - 7/31/27 Continued

ARBA EXPENSES	
Booth Rental	1,100.00
Booth Decorations	200.00
ARBA Logo Design Fee	300.00
Judge's Pay	350.00
Judge's Meals	80.00
Gifts for Angora Judges	100.00
BIS Awards (O & Y \$500)	1,000.00
Convention Awards	2,000.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Awards	225.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Pay	175.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Meals	40.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Gifts	50.00
Wool/Skein/GarmentRibbons	400.00
Room for W/S/G Judging	100.00
Banquet Activity	150.00
TOTAL ARBA EXPENSES	6,270.00

ADDITIONAL AWARD EXPENSES	
President's Awards	100.00
Sweepstakes: Awards & Supplies	3,500.00
Fiber Artist of the Year Awards/Sweeps	350.00
Youth Scholarship	800.00
Hall of Fame Award	100.00
Youth Royalty Contest	125.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL AWARD EXPENSES	4,975.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	17,470.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	-

NARBC NATIONALS EXPENSES	
NARBC National Awards	1,500.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Awards	150.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Pay	175.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Meals	40.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judge's Gift	50.00
Gifts for Angora Judges	50.00
Nationals Logo Design Fee	300.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	100.00
TOTAL NATIONALS EXPENSES	2,265.00



Broken English Angora COD Update

From Andrea Evans

Recently, several exhibitors noticed that the new printing of the ARBA Standard of Perfection lists “Broken” at the top of the English Angora standard, which could give the impression that the variety has already been approved.

This is a printing error in the current edition of the SOP.

The Broken English Angora is still under a Certificate of Development and has not yet been accepted as a recognized variety. At this time, Broken English Angoras may only be exhibited as Exhibition animals, as outlined under the COD process.

Both Eric Stewart and Briony Smith have confirmed that the listing was a typographical error in the printing of the SOP and does not indicate approval of the variety.

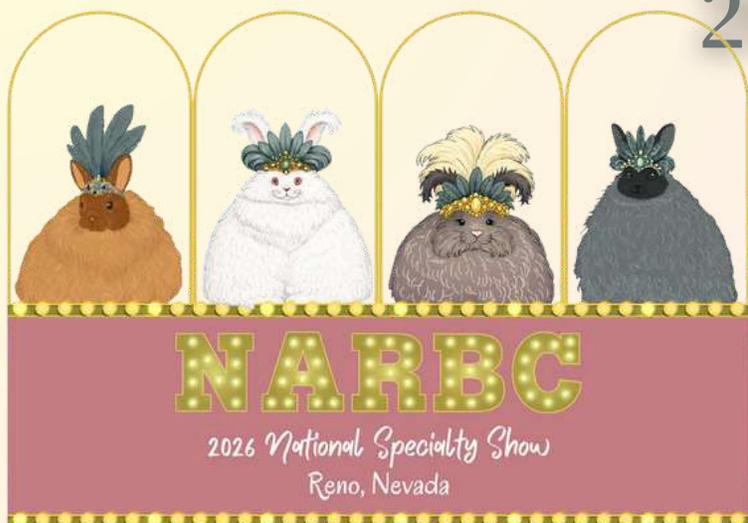
Our COD team continues to move forward with the development of the Broken English Angora and remains committed to meeting the requirements necessary for presentation to the ARBA Standards Committee.

We appreciate everyone who reached out with questions and your continued support of this project.

Broken English Angora COD Team

National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club Presents:

2026 National Angora Specialty Show



In conjunction with West Coast Classic!

Reno-Sparks Convention Center
4590 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502

Exhibitors will have the opportunity to participate in several shows this weekend!

Friday, May 15th, 2026

BAARG Specialty Show
NARBC WSG Contest

Saturday, May 16th, 2026

NARBC National Specialty Show
1 WCC All Breed Show
War of Wool Show

Sunday, May 17th, 2026

2 WCC All Breed Shows
Giant Bonanza



Event Location



Reno-Sparks Convention Center
4590 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502

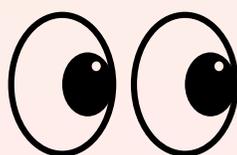
Show Information

Exhibitors will have the opportunity to participate in several shows this weekend!



- WCC Open & Youth Shows - Sat & Sun!
- BAARG Angora Specialty - Friday night
- NARBC National Angora Show - Saturday
- War of the Wools - Saturday
- Giant Angora Bonanza - Sunday

More detailed information about the WCC show will be included in their upcoming catalog. As soon as it becomes available, we'll forward it to you via email plus post it in the Official NARBC Facebook Group.



WCC Catalog for: { Deadline for all show entries
Show Secretary Information

Friday, May 15th
BAARG Specialty Show
Open and Youth
Judge: TBD

Saturday, May 16th
NARBC National Angora
Show - Open and Youth
Judge: Randy Shumaker

All Entry Fees for the BAARG Specialty, NARBC National, & WSG shows all to be paid in person on the day of the show.

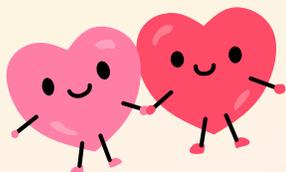
National Angora Committee Chairs

Our National Show is made possible by the incredible volunteers listed below. Each chairperson has stepped forward to serve our Angora community, and we are truly grateful for their time and heart.

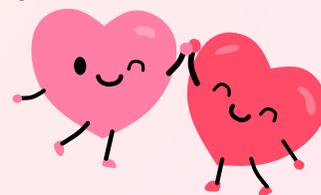
Please remember these are volunteers.

 **Be kind. Be patient. Be generous.** 

A simple thank you goes a long way.



Together, we make
Nationals special. 



Angora Breed Chairs: Andrea Evans & Tammy Vaughn

Angora Show Superintendent: Betty Chu

Show Secretary: Griffin Harrah

Rabbit Judge: Randy Shumaker

WSG Judge: Michele Reschly

Banquet: Deidra MacKimmie

Grooming Room: Kellyjo Youngreen

Mini Guide: Tammy Vaughn

Welcome Center: Kathy Thomas

Booth & Raffle: Cindy Terralumina(aka Alexandra)

Awards: Michele Reschly

Logo: Andrea Evans

WSG: Renee Terralumia & Tammy Vaughn

Photo Booth: Andrea Evans

Photographer: Alicia Andrus

Auctioneer: Arrienne Ferguson & Tammy Vaughn

Table Writers: Alicia Andrus, Deidra MacKimmie,
Susie Paterson, Michele Reschly

National Show Banquet Saturday, May 16th • 6:00 PM



Fox Brewer & Pub

124 Wonder Street

Reno, NV

just 2.5 miles

from the showroom.



Join us for an evening of fellowship and celebration following the National Show.

We'll be enjoying a delicious taco and pasta bar!

**Reservations must be made no later than
Saturday May 2, 2026!**

Email your name & numbers to;

BlownAwaySpecial@gmail.com



Banquet Tickets

Adults (13+) – \$35

Youth (5–12) – \$25

4 & under – Free



Reserve via PayPal: **BlownAwaySpecial@gmail.com**

Please use Friends & Family, or add \$4 to cover processing fees.

Ways to Support

Raffle

We will have a raffle at the showroom to support NARBC, Saturday, **May 16, 2026**.

Please bring items for the Raffle Table at the NARBC Booth! Contact Cindy Terralumina(aka Alexandria) via WhatsApp Tammy can help connect you to her ;-)

Hospitality Center

Please contact Kathy Thomas for any donations for our hospitality center, located at the NARBC Booth!

The Wool Raiser Angora Fundraising Showdown

An Online Auction will be start on Sunday, **April 26th, 2026**.

Closing bidding will be held during the NARBC banquet on Saturday, **May 16th, 2026**.

**See Page 7
in this Mini Guide for all the details!**

Wool-Skein-Garment Contest

Judge: Michele Reschly

Contact Tammy Vaughn or Renee Terralumina for any questions regarding your WSG Entries.

BlownAwaySpecial@gmail.com

Entries \$5.00 ea

Mail in entries, must be mailed no later than **May 1st, 2026**

PO Box 65, Roosevelt, WA 99356

Entries will be accepted in person at WCC

Friday **May 15th 6:00 pm**



Join our Chat Group!

Wool - Skein - Garment Contest Chat:

A friendly space to connect, share projects, swap ideas, and cheer on our fellow artists and their entries. We celebrate wins big and small while embracing the woolly, and creative side of our Angoras.



NEW

The Wool Raiser Angora Fundraising Showdown

An Online Auction's will be start on **April 26th, 2026.**

Closing bidding will be held during the
NARBC banquet on Saturday, **May 16th, 2026.**

This year, we will **NOT** be hosting a traditional Banquet Silent Auction. Instead, we're excited to introduce a fun and interactive Online Auction Basket Competition to benefit NARBC.

How It Works

- Members are encouraged to form teams of 3–5 people to create a themed basket to be auctioned as a fundraiser for NARBC.
- This is a guideline, not a hard rule—whether one person or twenty people come together to donate a basket, all are welcome!
- Each basket should have a minimum retail value of \$100.
 - A basket may be a single item or a collection of items.
 - “Basket” simply refers to the auction item as a whole.
- **MUST** Bring your donations to the Banquet!

The Wool Raiser continued...

- The auction will be hosted online, giving everyone plenty of time to view items, share links, and build excitement.
- Just prior to the NARBC Nationals Membership Banquet, the online auction will close and transition into a live auction, open to all those that are present.
- If you've bid on something and can't be there in person, be sure to connect with someone that can be your proxy.

Beware all shipping costs will be the buyer's responsibility.

- The basket that raises the most money will earn its team a **VERY SPECIAL AWARD!!!**



Important Details & Deadlines

- All baskets **MUST** be presented in person at the NARBC Nationals Banquet.
- Baskets will be photographed and ready to publish online by Saturday **April 18th**,

Send pictures & descriptions to Tammy,

BlownAwaySpecial@gmail.com

- Once the online auction goes live Saturday **April 26th**, all teams are encouraged to share widely and generate enthusiasm—after all, everyone wants to win!

The Wool Raiser continued...

Fund Allocation

Each team will designate where the funds raised from their basket will be directed, such as:

- Research & Development (R&D)
- Youth Scholarship
- Sweeps Awards
- National or Convention Awards
- Other NARBC-supported programs



Guidelines

- Creativity is encouraged—nearly anything goes!
- Please note:
 - No live animals
 - No alcohol
- Let's keep everything family-friendly, positive, and fun.
- If a basket is won by someone not in attendance at the banquet, the winner is responsible for shipping costs.

Get your teams together!

Pull your baskets together!

The awards for the most earned

Basket are going to phenomenal!

Giant Bonanza

We all know Giants already come in a wide variety of colors. What do you do when you have a gorgeous non-accepted color? You are prepping your other Giants for an upcoming show and you wish you could bring your special chocolate agouti, fawn, black, Chinchilla, etc...

YES, you can!

Enter them as "EXHIBIT" We can enter our non-recognized colors! We will have the 2 Groups as White & Colored, plus we have a Giant Exhibit Group. Currently Chestnuts are the only accepted Colored Giant Angora.

- All Giants will be judged to confirm Giant Angora SOP.
- When submitting your show entry, make it clear to which Giant Angora Group your entry is; **"White"**, **"Colored"**, or **"Exhibit"**.
- Must be a color currently listed in the ARBA SOP, in the Angora Color Guide.
Note: If your color isn't listed, contact Tammy, she's happy to chat with you.
Where there's a will there's a way, we're here to support you. We want more colors!
- We will work with the show flow: Understand that regular show entries take precedence.
- The Giant Exhibit Group will NOT be awarded sweepstake points or Host club awards.

