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NARBC 2025

National Angora Show

Decatur, Illinois



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**Election
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**Pricing
Roving and
Yarn**

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Special Committees will be appointed when necessary.

NARBC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 19, 2025 National Angora
Host Committee: Vanessa Rich,
Andrea Evans
Decatur, IL



President's Message: Jennifer Richardson

Hello all!

I am not sure about you, but I am so glad that winter is finally breaking. The winter months are hard up here in the north, with frozen water dishes, frozen pans, and limited grooming due to frigid temperatures. We have had limited breeding and are just starting to think about breeding for convention.



I am so excited to see all the Angoras competing out on the circuit and taking top honors! What a great celebration for our hobby. The time and dedication it takes to create a coat that is not only competitive but to keep that body condition is well is a huge accomplishment to those breeders that are taking top honors. I have seen Best in Shows in all areas of the country and it is so exciting.

I have also seen a few Wool, Skein and Garment contests roll out and cannot wait to see what everyone has been working on this winter at Nationals this spring in Illinois. Remember there are options to mail in your WSG entry and still be part of all the excitement at the National, even if you cannot attend in person. Vanessa has a great project she is working on that allows everyone to use the same pattern and compete at the next major show (National or Convention) with their own interpretation of that pattern, using the wool blend/style that suits the person's style.

I hope you enjoy the new sections of the newsletter, information on Veterinary care and information on fiber arts. We also have the wonderful district and club sections as well!

We look forward to seeing you all at shows in the near future and cannot wait to celebrate your wins with you!

Happy showing!

Jen



Vice President's Message: Andrea Koeniger Evans

Hello!

As we move through the year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the exciting progress we've made within NARBC. It's been a busy and productive time, and I'm thrilled to share some of the key developments with all of you.



One of the most significant efforts I have been a part of is working on the Broken English Angora Certificate of Development (COD). As the Spokesperson for this project, I'm honored to be working alongside Kathy Thomas, Linda Hibbert, Graham Thomas, and Kjirsten Thomas. Collectively, our COD team brings over 70 years of experience in rabbit breeding and showing. We are focused on ensuring that we achieve consistency and high-quality broken English Angoras in our line. We've made strong headway, and we are all truly excited about the future of the Broken English Angora. In the coming weeks, we will be showcasing some of our Broken English Angoras at local shows in Colorado to gather feedback and plan for what's next. Keep an eye out for pictures as we move forward!

In addition to our work on the COD, I have created an electronic sanctions registration system that will streamline the process for event sanctioning. While still in the testing phase, we're excited about the potential this system holds for reducing paperwork and making the registration process more efficient for everyone. Once we've tested and finalized it, we'll be rolling it out to the public.

Another key development is our efforts to simplify the sweepstakes calculation process. I created a new spreadsheet designed to help improve point calculation accuracy. Graham Thomas, our Sweepstakes Chair, is currently piloting the use of the spreadsheet, and we are excited to see how it will save time and ensure that results are more accurate and transparent for all involved.

Lastly, we're also working on a new boutique for the NARBC, which will feature on-demand printing. This will allow us to offer a wide variety of high-quality, customizable items, from apparel to accessories, without needing to keep large inventories. We're excited about the possibilities this will bring for showcasing our NARBC pride!

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our community. It's your enthusiasm that keeps this organization strong, and I'm looking forward to all the incredible things we'll accomplish together in the months ahead.

Wishing you all a joyful spring season ahead!

Andrea



Secretary's Report: Laurie Penterman

February is over and March is here!! We've made it through the worst part of winter; however, I have a feeling it's not completely over yet. I haven't attended many rabbit shows this winter, so I'm super excited about all of the upcoming spring shows! The National Angora Show is now only 7 weeks away as I write this, and I am very much looking forward to seeing many of you there in Decatur, Illinois on April 18 and 19! You will find all the details about the National Angora Show right here in the March edition of The Angora News.



Please take the time to read this newsletter, which is packed full of information. Make sure to check the list of memberships that will be expiring soon, and if your name is on it to renew before the expiration date. The candidates who are running for club offices have their resumes printed in this newsletter. Please be sure to read them and don't forget to vote by June 5.

A very happy spring to all of you! I hope your nest boxes are over-flowing!



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Board Meeting Minutes

NARBC Board Meeting November 13, 2024

The Board of Directors met on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, via Zoom. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:46 pm EST. Board members present were Jen Richardson, Lauren Cody, June Abbott, Jackie McDonald, Andrea Evans, Laurie Penterman, Casey Jones, Tammy Vaughn and Madison Wisecup.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the October 16, 2024, board meeting. A MOTION was made by Jackie McDonald to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by June Abbott. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 363 members in the club, 293 being Open members, and 70 Youth members. Since our October meeting, the club has gained ten new Open members and two new Youth members. Two 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 \$4,389.11, there is \$26,715.34 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$275.69 in the PayPal account, for a total cash balance of \$31,380.14. There is \$2,075.14 in the held funds, so there are \$29,305.00 available funds. At the 2024 ARBA Convention, the NARBC raffle table at the booth brought in \$1,030. A silent auction was held at the Angora Banquet, and the people who donated items to the auction designated where the money from their item's sale would go. A total of \$860 was made, with \$75 going to sweepstakes awards, \$360 to the Linda Cassella Memorial Youth Scholarship fund, \$210 to the general fund, \$90 to WSG, \$75 to the Youth Royalty contest, and \$50 to research and development.

Policies and Procedures Manual Updates- President Jen asked the question of does the Youth Director have a term? Our current Youth Director Madison Wisecup turns 19 in January and will become an Open member of the club. Casey said she remembers that in the past the Youth Director finished out their term even if they turned 19 during it. The current Policies and Procedures Manual is very long and includes many pages that are more guides for committee chairs and host clubs. The guide pages of the PPM should be a supplement. These pages are great guides, but don't need to be in the PPM. Laurie volunteered to divide the Policies and Procedures Manual into two parts, the actual policies and procedures, and the supplement with the guide pages.

NARBC District Facebook Pages- What is the purpose of the NARBC District pages? In the past there were more districts that were smaller areas, so discussion on the pages was more local. District Directors should reach out to their members on their district page and ask them for ideas as to what they want to see on the district pages. Maybe Rachel Penterman could mention something about this in her next Domestic Rabbit article. Laurie will send each district director a list of members in their district.

2024 ARBA Convention Wrap-Up- People seemed happy and had fun. The raffle table volunteers didn't all show up. Maybe next year we can have an incentive that whoever volunteers in the booth gets raffle tickets for a chance to win a cool prize. The booth was crowded, but next year we'll have three spaces instead of two. Going forward there needs to be one person in charge of taking the money when the booth closes at night, and then making sure it is back in the booth the next morning. There was debate about putting the rabbits in carriers to the show table or having runners get and bring them to the table. Because the Angora coops and show tables were so close together, a few board members met in the showroom early the morning of judging and decided to let each breed team decide how they wanted to get their rabbits to the show table. Going forward, we will need to see how far apart the Angora coops and judging tables are. If they are close, runners work better. We also need to consider having two writers and one ramrod for breeds with classes with large class numbers. The banquet was well attended, and everyone seemed to have a good time. Vanessa Rich brought so much positive energy to this Convention through the WSG competition and the banquet.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Committees That Need Chairpeople:

- 1.Election- Angel Semerling?
- 2.Show Advisory- Laura Clark?
- 3.Breed Chair for 2025 Convention- liaison between the host club and breed club
- 4.Awards Committee
- 5.Boutique

Jen will post these positions on the NARBC Facebook page to see if there are any volunteers.

Judge Needed for 2025 ARBA Convention- Laurie sent an email to the membership asking them for their ideas for who they would like to see judge Angoras at future ARBA Conventions. Twenty-four people replied, and a total of 34 different judges were suggested, but no judge received more than a few votes. Since we really need to decide on a judge for the 2025 ARBA Convention, a MOTION was made by Casey Jones to ask Rachel Penterman to judge English and Giant Angoras at the 2025 ARBA Convention in Indianapolis. The motion was SECONDED by Tammy Vaughn. Motion CARRIED.

2025 National Angora Show Update- Vanessa Ricch and Andrea Evans are the host committee for the 2025 National Angora Show in Decatur, Illinois. The Rabbit Renegades club is hosting the All-Breed Show they and are in charge of hiring our National Show judge, providing the judging table, sanction the Open and Youth National Angora Show through ARBA, providing a show secretary to accept entries, generate control sheets, process results and provide show reports, provide areas large enough for our silent auction, luncheon and WSG contest. NARBC is responsible for providing the awards, one clerk who will record results and assist the show secretary, one ramrod who will assist the show superintendent, NARBC sanctions for the National Angora Show, and a National Show flyer.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Jackie McDonald. The motion was SECONDED by Andrea Evans. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 7:45 pm EST via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary

NARBC Board Meeting December 10, 2024

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, via Zoom. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:46 pm EST. Board members present were Jen Richardson, June Abbott, Jackie McDonald, Andrea Evans, Laurie Penterman, Casey Jones, Tammy Vaughn and Madison Wisecup.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the November 13, 2024, board meeting. A MOTION was made by Tammy Vaughn to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by Andrea Evans. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 355 members in the club, 291 being Open members, and 64 Youth members. Since our November meeting, the club has gained six new Open members and three new Youth members. Seven 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 \$3,209.33, there is \$29,772.45 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$220.18 in the PayPal account, for a total cash balance of \$33,201.96. There is \$1,633.14 in the held funds, so there are \$31,568.82 available funds.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

NARBC Board Meeting **December 10, 2024 Continued**

OLD BUSINESS

Policies and Procedures Manual Updates- Since our last meeting Laurie has gone through the Policies and Procedures Manual and removed the example and guide pages and put together the actual policies and procedures. This took quite a bit of time. A couple of people will need to work on the guidebook part of the manual. As we add things they need to get into the Policies and Procedures Manual.

Convention Updates- June received confirmation for our 3 booth spaces being paid for in full. Our two Angora judges will be Travis Finkle and Rachel Penterman.

Committee Chairs- the following chair positions have been filled:

Elections Chair- Angel Semerling

Show Advisory Chair- Laura Clark

Awards Chair- Laura Clark working with committee members Skyler Starrett, Amanda Fritsch and Amy Kopp.

