PAL NEWS



SPRING 2016



Palomino Nationals in Canton, Ohio

We had a great weekend in Canton. There were some awesome rabbits that crossed over the table. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who came out to show.

We had a nice combined banquet with several other breed clubs. It was very nice to be able to mingle and share a meal with members of the other clubs find out how their nationals went.

There was also a palomino specialty show on Saturday, followed by double all breed show on Sunday.

The host club did a fantastic job running the show. The venue was great. It was large and wide open. It was easy to get your animals to the tables.

On Sunday, we were out done by noon, which was awesome for those of us driving long distances.

I would definitely consider attending this show again.

Jim Brown

Palomino Nationals Results:

National Show Judge: Ryan Fedele, NY

Youth:

Best of Breed - Zach Goad - Golden Jr. Buck Best Opposite - Zach Goad - Golden Jr. Doe

Open:

Best of Breed - Mike Raab - Golden Sr. Buck Best Opposite - Mike Raab - Lynx Int. Doe

Best Golden - Mike Raab - Sr Buck Best Opposite Golden - Mike Raab - Int. Doe

Best Opposite Golden - Mike Raab - Int. Doe

Best Lynx - Mike Raab - Int Doe Best Opposite Lynx - Elizabeth Reichert - Jr. Buck

Best Fur - Michael Raab

Youth Contests:

Senior Management Contest - Sandis Walter, Co Intermediate Management Contest - Calin Casey, CA Intermediate Achievement Contest - Cailin Casey, CA

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!



PAL NATIONALS BEST OF BREED

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93rd Annual **ARBA Convention**

October 9-12, 2016 Del Mar, California



Zach Goad - Best of Breed Youth Palomino Nationals - Canton, Ohio

Palomino Nationals Results



Mike Raab - BOSB - Lynx Intermediate Doe



Zach Goad - BOSB - Golden Junior Doe



Elizabeth Reichert - BOSV Lynx Junior Buck

President's Report - Jim Hunter



Hello Fellow Members of the PRCBA!

It's a beautiful day here in western Kansas and it is perfect for working in the yard, cleaning the rabbit barn and under the outside hutches, and just generally doing anything to be outside today. First thing this morning I checked on my does that were due to kindle over the weekend, but had some kit no-shows. This morning was a different story! I was surprised to find 8 little black kits. No, silly. Not from a palomino! From a copper satin that I had bred to a black satin. Evidently they had been born within the hour as all were moving around good and all appeared to be quite healthy. I gathered them as soon as I could get to them all and dropped them in a heap in the middle of the nest box. I'll check on them a little later this evening. I spend a lot of time in the garage (my version of a rabbit barn) and, for the most part, all of my rabbits know me and are comfortable with me opening up their cages to fill their water crocks or feed crocks. Some even want some special attention. My thanks to Bill Utter for spoiling a little golden doe of mine in that manner.

I have removed most of the automatic watering system from my indoor cages as I have been working on a barn "makeover" since sometime in January. It's been a while. Maybe it was December. I just checked the pictures on my phone and saw that I started in on the barn work during the first part of December. I know it has been a long time and, believe it or not, I still haven't finished. I just didn't think it had been that long!!

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Treasure's Report - Terri King

Balance Beginning February 24, 2016	\$4966.66
Monthly Service Fee\$5.00	
Deposit - March 4, 2016\$632.40	
Break Down: Refund Shirts = \$62.40	
Membership = \$70.00	
Sanctions = \$500.00	
Palomino Shirt\$25.00	
Total Beginning Balance	\$5619.06
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Bills/Expenses	
Check # 1126 – Whyoming Trophy and Engraving (Patches)	-\$316.94
Check #1127 – PRCBA Web Site	-\$300.00
Check #1128 - Palomino National Awards	-\$360.00
Check #1129 – Sweepstakes Awards	-\$518.00
Check #1130 – Carolyn Wright – Office Supplies	-\$50.00
Service Fee - \$5.00	-\$5.00
Total Bills/Expenses	\$1549.94
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ENDING BALANCE	\$4069.12