Let's infuse our shows with color, camaraderie, and a sense of adventure! Here's to celebrating the beauty of Giant Angoras in all their hues.

Special Chocolate Agouti Giants are coming! For the NARBC exhibit! Come and see them in person!

EXCITING!!!

GIANT BONANZA

**Sunday
May 17th
Reno, NV**

Show ALL colored Giants
special Exhibit Class!!

#LOVECOLOREDGIANTS



**FOR FUN
SHOW!**

Exhibit Class awards
donated by Fuzzy Vaughns

Show Rules

1. These shows are governed by the latest ARBA and NARBC show rules. The show committee will have final authority on any interpretations necessary at the shows. The filing of the entry form indicates acceptance of these rules, as well as additional rules listed below.
2. Refer to WCC Catalog for ALL show fees, entry submissions, & show information.
3. BAARG, CRCS, NARBC, Inc, and ARBA will not be responsible for any loss or injury by fire, accident, theft or providential destruction. Reasonable precaution will be taken to prevent injury or loss in the showroom.
4. Show officials have the right to add, delete, or reassign judges as circumstances require. The show committee reserves the right to assign breeds to judges.
5. All animals must be permanently earmarked in the left ear. Any animal NOT legibly earmarked will be automatically disqualified.
6. Cooping will not be provided. This is a carrier show. Each exhibitor must furnish his/her own feed and food containers for his/her rabbits.
7. Wool entries must be entered in class judging.
8. No breeding will be permitted in the show building unless owners are present.
9. Youth exhibitors must carry their own rabbits to the youth show table.
10. Sanctioned Breeds for Open and Youth: English, French, Giant and Satin Angoras. Unrecognized varieties may be judged; however, they may not compete for legs, BOB, or BOS. NARBC & Host club will not supply awards.
11. Awards will be given during the NARBC, Inc Specialty Show on Saturday, May 16th, 2026.
12. ONLY animals allowed in the showroom are rabbits. Service dogs are allowed in the showroom to assist the disabled.
13. Rabbits will be allowed to leave as soon as judging for the show is completed.
14. Parents are responsible for the actions of their children. Parents must control their children's behavior or will be asked to leave at once. If you are asked to leave, all entry fees will be forfeited.
15. Exhibitors will not be allowed on the side of the show table designated for the judges.
16. Exhibitors must place their rabbits on the judging table PROMPTLY when classes are called.
17. Entry fees and banquet fees are non-refundable. There are no refunds for entries not shown.
18. ANY rabbit(s) showing signs of colds, or any other ailment will be removed from the showroom.
19. Sweepstakes will be governed by the latest sweepstakes rules of NARBC, Inc.
20. It is against the ARBA rules to enter the same rabbit in both youth and open classes in the same show. Youth may make entries in both Open and Youth classes with different animals. Adults cannot show in youth classes at any time.
21. Exhibitors may watch the judging; however, they may not talk to or question the judge(s) during judging.
22. Come to Reno, NV and have a GREAT time!

Sanctions

WCC Shows, BAARG Specialty Show, and NARBC National Angora Specialty Show are all sanctioned with ARBA and NARBC, Inc.

Open Sanctioned Show - OFFICIAL ARBA SANCTIONED SHOW, Eric Stewart, Executive Director, ARBA website: www.arba.net. Membership Dues ADULT MEMBERSHIP: \$20.00 for 1 year \$50.00 for 3 years; YOUTH MEMBERSHIP: \$12.00 for 1 year \$30.00 for 3 years; TWO ADULT COMBINATION MEMBERSHIP: \$30.00 for 1 year, \$75.00 for 3 years; SINGLE ADULT FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: TWO ADULT COMBINATION FAMILY: 1 year \$20.00 plus \$5.00 per youth, 3 years \$50.00 plus \$10.00 per youth TWO ADULT COMBINATION FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: 1 Year \$30.00 plus \$5.00 per youth, 3 years \$75.00 plus \$10.00 per youth

National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club

Laurie Penterman, Secretary: 7983 Outagamie Rd. Kaukauna, WI 54130. email: pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com Membership: Adult (1 yr) \$15.00, (2 yrs) \$23.00; (3 yrs) \$32.00; (4yrs) \$40.00 - Youth (1 yr) \$10.00 , (2 yrs) \$15.00, (3 yrs) \$20.00; (4 yrs) \$25.00 - Rabbitry 1 yr \$25.00, (2 yrs) \$35.00; (3 yrs) \$45.00; (4 yrs) \$55.00 - Family (1 yr) \$30.00, (2 yrs) 40.00; (3 yrs) \$50.00; (4 yrs) \$60.00- Sanction Fee: Open & Youth \$15.00 all 4 breeds - Youth \$5.00 all 4 breeds. (Youth free if requested with Open). Send sanction requests to: Deb Clemens Sanctions/Sweepstakes Chairperson 962 White Pine Drive, Ennice, NC 28623 336-648-9950 narbcsweps@gmail.com



District 1 Director: Jackie McDonald

The winter months in the north in D1 don't have many shows as we're all just trying to survive.

Many of us are playing with fiber during the winter!



Yvonne and Melanie Lyons won RIS at the 2025 New York Grand Nationals show with Sumbunny's Seabiscuit, a fawn English angora senior buck.

Deb Roe won RISS at the Christmas show in Michigan in December with Purple Door Sofie.



District 1 Director: Jackie McDonald - Continued



In January, Michigan State University held its annual 4-H show. Bonnie Havlicek, Deb Sloan and I were there showing kids how you can make yarn from angora rabbits.

Deb Sloan created a wonderful display on harvesting fiber.

Bonnie Havlicek was spinning right from her French Angora. The kids were enthralled!



District 1 Director: Jackie McDonald - Continued

In Pennsylvania, the Farm Show held the annual Angorapalooza with 4 teams competing in the bunny to scarf contest. The scarves were then auctioned off.



I hope to see you at the spring shows!

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody



Hello D2 and all NARBC members!

On this cold, snowy day here in western North Carolina, I must admit I am looking forward to Springtime and warmer temperatures. I've seen Crocus popping up around the edges of my woods and beside my deck, and that sure gives me hope that it won't be too much longer. Some here in the south can breed year-
sure you are all looking forward to spring babies! I don't know of anything sweeter than those newborns...unless it's the squinty-eyed faces of kits with their eyes just opened, just starting to hop around. Oh!....or the ones that just popped out of the nest-box to plague mom 24/7! 😊

Spring is when everything comes up and out, fresh and new. New babies, new buds, rain-washed trees, and earth. While I'm talking about everything being fresh and new, I want to remind us all to really appreciate and take care of our newbies/new breeders. Please remember what it feels like to be new and unsure of yourself, and remember the courage it takes to walk into a show hall full of seasoned breeders/exhibitors who know what they are doing.... when you don't know anyone, have no idea what you are doing, and often don't yet have the proper equipment. Please don't ever let a newcomer stand or sit alone... invite them into your circle, introduce them around, and let them know that we are all here to help them. Besides making new and wonderful friends, I have picked up some great ideas, new ways of doing things, and new products/equipment from those who are fairly new to showing Angoras. I'm worse than anyone to get set in my ways...I like "the way I've always done it, because it works", I like the tools I use because "If it ain't broke....", etc. But when I closed my mouth and opened my ears and mind a bit, I found that there is always more to learn, new methods, sometimes better ways, and fun new equipment (think tattooers, blowers, etc)...and it's FUN to try out new stuff!

Keeping with the "new" a bit longer, we all know we must be frugal these days (all days, really 😊), but don't let that keep you from occasionally freshening your breeding and showing experience. From a new can of cornstarch or brush, cool comb, to customizing your carriers or grooming stuff with some custom stickers with your rabbitry name and logo, or an apron or t-shirts with your logo...a few new toys for the buns. A lot of these things don't have to be pricey and are fun crafty projects. Most important, though, is to always see your herd with "new" eyes. How often do we walk through our rabbitry and marvel at what gorgeous animals we have the privilege of owning/working with/showing....loving? Remember to look at the beautiful Angoras shown by other breeders. Personally, I have fallen in love with every breed, even though I have not included every breed in my barn.

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

I'm just trying to say to remember to keep your attitude fresh and new, keep your love for your breed fresh and new...we can learn from our newcomers as they can learn from us.

I am so happy to include a "Meet the Breeder" article in this article 😊 This is Emilie Gate. She is a fairly new breeder located in Western North Carolina, and has graciously agreed to write an article introducing herself 😊



Emilie and Birch the REW.

"Hello, my name is Emilie Gate, I live just outside Asheville NC. On [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) my farm page "Bryson Homestead" and my registered farm name is Bryson Farm.. I am in my first year of owning Angoras and it's been a really special journey. Growing up in Hertfordshire, the south east of England, I always had an interest in fiber crafts. In the 1920's My grandmother was a basketweaver in a small rural village called Chenies, a civil parish in Buckinghamshire, England. Women and children would sit on the doorsteps of their homes and weave and sell willow baskets, handmade lace or knitted goods for the wealthy and "upperclass" who lived in or visited the Manorhouse traveling to and from London or other stately homes.

Growing up, my grandmother knit me so many pairs of bedsocks. I remember feeling so excited to receive a new pair.

As the years went by and until my grandmother lost her eyesight, she would knit for all us in the family. I loved receiving our bedsocks that we could use to keep our feet warm at night, and it was the beginning of my love of fiber crafts. I enjoyed learning about the different fibers, construction of knitted, laced or basked woven fabric. As a child born in 1979, I knew of Angora wool, but it was a luxury fiber; really, all that was taught was that it came from poorly cared for Rabbits, in dark and dingy barns. Years later and after studying the history of Angora Rabbits, little did I know that Angoras did exist, and although the requirements for raising angoras in England are different to here in the USA, I'm so happy I that I am now able to raise them here on our homestead and that they can be raised in loving, clean, bright, happy environments.

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

We moved to Asheville in 2016, moving to a new city and craving connection with others who loved crafting, I started the Asheville Knitting Club. I wanted to find locally spun and ethically sourced yarn. Not filled with acrylic, but yarn that didn't impact the earth in how it was grown and milled, and yarn that paid the farmer well. Low and behold, at the time Echoview Fiber Mill, a Lead Gold Certified Fiber Mil, I existed in a town called Weaverville just 15 minutes north of Asheville and I ended up being offered a job. The five years working there were some of my favorites, connecting with local fiber artists, meeting farmers who were raising sheep and alpacas. We started to spin a beautiful yarn called BunnyPacca, made from 50% Alpaca and 50% Angora Fiber. As many of you will know, it was incredibly warm and the natural colors were beautiful.

Part of my job was sourcing Angora fiber from ethically sourced local Angora owners. A couple of my colleagues had Angoras and would bring their rabbits to work. They were stunning. I think it was then that the seed of owning Angoras was planted. It wasn't the right season for me yet, I knew it would take time and I didn't want to raise angoras half-heartedly. I wanted to do my best. I had a small lop-eared rabbit growing up, but it wasn't a rabbit you would have my physical contact with. I didn't know that was possible...until I owned Angoras.

In 2025, on our homestead, we began raising meat rabbits. We had owned performance herd Goats over the years. I didn't show them, but I was very interested in conformation and how the way an animal was raised, their genetic makeup, how they were cared for and bred etc had a huge impact on your Goat's coat, hooves, milk production etc. I knew this to be true of Rabbits as well, and I wanted to help improve the breed.