We are still in need of a Boutique Chair and a Breed Chair for the 2025 ARBA Convention. Google Doc folders will be created for the committee chairs for accountability.

Nationals Update-

1. Luncheon- The timing for the luncheon is uncertain. It would be ideal to have it when the National Angora Show ends, but there's no way to know when that will be. In Sandy Berger's contract it says Noon-1:00, but Bob Donnell can't adhere to that. Can we make an amendment to the contract? Does it need to be a everyone sits down to eat at the same time event, or could it be grab and go and people eat when they're not showing? There is a time crunch as the show is the day before Easter and people want to get on the road to get back home for Easter. The cost for the luncheon is \$20 per person. Checks can be mailed to June or payment can be made through PayPal. A google doc will be created to sign up for the luncheon, and the due date for reservations and payment will be April.
2. The facility is charging a rental fee of \$20 per table and \$5 per chair. This is not in our budget. Perhaps we can pay for two tables and 16 chairs so there's somewhere to sit and eat. There is \$200 in the budget for banquet decorations, so some of that could be used for the table and chair rental.
3. Rabbit Renegades strongly discourages National Angora Show exhibitors from entering in the All-Breed Show B since the Nationals Angora Show will be happening at the same time as Show B.
4. We need ramrod and writer volunteers for each Angora breed.
5. We need someone to oversee the raffle and silent auction. How many tables do we need? Table rent is \$20 per table.
6. Andrea will make a photo booth.
7. The Angora National Show logo isn't quite done yet. The National Show Mini Guide will be in the December *Angora News*.
8. Amy Netherton is making the awards under contract.

Mentor/Social Media- Rachel Penterman and Tammy Vaughn are the NARBC Mentoring Group co-chairs. They do not want to set up mentors, but they want the NARBC Mentoring Facebook page be a place where new members can get information. Laurie will give the names of new members to Rachel and Tammy to reach out to these new members. Will still be mentoring, but also welcoming and answering questions. Tammy said she would be on the Facebook page but not be an administrator.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

NARBC Board Meeting **December 10, 2024 Continued**

New BUSINESS

Honorary Lifetime Memberships- Laurie sent an email to the board about Lifetime Honorary memberships and how none have been bestowed for many years. Laurie included a list of current Open members with this email so that the board members could look through it and think about who may be worthy to become a lifetime member. A MOTION was made by Tammy Vaughn that whoever becomes a member of the Hall of Fame will become an Honorary Lifetime Member. The motion was SECONDED by Casey Jones. Motion CARRIED.

President's Award- Jen did not give out the President's Award at Convention because the person receiving the award was not in attendance at the Angora Banquet. The award will be presented at the Angora National Show in Decatur, Illinois in April.

Yvonne Lyon's Boutique Option- Yvonne wants to use a website called Victory Pass Originals to sell the NARBC Boutique items. This website is owned by an ARBA rabbit family. NARBC would make proceeds from the sales. People could order throughout the year, and Victory Pass Originals would handle the payment, processing and delivery. They have many options to choose from, and NARBC could do logos through them. This will be tabled until our next meeting, so everyone has a chance to review it.

Live Link for Sweepstakes- A live link for sweepstakes standings is being worked on.

Spinners Dream Class- Amanda Fritsch would like a Spinners Dream Class to be offered as a fundraiser show. The challenge is that you might have something that's not in the Standard of Perfection.

Cage Placement Tags- Laura Clark is ordering placement tags for the National Angora Show. She will turn in a receipt to June.

Revision District and Mentoring Facebook Page Rules- The necessary rules need to be kept but should be updated. We need to promote the Guidebook.

District Updates: Challenge to the Districts- Jen is challenging the District Directors to get updates from all areas of their districts.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Casey Jones. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 8:00 pm EST via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

NARBC Board Meeting **January 29, 2025**

The Board of Directors met on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, via Zoom. President Jen Richardson called the meeting to order at 8:06 pm EST. Board members present were Jen Richardson, June Abbott, Jackie McDonald, Lauren Cody, Andrea Evans, Casey Jones, Tammy Vaughn and Madison Wisecup and Laurie Penterman.

Secretary Meeting Minutes- The Board members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the December 10th board meeting. A MOTION was made by Jackie McDonald to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was SECONDED by Andrea Evans. Motion CARRIED.

Status of Membership- Laurie Penterman reported that we currently have 361 members in the club, 296 being Open members, and 65 Youth members. Since our December meeting, the club has gained seven new Open members and one new Youth member. Eight 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 \$2,348.16, there is \$29,834.04 in the money market account, and we have a balance of \$723.20 in the PayPal account, for a total cash balance of \$32,905.40. There is \$1,795.14 in the held funds, so there are \$31,110.26 available funds.

OLD BUSINESS

Policies and Procedures Manual Updates-

1. Youth Director- According to the current PPM, the Youth Director must be at least 12 years of age and under the age of 19 during their time in office. This needs to be revised so Madison can remain the Youth Director until August. The Youth Director can still have a youth voice even if they age out during the term. Let them finish the term. There is no need to recruit for a new Youth Director in the middle of a term.
 - a. A MOTION was made by Jackie McDonald to make the Youth Director position a 2-year term. The motion was SECONDED by Tammy Vaughn. Motion CARRIED.
 - b. A MOTION was made by Lauren Cody to make the age for Youth Director candidates to be between the ages of 12 to 17 as of July 31 when they apply for the position. If they turn 19 years of age during their term they will be allowed to finish their term. The motion was SECONDED by Andrea Evans. Motion CARRIED.
 - c. A MOTION was made by Andrea Evans for our current Youth Director, Madison Wisecup, to finish her term even though she just turned 19. The motion was SECONDED by Jackie McDonald. Motion CARRIED.
2. Sweepstakes Information- Our Sanctions Chair, Deb Clemens, joined the meeting. There is an issue with show reports that are coming that have not had sanctions forms attached or sanctions that have been issued. There was discussion about forms that may have been used, and sanctions forms that have been lost in the mail. Discussion on how to prevent further complications with sanctions. A process will be outlined for the future. The paper form may be phased out with an online only sanction request, which Andrea Evans has offered to pilot. There was discussion on using another online payment platform due to increased fees. June will look into what our bank may be able to accommodate. Discussion about using Easy2show to track membership, sanctions and sweepstakes.

Budget for Next Fiscal Year- Jen received an email from Laura Clark stating that \$1,000 for ARBA Convention awards was not enough. Last year the cost for the awards for ARBA Convention went under budget, but that was because the some of the awards used were recycled from past years. We will take time to review this and discuss it at the next meeting. A MOTION was made by Andrea Evans to table the budget to our next board meeting. The motion was SECONDED by June Abbott. Motion CARRIED.

Boutique- Yvonne Lyons suggested we use a website called Victory Pass Originals to take over the NARBC Boutique. Andrea will contact Victory Pass Originals to find out more information.

Nationals Update- Bob Donnell is in charge of running the show stuff. Graham Thomas will ramrod for all 4 Angora breeds.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

NARBC Board Meeting January 29, 2025 Continued

NEW BUSINESS

Electronic Voting- Our new Elections Chair, Angel Semerling, sent Jen a link to a program she would like to use for electronic voting. The rules about voting will need to be changed in the Policies and Procedures Manual.

Giant Angora COD- Tammy Vaughn knows of someone who is going to be taking out CODs for Fawn and Chocolate Agouti Giant Angoras, Discussion about the current committee and processes occurred.

NARBC Facebook Page- Jen would like the entire board to be moderators for the page. This way if something comes across everyone can see it.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Casey Jones. The motion was SECONDED by June Abbott. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 pm EST. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 8:00 pm EST via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted

Laurie Penterman, NARBC Secretary



From the Treasurer's Desk: June Abbott

We are in Budget mode and have been in since early January. The Budget committee and Board members have reviewed this proposal. Now we ask that our club members review it and provide feedback.

Club members have 45 days from the date the newsletter is sent to submit their feedback. Without feedback, this proposed budget will become the working budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

I can be reached via email -juneabbott@surry.net. I look forward to hearing from you and discussing this proposed budget.

June Abbott

NARBC Treasurer



Treasurer’s Report February 2025

INCOME					
Date	Check #	Description	Deposits	Withdrawals	Balance
Checking Account					
		Carter Bank & Trust Transactions Balance as of 1/31/2025			2,558.16
2/28/2025		Sanctions	901.00		3,459.16
2/28/2025		Membership	23.00		3,482.16
2/4/2025		Transfer from PayPal	842.93		4,325.09
2/25/2025	1023	Laurie Penterman-Foreign stamps		16.50	4,308.59
2/20/2025		Transfer to Money Market		2,000.00	2,308.59
		Balance Carter Bank & Trust - 2/28/2025			2,308.59
Money Market					
		Balance as of 1/31/2025			29,891.41
		Interest Income - February			51.57
11/19/2024	Transfer	Transferred from Money Market - 2/20/2025			2,000.00
		Balance-Carter Bank-2/28/2025			31,942.98
PayPal Balance					
		Balance as of 1/31/2025			842.93
		February Transactions			979.14
		Transfer to Carter Bank - 2/4/2025			(842.93)
		Balance as of 11/30/2024			979.14
		June P Abbott, NARBC Treasurer			



HELD FUNDS	
Youth Scholarship	20.00
Hall of Fame	74.05
ROY/Sweeps	1,047.00
Youth Royalty	253.54
W/S/G	131.00
Research & Development	689.55
	2,215.14



		Prepaid Items		Expense
7/2/2024	1197	Sandy Berger - 2025 Nat'l Blqt	150.00	4/30/2025

NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB

SEVEN MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY, 2025

INCOME	2024-2025 Budget	Current Month	Year To Date
PayPal Sanctions	3,000.00	901.00	2,747.80
Sanction Fees	4,000.00	576.00	2,141.00
W/S/G Sanction Fees	50.00	5.00	15.00
PayPal Memberships	2,500.00	336.00	1,731.00
Membership Dues	150.00	23.00	145.00
Newsletter Print Subscriptions	200.00	50.00	50.00
PayPal Newsletter Ads	200.00	-	-
Newsletter Ads	100.00	-	-
Newsletter Ads - BIS Photos	-	25.00	25.00
PayPal Breeders Listing	200.00	10.00	120.00
Guide Books	500.00	-	99.00
Boutique Sales (T-shirts, Sweatshirts, etc.)	2,840.00	(42.00)	1,614.00
Patches	50.00	-	27.00
ARBA: Wool/Skein/Garment	500.00	-	330.00
NARBC Specialty: Wool/Skein/Garment	400.00	-	-
Auctions: ARBA/NARBC Specialty	2,000.00	-	860.00
Raffles: ARBA/NARBC Specialty	700.00	-	1,030.00
Award Donations - ARBA Convention	400.00	-	-
Award Donations - Nationals	400.00	-	-
Award Donations - W/S/G	200.00	-	-
Misc. Contributions	50.00	-	-
Misc. Income	50.00	60.00	153.00
Contributions - Youth Scholarship Award	1,000.00	-	40.00
Interest Savings	<u>170.00</u>	<u>51.57</u>	<u>321.00</u>
	19,660.00	1,995.57	11,448.98
Transfer from Held Funds			
Board Change-over Shipping/Postage	350.00	-	-
Youth Scholarship Award	1,400.00	-	875.00
One Time Display Items	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2,800.00	-	875.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>22,460.00</u>	<u>1,995.57</u>	<u>12,323.98</u>

NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB

SEVEN MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY, 2025 Continued

OPERATING EXPENSES	2024-2025 Budget	Current Month	Year To Date
Print Subscriptions	200.00	-	74.10
Editor's Pay	500.00	-	250.00
Angora News Software Program	120.00	-	120.00
Newsletter Postage	100.00	-	27.16
Sanctions: Pay	250.00	-	-
Supplies	50.00	-	-
Postage	100.00	-	-
Secretary: Pay	250.00	-	-
Supplies	100.00	-	-
Postage	200.00	16.50	16.50
Sweepstakes: Pay	250.00	-	-
Treasurer: Postage/Supplies	155.00	-	22.40
Pay	250.00	-	-
ARBA Charter Renewal	30.00	-	30.00
Botique: Postage	100.00	-	-
Supplies	50.00	-	-
Ts, Sweats, Etc.	2,350.00	-	1,353.00
Guidebooks: Republication	25.00	-	-
Postage	150.00	-	18.00
Shipping Supplies	25.00	-	-
Internet/Website	750.00	-	400.00
Pay Pal Fees	400.00	40.86	239.15
Miscellaneous	100.00	-	-
Dishonesty Bond (every 3 years)	-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	6,505.00	57.36	2,550.31



NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB

PROPOSED BUDGET - 8/1/25 - 7/31/26

INCOME	
PayPal Sanctions	3,700.00
Sanction Fees	3,100.00
W/S/G Sanction Fees	50.00
PayPal Memberships	2,800.00
Membership Dues	250.00
Newsletter Print Subscriptions	200.00
PayPal Newsletter Ad's	200.00
Newsletter Ad's	200.00
PayPal Breeders Listing	200.00
Guide Books	500.00
Patches	50.00
ARBA: Wool/Skein/Garment	600.00
NARBC Specialty: Wool/Skein/Garment	375.00
Auctions: ARBA/NARBC Specialty	1,500.00
Raffles: ARBA/NARBC Specialty	1,500.00
Misc. Contributions	50.00
Misc. Income	50.00
Contributions - Youth Scholarship Award	500.00
Interest Savings	600.00
	16,425.00
Transfer from Held Funds	
Youth Scholarship Award	800.00
	800.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>17,225.00</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES	
Print Subscriptions	200.00
Editor's Pay	500.00
Angora News Software Program	120.00
Newsletter Postage	100.00
Sanctions: Pay	250.00
Supplies	25.00
Secretary: Pay	250.00
Supplies	100.00
Postage	200.00
Sweepstakes: Pay	250.00
Treasurer: Postage/Supplies	100.00
Pay	250.00
ARBA Charter Renewal	30.00
Postage	150.00
Shipping Supplies	25.00
Internet/Website	750.00
Pay Pal Fees	400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Dishonesty Bond (every 3 years)	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>3,800.00</u>

NATIONAL ANGORA RABBIT BREEDERS CLUB

PROPOSED BUDGET - 8/1/25 - 7/31/26 Continued

ARBA EXPENSES	
Booth Rental	1,100.00
Booth Decorations	150.00
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	200.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Pay	175.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Meals	40.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Gifts	50.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Ribbons	400.00
Banquet Decorations/Table Favors	150.00
Room for W/S/G Judging	100.00
Banquet Activity	150.00
TOTAL ARBA EXPENSES	6,345.00

ADDITIONAL AWARD EXPENSES	
President's Awards	100.00
Sweepstakes: Awards	2,500.00
Shipping	125.00
Postage	200.00
Supplies	200.00
Fiber Artist of the Year Awards/Sweepstakes	350.00
Youth Scholarship	800.00
Hall of Fame Award	100.00
Ribbons/Rosettes	100.00
Youth Contest	105.00
Youth Royalty Contest	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL AWARD EXPENSES	4,580.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	17,225.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	-

NARBC NATIONALS EXPENSES	
NARBC National Awards	1,500.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Awards	150.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Pay	125.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judges' Meals	25.00
Wool/Skein/Garment Judge's Gift	25.00
Gifts for Angora Judges	25.00
Stipend to Host Club	150.00
Nationals Logo Design Fee	300.00
Banquet Decorations/Table Favors	200.00
TOTAL NATIONALS EXPENSES	2,500.00



District 1 Director: Jackie McDonald

Hello!

Angora shows have slowed down over the winter in the northern parts of the US and Canada. It's a time of coats regrowing and getting ready for the spring shows and nationals.



In December, the Michigan-Ohio State Line club put on the huge Christmas show in Frankenmuth, Michigan. This was a 5 show weekend with an angora specialty added in by the Michigan Angora Club. Frankenmuth is a true Christmas destination with having the largest Christmas store in the world located there named Bronner's.

Yvonne Lyons from New York won BISS in the angora specialty with a beautiful English Angora. Bonnie Havlicek won a Best of Group with a white French Angora. Lynn, Mike and Nichole Wilson won another Best of Group with an English Angora.



In February, Jen Richardson won a Best in Show and Reserve in Show with a colored Satin Angora at the Stark County Rabbit Club show in Canton, Ohio. It'll be great for spring to finally arrive and more shows will be happening. I hope to see many of you at Angora Nationals in April!

District 2 Director: Lauren Cody

Hello District 2!

This weather! Winter has its difficulties for sure. I for one am so happy to feel Spring in the air. I can feel the barn stirring and everyone waking up, the first crocuses are popping up and the temps are not as consistently frigid here in North Carolina. I've noticed the rabbits being a little crazier at shows as well, eager for Spring babies. Our poor judges! We are all so thankful for their patience and the care with which they handle our rabbits...especially this time of the year 😊



I found out today that Amy Kopp (TN) has been asked to serve as ARBA Tennessee Representative. Congratulations, Amy! We are all proud of you, Amy, and thank you for taking on this role!

It seems so soon to be talking about ARBA Convention, but it always seems to sneak up on us so quickly! If you haven't already, now is the time to reserve lodging and start planning who is going to be bred for Convention juniors. I like to breed as soon as possible for juniors, so if I have does who do not take, I have one more chance the following month.

This is also a great time to plan your Convention WSG entries, especially if you intend to enter garments. Starting now will give you time to relax and enjoy creating. Vanessa Rich is our WSG and Commercial Committee Chairperson. She is the one to go to if you are new to entering WSG or have questions about WSG. Her contact information can be found on the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club website. Fiber is such an important part of our breed, supporting WSG and other commercial uses of Angoras is very important.

I am also very happy seeing WSG contests being held by local and regional Angora Clubs. Hosting WSG competitions is not easy! Kudos to our clubs who are going the extra mile and doing so in the name of promoting our beautiful rabbits!



District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

Show Reports

There have been a lot of shows going on here in D2 these past few months. We are lucky in the southeast to be able to show year-round. Here are the highlights from a few of them.

February 15, 2025, at the Buntine's Day Show in Smithfield, NC, Lisa Summey's beautiful Senior REW French Angora doe, Lisette, won Reserve in Show (show B) under Judge Donyelle Schultz. Congratulations, Lisa! That is an awesome win!!!

February 15, 2025, East Coast Angora Club hosted an Angora Specialty Show at the Rabbits & Roses Show in Huntsville, AL. Amy Kopp won BISS with her stunning Chestnut Agouti English Angora, Leigh-Land's Gold and Lauren Cody won RISS with a cute Chestnut Agouti junior French Angora Buck, MG's Another Saturday Night. (Go, Team Chestnuts!)

Amy Kopp's Chestnut English Angora, Leigh-Land's Gold went on to have a pretty awesome weekend at the Rabbits & Roses show. In Open Show C, under Judge Susan Londe, she won Reserve in Show. Then in Open Show D, she won Best in Show, awarded by Judge Scott Rodriguez! Big congratulations, Amy and Goldie!

Also, at Rabbits & Roses, East Coast Angora Club hosted a Wool, Skein & Garment show. Angel Semerling (KY) was WSC Chairperson and Sue Duncan (TN) was Judge.

Results:

Best Wool entry- Jack Bailey/Giant Angora Spinners Sample

Best Skein- Angela Semerling 100% Angora

Best Garment- Angela Semerling Scarf

Best In Show- Angela Semerling- Cowl (details with picture)

Judges Choice- Angela Semerling- Lace weight 100% Satin/English Angora

Congratulations everyone and thank you for supporting the WSG contests!



District 2 Director: Lauren Cody - Continued

Thank you to everyone who sent pictures and reports. Your contributions make the newsletter better for everyone. We all love seeing pictures and reading about angora happenings and events.

If you haven't already, please come join our NARBC District 2 Facebook group. It is a great place to post pictures, wins, ask questions, learn from each other and enjoy interacting with your fellow D2 Angora breeders. We are working on and asking for ideas to make our D2 Facebook group more fun, more useful, more everything place for our members.

Please feel free to email me ideas and suggestions to make the D2 Facebook group a great place to visit, as well as your NARBC D2 Newsletter article contributions (Pictures, show reports/wins, upcoming shows, etc.) to NARBCDistrict2Director@gmail.com

You must be a NARBC member and a D2 member to join the D2 Facebook group.