PETTY CASH:

Starting Balance: \$150.00

Mailings:....-\$25.50 Stamps:...-\$47.70 Envelopes:...-\$2.97



Petty Cash Balance = \$73.83

Vice President's Report - Zora Brewer

I know I have not been very active, but then again I have not been to many shows as of late either. Life here on our newly moved farm has been hectic with spring having already sprung here in Southern Mississippi and college finals fast approaching. Sadly, shows are all a fairly long drive from my location, but I will still be around here and there. I am happy to say that we have two litters of palominos in the barn and we will soon be moving some of our younger brood stock out to make room for the show team to move in. Our barn seems to be going in a new direction as of late, my little brother is talking about going full swing into Palominos, from mini rex, as I move more towards the lovely Angora breeds, thanks to my new spinning and felt obsession. I will continue to breed Palominos alongside my little brother, but they will soon be mainly his. I have decided not to run for office. Instead I shift my focus to writing a novel, learning new art forms, finishing my degree, and grooming some kick butt English and Satin Angoras (if they do not eat their coat again... I have been arguing with my favorite over that for a little while now). I would like to take this time to encourage you to vote for James Brown to take over as Vice President, he has grown since we first met, not all that long ago a person I feel will push to help our club move forward. I know I have not done as I had hoped, but then I never expected to pick up and move last year either. Moving our farm, having puppies while moving, and whatever else consumed several months of my time and drug me to new and captivating things; I always manage to keep busy! Overall, I wish you all the best as me move forward into new and exciting times! 4

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District 5 - Beth Thurn

We are enjoying the warmer weather, but really need rain where we live in Kansas. Our first show this year was the Capital City Show in Lawrence on March 26. We had the only Palominos there, but were happy to get second runner-up to Best of Show with a junior buck. Palominos are sanctioned for both the Sunflower Rabbit Show and Scholarship Show in Wichita on June 11. Last year there was a good number of Palominos and breeders there. Hope to see some of you there.

Beth



PaSRBA Sunday Open Show – Jim Brown BOB Golden Sr. Doe ~ BOSB Lynx Sr. Buck

District 9 - Jim Brown

We are finally getting some nice spring weather in the Northeast. I'm also happy to welcome spring to our farm. Excited to report that there are 30 convention hopefuls in the nest boxes, so I'm looking forward to developing my fall show string.

ARBA Convention planning is well under way. My flight, car and room are booked.

Locally. We've had some great shows with some beautiful pals coming across the table. I'm please that more youth are taking interest in the breed, now if I could only keep up with the demand, LOL. Take care for now and happy spring....

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Secretary's Report - Cathy Dunkle

Greetings from the beautiful Northwest,

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It is an early spring here, spring flowers and bushes are a good 3 weeks ahead of schedule, and my end of May Iris are budding away. The bountiful spring has not hit the rabbit barn yet and scratching my head on that one.

Lots of shows are sanctioned for this spring, we are well ahead of our normal sanction numbers for the year. I have already given out 104 sanction numbers, plus youth shows that are attached to many of those.

A Special thanks to Mike Raab and Jim Brown who organized and ran our Spring National. Congratulations to all the winners and participants. I am sure the Hall of Fame show is well on its way to becoming a spring tradition.

I want to thank all the club members who have been so supportive of me during my tenure as secretary, but I will be stepping down effective December 31, 2016. It has been a wonderful experience and one I have truly enjoyed but it is time for some younger blood to take on this position. What is needed to do this position is patience, thick skin, a decent computer and printer, storage space and time. I put in 3-4 hours per week on club business. Sending and processing sanctions, and memberships, keeping info flowing to the website, answering questions, monitoring completed show reports, plus banking receipts. I am now on first name basis with my local teller who happens to be a rabbit breeder.