District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

Last year I attended my first rabbit show with Creme D'Argent's. I was there with one senior Buck, who I now realize had won legs when he was younger but was now older and needed a rest! I didn't win any awards, but I found the experience so interesting. I was also welcomed by so many lovely people. Seeing all the different rabbit breeds, learning about the care needed for rabbits. It taught me that showing wasn't always about winning but the feedback was so helpful from the judges to learn about how to improve the breed. I was at Newton (Hickory, NC) and in the back corner of the hall I could see a group of breeders with their French, Giant and English Angoras, blowing out their wool, grooming them. The rabbits would snuggle up on their laps and you could see so much love and attention went into every detail.

I heard of stories in the Goat show world, where people could be unkind (Most people are not like that), so my fear was that it would be the same in the rabbit world, and thankfully, that has not been my experience. I just observed the Angora Rabbit group, helping one another and encouraging one another. I came away thinking "I could do this!". This might be my season. The thought of producing wool on my one-acre homestead excited me. I also realized I didn't have to raise Angora rabbits on my own. That there is community and connection through the ownership of Rabbits. I had connected with Lauren Cody, who lived 20 mins from me. At that time, I didn't realize quite how beautiful the Angoras she owned were. I visited her rabbitry, initially to explore owning a couple of woolies as pets. I had no plans to breed or show. I just loved the Angoras for their fiber and their temperaments. As I put my hands over their bodies, and through their wool, it felt like all the cares and worries of the world melted away. They became my heart-animals and I felt excited to work with their fiber.



First time showing the angoras.

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

Over the following months, my rabbitry grew, and the thought of possibly showing them grew too. I now have a rabbitry with French, Giant, and German Angoras from Lauren Cody and Amber DePetro. I love them all. I attended my first show with Angoras this spring. I hadn't grown up going to rabbit shows; I really didn't know what I was doing, but I found such kindness and support from the other breeders. They showed me where to go, who I needed to bring to the show table, and walked me through the whole process. If you haven't grown up in the Rabbit Show field, to be honest, it's very intimidating. What I thought would be a daunting experience, (in my head I was worried... had I been grooming my rabbits well enough? Was I taking good care of them? Would the other participants be very competitive and unkind? Would I get looked down upon as I'm a newbie?) (If you have never participated in rabbit shows, you might recognize some of these feelings well!). But my experience was that of welcome and encouragement. Every judge had something positive to say. It was so helpful to me to have guidance on whom I should breed my rabbits with; there was really helpful encouragement and guidance on the quality and density of the fiber.

I was able to chat with other breeders about how they feed their rabbits, what goes into grooming, and how they provide care. I was able to join a smaller group with other Angoras owners on the East Coast who recently helped me so much with advice about the sickness of one of my rabbits. When we raise rabbits, we can enjoy and thrive in it, and then suddenly one of them becomes unwell or has an injury, or we discover mites, and it can suddenly feel like we are the worst rabbit breeder ever. Or we think this wouldn't happen to anyone else. We can feel like we are on our own, and we just don't know what to do. But I have found a community through owning Angoras. I have learned so much from the other breeders, who are always so willing to share and encourage based on experience.

Six months in raising Angoras and I have now started to collect so much amazing wool. I have been on a journey to learn how to card and spin yarn, and this year I'm excited to knit my own pair of bedsocks, like my Granny did, and they will be made from the wool grown on our homestead.

The natural colors of our Angoras are stunning; the gentle warm and cool tones bring luxury to our yarn. In a world where doing life can feel like just "too much" sometimes, our Angoras are a place of calm and therapy. They remind us of the natural beauty of the world, that what we put in and give to our rabbits they give double that back. Our Angoras, whether we take them to show or don't, give us so much love and we get to give that back to them, and hopefully so much more as they deserve that. In 2026, I have a few specific hopes and dreams for my rabbitry. I wonder if you have any as well?

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

When I worked at Echoview we had a community dye garden. I learned so much about botanical dyes. I was able to use those skills and help grow some lovely botanical dye plants that we used to dye the yarn. I hope to be able to grow more of these at home. Most of the time I just love the natural colors of the fiber, but I would like to experiment with dying some of the angora fiber from the garden.

This spring, I'm breeding my French and Giant Angoras this year for the first time. I'm so excited!! I am enjoying the process of slowly growing my rabbitry. I feel very fortunate to have started my rabbitry with very strong lines, and it's a wonderful foundation. I would like to grow slowly and not grow too big so that I can't give them good care. I love that I might be able to help others get started. Whether we have owned our angoras for a month or 10 years, we are all on a journey of learning and discovering more, and I hope I can always be at a place where I can encourage and teach others more, but that I will never stop learning how to be a better caretaker of our beloved Angoras.

I'm looking forward to connecting with more of you in the future. I hope this is an encouragement to you all.

Emilie”



My first skein of yarn made with Angora Rabbit wool and Shetland

District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn



UFO's, Unfinished Objects... and a Gentle Nudge 🛸🧶

If you've been around wool for any length of time, you know exactly what a UFO is. Not the flying saucer kind. The knitting kind. UnFinished Objects. The sock with only one mate. The sweater missing a sleeve. The scarf that just needs fringe. The beautiful Angora project that only needs... finishing.



I recently listened to an episode of the podcast We Tried to Tell You, about UFOs, and I felt personally called out, in the best possible way. The hosts, Sarah Keller and Marie Greene, have such a cheerful, grounded way of talking about knitting, business, and life. They are real. They laugh at themselves. They admit their own piles of unfinished projects. There is no shame in their conversation. There is perspective and grace, and I needed that.

If I am being honest, my unfinished projects are astronomically out of control. I love casting on. I love the fresh skein. I love the idea of what something will become. Finishing is another story. The second sock and I are not currently on speaking terms. But listening to that episode reminded me that a UFO is not a failure. It is possibility paused. Sometimes we learned what we needed to learn. Sometimes life simply gets busy. Sometimes we got distracted by prettier yarn. It happens. But sometimes we just need a gentle nudge.

District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn - Continued

Here's your nudge; The WSG contest is coming up, and there is still plenty of time to finish that Angora project. There is even enough time to start something new if that is how your creative brain works. Imagine taking wool from your own rabbit and turning it into something you can proudly enter and share. This is not about perfection. It is about participation. It is about growth. It is about honoring the fiber we work so hard to produce.

And if you are thinking, "I don't know how to spin," or "I have never entered before," or "I would not even know where to begin," that is exactly why this matters so much.

There is a tremendous amount of expertise in our Angora community. Truly tremendous. We have master spinners, beautiful knitters, seasoned show exhibitors, and grooming experts who have learned through years of experience. At the same time, I am watching new people begin their Angora journey every single month. New breeders. New fiber artists. Youth just getting started. Families trying something completely new. They are excited, and they are also unsure.



Not in a grand, formal way. Just in the quiet way that says, "Come join us." The way that stands beside someone in the showroom and explains how to hold a rabbit. The way that walks a new member through filling out an entry form. The way that shows how to groom more effectively, freely share their tips for success, how to prepare wool, how to conduct yourself in the show ring. Ultimately, how to be yourself at the next show without feeling out of place.

That kind of mentoring does not require a committee title. It requires heart.

If you have fleece coming off soon, consider sacrificing a couple of ounces and sending it to the WSG contest. You can mail in your entries, so distance is not a barrier. If you do not know how to prepare it, ask. If you are unsure what category to enter, ask. Every single expert in this club once asked their first question.

Let's not let our Angora sit quietly in a bag. We raise these beautiful animals. We grow this incredible fiber. Let's use it. Finish that UFO. Cast on something brave. Encourage someone new. Invite them to join the club. Walk beside them at the next show.

The WSG contest is more than entries arranged for judging. It is mentorship in action. It is a community working together. It is knowledge shared and confidence built. Most of all, it is our opportunity to show the world what our Angora rabbits can truly produce. I love watching visitors stop at our booth, completely taken aback, asking if they can feel the softness for themselves. The pride in that moment knowing our members created those beautiful, exquisitely soft pieces is hard to describe.

District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn - Continued

A Special Shout Out to Our COD Varieties

I would be completely remiss if I did not take a moment to celebrate something very exciting happening in our Angora world.



Certificate of Development (COD) animals represent vision, patience, and an incredible amount of dedication. They do not just appear overnight. They are built thoughtfully, generation after generation, with a breeder's heart fully invested.

A huge congratulations to Cory White as his Chocolate Agouti Giant Angoras make their way to Nationals for their exhibit. Be sure to stop by and take a good look at those beauties. Supporting a COD variety means showing up, asking questions, and encouraging the work being done behind the scenes. It matters.

Our club is truly blessed right now to have two developing varieties gaining momentum: Broken English Angoras and Chocolate Agouti Giant Angoras. That is no small thing!

Here is the part that should energize all of you ↴

The ARBA rules have changed significantly. You now have the ability to actively support these new varieties by breeding them, exhibiting them, and bringing your animals to Convention. In some cases, they may even be able to participate in the actual judging process. That is a tremendous opportunity.

There is one thing I learned through the overwhelming success of the Chestnut Giant Angoras, it truly takes a village. No single breeder accomplishes that kind of progress alone. It takes shared vision, shared effort, shared encouragement.

If you have been considering working with one of these new varieties, now is the time. If you want to be part of building something lasting for the future of our breed, jump on board. Be part of the success. Be part of the momentum. Be part of the story we will look back on and say, "We built that together."



District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn - Continued

The Wool Raiser: Angora Fundraising Showdown

Thank you to everyone who participated in our poll, choosing a new name for our upcoming Auction! This year we are making an exciting change to our traditional Silent Auction at Nationals.

Instead of limiting the fun to those attending in person, we will be launching an online auction one full month before the National Show date. This allows our entire membership to participate, support the club, and build excitement leading up to the event.

Then, on the morning of the Membership Banquet, the auction will transition into a final live bidding opportunity. Those attending Nationals will have one last chance to place bids and rally behind their favorite baskets before everything closes.

This format opens the door for greater participation, greater visibility, and greater success for our club. Now you can invite your friends, coworkers, family, and the wider fiber community to join in the fun and support the cause by bidding on your basket and many more. As soon as the online auction goes live, we can begin building excitement. Share the link. Invite your friends. Let the fiber world see what our Angora community can create.

Gather your teams and start creating themed baskets. Whether you are a small group of creative minds, this is your opportunity to collaborate and have fun while supporting NARBC. **See all details in the show mini-guide.**



Very special awards will be given to the team whose basket earns the most for our club. There will be recognition, pride, and the satisfaction of knowing you stepped forward to make a difference.

This is another opportunity for our Village to come together. When we combine our creativity and generosity, amazing things happen. The success of Nationals is not built by one person.

It is built by all of us!

District 4 Director: Laura Parker Clark

Happy Almost Spring! I hope you enjoyed the Holiday season.

How are those National litters coming along? It's closer than you think! Support the Western Angora club if you can.

Lots of wins having been going on in District 4. Just recently at the Fluffy Butt Cherry Pie show, Friday the 13th was a lucky day for Angoras. Laura Clark and Lazy Bunny's Vixen won BISS in Fluff Wars. And later that night, Teri Paul won BIS with Taffy, a beautiful REW Angora Doe. If you have a win, I highly encourage you to send those to me for the newsletter and Facebook group for D4.

I want to briefly touch on something that is near and dear to my heart: volunteering. I have noticed at shows complaints as to why the show is going so slowly. Lack of volunteers is the main reason. When judges have to wait for writers, it does slow down the show. Please consider jumping in to write at least for your breed, and this keeps the show going. For me, I love to write. I actually learn more on that side of the table versus watching from the exhibitors side of the table. Try it one time. If you don't know how to write and want to learn, feel free to reach out to me. It is quite easy. Believe it or not, that is the one thing that helps keep the show on track!

Are you already planning for convention? I know I am. It's never too late to start planning those convention potentials. Decisions, decisions and more decisions. 😊

May your nestbox be full and healthy!