Best in Show Cowl by Angel Semerling.
Pattern is "Incidental Quest" by Nickie Chapin at WiggleStick Designs. Yarn is a blend of 75% French Angora (from Jackie McDonald) and 25% alpaca, spun into lace weight, 2 ply.



Beautiful WSG display set up by ECASC.



District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn

Mentorship: Strengthening Our Angora Community

Mentorship has always been at the heart of the NARBC. Whether it's welcoming new members, sharing hard-earned knowledge, or fostering the next generation of breeders, mentorship plays a key role in ensuring the long-term success of our breed and our community.

As we look toward the future, we're excited to refine and expand how we approach mentorship within the NARBC. We have been working on an updated mentorship process that will create a more structured and welcoming experience for new members, ensuring they have access to the guidance and resources they need. While we're not quite ready to share the full details yet, our goal is simple: to make it easier for members to connect, learn, and thrive within the club.



District 3 Director: Tammy Vaughn Continued

Your Role in Mentorship

A strong mentorship program thrives when members actively participate. Whether you're an experienced breeder, just starting your journey, or anywhere in between; there are ways to get involved:

 **Experienced Breeders & Enthusiasts:** We'd love to hear from those willing to share their knowledge and support newcomers. If you'd like to help mentor, offer advice, or simply be a friendly face in the community, let us know!

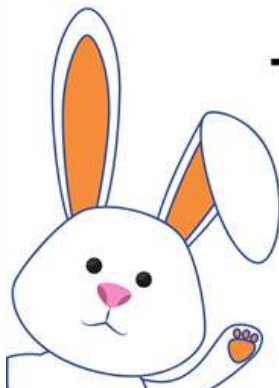
 **New Members & Learners:** If you're new to Angoras or looking for guidance, don't hesitate to reach out! Mentorship is about creating an open and welcoming space where all members feel comfortable asking questions and seeking support.

 **Feedback & Ideas:** As we refine our updated mentorship initiative, we'd love your input! What resources, support, or connections would be most valuable to you? Your feedback will play a key role in shaping the future of mentorship within the NARBC community.

Mentorship is more than just passing on knowledge—it's about strengthening the entire NARBC community. By working together, we ensure that every member, whether new or experienced, feels supported and empowered in their Angora journey.

If you'd like to get involved as a mentor, share your ideas, or learn more about what's coming, please reach out. Let's build something great together!

We would LOVE
to get your
feedback
& ideas!!



District 4 Director: Casey Jones

Christmas Show Fun

Going to show is fun, it is even more fun when the show celebrates Christmas! Betty and I got to have a picture taken with the Santa Claus holding our pretty English Angora. And guess who we saw in the show? It's Gabe Hernandez. We have not seen him for a while since he left the French Angora scene.



The best came at the end of the show, Betty's English Angora doe Aurelia who debuted in this show won Reserve In Show in show A and B then went on to win the Best In Show under Scott Rodriguez.

As most of you know, Scott was a youth English Angora breeder/exhibitor in the 1980s, he has won BOB in ARBA national convention youth show and Best In Show in both open and youth Angora Nationals. He knows a good English Angora when he sees one.

District 4 Director: Casey Jones - Continued

January 2025, My birthday

The first show in January is close to my home, only 30 minutes away, it's my favorite show. Also it is a show where my friends celebrate my birthday for me, I love it. To top such a wonderful day, my Satin Angora doe Prim Rose received the honor of Reserve In Show from judge Cathy Szychulda. What a wonderful day!



English Angora sweeps the Best In Show wins.

Betty Chu brought her tort doe Chu's Aurelia to the show table for the first time at the Christmas show on December 7, 2024, she won one BIS and two RIS in her first outing. Aurelia's win continues in every show weekend she went to. In mid December, she won one BIS, one RIS and two SBIS. In January 2025 she won one BIS and one SBIS and continued to win the next 6 BIS back to back, a 7 BIS streak; a total of 9 open Best In Show, 3 Reserve In Show and 3 Specialty Best In Show in less than 3 months. That's an accomplishment worth reporting for sure.



Youth Director: *Madison Wisecup*

Hello, everyone!

The embrace of Spring is drawing closer, ready to enfold us in a warm, welcoming cocoon of bright, radiant flowers and soft, wriggling noses of young animals slowly exploring their places in the world. And with the Coming of Spring steadily marching closer, heralding the season of crisp, forest green leaves gently swaying with each soft plop of warm, Spring rainwater, begins the approach of the long-awaited Angora Nationals! An event where you can meticulously groom your rabbits with flowing, silky coats to perfection, accomplishing a rare feat of having beauty encompassed in a physical body, and compete against peers with similar Angoras with fascinating coats to see who best fits the description provided by the ARBA Standard of Perfection! This means that the rabbits being presented at the Angora Nationals should likely be chosen right now, or several rabbits in addition to these just in case a specific one cannot attend Angora Nationals due to unforeseen circumstances. Or, if you are not attending Angora Nationals, then perhaps breed your rabbits for Convention in November so that when you are faced with Angoras with mesmerizing coats positively brimming with brilliance, you can stun the judges! Time is of the essence; don't let it slip from you and forget to prepare for the shows in Spring and the rest of the show! The glamour of Spring's fascinating elements may be beguiling, but don't let it pull you from your plans of showing. Remain steadfast and keep those Angoras groomed to perfection, whilst breeding for Convention kits!



The countdown until Angora Nationals is dwindling perilously low; as a matter of fact, it's right around the corner on April 19th. This doesn't leave much time for deliberating on who goes and who stays, but there is enough time for your favorite Angoras to go through a "last minute coat transition" so that you are not showing them in the midst of this horrendously ugly body and coat change. I can speak from personal experience that you do not want to show them during their coat transition; if at all possible, avoid this! If your own rabbitry bloodline is developed enough that you are fully aware of its every quirk and trait, then try to time the animal to be shown at the best possible time regarding its body condition and coat quality. I understand that these things are often unpredictable, but if you have it timed like clockwork for your Angoras, then use this to your advantage. Try choosing rabbits that are in their peak coat condition right now, but if they're not in top condition right yet are almost to that milestone, then don't take them out of the running just yet! For those that don't plan on attending Nationals or Convention, but still plan on attending local shows, the same can still be applied! If you have favorite shows that you attend every year and are fully aware of the individual traits of each bloodline in your rabbitry, then you can time your rabbits to be showing at the pinnacle of their coat's condition and body's development. Keep this in mind while you are debating who goes and stays during this round of "establishing entries".

I am afraid I must draw this article to a close. I don't have much of anything else to say. Except for: I would like to wish everyone good luck on the showing tables this year! I hope that everyone has beautiful Angora kits when their bred does kindle and give birth to healthy, thriving bundles of joy! These bundles of joy will be your next generation of show animals to stun the judges and fellow Angora exhibitors, but only if you time it properly! You DO NOT want to have an Angora up on the showing table that is going through its "awkward stage", unless you intentionally show it in this way. If you have any questions for me or about anything Angora youth related, just let me know! I am happy to help!

Specialty Club Updates!

BAARG Quarterly Highlights – Bring on the Spring into Show Season!

Spring is here, and that means show season is in full swing! With exciting events on the horizon, now is the perfect time to showcase your Angoras and connect with fellow breeders.



A major highlight from our most recent BAARG Specialty Show, where local youth breeder Alexandra “Charlie” Terralumina took Best in Show with her stunning Satin Angora, October, on **February 15, 2025**—a huge accomplishment! Tammy’s Chestnut Giant Angora, FV’s Dahlia, earned Reserve in Show



BAARG’s New Year’s Eve Specialty show Winners!

Friday Night’s Angora Specialty
Judge - George Germaine
Table Writer - Travis Rudolph

Bunnies Pictured Left to Right;
French Angora: Ginger Woolies
Wednesday Adams - Owned by
Deidra MacKimmie
Satin Angora: Rosebud -
Owned by Renee Terralumina
Giant Angora: Fuzzy Vaughn’s
Dahlia owned by Tammy
Vaughn

Specialty Club Updates! Continued

BAARG's WSG Results Centralia, WA 2025

12 Total Entries

- **BIS:** Deidra MacKimmie, Skein D2 Angora plied with other fiber
- **Judge's Choice:** Deidra MacKimmie, Garment D1 Cottage raised by exhibitor
- **Best Wool:** Tammy Vaughn, C1 Giant Angora Spinners Sample
- **Best Skein:** Deidra MacKimmie, D2 Angora plied with other fiber, fine
- **Best Garment:** Deidra MacKimmie, D1 Cottage raised by exhibitor

Raw Wool

- 1 Entry; C1 GA Spinner's Sample
1. Tammy Vaughn - **Best Wool!**
- 1 Entry; C2 GA Whole Fleece
1. Tammy Vaughn

Skeins

- 1 Entry; A3 100% natural color, novelty
1. Tammy Vaughn
- 1 Entries; D1 Plied with other fiber, fine
1. Deidra MacKimmie - **Best Skein!**
- 1 Entry; D2 Plied with other fiber, med
1. Deidra MacKimmie
- 1 Entry; D3 Plied with other fiber, novelty
1. Deidra MacKimmie



Garments

- 1 Entry; D1 Cottage Raised by Exhibitor
1. Deidra MacKimmie - **Best Garment! - Judge's Choice!**
 2. Deidra MacKimmie
 3. Deidra MacKimmie
 4. Renee Terralumina
- 2 Entries; H1 Processed Fibers
1. Tammy Vaughn
 2. Tammy Vaughn



Specialty Club Updates! Continued

BAARG's McMinnville, OR Specialty 12/21/24 Winners!

Pictured Left to Right;
BIS Celestial Farm's Shireen, Satin Angora, Arrianne Furguson
Judge - Allen Rafferty
RIS Ginger's Zenyatta, French Angora, Deidra MacKimmie.