If you have questions about this position shoot me an email latahorchard@gmail.com and I will be happy to discuss this with you.

One of the biggest challenges I have is membership renewal. I send few cards anymore as no one looks at them for dates anyway. Even posting a need to renew list in newsletters has not helped, I am ready to start posting on Facebook, a great communication tool I might add.

This is the current list of folks who are either expired by 6 weeks are due to expire in next few months:

District 1All CurrentDistrict 5Jeff Joynt - ExpiredDistrict 2All CurrentJerry Lewis - Due

District 3 Brand Anderson, Iowa

District 4 Lynn Daniels - Expired **District 6** All Current

Kenneth and Imogene Drews - Due

Courtney Hall - Expired **District 7** All Current

Jeff Emerson - Expired Duane Holman - Expired

Lucas and Nace family - Due except Heather

Susan Miller - Due

William O'Haver – Expired **District 8** Harrison Cottingham - Expired

Clay Palkel - Expired

Abi Rrawick – Due Samantha Richardson – Due Shawna Hudson - Due Carl Strite - Expired

Have a great spring and hope to see many of you soon.

Cathy

2016 Palomino Youth Management & Achievement Contest Winners



Senior Management Landis Walter, CO

Landis has been breeding golden palominos since 2012. She currently has 12 rabbits, seven does and one buck. She keeps her pals in wood and wire hutches in her backyard under a ShelterLogic garage. Landis is very conscientious about the care given to her rabbits, paying close attention to the climate and making sure her rabbits have plenty of food and water.

Landis has an established feeding and watering routine to ensure each of her rabbit have the proper nourishment at each stage of their life.

Additionally, Landis keeps her rabbitry on a tight schedule with cleaning and keeping her does bred.



Intermediate Achievement &
Management
Cailin Casey, CA

Cailin has been very busy with her pals over the last year. She continues to do well on the show table and has received several honorable mentions during Best In Show. Cailin keeps very busy with her rabbit breeds. In addition to pals, she raises Tans, Havanas and some Harlequins. She sets goals for herself and works very hard at trying to achieve them.

One thing about raising rabbits that Cailin really enjoys is the people she meets at shows. She has found the pal breeders to be very helpful and supportive of her and her breeding/showing project.

District 8 - Mike Raab

I want to thank Jim Brown for all his hard work in being the show secretary for the Pal nationals in Canton, OH. Also, want to thank Elizabeth Reichert for donations and helping run the booth. The show was a good time and showing with good company.

I am looking forward to more shows later this year with good company. I hope everyone has his or her nest boxes filled. I know I am working on it.

MIKE

District 3 Report - Tom Lowin

Hello from South Dakota. I have not had a chance to attend any shows yet this Spring and have not heard from any other Pal raisers in the District recently. So, no significant news to report. However, hoping to get out to a few upcoming shows in May and June with my Lynx and Goldens. We received some needed rains in recent days and things are looking nice and green in the great outdoors. Looks like its time to sharpen up those mower blades. More next time.

Tom

District 4 Report - Latosha Lucas

Greetings from Texas...

Congratulations to Tony Schwartzmiller on winning Best of Breed and Best Opposite of Breed at Fort Worth Stock Show in Open and to Elizabeth Hines on winning Best Opposite of Breed in the Youth Show.

Elizabeth also won Best of Breed at the San Angelo Stock show and rodeo.

Congratulation to Hannah and Ethan Williams on winning Best of Breed and Best Opposite of Breed Show A at Pryor.

Congratulation to Cheryl Williams on winning Best of Breed and Best Opposite of breed Show B at Pryor.

Cheryl also won Best of Breed and Best Opposite of Breed at the Dewey show A and B, and at the Inola show A and B.

Hope everyone that is going to Nationals has a great time.

Remember Be a Pal to the Pal!

Latosha

President's Report Continued...