No Report.



WINNER'S CIRCLE



Laurie Penterman
February 8, 2026
Lakeland Rabbit Breeders Association
All-Breed Show 1 - Elkhorn, Wisconsin
BIS
Satin Angora Colored Senior Doe
Lorelei, ear #TVS176

Becky Hammond
February 14, 2026
Alaska Rabbit & Cavy Breeder Club
Open All Breed
RIS
Giant Angora Chestnut Intermediate Doe
White Fireweed Farm's Embellished ear #WF593.



New & Renewed Members Since August 1, 2025

New Open Members

Allen Barr- South Carolina
Wendy Hopping- Oregon
Cecile Jacobson- Tennessee
Brooke Thomas- Louisiana
Randy Whaley- Louisiana
James Weber- Tennessee
Katie Weber- Tennessee
Crystal Yragui- Washington

Renewed Youth Members

Louritta Lewis- Minnesota
Justin Taliaferro- Wyoming

New Youth Members

Fable Boersma- Michigan
Gunnar Thomas- Louisiana
Lucy Weber- Tennessee
Maximus Weber- Tennessee
Rebel Yragui- Washington

Renewed Open Members

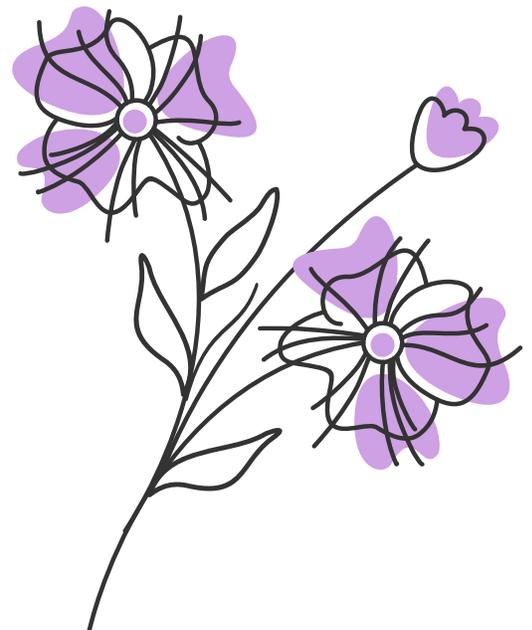
Hailey Bowers- Iowa
Matt Detert-Turner- California
Billy Hall- Wisconsin
Sally Hall- Wisconsin
Jennifer Hartlieb- Michigan
Linda Hibbert- Colorado
Casey Jones- California
Cole Jones- California
Jessica Jones- Arkansas
Jon David Jones- Arkansas
Karen Mezyk- Illinois
Alfred Mina- Hawaii
Athena Swihart- Wyoming
Jessica Taliaferro- Wyoming
Cassidy Younggreen- Colorado
Kellyjo Younggreen- Colorado

Welcome New Members! Don't hesitate out to reach out to our Mentoring Committee :

**Tammy Vaughn- Fuzzyvaughns@gmail.com
Rachel Penterman- rachelpenterman@gmail.com
Madison Wisecup cloverhoney562@gmail.com**

NARBC Mentoring Committee is thrilled to have a new facebook group to help folks get started in their wonderful world of wooly rabbits! There are tons of helpful resources and lots of fun for new friends!

Feeling lost even if you have been around a while? Send a message, our Mentoring Committee can help!

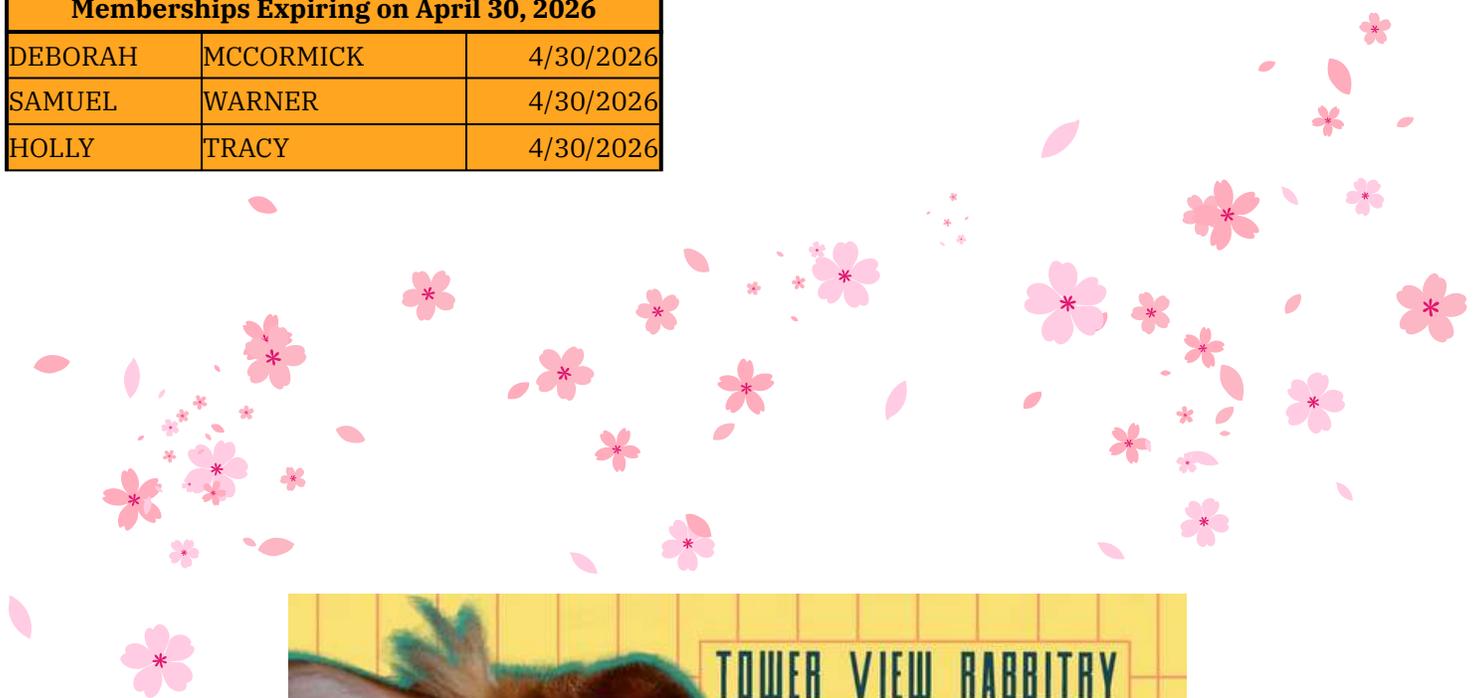


Memberships Expiring in the next Three Months

Memberships Expiring on March 31, 2026		
EMILY	ASHTON	3/31/2026
PAT	GLENN	3/31/2026
CAITLYN	KESTER	3/31/2026
SOPHIA	RODRIGUEZ	3/31/2026
STEPHANIE	ROZINSKI	3/31/2026
DOMYNIQUE	ROZINSKI	3/31/2026
TAYLOR	ROZINSKI	3/31/2026
RACHAEL	WALKUP	3/31/2026
KATHRINE	WALKUP	3/31/2026
ALLISON	WHITACRE	3/31/2026

Memberships Expiring on May 30, 2026		
DEBBY	FURLONG	5/31/2026
NICOLE	MARSHALL	5/31/2026
NICKIE	CHAPIN	5/31/2026
OLIVIA	CHAPIN	5/31/2026
BRANDY	FINCH	5/31/2026
DONALD	MARSH	5/31/2026
THOM	CLEMENS III	5/31/2026
MILES	FURLONG	5/31/2026
KATHERINE	HAMBERGER	5/31/2026
CAITLYN	CHICOINE	5/31/2026
OLIVIA	MCDONALD	5/31/2026
SAMANTHA	DEBATES	5/31/2026

Memberships Expiring on April 30, 2026		
DEBORAH	MCCORMICK	4/30/2026
SAMUEL	WARNER	4/30/2026
HOLLY	TRACY	4/30/2026



CHOCOLATE AGOUTI

Giant Angora

COD



50% all profits donated to BW Farms
by Fuzzy Vaughn's Etsy Shop

A Friendly Reminder: Staying Safe from Email Scams

From Your NARBC BOD

One of the things that makes NARBC special is how connected and supportive our community is. Unfortunately, scammers know this too. Recently, some members have received emails that look like they're coming from NARBC leadership but are not. These messages are designed to feel urgent and convincing, and they often use familiar names to build trust.

Here are a few gentle reminders to help keep you safe:

First and foremost:

NARBC officers will **NEVER** ask you for money, gift cards, or personal financial information by email or text. Any legitimate club business will always come through official and clearly identified channels.

A few signs something may not be right:

- The message feels rushed or urgent (“I need help right away,” “Please keep this private”).
- The email address doesn't look quite right or isn't one you recognize.
- You're asked to send gift cards, wire money, or make a quick payment.
- The tone feels different than how that person normally communicates.

Why this can happen (and what it does not mean):

If you have chosen to list your email publicly on the NARBC Breeder List, scammers can sometimes collect (or “scrape”) email addresses from public websites and then send spam or phishing messages. This is unfortunately common across the internet and can happen to anyone with a publicly listed email.

It's also important to know that **receiving a spam or scam email does NOT automatically mean the NARBC website has been hacked**, and it does **NOT** mean any board member's personal email account has been compromised. Scammers often impersonate familiar names and use look-alike email addresses to make messages feel legitimate, even when they are not.

How scammers may get your email (even if it isn't publicly posted):

Even if your email address is not listed publicly, scammers can still obtain it through normal communication. Once an email address is used in club-related correspondence (show entries, membership questions, vendor communication, or replying to an officer), it can exist in multiple inboxes, replies, and forwarded messages over time.

Here are a few real-life examples:

Example 1: Show entry email

A member emails a board member:

“Hi, here's my entry information for the specialty show.”

That email address now exists in the member's Sent folder, the officer's Inbox, and any replies back and forth.

A Friendly Reminder: Staying Safe from Email Scams - Cont.

From Your NARBC BOD

Example 2: Forwarding to help answer a question

A member emails Officer A with a question, and Officer A forwards it to Officer B to help resolve it. Now that email address exists in additional inboxes. This is normal and often necessary, but it increases the number of places the email address is stored.

Example 3: Contacts can be saved automatically (without anyone realizing)

Many email services and phones automatically save or suggest contacts based on email activity, and those contacts may sync across devices or accounts. If a device or connected app ever has an issue, email addresses can be exposed.

Example 4: Your email may already exist in other lists

Even if it feels like “only one person had my email,” scammers often obtain addresses from older account leaks (shopping sites, forums, etc.), data brokers, or by guessing/testing email addresses to see which ones are active.

This is why receiving a spam email does not automatically mean a board member’s email account was compromised.

Easy ways to protect yourself:

- Take a moment and pause. Urgency is a scammer’s favorite tool.
- Verify before acting. If a message seems unusual, reach out to that person using a phone number or email you already know.
- Avoid clicking links or opening attachments from unexpected emails.
- Use strong passwords and two-factor authentication on your email whenever possible.

How to report spam (this really helps!):

- If you use Gmail, open the suspicious email, click the three dots in the upper right corner of the message, and select “Report phishing” or “Report spam.”
- This helps your email provider block similar messages in the future.
- Other email services (Outlook, Yahoo, Apple Mail, etc.) have similar “Report Spam” or “Report Phishing” options; look for them in the message menu or toolbar.
- Please DO NOT reply to the message and avoid clicking any links.