But the excitement doesn't stop there! **Spring shows are ramping up, and we can't wait to see more incredible Angoras hitting the tables.** One of the biggest events of the season is the **West Coast Classic (WCC) the first weekend of May**, promising fierce competition and a fantastic turnout. Be sure to join us for the **WSG Contest**—it's always a highlight of the event! Stay tuned for more updates, and check out our blog for the full spring show schedule and details. Let's make this season one to remember! 🌸🌟

<https://BlownAwayAngoraRabbitGuild.blogspot.com>

Specialty Club Updates! Continued



WSG CONTENT

Mail in Entries Only
Mail in deadline: April 21st, 2025
Mail Entries to: Tammy Vaughn
PO Box 65, Roosevelt, WA 99356
Judge: Michele Reschly



In Conjunction with WCC!
May 2nd - 4th, 2025

Specialty Club Updates! Continued



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THE BIGGEST LITTLE CITY IN THE WORLD

**BAARG'S
DOUBLE SPECIALTY**

*Friday & Saturday
May 2nd & 3rd, 2025*

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

Entry Fee: \$5.00/Rabbit \$2.00/Wool

Email Entry Deadline: Monday 4/28/25

Email Entry To: ghh02.secty@gmail.com

Secretary: Griffin Harrah

Superintendent: Tammy Vaughn

For More Info see BAARG's Blog

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In Conjunction with WCC!
May 2nd - 4th, 2025



Elections: Candidate Resumes

Vice President:

Dear Fellow Angora Enthusiasts,

My name is Andrea Evans, and I am excited to announce my candidacy for Vice President of the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club. I have been a member of the NARBC for nearly 8 years and have had the privilege of serving as the current Vice President of the club since August 2024. I also have served as the president of the Angoras of the Rockies club for the past 5 years.

I am deeply committed to the Angora rabbit community and believe that my experience and leadership abilities will help continue the growth of our club and the promotion of Angora breeds. As a passionate advocate for our community, I have led Angoras of the Rockies in hosting NARBC at the ARBA Convention in 2022 and the NARBC National Specialty Show in Wyoming in 2023. Angoras of the Rockies will also co-host the 2026 NARBC National Show with other western regional clubs in Reno. Additionally, I am part of the NARBC hosting committee for the 2025 National Show in Decatur, IL. I am deeply committed to promoting the unique traits of our Angora breeds and bringing together breeders of all levels to strengthen our club.

My background as an educator for over 24 years has sharpened my leadership, organizational, and communication skills, which I apply in fostering an inclusive environment for all members.

Working closely with the current board, we've already made great strides in creating a positive and collaborative atmosphere, and I am eager to build on this momentum. By embracing fresh ideas and maintaining this energy, we can continue to grow our club, ensure all members feel valued, and create opportunities for exhibitors and youth to succeed, ultimately paving the way for a successful future for the NARBC.

I would be honored to continue to serve as your Vice President and work alongside fellow breeders to ensure the success and future of the NARC. Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to seeing you at the shows!

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

Vice President Resume:

ANDREA R. EVANS

akoeniger@gmail.com - 847.309.1047

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Self-directed, enthusiastic educator with 24 years of experience in the education field, focusing on student development and creating engaging, dynamic learning experiences. Passionate about fostering creativity, curiosity, and a lifelong love of learning. Proven leadership skills with a background in organizing events, collaborating with teams, and providing mentoring support. Extensive involvement in the Angora rabbit breeding community, holding key leadership positions and contributing to the growth of the industry.

ANGORA RABBIT BREEDER

2015 - Present

Breeding Angora rabbits since 2015

Member of the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club for nearly 8 years.

Current Vice President of NARBC since August 2024, contributing to organizational strategy and growth.

President of Angoras of the Rockies for 5 years, overseeing major events such as hosting the ARBA Convention in 2022 and the NARBC National Specialty Show in Wyoming in 2023.

Angoras of the Rockies is co-hosting the 2026 NARBC National Show in Reno, in collaboration with other Western regional clubs

An active member of the NARBC hosting committee for the 2025 National Show in Decatur, IL.

English Angoras bred under my care have placed competitively at national conventions, as well as winning Best of the Best at the West Coast Classic in 2024.

Recipient of the NARC President's Award in 2023 for contributions to the Angora rabbit community.

Mentored local exhibitors in Colorado and contributed to several successful genetic and color projects within the English Angora breed.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

NARBC President's Award (2023) - For outstanding contributions to the Angora rabbit community,

Best of the Best - West Coast Classic (2024)

ARBA Convention Best of Variety - Colored Senior Doe (2023)

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

Masters in Administration and Supervision (2010)

National-Louis University, Wheeling, Illinois

Bachelors of Science in Elementary Education (1997)

University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, Indiana

Colorado K-6 Teaching License

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

Vice President Resume Continued:

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

6th Grade Teacher

Mead Middle School, Mead, CO

2014 - Present

In my 24th year as a teacher, I have created and implemented engaging, standards-based curricula for 6th grade students, integrating STEM, ELA, and social studies.

Differentiated instruction to meet the needs of a diverse student population, using formative assessments and data to guide teaching.

Utilize technology to enhance learning, fostering a student-centered, interactive classroom environment.

Encourage positive student behavior and collaboration through restorative practices and strong classroom management.

Organize extracurricular activities, including outdoor learning opportunities and school-wide events.

Founded and currently oversee the district's only middle school cheerleading program, fostering school spirit and teamwork among students.

5/6 Multi-Age Classroom Teacher & Dean of Faculty & Students

Prairie Crossing Charter School, Grayslake, IL

2002 - 2014

5/6 Multi-Age Classroom Teacher (2002 - 2012):

Developed and taught a constructivist curriculum for 5th and 6th grade students, integrating core subjects and focusing on student-centered learning.

Fostered a collaborative classroom environment, encouraging teamwork and problem-solving through project-based learning.

Regularly evaluated student progress and differentiated instruction to meet the diverse needs of students.

Supported students' personal growth and academic success through ongoing communication with parents and school leadership.

Dean of Faculty & Students (2012 - 2014):

Transitioned to a leadership role, balancing instructional leadership with managerial duties in a K-8 school.

Developed a Crisis Management Plan and coordinated safety protocols for the school community.

Led the implementation of school-wide programs focused on anti-bullying, student responsibility, and personal development.

Collaborated with the administrative team to improve school culture, academic performance, and staff development initiatives.

Played a key role in the school being recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2013.

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

Vice President Resume Continued:

Sixth Grade Science Teacher & Third Grade Teacher Wilson County School System, Lebanon, TN
2000 - 2002

- Developed interdisciplinary lesson plans and taught science across grade levels.
- Implemented hands-on activities and technology integration to enhance student engagement.
- Worked closely with students' families to ensure academic success and improve classroom performance.

Assistant Manager
Tumbleweed Southwest Grill, Hermitage, TN
1998 - 2000

- Managed a team of 30 staff members, overseeing operations, scheduling, and customer service.
- Developed and implemented training programs to enhance staff performance and improve restaurant operations.

SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

- Curriculum Design and Development
- STEM Education and Problem-Based Learning
- Student-Centered & Interactive Learning
- Classroom Management & Positive Behavior Strategies
- Event Planning & Leadership
- Technology Integration in the Classroom
- Mentoring & Coaching Educators
- Mentoring & Coaching Breeders
- Community Engagement & Collaboration
- Differentiated Instruction & Assessment

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

Secretary:

Laurie Penterman, running for NARBC Secretary

I am honored to submit my candidacy for re-election as the NARBC Secretary. When I got elected to my first term as the NARBC Secretary four years ago, I knew I was going to have some big shoes to fill, as our past Secretary Margaret Bartold Brown had been in this position for many years and did such an amazing job. I had a lot of learning to do, and I called Margaret many times with questions, which she was always happy to answer for me. It took a while for me to figure everything out, but I can say that I truly enjoy being the NARBC Secretary!

I live in Kaukauna, Wisconsin, where I have lived for the past 34 years with my husband Bill, and where we have raised our 5 grown children. My daughter Rachel got her first French Angora in the spring of 2011 and began showing at local rabbit shows in Wisconsin, where I was her chauffeur. In 2014 I decided that I also wanted to show, so I purchased my first Satin Angora bunny. This is when I joined the ARBA and the NARBC, and I have been an active member ever since. I have traveled all around the country to attend ARBA Conventions and National Angora Shows, and I have absolutely enjoyed each and every one of them. To me, it's the most wonderful two times of the year!

I hope you can put your trust in me to continue to be the secretary of this great club, and I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving as the NARBC Secretary. Thank you for your consideration.

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

District 2 Director:

My name is Lauren Lucas Cody. I am running for re-election for the position of District 2 Director. I am the current District 2 Director and have been fulfilling all duties of this position since Fall 2024.

I live in western North Carolina near my daughter, grandsons and son-in-law. My free time is spent with my family playing in the rivers, camping, fishing and swimming. At home, I spend most of my time taking care of my rabbits/rabbitry and working on various fiber projects. I also have a Pet Grooming Salon in Waynesville, NC.

I have raised and shown Angora rabbits for over 25 years, acquiring my first French trio when I lived in Florida. I have taken a couple breaks from Angoras as I relocated and once when I returned to college, where I earned my Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Accounting. From Florida, I moved my rabbitry to Ellabeit (Savannah area, GA and then to western NC.

I am a BOD member of the East Coast Angora Specialty Club, as well as that Club's former Secretary and Treasurer. In the past, I have served in various Officer positions and as Directors in other regional Angora clubs including Appalachian Angora Club, Southeast Angora Club and United Angora Club. I served on the NARBC Audit Committee for the past 2 years. I also performed the secretary's duties and wrote the newsletter for a flying club for many years.

I am very active in raising and showing angoras, as well as in fiber arts, promoting our beautiful Angoras both as show and fiber animals.

On the fiber side, I am active in fiber arts (I use my Angora's fiber in spinning, blending, dyeing, weaving, etc. projects) and am very supportive of our WSG contests. As a Board member of a regional Angora club, I encourage our club to include WSG contests at our Specialty Shows when we can. In my local area, there is a large population of Fiber Artists, and I find many opportunities to share the wonderful qualities of Angora fiber. I am also a member of Local Cloth in Asheville, NC.

On the breeding/showing side, I have a herd of French and Giant Angoras and enjoy (love!) traveling to shows. Because I am willing to travel to shows, I am easily accessible in person as well as by phone and online. Attending shows is one of my greatest joys. The camaraderie, friendship and support between Angora breeders means very much to me. I am always grateful for the opportunity to welcome and help new breeders in any way I can.