My original plan was to make some single cages to set in my homemade racks where I had originally put double cages and to take out a homemade 3-tiered stack of quad cages. One thing led to another and by the time I had committed myself to do things the way they should be done, my short-term barn job turned into a long-term barn job. I just don't like to do something half-baked, if you know what I mean. That is an environmental quality I learned from my father and I know there are many of you out there who learned the same work principles and work ethic. That's not a bad thing.

Some of the other changes made in the garage have been a cleaning and painting of the walls behind the rabbit cages. That led to a cleaning and painting of the garage floor under the rabbit cages. I also had the legs on my cage racks lengthened about 6 inches so I don't have to get all the way down on the floor on my hands and knees to get a rabbit out of a cage on the bottom tier of the rack. That's a real plus for old, crippled-up guys and it works well for me too. I really don't have a problem getting down to get a rabbit out of a cage on the bottom. It's the getting up holding the rabbit that seems to slow me down!

I think I'm over half done with the rabbit cage part of the work, so my rabbits and I are happy about that. I hope to be done by June. Of course, when I first started the project I hoped to be done by late March. If you happen to be a friend of mine on Facebook I'll try and post some before and after photos when I get it all put back together to my satisfaction. By the way, I go by James Hunter on my fb page just in case you're trying to find me to "friend me".

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President's Report Continued from Page 8...

I want to congratulate the winners from our spring national show. I know that information is in this issue of the Pal News somewhere. I'm so sorry that I was unable to attend this year's spring show. I had planned to attend, but a couple of weeks before the show I realized that I had made a prior commitment for that same weekend and I promised that individual that I would be at that event. Guess I should have done some checking before committing to anything. That was a hard lesson learned. I just don't do a very good job of keeping an appointment calendar. Maybe I should invest in one. You'd think the fancy cell phone I have would be able to take care of that for me. The problem there, I think, would be the fact that I don't know how to do that. Maybe one of you younger folks could help me out with that.

Oh, I started out this report by writing about some does that failed to kindle over the weekend. I did have one little golden pal kindle early Saturday morning! I'm excited about the possibilities in that litter and hope to have one or more from it at the convention in San Diego this fall. Of course, that breeding, which is a first time trial for that pair, may be a total bust. Time will tell. Our friend and District 6 Director, Joe Donato, is in the hospital with pneumonia. Please lift him up in your prayers. Friends David and Sharon Pellham from Oklahoma have had some health issues over the past several months and I would appreciate you lifting them up in prayer, as well. I've known Sharon since we first started in Pals. We purchased some of Sharon's nice goldens for our youngest daughter, Audra, to work with when she was still in elementary school. There have been Pals in my barn since then and I imagine there will be Pals in my barn for the rest of the time that I am able to raise and show rabbits.

I also noticed that our District 3 Director, Tom Lowin, has yet to send a photo of himself to our website editor and I think it would really be nice if he would get that taken care of. Jay Horn took over the District 2 Director position from William "Bill" Utter at about the time of the Portland convention and he should get his picture sent to Charlcie Fowler, as well.

Which State has the most Palomino breeders? I have no clue. I challenge each of you who is reading this to go to our website and enter your information on the "Pal Breeders" page. When the information you enter is confirmed by our PRCBA secretary (another job that is not listed anywhere), your information will be placed on our website's "Pal Breeders" page. If you know of members who aren't listed there, please encourage them to take care of that little chore. Thanks in advance for helping out!

Folks, we are in need of a member to take over the PRCBA Secretary position before the end of the calendar year. This is a HUGE responsibility so 'look before you leap' at volunteering for this job! Consult your copy of the Constitution and By-Laws for the PRCBA to see everything that our secretary does for the club. If you do not have a copy, you will be able to find it on our website. With the spring nationals over, we have a few months prior to the ARBA Convention and Show to fill the position with an individual who is responsible and conscientious and has the time to do the work of our PRCBA secretary. Please, please, please put your thinking cap on and see if you can recommend a qualified individual for this position. If you feel that you are qualified, but unsure about it, talk it over with some people who know you and know the work it will take to do the job adequately. If you get the green light from your friends, GO FOR IT!