These days, staying safe online isn’t always easy. AI and technology are changing faster than ever, and scammers are getting sneakier. Please give yourself permission to slow down, take your time, and verify your contacts before responding. We’re all in this together, and looking out for one another helps keep our NARBC family safe. Be safe out there!

Specialty Club Updates!

Angoras of the Rockies Club Report - March 2026

Angoras of the Rockies continue to stay active in promoting Angora rabbits and Angora fiber in our region. While we are still a small club, our members remain involved and committed to supporting events that help increase awareness of our breeds. One of the key events each year is the Estes Park Wool Market, which will be held June 13–14, 2026, at the Estes Park Events Complex in Estes Park, Colorado.

The Wool Market will again host two ARBA-sanctioned Wool Specialty Shows. These shows give exhibitors an opportunity to present their animals, receive feedback, and represent the Angora breeds in a fiber-focused setting. Events like this help introduce Angora rabbits to people who may be familiar with fiber but have never seen Angoras in person.

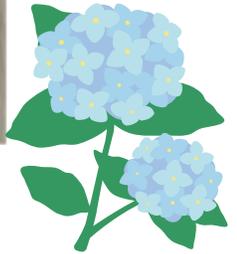
In addition to the rabbit shows, the Wool Market includes a large vendor area, workshops, fiber demonstrations, and live fiber animals. It brings together people from many parts of the fiber community and creates opportunities to answer questions, share information, and promote Angora fiber. [Take a peek at the webpage for all of the details!](#)

We are encouraging Angora breeders to consider attending and showing their angoras at the Estes Park Wool Market! It is a well-run event with strong attendance and offers a good opportunity to connect with others who value fiber animals. Estes Park is located at the entrance to Rocky Mountain National Park, making it an easy and worthwhile trip for those traveling from outside the area. It really is our favorite weekend to show our animals and connect!



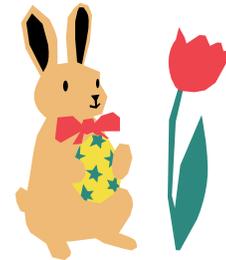
Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Angoras of the Rockies



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Angoras of the Rockies



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

BAARG Quarterly Highlights – Winter Show Fun

BAARG Winter Highlights & Spring Excitement

This winter has been full of beautiful Angoras, friendly competition, and wonderful camaraderie in the showroom. We are so proud of our members for representing BAARG with dedication, sportsmanship, and continued commitment to breed excellence.



As we move into our spring show lineup, the excitement is building! We are especially looking forward to collaborating with our fellow Western States Angora Collective as we prepare to host the Angora National Show in Reno in just a couple of months. The energy, teamwork, and enthusiasm have been inspiring.

We have loads of fun things planned, including our brand-new Online Auction. This new format opens the door for greater participation and gives even more people the opportunity to support our club and the future of Angoras. Be sure to check out the mini guide for all the details!

Here's to a strong spring season filled with fuzzy friends, learning, laughter, and continued growth!



**Colusa, CA 12/12/25
BAARG Specialty Show A**

Left to Right; Casey Jones, Betty Chu, Kathy Groves, Carol Green, & Tammy Vaughn

Judge Kathy Groves
BIS Betty's English Angora
RIS Casey's Satin Angora



Betty Chu's BIS Winner on Friday Night



Specialty Club Updates - Continued



Colusa, CA 12/13/25 BAARG Specialty Show B

Left to Right: Carol Green, Betty Chu, Misty Polsak, Casey Jones, & Tammy Vaughn

Judge Misty Polsak
BIS Betty's English Angora
RIS Carol's French Angora



Colusa, CA 12/14/25 BAARG Specialty Show C

Left to Right; Casey Jones, Betty Chu, Lauralee Erbe, Tammy Vaughn, & Carolyn Silvas

Judge Lauralee Erbe
BIS Betty's English Angora
RIS Tammy's Giant Angora



It took a little wrangling, but Misty got the fluffies to sit and look pretty!

Specialty Club Updates - Continued



McMinnville, OR BAARG Specialty Show

Left to Right
Renee Terralumina, Zach Sauer,
Deidra MacKimmie

Judge Zach Sauer
BIS Renee's Giant Angora
RIS Deidra's French Angora



McMinnville, OR Open Show C

Left to Right
Kaiya Green & Deidra MacKimmie

Deidra and her Almond Joy,
French Angora won RIS
Judge Kaiya Green



Centralia, WA BAARG Specialty Show

Left to Right
Tammy Vaughn, Callie Weber, &
Deidra MacKimmie

Judge Callie Weber
BISS Deidra's French Angora
RISS Tammy's Giant Angora

Specialty Club Updates - Continued

BAARG 2026 - 2027 Upcoming Events



Legend

- Angora Sanctioned, no specialty
- BAARG Specialty
- BAARG WSG Contest
- NARBC National / ARBA Convention

3/6/26 & 3/7/26 Pendleton, OR

3/14/26 Kennewick, WA

3/20/26 & 3/21/26 Grants Pass, OR

3/28/26 - Bremerton, WA

4/4/26 - Yakima, WA

4/10/26 - 4/12/26 - Ridgefield, WA

4/12/26 - Ridgefield, WA

4/13/26 - Ridgefield, WA

5/2/26 - Monroe, WA

5/15/26 - 5/17/26 Reno, NV

5/15/26 Reno, NV

5/16/26 NARBC Angora Nationals, Reno, NV

10/10/26 Kennewick WA

10/17/26 Albany, OR OFFF ▼

10/24/26 -10/28/26, ARBA Convention, Reno, NV

11/21/26 - Bremerton, WA

12/31/26 - 1/1/27 Centralia, WA

12/31/26 Centralia, WA

12/31/26 Centralia, WA

4/9/27 - 4/11/27 - Ridgefield, WA

4/10/27 - Ridgefield, WA

4/11/27 - Ridgefield, WA

5/8/27 - 5/9/27 - Angora Nationals Lowell, MI

10/30/27 -11/3/27, ARBA Convention, Greenville, SC

Specialty Club Updates - Continued

What do NASA and Angora wool have in common?



My fibery hobby and my day job collided last fall. My 8th grade Advanced STEM students divided up into teams and submitted proposals for the NASA TechRise challenge. They wanted to be one of 25 teams nationwide to have an experiment flown into the upper atmosphere by balloon. Hundreds of teams from grades 6-12 entered. Most of the teams in my class proposed looking at how radiation affected various materials. However one team thought a bit more fuzzily. The self named "Space Whales" team proposed using natural fibers to insulate spacecraft. Several of the students in this team have animals and are also interested in sustainability and environmentalism. Why use insulators made from non-renewable resources when there is renewable animal fiber?



On January 20th, the winners were announced, and much to their shock, the Space Whales team won a spot on the high altitude balloon! They will be using alpaca and wool from their own animals, as well as Angora wool from my small herd of Satin Angoras. My students' team will build their experiment over the next few months and it will be launched early this summer. Angoras in space!

<https://www.futureengineers.org/nasatechrise>

By Michele Reschly
STEM teacher at Patton Middle School
McMinnville Oregon

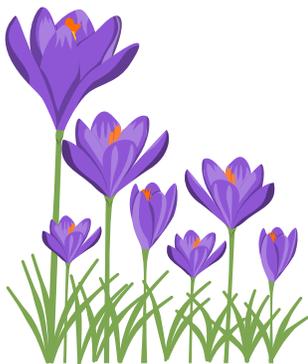
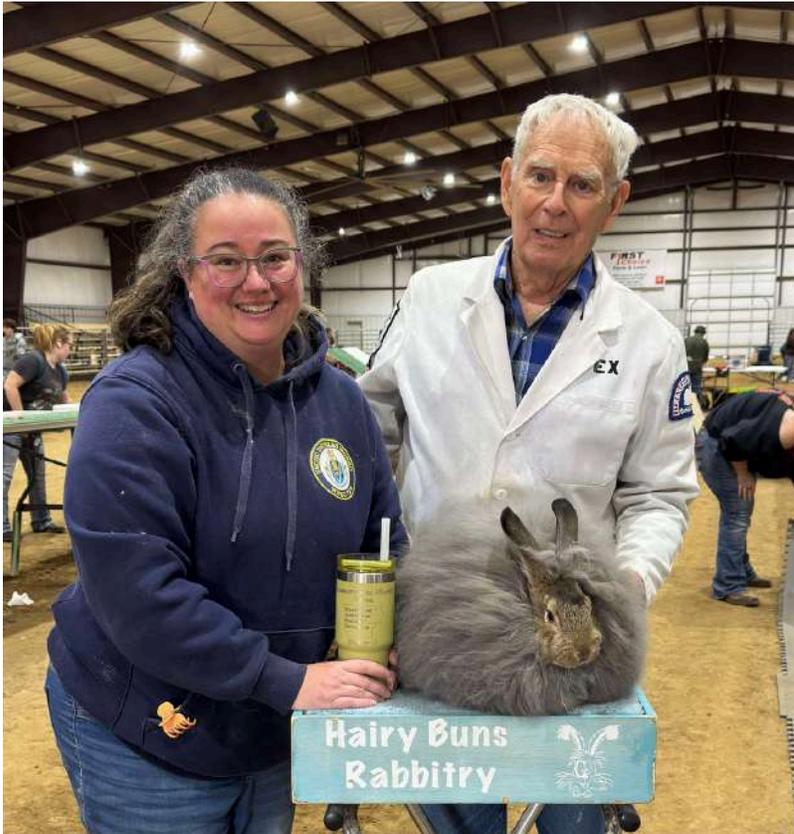
Specialty Club Updates - Continued

East Coast Angora Specialty Club

The ECASC is excited to host both an upcoming specialty show in Dalton, GA on Sunday March 8 2026 at 8AM and a WSG on Saturday March 7 2026! Please see the included fliers for details on the events. Hope to see you there.

Some of our members have had some big wins lately and we are so pleased to share some pictures of these gorgeous rabbits with you all!

Angel Semerling won RIS with her Chestnut French Angora Atlas at the Northeast Arkansas New Years Extravaganza. Madison Wisecup won RIS with her REW Satin Angora Boreas at SEBACS December Triple.



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

East Coast Angora Specialty Club



In conjunction with
N. W. Georgia Cavy & Rabbit Club

PRESENTS
The 2nd annual

Luck of the Angora Specialty

Sunday, March 8th 2026

**North Georgia Fairgrounds
500 Legion Dr
Dalton, Georgia**

Send entries to
Rachael Singletary:
singra00.rr@gmail.com
By Monday March 2nd

Entry fees

Members: \$8 Non-members: \$9

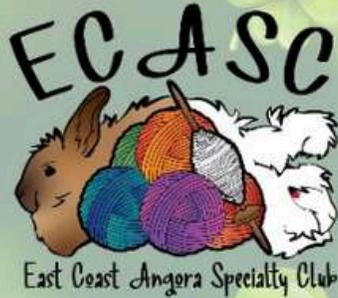
Wool

Members: \$2 Non-members: \$3



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

East Coast Angora Specialty Club



In conjunction with
NW Georgia Cavy & Rabbit club

Presents

The 2nd annual

Luck of the Angora

Wool, Skein, & Garment Competition

**Enter your yarns, garments, batts, and other projects
with at least 50% Angora rabbit content!**

March 7th, 2026
North Georgia Fairgrounds
500 Legion Dr
Dalton Georgia

Entries: \$6

Mail in accepted by February 25, 2026
For questions and mail in instructions contact:

Secretary: Angel Semerling
Hairybunsrabbitry@gmail.com

Entries taken on site
March 6th 6-8pm
And
March 7th 6-9am
Judging begins March 7th 10am

Judge:
Catherine Greenwood (Ohio)
<https://catherinegreenwood.net>



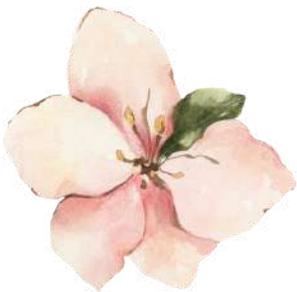
Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Northern California Angora Guild

Northern California area has very active show scenes during December, January and February. Our weather has been very nice, going to shows has been a pleasant experience.