Over the years, I have been the recipient of so much help, advice and mentorship from many incredible Angora breeders. They have freely given me knowledge on how to choose the best stock, raising the best, healthiest, happiest rabbits I can, as well as sharing stock from their own lines. They also gave me an understanding of confirmation, grooming techniques, good husbandry and nutrition. They have reaffirmed my own standards of bringing only well maintained, healthy animals to shows. Part of me thinks it is totally unnecessary to say that, but the other part of me recognizes that because it is so important, it is necessary. This is imperative to me personally, but I think especially so as a representative of NARBC. Equally importantly, through

Elections: Candidate Resumes Continued

District 2 Director Continued:

modeling it themselves, my mentors have taught me to give of myself by welcoming and supporting new breeders as well as those that I've known forever. They have shown me the importance of seeing and expecting the best in others, and to take great pride and joy in the accomplishments of my peers/other breeders. One of my favorite expressions, which I've shared with many people is "You can't compete with me, because I want you to win". That expression is a way of being and an outlook on life to me. Winning doesn't just mean on the table; it means being successful in the ways that are important to you. That brings joy and is what makes our world go 'round. To me, all of this is part of being an Angora breeder. This sense of support, kinship, community, cheering for and helping each other is a big part of what I will bring to the club and promote as NARBC District 2 Director. I am grateful to be a part of a club that is a fun, welcoming, inclusive place and that supports and hears all of its members.

I understand the responsibilities of the District 2 Director and enjoy fulfilling them. I am open and accessible to all D2 members and eager to hear your voices and bring your views, ideas and opinions to the NARBC BOD as appropriate. I can remove myself and my opinions from situations and act in the best interests of the Club, and for the greater good it's members. I have been maintaining the NARBC District 2 Facebook page and am available for meetings and to help where needed.

Thank you for reading and for considering me for the NARBC District 2 Director Position.

Sincerely,

Lauren Lucas Cody
Canton, NC

District 4 Director:

No submissions

Youth Director:

No submissions

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ALL BALLOTS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

MAIL YOUR BALLOT TO:

Angela Semerling
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Murray, KY 42071

NARBC Membership # _____

Member #1 Member #2
Vote Vote

VICE PRESIDENT

_____	_____	Andrea Evans
_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)

SECRETARY

_____	_____	Laurie Penterman
_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)

DISTRICT 2 DIRECTOR

VOTE only if you reside in: Maryland, West Virginia, Washington DC, North & South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee, Puerto Rico. International: Caribbean, South America, Africa, Middle East

_____	_____	Lauren Cody
_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)

DISTRICT 4 DIRECTOR

VOTE only if you reside in: California, Nevada, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Hawaii. International: Mexico, Central America, Pacific/Asia

_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)

YOUTH DIRECTOR

_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)
_____	_____	(Write in)

WINNER'S CIRCLE



Tammy Vaughn
October 5th, 2024
All Breed Open Show
BIS
Stevenson, WA
FV's Sweet Thing, White Giant Angora
Judged by Randy Cler

Tammy Vaughn
February 15th, 2025
BAARG Specialty
RIS
Stevenson, WA
FV's Dahala, Chestnut Giant Angora
Judged by Wendy Lange



Summer Simpson
FBRC Cherry Pie (West Monroe, LA) 2/14/25
LBs Esme
Sr Colored French Doe



WINNER'S CIRCLE



Land of Lincoln Classic Show C

Peoria, IL

RIS

Mike, Lynn & Nichole Wilson

Wilson's Topaz, EA, Colored Sr Doe

February 7, 2025

Judge: Mike Avesing



Land of Lincoln Classic Show D

Peoria, IL

BIS

Mike, Lynn & Nichole Wilson

Wilson's Topaz, EA, Colored Sr Doe

February 7, 2025

Judge: Zach Sauer



Lakeland RBA Show A

Elkhorn, WI

BIS

Mike, Lynn & Nichole Wilson

Wilson's Topaz, EA, Colored Sr Doe

February 8, 2025



Lakeland RBA Show B

Elkhorn, WI

BIS

Mike, Lynn & Nichole Wilson

Wilson's Tulsa Queen, EA, Colored Sr Doe

February 8, 2025

New & Renewed Members Since December 1, 2024

New Open Members

Gia Barger- Georgia
Tracy Dorigo- Idaho
Rachel Drinkard- Tennessee
Ellen Forbes- Maine
Jennifer Gnau- Texas
Byambadelger Puntsag- Thailand
Stephanie Rozinski- Indiana
Emily Srch- New York
Aurora Totushek- Minnesota
Jennie Waltz- California

Renewed Open Members

Emily Ashton- Ohio
Janet Baldwin- Hawaii
Hailey Bowers- Iowa
Albert Chu- California
Jena Close- Ohio
Tim Close- Ohio
Pat Duggan- California
Ana Ederich- Ohio
Andrea Evans- Colorado
Paul Fickas- California
Kady Gantt- North Carolina
Ursula Glauser- Switzerland
Carol Green- California
Joan Hastings- New York
Alyssa Hollifield- Maryland
Cole Jones- California
Dawn Panda- Oregon
Laurie Penterman- Wisconsin
Rachel Penterman- Wisconsin
Aleatha Shannon- Louisiana
Abigail Shock- Michigan
Skyler Starrett- New Mexico
Graham Thomas- Colorado
Kathy Thomas- Colorado
Kjirsten Thomas- Colorado

New Youth Members

Chloe Currey- California
Domynique Rozinski- Indiana
Taylor Rozinski- Indiana

Renewed Youth Members

Andrea Close- Ohio
Sam Gantt- North Carolina
Louritta Lewis- Minnesota

Memberships Expiring in the next Three Months

Memberships Expiring on March 31, 2025		
ASHLEY	BISHOP	3/31/2025
MATTHEW	BISHOP	3/31/2025
JAN	CRAWFORD	3/31/2025
JESSICA	CRAWFORD	3/31/2025
REECE	GRINWISS	3/31/2025
VICKI	BLACKMORE	3/31/2025
ASHLEY	HOFFMAN	3/31/2025
NICK	DURBIN	3/31/2025
LACEY	DURBIN	3/31/2025
LANDEN	DURBIN	3/31/2025
CADENCE	DURBIN	3/31/2025
ADALIND	DURBIN	3/31/2025
ELIZABETH	DAVID-ZOERHUF	3/31/2025

Memberships Expiring on April 30, 2025		
GIAVANNA	HARRIS	4/30/2025
ADAM	SMITH	4/30/2025

Memberships Expiring on May 31, 2025		
STEPHANIE	BELL WEST	5/31/2025
MICHELLE	BREUKELMAN	5/31/2025
NICKIE	CHAPIN	5/31/2025
SHANE	CHAPIN	5/31/2025
OLIVIA	CHAPIN	5/31/2025
THOM	CLEMENS III	5/31/2025
DEBBY	FURLONG	5/31/2025
MILES	FURLONG	5/31/2025
BAILEY	LEDESMA	5/31/2025
AVA-LYNN	LEDESMA	5/31/2025
DONALD	MARSH	5/31/2025
MARIE	MARTIN	5/31/2025
NICHOLAS	MARTIN	5/31/2025
KELLI	MILLER	5/31/2025
EMILY	MILLER	5/31/2025
JAVIER	PEREZ	5/31/2025
JOANNA	PEREZ	5/31/2025
KELLYJO	YOUNGGREEN	5/31/2025
CASSIDY	YOUNGGREEN	5/31/2025

Sweepstakes Standings as of February 21, 2025

Open English Angora	
Exhibitor	Total
Betty Chu	4465
Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	2520.5
Debby Furlong	2491.5
Mike, Lynn, Nichole Wilson	2086
Andrea/Kathy Evans/Thomas	1405
Andrea Evans	1262
Amy Netherton	804
Natalie Steffes	629
Debbie McCormick	507.5
Graham, Kathy, Kjirsten Thomas	424

Youth English Angora	
Exhibitor	Total
Keegan Ertel	289
Kendall Frost	270
Lilian Isbell	111.5
Madison Wisecup	53.5
Wade Halstead	48
Hannah Yeager	30
Sora Hudgens-White	18
Alexander Wisecup	14
Chloe Curry	14

Open French Angora	
Exhibitor	Total
Deidre MacKimmie	2199.5
Colleen Boyd	1380.5
Lauren Cody	1340.5
Carol Green	1223.5
Bonnie Havlicek	1197
Rachel Penterman	926.5
Jackie McDonald	859.5
Charlotte Schweikart	652
Laura Clark	541.5
Betty Chu	476.5

Youth French Angora	
Exhibitor	Total
William Ashton	122
Keegan Ertel	112
Alexandria Terralumina	85
Katelyn Will	66
Luke Cody	55
Karen Perkins	41
Talula Wuestewald	14

Open Giant Angora	
Exhibitor	Total
Tammy Vaughn	1431.5
Deb Roe	786

Open English Angora Rabbit of the Year		
EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Melanie & Yvonne Lyons	KD2	746
Betty Chu	BC1AG	662
Betty Chu	BC2VE	397
Debby Furlong	FAWE4	366
Debby Furlong	FAEK6	302
Andrea/Kathy Evans/Thomas	GRPMFRA	192
Betty Chu	BC2AG	175
Debby Furlong	FADO3	148
Andrea/Kathy Evans/Thomas	PMRCLD	145
Betty Chu	BC3AG	107

Youth English Angora Rabbit of the Year		
EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Kendall Frost	GRPMLAC	108
Kendall Frost	GRCAS	88
Keegan Ertel	LH95	30
Lilian Isbell	PF4	20
Kendall Frost	GRT0B	16
Wade Halstead	VL0724D	12
Wade Halstead	VL0824B	12
Madison Wisecup	P2	10
Lilian Isbell	POP	8
Hannah Yeager	VISB	8

Open French Angora Rabbit of the Year		
EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Rachel Penterman	TVF259	429
Charlotte Schweikart	YURI	198
Jackie McDonald	SRJUBI	166
Betty Chu	BCG1OU	126
Briann Reis	GON	125
Carol Green	BCG1W	125
Angela Semerling	LNCCOLETTE	110
Betty Chu	BCG2SM	110
Deidra MacKimmie	BANYAN	101
Bonnie Havlicek	4B24	86