I've been just writing down the random thoughts that have been crossing my mind and the last random thought was, "this is plenty long enough"! I hope this issue of the "Pal News" finds you in great spirits with lots of convention hopefuls in those nest boxes! It's always great sharing my thoughts and ideas with my friends, and even if we've never met, you are a friend of mine because you and I are members of the PRCBA and we both raise those wonderful Palomino rabbits!

As Always, Jim



THE PAL STORE



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NEW! Palomino Co-Breeders Association Patch

Size: 4 Inches

Cost: \$6.00



Palomino Holiday Ornament: Single Pal

Size: Small - 3 Inches

Cost: \$8.00

Single golden or single lynx rabbit available.



Palomino Holiday Ornament: Golden & Lynx

Size: Large – 3.5 Inches

Cost: \$10.00

Two pals facing each other with the date.

To order, contact Jim Brown via email at TheBrownRabbitry@gmail.com and I'll get a shipping quote from the post office.

Meet our ARBA Convention 2016 Judge - Cole Rupprecht

I began raising rabbits as a 4-H project in the late 90's. I joined the ARBA in 2002, received my registrar's license in 2006, and earned my judge's license in 2014. I have raised many breeds over the years, with Netherland Dwarfs always being my primary focus. I also currently have Satins and Mini Satins in my barn. In the past I have raised Holland Lops, Mini Rex, Californians, Himalayans, Rhinelanders, French Lops, Dutch, and Mini Lops.



Outside of the rabbit hobby I have been actively involved in agriculture my entire life. I obtained a

Bachelor's degree in Animal Science from North Dakota State University in 2010 and was active member and then coach of the dairy cattle judging team. I currently work as the Industry Relations Program Manager for Midwest Dairy Association and also invest in a select group of registered Holstein cows.

District 2 Report - Jay Horn

Here out west there have been quite a few shows, but due to family health circumstances, I've only been to one- the West Coast Classic in Reno Nevada. This show has become the "big" show for the Western States, though it's destined to be totally eclipsed this year by the ARBA Convention in San Diego California! I had only one golden senior doe that was close to show worthy condition, so I brought her, looking forward to seeing at least twenty or so Pals on the table (typical for this show), and chatting up their owners. Boy was I sadly mistaken. Laura Blank and her one pal entry were the only other competition that showed. Laura is relatively new in Pals, and her typey little junior buck took BOB. I suspect we'll be seeing some nice animals from her in the future! (Nice talking with you Laura.)

My take away lesson was not to assume Pals would be sanctioned just because they had been in the past. Next year I'll be sure to get them sanctioned myself for this premier show. In youth there were twice as many Pals- a total of four as I recall (unfortunately I missed those results as I ran around the huge building trying to keep my five different breeds up on their respective tables). It was really a wake up call for me seeing such low Pal numbers at a show that drew folks from several states, and reminded me of the importance of bringing young stock for sale to the shows to give people the opportunity to see and obtain some.

The next chance I'll have to see a good group of Pals will be at convention- if you are thinking about attending, do it! San Diego is a beautiful place, and many fond rabbit memories will be made there.

P.S. District Two folks: please share with me any Pal news, show results, etc. that you would like me to include in this space. I know there's a lot happening out there-let's get the word out!