Betty's English Angora still dominates in shows. Two littermate sisters, Raeanna and Raeberta, won all breed Best In Show and/or Reserve In Show in every show date they attended. Their competition are between the two siblings. While Raeberta started very strong in the fall winning 7 all breed Best In Show, Raeanna is catching up in the winter.

During the newsletter period of December 1, 2025 to February 20, 2026, Raeanna has won 2 all breed Best In Show under judges Melissa Magee and Maddie Pratt, 3 all breed Reserve In Show under judges Lauralee Erbe, Kathi Groves, Stephany Brundage and 4 specialty Best In Show under judges Misty Polasik, Melissa Magee, and Kate Smith. Raeberta is not too far behind, she won 2 all breed Best In Show under judges Ray Stacy and Cheryl Blackman and a specialty Best In Show under Kathi Groves.



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Northern California Angora Guild

The sisters are now over 13 months old, how much longer are they going to stay in shows? Hard to say, they still seem to be in prime and enjoying being shown.

Chu's Raeberta



Chu's Raeanna



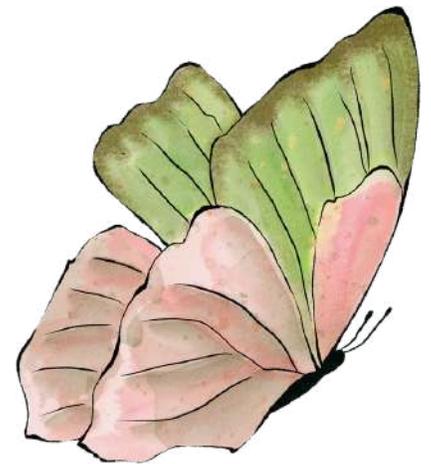
Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Northern California Angora Guild

Specialty shows are a good indicator of whether a breed or breeds are doing well in that area. This indicator also measures how dedicated the breeders are to their breed.

It's such a joy to see the breeders in the west are getting together to enjoy what they love. During the months of December and January, we have had 4 specialty shows. Three of the specialty shows were sponsored by BAARG from WA and OR and one specialty was sponsored by NCAG.

The 3 BAARG specialty shows are very well attended with 56 Angora rabbits with all 4 breeds represented, let's give a shout out to Tammy Vaughn's leadership. Here are the photos of the BOBs in these four specialty shows.



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Northern California Angora Guild



Specialty Club Updates - Continued

Northern California Angora Guild

It takes a lot of effort to groom and prepare our beloved Angora rabbits to go on the show table. As a result, there aren't a lot of judges who raise Angoras.

In a recent show in February, we met Alex Ong from Malaysia doing assist for his judge's license. He is very active, putting on shows and inviting judges from the US to judge in various countries in Asia. While he has many breeds to help study for the judge's exam that he passed in flying colors, his main breed is English Angora. He is very happy to get the chance during his assist to work with judge Lauralee Erbe on English Angora, French Angora and Satin Angora.

He has many interesting posts on his Facebook page, [Alex Ong](#), if interested, take a look. He even designed his brand of slicker brushes, and some of us were fortunate enough to get it.



Hop Back In Angora History!

By Betty Chu with contribution from Casey Jones



History and Genetics from the Northern California Angora Guild Blog

French Angora Texture

Many times during shows judges comment or even ask questions about what exactly is the correct French Angora texture. One may say isn't this information listed in the Standard of Perfection (SOP)? Why are judges asking? Many judges felt that the description is not very clear, and I tend to agree. I think the English Angora texture description is very clear, but the French Angora texture description tends to be vague.

My take is that in the beginning of the SOP, there was only one breed of Angora; see my article in the August 2025 NARBC newsletter that showed photos of the Angora SOP from 1934 to 1955. When trying to break one breed of Angora into two breeds: English Angora and French Angora, there needed to be a distinction for many elements, including the texture.

English Angora texture got a write-up of the first coat: soft and silky, and not a lot of guard hairs. French Angora texture got the write-up of a regrowth coat. The first coat is straight forward; there is only one first coat. The regrowth coat can go on for many years, and each coat could be very different. As we observe that most of the fiber animals tend to have guard hairs and a coarser texture as they grow old.

Here is an example: the Angora goats have terminology for their coats as: kid mohair, yearling, ... to describe the first coat and after the first cut. The more the cut, the coarser the texture and the less the value. Angora rabbits, whichever breed, do not have specific names for the first, second, third, ... coats. As we can see, it's harder to put in precise words to describe the French Angora as the original SOP was trying to distinguish it from the texture of the first coat.



Hop Back In Angora History! – Continued

By Betty Chu with contribution from Casey Jones

Over the last 40 years, I have helped judges to understand the ideal texture of the English Angora, I don't get questions about it anymore. I am, however, still getting question about the French Angora texture as recently as last weekend! I have attempted to explore this subject many times, I am here sharing with you some of my posts on our NCAG blog:

[Northern California Angora Guild: French Angora Texture](#)

[Northern California Angora Guild: French Angora Session at the Judges Conference](#)

[Northern California Angora Guild: English Angora and French Angora Regrown Coats](#)

[Northern California Angora Guild: The French Angora Wool Texture, Part I The First Coat](#)

[Northern California Angora Guild: The French Angora Wool Texture, Part 2 The Matured Coat](#)

Did I totally explain the "correct" French Angora texture in these posts? I don't know, but I searched and I tried. Some may ask why Betty Chu who is more well-known as an English Angora breeder talking about French Angora. Guess what, I have had French Angora off and on for about 40 years as well. Here is a video that was done in 1986 by the San Francisco area CBS station: [Mac&Mutley - YouTube](#)

and here is a description of this video: [Northern California Angora Guild: Mac and Mutley, Memory from 40 Years ago](#)

If you are curious to see what I looked like 40 years ago, you got the chance! In this video, you'll see that I had French Angora in 1986. When you watch the video, please remember that in 1986 none of us had heard of the blower, and most of the Angoras including the English Angora molt, thus most Angora rabbits would be lucky to have 3-4 inches of length 40 years ago.

Have fun!

Upcoming Sanctioned Shows as of 3/4/2026

02/27/26	Wanderlust R&C	Stevenson, WA	Double Open
02/28/26	Wanderlust R&C	Stevenson, WA	Double Open
02/28/26	BAARG	Stevenson, WA	Open
02/28/26	Michigan State RBA	East Lansing, MI	Double Open/Youth
02/28/26	Cayuga Lake Area R&C	Auburn, NY	Triple Open/Youth
03/01/26	CRCS - State Convention	Fresno, CA	Double Open/Youth
03/01/26	Michigan State RBA	East Lansing, MI	Double Open/Youth
03/06/26	Lawrence Co. Rabbit Club	Bedford, IN	Double Open/Youth
03/06/26	BMRBA	Pendelton, OR	Open
03/06/26	Tiny Town RC	Deridder, LA	Open/Youth
03/07/26	Louisiana RBA	Deridder, LA	
03/07/26	Badger RBA	Jefferson, WI	Double Open/Youth
03/07/26	Lawrence Co. Rabbit Club	Bedford, IN	Double Open/Youth
03/07/26	Lawrence Co. Rabbit Club	Bedford, IN	Specialty Open
03/07/26	BMRBA	Pendelton, OR	Triple Open/Single Youth
03/08/26	Upper Midwest Angora Club	Jefferson, WI	Double Open Specialty
03/08/26	East Coast Angora Specialty	Dalton, GA	Open Specialty
03/14/26	Northern Indiana R&C Club	Shipshewana, IN	Double Open
03/14/26	MO State RPA -Youth & AG	Clinton, MO	Double Open
03/14/26	Houston Livestock Show	Houston, TX	Open
03/14/26	Tri-Cities Rabbit Assoc.	Kennewick, WA	Double Open
03/14/26	Santa Clara Co. R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	Triple Open/Youth
03/15/26	Norther Calif. Ang. Guild	San Jose, CA	Open Specialty
03/15/26	Santa Clara Co. R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	Double Open/Youth
03/21/26	North Carolina RBA	Greensboro, NC	Double Open/Youth
03/22/26	North Carolina RBA	Greensboro, NC	Double Open/Youth
03/28/26	BAARG	Bremerton, WA	Triple Open/Single Youth
03/28/26	Empire State RBA	Fulton, NY	Open/Youth
03/28/26	Central NY RBA	Fulton, NY	Open/Youth
03/28/26	Heart of NY	Fulton, NY	Open/Youth
04/11/26	BAARG	Ridgefield, WA	Open Specialty
04/11/26	Baltimore & Howard RCBA	West Friendship, MD	Double Open
04/11/26	Hair Raisers Youth 4-H	West Friendship, MD	Single Youth
04/12/26	Portage County RCBA	Canton, OH	Double Open/Youth
04/25/26	Central Coast R&C Club	King City, CA	Triple Open
04/25/26	Loudoun Co. 4-H	Leesburg, VA	Double Youth
05/02/26	CRCS	Petaluma, CA	Triple Open
05/03/26	Just for Fun R&C Club	Coldwater, MI	Double Open/Youth
05/09/26	Finger Lakes RBA	Palmyra, NY	Double Open/Youth



Upcoming Sanctioned Shows as of 3/4/2026 - Continued

05/30/26	Juniata Valley Rabbit Breeders	Reedsville, PA	
07/11/26	Just for Fun R&C Club	Coldwater, MI	Double Open/Youth
08/14/26	Indiana State Fair	Indianapolis, IN	Open
08/22/26	Lapeer Area Rabbit Raisers	Imlay City, MI	Double Open/Youth
09/12/26	NC Mountain State Fair	Fletcher, NC	Double Youth
10/03/26	Just for Fun R&C Club	Coldwater, MI	Double Open/Youth
11/29/26	Upper Midwest Angora Club	Elkhorn, WI	Open Specialty



Overdue Show Reports



Did you attend any of the following shows? If so, please get in contact with your Show Secretary, and request they send the official specialty reports on to narbcsweps@gmail.com

NARBC Sweepstakes is missing reports from the following shows:

Sponsoring Club	Location	Date	Open/Y/Spec.	ARBA #	NARBC #	Show Secretary	Email
Central Louisiana RBA/Texas RBA	Longview TX	8/29/2025	OPEN	XOA4163	AUG037	Katie Finch	entertherabbitshow@gmail.com
Central Louisiana RBA/Texas RBA	Longview TX	8/30/2025	OPEN	XOA4165	AUG038	Katie Finch	entertherabbitshow@gmail.com
Central Louisiana RBA/Texas RBA	Longview TX	8/30/2025	OPEN	XOA4167	AUG039	Katie Finch	entertherabbitshow@gmail.com
Santa Clara County R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	10/18/2025	YOUTH	XYA2949	OCT037	Dolores Morris	morrisrex@yahoo.com
Santa Clara County R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	10/18/2025	YOUTH	XYA2951	OCT038	Dolores Morris	morrisrex@yahoo.com
Santa Clara County R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	10/19/2025	YOUTH	XYA2947	OCT041	Dolores Morris	morrisrex@yahoo.com
Santa Clara County R&C Shows	San Jose, CA	10/19/2025	YOUTH	XYA2953	OCT042	Dolores Morris	morrisrex@yahoo.com
Pike-Gibson RBA	Booneville, IN	11/29/2025	OPEN	XOA3603	NOV038	Flora Werne	pikegibsonarba@yahoo.com
Pike-Gibson RBA	Booneville, IN	11/29/2025	OPEN	XOA3607	NOV040	Flora Werne	pikegibsonarba@yahoo.com
Pike-Gibson RBA	Booneville, IN	11/29/2025	YOUTH	XYA3604	NOV041	Flora Werne	pikegibsonarba@yahoo.com
Pike-Gibson RBA	Booneville, IN	11/29/2025	YOUTH	XYA3606	NOV042	Flora Werne	pikegibsonarba@yahoo.com
Pike-Gibson RBA	Booneville, IN	11/29/2025	YOUTH	XYA3608	NOV043	Flora Werne	pikegibsonarba@yahoo.com



Sweepstakes Standings as of March 2, 2026

At the time of newsletter publication, NARBC Sweepstakes were only updated through December, 2025.