Youth French Angora Rabbit of the Year		
EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Katelyn Will	7P932	32
Alexandria Terralumina	WAFFLE	26
William Ashton	ABC2	16
William Ashton	APU2	14
Karen Perkins	F1FAE	5
Talula Wuestewald	QR1	4

Open Giant Angora Rabbit of the Year		
EXHIBITOR	Rabbit	Total
Tammy Vaughn	TKL12	423
Tammy Vaughn	TKL56	247

Sweepstakes Standings as of February 21, 2025 Continued

Kevin Vaughn	397		Deb Roe	PD5M	196
Renee Terralumina	370.5		Nickie Chapin	BETTY	140
Amber Depetro	315.5		Deb Roe	PD1N	56
Nickie Chapin	182		Matt & Ashley Bishop	TIGHTLITTLESKIRT	52
Amanda Fritsch	170		Lauren Cody	HOPE	42
Tammy & Kevin Vaughn	109		Amber Depetro	LH4032	42
Matt & Ashley Bishop	93		Kevin Vaughn	TKL13	36
Linda Hibbert	71		Tammy Vaughn	TKL81	36
Youth Giant Angora			Youth Giant Angora Rabbit of the Year		
Exhibitor	Total		Exhibitor	Rabbit	Total
Alexandria Terralumina	191		Alexandra Terralumina	MADH	30
William Ashton	139		William Ashton	LPGTRUMP	28
Luke Cody	60		William Ashton	AWP3	20
Liam White	16		William Ashton	BBB1	6
Keegan Ertel	15		Taylor Rozisnki	PD3M	4
Taylor Rozisnki	15		Taylor Rozisnki	24AFS	2
Open Satin Angora			Open Satin Angora Rabbit of the Year		
Exhibitor	Total		EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Arianne Ferguson	1912.5		Laurie Penterman	TVS168	518
Laurie Penterman	1595.5		Laurie Penterman	TVS169	343
Ana Ederich	1262.5		Amy Netherton	RD34PB2	128
Casey Jones	1098.5		Arianne Ferguson	MOCHI	120
Sarah Kester	863.5		Sarah Kester	PANDORA	93
Michele Reschly	856		Michele Reschly	EFYAR	92
Renee Terralumina	839		Laurie Penterman	TVS170	90
Amy Netherton	710		Jackie Milton	KARMA	84
Kristi Salinas	685		Alesha Hunt	WF395	78
Becky Hammond	503.5		Becky Hammond	WF375	76
Youth Satin Angora			Youth Satin Angora Rabbit of the Year		
Exhibitor	Total		EXHIBITOR	RABBIT	Total
Caitlin Kester	266.5		Langley Jones	DRAGON	30
Alexandria Terralumina	210		Caitlin Kester	WILDCHILD	29
Katelyn Will	160		Katelyn Will	7P875	26
Keegan Ertel	138		Georgia Jones	BOBBIJO	15
Andrea Close	104		Georgia Jones	PICKUPMAN	14
Georgia Jones	77.5		Keegan Ertel	LH82	13
Langley Jones	60		Sam Gantt	MRHEARTLIKEATRUCK	10
Sam Gantt	54		Mira Kerivan	MRPRAY	8
Sarah Vantrease	48		Georgia Jones	LMAY	7
Karen Perkins	34.5		Karen Perkins	GARGOYLE	6

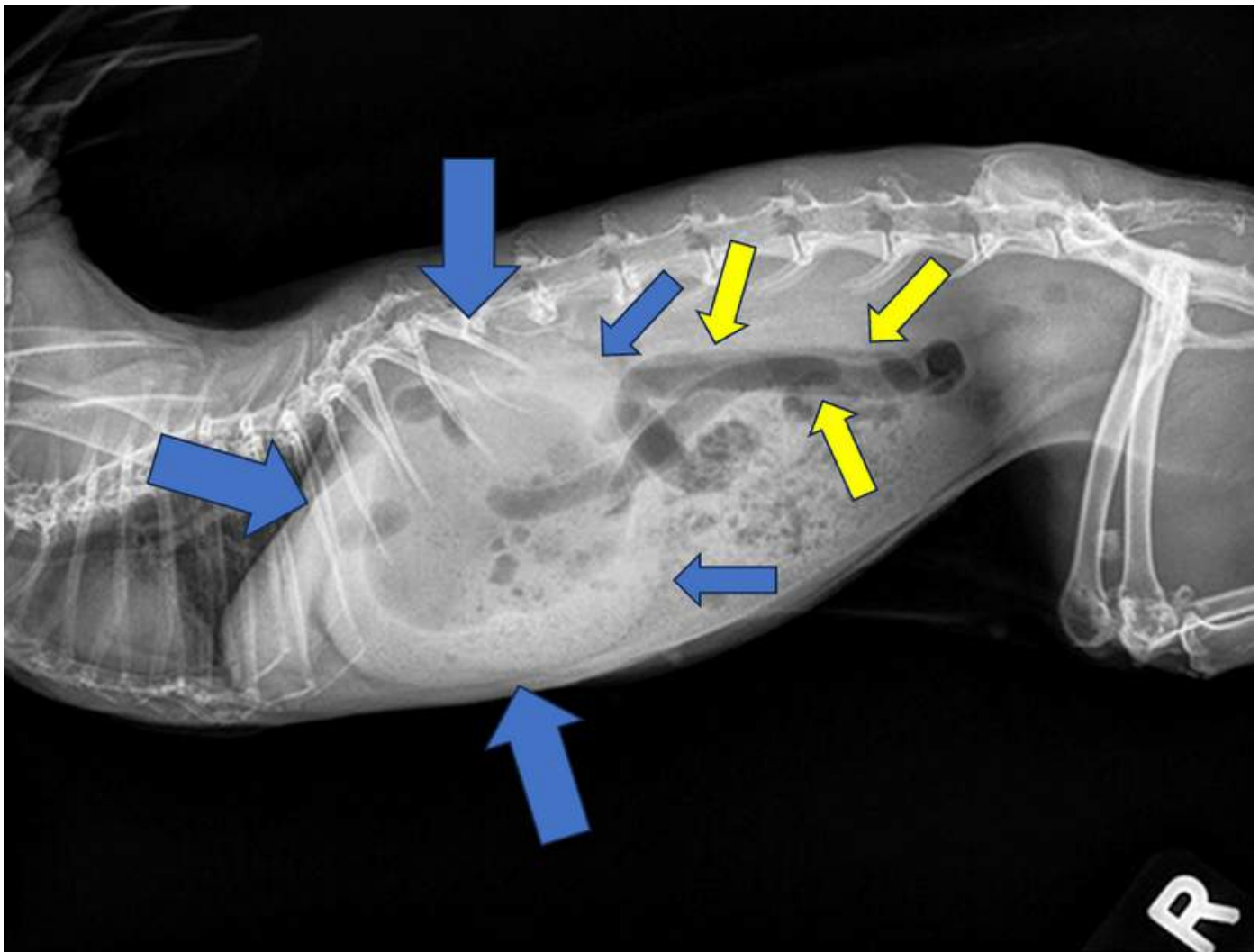
Understanding Wool Block in Wool-Breed Rabbits

By Dr. Logan Kopp, DVM, Diplomate ABVP (Exotic Companion Mammal Practice)

Board-Certified Specialist in Exotic Companion Mammal Practice

Background

Wool block, also known as intestinal obstruction, is a relatively common condition encountered by rabbit-savvy veterinarians. This potentially life-threatening condition requires rapid diagnosis and treatment to ensure the survival of the affected rabbit. Wool block may occur more frequently in wool-breed rabbits due to their thick, long coats, which naturally shed and are often ingested during grooming, especially during molting. Without proper management by a rabbit-savvy veterinarian, this condition can quickly progress and have fatal consequences.



Rad courtesy: <https://doi.org/10.1002/vetr.2481>

Intestinal obstruction in a rabbit with a classic x-ray appearance. Note the very large and gas filled stomach (blue arrows) and the mixed fluid and gas pattern to the intestines (yellow arrows). This rabbit is laying on its right side.

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What Causes Wool Block?

At this time, the exact cause (or causes) of wool block in rabbits remains unknown. However, several contributing factors increase the likelihood of its occurrence, particularly in wool breeds. These rabbits are naturally prone to ingesting significant amounts of hair during their normal grooming habits. This tendency intensifies during seasonal molting when large amounts of fur are shed in the spring and fall.

Hair ingestion and insufficient fiber in the diet can lead to hairballs or blockages within the gastrointestinal tract. Rabbits cannot vomit, so any ingested material must pass entirely through their system. When the digestive system slows down or becomes obstructed, ingested hair can accumulate, forming a dense mass that prevents the normal passage of food and fecal material in the intestines, leading to a life-threatening blockage.

Environmental stressors, such as sudden changes in temperature or humidity, can also disrupt normal digestive motility, exacerbating the risk of wool block. Dehydration, inadequate exercise, and underlying medical conditions further increase susceptibility.

What Can Be Done to Prevent Wool Block?

Preventing wool block starts with proper diet and husbandry practices. A high-fiber diet, primarily composed of quality hay, is the most critical factor in maintaining a healthy digestive system. Hay should comprise about 80% of a rabbit's food intake, as the fiber stimulates gut motility and promotes the efficient passage of ingested material.

Supplemental pellets are equally important for wool breeds. Due to their marked hair growth compared to non-wool breeds, wool breeds have higher caloric and nutritional requirements. You may need to provide up to 1 cup of pellets twice daily to meet these needs. Pellets fortified with additional fiber or essential nutrients can further support digestive health. Excessive pellets will lead to digestive issues, obesity, and dental disease.

In addition to diet, regular grooming is critical for wool-breed rabbits. Brushing your rabbit at least once daily during molting can remove loose fur before it is ingested. Regular shaving or clipping can reduce the amount of fur they might ingest while grooming, especially in breeding rabbits and after show season.

Environmental enrichment and exercise also play a role in prevention. Even show and breeding rabbits need opportunities to move and explore, as physical activity promotes healthy gut function. Ensure your rabbit has access to a safe, clean-living space with plenty of room to hop and stretch. While this is more difficult in show and breeding rabbits, it is still vitally important. Consider the use of outdoor runs, which can be retrofitted for rabbits.