Sweepstakes Award Winners for 2014-2015

Youth:



Latosha Lucas – 1st Place Sweeps



Seth Whitney-Wekar – 2nd Place Sweeps

Open:



Kenneth & Imogene – 1st Place Fur Kenneth & Imogene – 2nd Place Sweeps



Sharon Pellham – Palomino of the Year Sharon Pellham – 3rd Place Sweeps

WANTED: PRCBA CLUB SECRETARY

The Palomino Rabbit Co-Breeders Association is in need of a new club secretary. Cathy Dunkle will be stepping down at the end of the year. The secretary position is crucial to the operation of the club. Some of the duties of the secretary include; issuing sanctions, receiving and documenting show reports, keeping track of membership, writing articles for the Pal News, communicating with the board, assisting with the planning of the Palomino national and ARBA Convention shows.

Please contact President Hunter if interested.

Palominos Out and About...



Our President, James Hunter. "Out at the rest home this afternoon with a different golden palomino doe and her kits. Residents got to hold and/or pet the kits if they wanted to."



The Hoppers & Squeakers 4-H Club of PA was out promoting rabbits and cavies at the 10 Year Anniversary of the pet store where they hold their meetings. The Lynx 6/8 Buck was a big hit.

The club is advised by Jim Brown



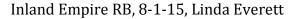
"I went out to our fairgrounds earlier this afternoon with this golden doe and her 5 kits. It was Farm Bureau Ag day. Lots of kids and lots of questions and lots of patience shown by me and the doe! Every student and some teachers got to hold a palomino if they wanted to. The doe got a workout with lots of petting by little hands, as well."

Jim Hunter

Sweeps Report - Carolyn Wright

Here is a list of Delinquent Palomino Show reports that have **not** been received, at least to the Sweeps Office. If you happen to know one of these club Sec? Please have them send the reports ASAP to wcwright108@gmail.com or mail them to:

Carolyn Wright 108 Justin Davis Lane Smithville, Tx. 78957



New York State Fair Old Timers, 8-29/30-15, Janet McBride

Kansas State Fair, 9-12/13-15, Susan Sankey

Defiance Area RBA, 11-15-15, Gloria Schroeder

Black Hill Rabbit Club, 8-18-15, Kate Metcalf

Johnson Co. RB Show A, 9-19-15, Heather Dunway

South Jersey Rabbit & Cavy B Open Show, 9-17-15, Dawn Plokhooy

South Jersey Rabbit & Cavy B Youth Show, 9-17-15, Cindy Fries

NYRCB, 10-3/4-15, Venita Akeney

Dellmarva Rabbit Club Youth, 9-2-15, Melissa Dietrich

Dellmarva Rabbit Club Youth, 9-26-15, Melissa Dietrich

Tri Co RBA, 10-11-15 Melissa Carlson

SunFlower RBA Youth, 11-21-15, Nancy Kennedy

IN. State RB Youth B, 11-8-15, Sandy Burkert

LA. RBA, 3-5-16, Julie Young

Stark Co. RCBA A&B O/Y, 2-27-16, Debbie Knight

PA.State RBA A&B Youth, 2-6/7-16, Robert Kolb

TNIRB, 2-27-16, Tristen Johnson

Interior Rabbit & Cavy Club A&B, 2-27-16, Amanda Major

Springfield Rabbit Breeders, 3-19-16, Jerry Hicks

Golden Prairie, 12-31-15, Karen Poe

Springfield Rabbit & Cavy, 4-3-16, Dody Haughey







Sweepstakes Award Winners for 2014-2015

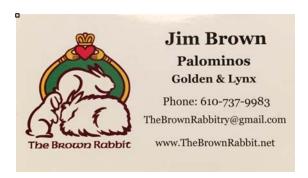
Open:



Cliff King - 4th Place Sweeps

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Jim Brown – 1st Place Sweeps

Rabbit Biology:

Rabbits are not rodents. They belong to a slightly different Order and are called lagomorphs.

Lagomorphs have two sets of upper incisors (the long teeth) one set behind the other, while rodents have one set.

Also, lagomorphs can pucker their noses.

Cottontails are not confined to the Americas anymore. Between 1950 and 1980, they were introduced to Spain, France, Switzerland and Italy.