We will send out a Special Update within two weeks with the completed, up-to-date sweepstakes standings.

Thank you for your patience in this matter.

I greatly look forward to presenting the updated standings, and featuring our current Fluff Stars!

Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025

<u>Open English Standings</u>							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Betty Chu	7350.5	28	28	27	12	3
2	Andrea Evans & Kathy Thomas	3445.5	12	12	11	2	0
3	Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	2651.5	14	8	11	4	1
4	Lynn, Mike, & Nichole Wilson	1535.5	8	7	4	1	0
5	Amy Netherton	1181	17	7	3	2	0
6	Natalie Steffes	888	19	13	1	2	0
7	Debby Furlong	611	1	0	1	0	0
8	Kelsi Spurlin	512	25	1	4	0	0
9	Angela Semerling	502	18	12	0	0	0
10	Amy Kopp	495.5	5	2	5	0	0

<u>Open English Rabbit of the Year Standings</u>								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Betty Chu	BC2RL	2635	26	13	2	10	1
2	Andrea Evans & Kathy Thomas	PMGRUCA	822	8	8	0	2	0
3	Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	GJ2	693	13	2	1	2	0
4	Betty Chu	BC3RL	598	27	2	15	1	0
5	Betty Chu	BC1RL	526.5	18	2	1	2	0
6	Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	BJ	282	14	2	0	0	1
7	Andrea Evans & Kathy Thomas	HCSDA	265	9	1	0	0	0
8	Amy Netherton	RD45MB2	205	10	4	0	2	0
9	Natalie Steffes	NSJOANN	202	6	6	0	2	0
10	Lynn, Mike & Nichole Wilson	FAC4	198	6	3	0	0	0



<u>Open English Wool</u>		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Andrea Evans & Kathy Thomas	588
2	Debby Furlong	588
3	Amy Netherton	415
4	Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	168
5	Slater Lane	67
6	Wendy Spurlin	52
7	Larry Netherton	48
8	Tammey Mason	45
9	Julie Martin	24
10	Kelsi Spurlin	12



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

Open French Standings							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Carol Green	2863.5	32	24	8	0	1
2	Diedra Mackimmie	2727.5	28	22	17	1	1
3	Coleen Boyd	1696.5	18	2	6	0	0
4	Bonnie Havlicek	1374	20	13	13	1	0
5	Charlotte Schwiekart	1214.5	3	3	3	0	0
6	Jackie McDonald	1023	29	5	6	1	0
7	Laura Clark	1010.5	12	11	11	0	0
8	Carolyn Silvas	958	18	2	10	0	0
9	Rachel Penterman	864.5	13	9	4	0	0
10	Thom Clemens III & Donald Marsh	775	26	8	3	0	0

Open French Rabbit of the Year Standings								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Diedra Mackimmie	ALMOND JOY	1065	22	12	1	1	1
2	Carol Green	BCG7H	468	32	14	2	0	1
3	Diedra Mackimmie	TVF327	283	17	3	11	0	0
4	Lauren Cody	MG100	222	3	3	0	0	1
5	Thom Clemens III & Donald Marsh	HCFKIWI	170	25	7	1	0	0
6	Charlotte Schwiekart	LOFTY	140	1	1	0	0	0
7	Bonnie Havlicek	5B2	139	11	5	1	0	0
8	Bonnie Havlicek	5BZ	110	7	4	0	0	0
9	Laura Clark	LB236	99	11	3	6	0	0
10	Colleen Boyd	FAD	96	9	1	4	0	0

Open French Wool		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Bonnie Havlicek	260
2	Rachel Penterman	162
3	Charlotte Schweikart	144
4	Deidra Mackimmie	132
5	Sue Needle	129
6	Colleen Boyd	83
7	Ana Ederich	48
8	Arianne Ferguson	48
9	Jill Ertel	34
10	Jackie McDonald	31



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

<u>Open Giant Standings</u>							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Tammy Vaughn	2335	30	14	19	0	0
2	Deborah Roe	1241.5	21	19	19	0	2
3	Amber DePetro	771	10	7	6	1	0
4	Hope Musselwhite	761.5	15	1	4	0	0
5	Renee Terralumina	694	29	20	8	0	0
6	Kevin Vaughn	512.5	26	0	1	0	0
7	Kevin & Tammy Vaughn	288.5	23	0	3	0	0
8	Lauren Cody	137	5	0	2	0	0
9	Ashley & Matt Bishop	120	1	0	0	0	0
10	Cory White	110	2	2	2	0	0

<u>Open Giant Rabbit of the Year Standings</u>								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Tammy Vaughn	TKM105	402	25	11	7	0	0
2	Renee Terralumina	QUEEN	237	14	13	1	0	0
3	Amber DePetro	OF5033	176	1	1	0	0	0
4	Tammy Vaughn	TKF244	120	12	0	7	0	0
5	Deborah Roe	PD3T	105.5	15	4	4	0	1
6	Renee Terralumina	BRIAR	102	14	3	1	0	0
7	Deborah Roe	PD5T	69	10	4	5	0	0
8	Deborah Roe	PD2W	60	6	1	4	0	1
9	Amber DePetro	OF5032	48	6	0	4	0	0
10	Amber DePetro	NF5031	48	6	2	0	0	0

<u>Open Giant Wool</u>		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Jill Ertel	72
2	Tammy Vaughn	48
3	Nickie Chapin	36
4	Tammy & Kevin Vaughn	12



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

<u>Open Satin Standings</u>							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Casey Jones	2680.5	26	26	26	0	1
2	Arianne Ferguson	2586	28	3	12	2	0
3	Renee Terralumina	1297	27	8	3	0	0
4	Ana Ederich	1196	17	5	11	0	0
5	Laurie Penterman	966.5	12	10	11	0	1
6	Thom Clemens III/Donald Marsh	530	21	11	1	0	4
7	Michelle Reschly	527	11	4	2	0	0
8	Kelsi Spurlin	516.5	28	8	2	0	0
9	Marta Wajngarten	508	7	4	2	0	0
10	Penny Briggs	454	4	2	0	0	0

<u>Open Satin Rabbit of the Year Standings</u>								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Arianne Ferguson	SUNDAE	360	5	5	0	2	0
2	Casey Jones	CJ651	250	23	11	0	0	0
3	Casey Jones	CJ652	206	23	1	16	0	0
4	Thom Clemens III/Donald Marsh	HCSSOOT	201.5	16	9	0	0	4
5	Casey Jones	CJ653	128	23	5	1	0	0
6	Penny Briggs	DVSQUID	94	2	1	0	0	0
7	Renee Terralumina	POPPY	92	12	5	0	0	0
8	Michelle Reschly	EFTETHYS	90	3	3	0	0	0
9	Ana Ederich	G24LP1	87	4	1	2	0	0
10	Amy Netherton	RGL62	85	14	3	2	0	0



<u>Open Satin Wool</u>		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Amy Netherton	389
2	Ana Ederich	254
3	Laurie Penterman	158
4	Abigail Shock	131
5	Jay Allen	80
6	Alesha Hunt	78
7	Thom Clemens III/Donald Marsh	77
8	Joan Hastings	60
9	Arianne Ferguson	36
10	Kelsi Spurlin	36



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

Youth English Standings							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Kendall Frost	443	9	9	8	1	0
2	Lily Isabel	243.5	9	2	5	0	0
3	Tannya Millsap	177	4	1	0	0	0
4	Liam White	52	3	2	0	0	0
5	Jaxson Kimble	48	1	0	0	0	0
6	Caleb Patterson	42	6	6	0	0	0
7	Keegan Ertel	28	1	0	0	0	0

Youth English Rabbit of the Year Standings								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Kendall Frost	GRINDY	214	6	6	0	1	0
2	Tanya Millsap	CB133LC	20	1	1	0	0	0
3	Kendall Frost	GRILL	16	5	0	5	0	0
4	Lily Isabel	SRFRD1	14	1	0	1	0	0
5	Lily Isabel	DR4	12	3	0	3	0	0
6	Lily Isabel	FANZ2	12	5	2	0	0	0
7	Kendall Frost	GRIOWA	10	4	2	1	0	0
8	Liam White	FAWE4	8	2	2	0	0	0
9	Kendall Frost	GRIDAHO	8	4	1	2	0	0
10	Caleb Patterson	HCEUC	6	3	3	0	0	0

Youth English Wool		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Liam White	76
2	Jaxson Kimble	60
3	Kendall Frost	60
4	Lily Isabel	36



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

Youth French Standings							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Lily Wimann	482.5	15	12	1	1	0
2	Katelyn Will	235	1	0	1	0	0
3	Keegan Ertel	213	10	0	0	0	0
4	Ellie Arble	187.5	6	5	4	0	0
5	Chase Fowler	88	3	1	2	0	0
6	Athena Swihart	56	2	0	0	0	0
7	Kenedi Lien	55.5	4	2	1	0	0
8	Madelyn Ankerstjerne	45	2	0	0	0	0
9	Karen Perkins	43	3	3	0	1	0
10	Lily Isabel	35	5	5	0	0	0

Youth French Rabbit of the Year Standings								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Lily Wimann	TVFPINEAPPLE	345	15	12	1	1	0
2	Chase Fowler	TVF326	42	3	1	2	0	0
3	Ellie Arble	PT05	34	5	1	0	0	0
4	Ellie Arble	HBVENUS	19	4	3	1	0	0
5	Katelyn Will	7P937	19	1	0	1	0	0
6	Ellie Arble	MG141	14	4	1	3	0	0
7	Lily Isabel	FLOOFERELLA	10	5	5	0	0	0
8	Karen Perkins	SPICYSALSA	6	3	3	0	1	0
9	Kenedi Lein	TVF290	6	2	1	0	0	0
10	Liam White	LPFZANNA	4	2	2	0	0	0



Youth French Wool		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Keegan Ertel	55
2	Lily Wimann	12



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025 - Continued

<u>Youth Giant Standings</u>							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Tristan Terralumina	438.5	22	2	5	0	0
2	Alexandria Terralumina	334	28	1	0	0	0
3	William Ashton	171	5	2	1	0	0
4	Liam White	92	3	2	0	0	0
5	Keegan Ertel	90.5	6	2	1	0	0
6	Bentley Cannon	12	1	0	0	0	0

<u>Youth Giant Rabbit of the Year Standings</u>								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Tristan Terralumina	GILBERT	117	17	2	5	0	0
2	Ashton William	AWP3	42	1	1	0	0	0
3	Liam White	HOPE	16	2	2	0	0	0
4	Alexandria Terralumina	HATHOR	14	7	1	0	0	0
5	Keegan Ertel	LHPARIS	10	3	2	0	0	0
6	Ashton William	ABE3	9	1	0	1	0	0
7	Keegan Ertel	LHCLYDE	5	3	0	1	0	0

<u>Youth Giant Wool</u>		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Keegan Ertel	32



Sweepstakes Standings as of December 2025- Continued

<u>Youth Satin Standings</u>							
Place	Exhibitor(s)	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Alexandria Terralumina	771.5	24	1	5	0	0
2	Tristan Terralumina	470	22	2	5	0	0
3	Sam Gantt	193	2	2	2	0	0
4	Keegan Ertel	95	1	0	1	0	0
5	Karen Perkins	87	3	3	3	0	0
6	Andrea Close	81	3	1	0	0	0
7	William Ashton	40	1	0	0	0	0
8	Olivia McCoy	21	3	3	0	0	0
9	Katelyn Will	12	1	0	0	0	0

<u>Youth Satin Rabbit of the Year Standings</u>								
Place	Exhibitor(s)	Ear Number	# of Points	# of Show	#BOB	#BOS	#BIS	#RIS
1	Tristan Terralumina	GEORGE	48	9	0	3	0	0
2	Tristan Terralumina	SWEETS	36	5	1	1	0	0
3	Sam Gandtt	TRREVRU	27	2	1	1	0	0
4	Andrea Close	GRP2	22	3	1	0	0	0
5	Alexandria Terralumina	PUERH	21	4	0	3	0	0
6	Karen Perkins	GARGOYLE	20	3	3	0	0	0
7	Sam Gandtt	MRGIACAMO	18	2	0	1	0	0
8	Alexandria Terralumina	GREG	14	8	0	2	0	0
9	Alexandria Terralumina	SADIE	14	17	1	0	0	0
10	Tristan Terralumina	ROCK	14	3	1	0	0	0

<u>Youth Satin Wool</u>		
Place	Exhibitor	# of Points
1	Olivia McCoy	30



Wool, Skien & Garment Sweepstakes Standings as of 12/1/2025

Wool Points		
Place	Name	Points
1	Kristi Salinas	538
2	Charlotte Schweikhart	444
3	Debby Furlong	360
4	Jack Bailey	302
5	Arianne Ferguson	250
6	Donald Marsh	248
6	Thom Clemens	248
8	Angel Semerling	137
9	Deb Sloan	90
10	Joan Hasting	64
11	Vanessa Rich	54
12	Deidra MacKimmie	22
13	Abigail Shock	17
14	Bonnie Havlicek	8
19	Kady Gant	6

Skein Points		
Place	Name	Points
1	Vanessa Rich	548
2	Deb Sloan	421
3	Angel Semerling	162
4	Candy Haenszel	144
5	Charlotte Schweikhart	120
6	Sue Needle	116
7	Sue Duncan	38
8	Bonnie Havlicek	26
9	Arianne Ferguson	18
9	Rachel Penterman	18
11	Joan Hasting	16
12	Jackie McDonald	8
13	Abigail Shock	6

Garment Points		
Place	Name	Points
1	Candy Haenszel	140
2	Angel Semerling	84
3	June Abbott	36
4	Olivia McDonald	34
5	Abigail Shock	32
6	Deb Clemens	30
7	Arianne Ferguson	24
8	Joan Hasting	20
9	Bonnie Havlicek	18
10	Tammy Mason	16
11	Sue Duncan	12
12	Sue needle	10
13	Ellie Arble	8
13	Jackie McDonald	8



Editor's Note:

No updates were received for this publication date.

Creative Cooks
Submitted by *Alicia Andrus*

Braised Rabbit Pappardelle with Blistered English Peas and Cremini Mushrooms

Before I flew headlong into the rabbit fancy, one of my main hobbies was paintball. I have a lot of friends from those years who also are avid hunters or farmers, and even a few skilled chefs. One stumbled across this recipe online, and sent it my way to get a rise out of me.

I tested it out, found it to be a keeper recipe, and reported back with thanks! Let's just say he did not expect that sort of answer. The link he sent with recipe can be found here : [Southern Kitchen, posted August 31, 2021](#)

- 1 rabbit, cut into 6 pieces
- ¼ cup all purpose flour
- Kosher salt & freshly ground black pepper (or your favorite peppercorn blend)
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- ½ yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 2 large garlic cloves, smashed (or whatever, I use my heart to measure garlic)
- 1 cup chicken stock
- 1 rosemary sprig
- 1 cup cremini mushrooms, stemmed
- ½ cup freshly shucked English Peas (aka shell peas)
- 1 (8 to 10 ounce) package fresh pappardelle pasta

In a large bowl, toss the rabbit pieces with the flour, 1 tablespoon salt, and 1 teaspoon pepper.

Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a medium Dutch oven over medium-high heat. When the oil is hot, brown the rabbit pieces, in batches, until a golden crust forms on all sides. Transfer the browned rabbit to a plate.

Reduce the heat to medium. Add the butter and, when it melts, the onions. Cook, stirring frequently, until browned, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic and continue to cook, stirring, until browned, about 5 more minutes.

Add the chicken stock and the rosemary sprig, increase the heat back to medium-high, and bring to a simmer, scraping up any browned bits from the bottom of the pot. Once liquid is gently bubbling, return the rabbit to the pot. Cover, reduce the heat to low, and simmer until the rabbit is very tender, about 1 hour.

Carefully remove the rabbit from the pot and transfer to a plate. Bring the liquid left in the pot to a rapid simmer over medium-high heat. Continue to simmer rapidly until the liquid has thickened into a pasta-coating sauce, about 10 minutes. Set aside, covered, to keep warm.

While the braising liquid is simmering, bring a large pot of salted water to a boil over high heat.

Once you've got the water on, heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. When the oil is shimmering, add the mushrooms and peas and cook, stirring frequently, until the peas are well-blistered and the mushrooms are browned, 5 to 7 minutes. (Some of the peas may jump from the pan; be careful!) Season to taste with salt and pepper.

When the braising liquid is reduced, add the rabbit back to the pot, along with the mushrooms and peas. Keep warm over low heat.

Drop the pasta in the boiling water and cook just until al dente, 3 to 5 minutes. Drain well, and then add to the pot with the rabbit and vegetables. Stir gently to coat everything in the sauce. Serve.

Serves 4 to 6.

From The Editor: Alicia Andrus

Spring wishes from a very snow-filled and subzero Fairbanks!

I truly hope everyone enjoyed our March newsletter and is getting super excited for 2026 Nationals in Reno! It looks like it will be an absolute blast and full of gorgeous angoras! Are you planning your Wool Skein and Garment entries? One of my favorite things about angoras and our breed club is the added bonus combining the love of fiber arts with the lush coats provided by our rabbits. I'm super excited while working on my dreamy WSG project. My goal is to enter it at Nationals; otherwise, it will be SUPER ready by Convention! 😊



Big thanks to Andrea for an adorable nationals logo- I love those fancy hats and the little faces on the angoras! Kudos to Tammy for that rockin' Mini Guide and a big round of applause to the whole Western States Collective for all of the behind-the-scenes work happening to organize Nationals and Convention 2026! It's going to be amazing! Also I am loving all of the updates from our Specialty Clubs!

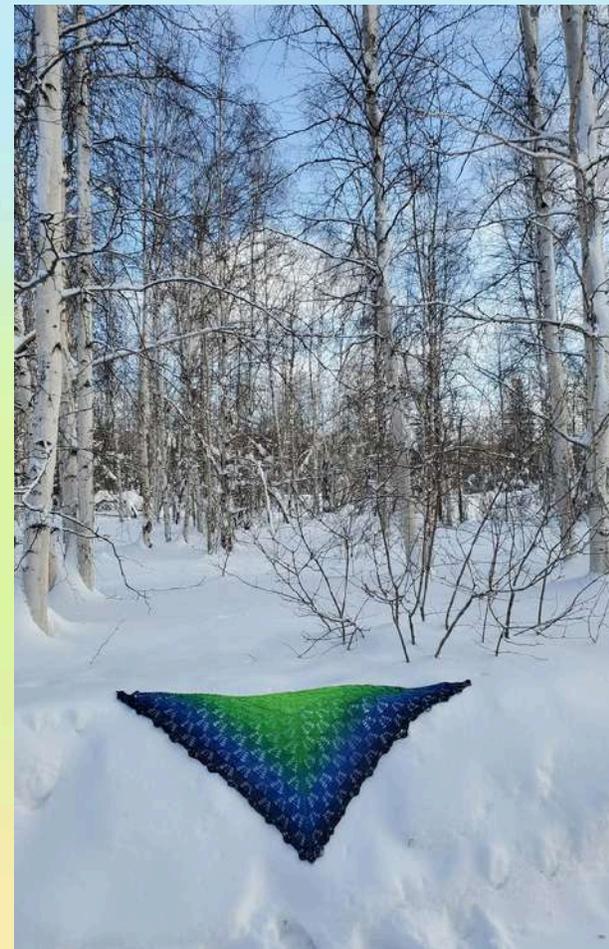
Points to note:

Vet corner will return ASAP, our veterinary contributors have been busy over the winter, as will a big fluff stars feature.

Betty and Casey's history article brought up a core memory of mine- I have an aunt in Palo Alto. Growing up, I had some wonderful trips visiting her! On one of my first trips out I caught the Mac and Mutley episode featuring Betty Chu and was completely enamored by her rabbits! My aunt had a lot of fun teasing my mom about getting me a fancy rabbit, vs just the Dutch we had. This memory had faded into obscurity until the theme music snapped me to attention and brought it all back!

When I was in my teens, my mother brought me a hand-spun crochet scrunchie from the Common Ground Fair in Unity, Maine. She told me she watched a woman spin fiber directly from her large fluffy rabbit as part of the demo. I kept that and used it for many years; it needs a new elastic, but I still have it. That one little thing, a memory via my mother's story, is the driving reason I got into angoras in the first place over ten years ago now. Shout out to Acker's Acres Angoras- that one small touch of fluff, even indirectly, changed the course of my adult life, and brought me into a world I love.

Remember the smallest nudge can cause a growing ripple and never be afraid to spread more kindness.



Our groundcover is waist deep! Trilobite, crochet pattern by Lucia Stepankova. All this snow makes it look short!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club, Inc
Laurie Penterman
7983 Outagamie Rd.
Kaukauna, WI 54130 920-740-8772
pentermanlaurie@yahoo.com

Date: _____

I hereby make application for membership in the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club, Inc. and agree, if accepted, to abide by our Constitution and By-Laws and to at all times support our shows, Rules and Regulations and to further the interest of the Angora rabbit in every way possible.

TYPE	1 YEAR	2 YEARS	3 YEARS	4 YEARS
SINGLE YOUTH	___\$10.00	___\$15.00	___\$20.00	___\$25.00
SINGLE ADULT	___\$15.00	___\$23.00	___\$32.00	___\$40.00
ONE RABBITRY	___\$25.00	___\$35.00	___\$45.00	___\$55.00
FAMILY	___\$30.00	___\$40.00	___\$50.00	___\$60.00

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:

Single Youth: Through 18 years of age.

One Rabbitry: 2 persons at the same address.

Family: Two (2) adult members and all persons under the age of 19 who live at the same address.

NARBC, Inc. Newsletter: The newsletter is sent via email if you would like a printed copy please include an additional \$50 for one year's subscription. \$_____

Please list the FIRST and LAST names of EACH family member who is joining or renewing membership in the NARBC. Please print your names the way you will write them on your show entry forms.

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: (_____) _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____

Angora Breeds: _____

LIST THE FIRST AND LAST NAME OF EACH FAMILY MEMBER. INCLUDE THE DATE OF BIRTH FOR ALL YOUTH MEMBERS (under the age of 19)

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH - YOUTH ONLY	ARBA NUMBER (IF A MEMBER)