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What Does Wool Block Look Like?

One of the challenges of diagnosing wool block is that early signs are subtle and often mistaken for other conditions. The first indicator may be a slight reduction in the size or quantity of your rabbit's fecal pellets. These changes are often overlooked, especially in breeding situations where monitoring individual rabbits' habits is harder.

As the condition progresses, symptoms become more pronounced. Rabbits may stop eating entirely, resulting in further gut slowdown or complete gastrointestinal stasis. Affected rabbits often exhibit lethargy and spend more time hiding or sitting hunched. Pain-related behaviors, such as teeth grinding, may also be observed.

In advanced cases, rabbits may develop a dangerously low body temperature (below 100°F, as low as 92°F) and a reduced heart rate (less than 180 beats per minute). These are signs of a critical emergency requiring immediate veterinary attention. Dehydration, electrolyte imbalances, and organ shutdowns can occur rapidly.

It's essential for rabbit owners to act at the first sign of trouble. A rabbit's health can deteriorate quickly, and early intervention is often the difference between life and death.

Veterinary Diagnosis and Treatment

If you suspect wool block in your rabbit, seek veterinary care immediately. Diagnosis often involves a combination of physical examination, imaging (such as X-rays), and bloodwork to assess the rabbit's overall condition. In many cases, veterinarians can see evidence of a blockage on radiographs, and specialists like Dr. Kopp may even be able to diagnose it by physical examination alone.

Treatment depends on the severity of the blockage. Mild cases may respond to supportive care, including fluids to hydrate the rabbit. These fluids are typically given intravenous or in the vein. Fluids under the skin are often inappropriate for wool block. Pain management is also essential to keep the rabbit comfortable during recovery. Many cases of wool block will require a stomach tube to help decrease the stomach size and reduce the risk of stomach rupture; this will not remove the obstruction.

Severe cases, however, may require surgical intervention to remove the blockage. While surgery carries risks, it can be lifesaving when other treatments fail. Thankfully, 80-90% of cases can be medically managed and do not require surgery.

Owners should follow their veterinarian's instructions carefully during recovery, ensuring the rabbit receives proper nutrition and monitoring for signs of relapse.

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Conclusion

Wool block is a potentially fatal condition, especially in wool-breed rabbits. Owners can significantly reduce their rabbit's risk by providing a high-fiber diet, supplementing with pellets, and maintaining a regular grooming routine. Recognizing the early signs of wool block and seeking prompt veterinary care are essential steps in ensuring your rabbit's health and well-being.

With proper care and attention, rabbits can live long, healthy lives, whether wool-breed or otherwise. As always, consult your veterinarian for advice tailored to your rabbit's needs.

Disclaimer

The information contained in this article is not intended to serve as direct medical advice. Please consult your local rabbit-savvy veterinarian for recommendations specific to your rabbit's needs.



About Dr. Logan Kopp, DVM, DABVP (ECM)

Dr. Logan Kopp, a Nashville native, is one of only 38 veterinarians worldwide to achieve board certification as an Exotic Companion Mammal Specialist through the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (ABVP). This prestigious certification reflects his extensive knowledge and expertise in caring for exotic companion mammals, including rabbits, rodents, and ferrets.

Pricing Roving and Yarn

By Colleen Boyd (A Touch of Bunny Fiber)

Ok you got into the bunnies and now what do you do with all the fiber? What do I do with my spun yarn? Several times a year I'm asked about pricing my goods, so I decided to share this with all of you budding fiber artists. What I'm suggesting, if from years of experience and researching what others have done. Others might do this differently, which is ok, whatever works for you is my way of thinking. This is to give you a base to start with, feel free to tweak it as needed.

The basic formula is to double the cost of the product (fiber, processing, shipping etc.). The number I'm using is

just an example and may or may not be the current prices of fiber.

Angora (\$160 pound or \$10. Oz)

Fine Wool (\$16.00 a pound or \$1.00 oz)

Fine Alpaca (\$16.00 a pound or \$1.00 oz)

Your fiber blend will be 50% Angora (Rabbit), 25% Fine Alpaca and 25% Fine Wool.

Fiber	Cost Per #	Cost Per OZ	% of Fiber	Cost
Angora (Rabbit)	\$160.00	\$10.00	50.00%	\$5.00
Fine Wool	\$16.00	\$1.00	25.00%	\$0.25
Fine Alpaca	\$16.00	\$1.00	25.00%	\$0.25
Cost Per Oz per blend				\$5.50

Divided the cost per pound of raw fiber. Then divide the raw fiber cost per pound by 16 (ounces per pound) to give you a price per ounce. We will be figuring out cost by ounce for this article.

The cost of processing roving and yarn will be different depending on the mill you use. These numbers are for this article, they are close but each mill has their own prices.

Most mills I have worked with require in-house washing of fiber before the fiber is made into roving or yarn. The cost is based on dirty weight, in most cases a wool fleece can lose up to 40% lanolin weight during washing. For example, it will cost you \$8.00 per pound for washing so that costs need to be added to your finished product.

Roving Cost: turning your clean fiber into roving, approximately \$13.00 per pound

Fingerling Yarn:

Turning the roving and making it into yarn is approximately \$30.00 per pound

An additional cost of \$ 4.00 per pound for exotic fibers (angora, mohair etc.)

Skeining Fee: \$4.00 per pound

Washing Fiber Cost: \$12.00 per pound Total Cost for Yarn Per Pound is \$50.00 per pound.



Pricing Roving and Yarn Continued

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	Cost Per #	Cost Per Ounce	Raw Fiber Costs	Price Per Oz
Processing Fees				
Roving Cost				
Washing (based on Raw Weight with 40% fiber losse)	\$12.00	\$0.75		\$0.75
Roving Cost	\$15.00	\$0.95	5.50	\$6.45
Total Roving Cost	\$27.00	\$1.70		\$7.20
Yarn Cost				
Spinning Cost lace Weight Exitoc Fiber (Skeining/washing)	\$50.00	\$3.13	5.50	\$8.63
Total Yarn cost per oz				8.63

To find your selling price you take the price per ounce and multiply by 2 this will give you your selling price. Your profit margins will be the same as your price per ounce.

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This is just a basic equation for estimating costs of finished products. The things you also must consider is your physical location (where you are going to see your items). East and West Cost will pay more for a product then the Midwest. The most important thing is that you feel that you are getting a reasonable price for your product. Not everyone sell there items for the same price and this is your prerogative.



National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club

Presents:

2025 NARBC National Specialty Show

in conjunction with the
Rabbit Renegades Show

1 Gary K Anderson Plz,
Decatur, Illinois 82009

Show Info

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

Friday, April 18th: Renegades All Breed Show A

Saturday, April 19th: Renegades All Breed Shows B, C, D
NARBC National Angora Show

Event Location

Decatur Civic Center

1 Gary K Anderson Plz Decatur, IL
217-422-7300



Show information

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

Deadline for NARBC National Show Entries: Monday, April 14th

Deadline for Rabbit Renegades Entries: Wednesday, April 16th

***Rabbit Renegades STRONGLY discourages NARBC National Specialty Show exhibitors from entering Show B, as the NARBC National Show will run at the same time as Show B.**

Friday, April 18th:

Rabbit Renegades All Breed - Show A

Entry fees: \$5 a rabbit for all breed shows if entering in only one show

Entering in 2 or more shows \$4 a rabbit

Rabbit Renegade Show Entry Deadline is Wednesday, April 16th

Send Entries to rabbitrenegades@gmail.com

Saturday, April 19th:

Rabbit Renegades All Breed - Shows B, C, D

Entry fees: \$5 a rabbit for all breed shows if entering in only one show

Entering in 2 or more shows \$4 a rabbit

Rabbit Renegade Show Entry Deadline is Wednesday, April 16th

Send Entries to rabbitrenegades@gmail.com

NARBC National Angora Show - Open and Youth

Judge: Allan Rafferty

Entry Fees: \$8.00 per Rabbit \$4.00 per Wool Class Entry

National Show Entry Deadline is Monday, April 14th

Send Entries to rabbitrenegades@gmail.com

Entry fees for the Rabbit Renegades Shows and NARBC Specialty Show can be paid via PayPal rabbitrenegades@gmail.com or in person on the day of show.

National Show Lunch Option

Saturday, April 19th
in the Showroom

Catering by Sandy Berger

Cost: \$15 per Person
(Pay Day of Show)

Join the exhibitors for a delicious lunch at the National Angora Rabbit Breeders National Spring Show on Saturday, April 19th! Beginning at 12:00 PM, enjoy a buffet-style taco bar catered by the talented Sandy Berger, featuring tacos, chicken and steak fajitas, Spanish rice, beans, nachos, and Mexican potatoes. There isn't a set time to eat—feel free to grab lunch whenever you're free from the shows. It's the perfect opportunity to savor a delightful meal while connecting with fellow breeders and enthusiasts as we celebrate the excitement of show day!

Ways to Support Raffle

We will have a raffle at the showroom to support NARBC,
Saturday, April 19, 2025.

Please bring items for the Raffle.

Silent Auction

A Silent Auction will be held during the show on
Saturday, April 19, 2025.

Please bring items for the Silent Auction.

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. The Rabbit Renegades, 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.
3. 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.
4. All animals must be permanently earmarked in the left ear. Any animal NOT legibly earmarked will be automatically disqualified.
5. 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.
6. The Rabbit Renegades Shows and National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club Specialty Shows deadline is April 16th, 2025. The fees are listed in this show catalog.
7. Substitutions shall be allowed only in the same sex, class, variety, group, and breed for the NARBC Specialty Shows. Substitutions must be made for the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club by -----.
8. LATE ENTRIES will be accepted for the National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club, Inc Specialty Show. Late entry fees for the Angoras of the Rockies and National Angora Rabbit Breeders Club specialty Shows. Entry fees will increase by \$3.00 for each rabbit and each wool entry.
9. Specialty show entries will be emailed to rabbitrenegades@gmail.com.
10. Wool entries must be entered in class judging.
11. No breeding will be permitted in the show building unless owners are present.
12. All rabbits open and youth must be carried to the judging table by the owner. Youth exhibitors must carry youth rabbits to the table. It is the owner's responsibility to arrange for someone to carry their rabbits to the judging table if he/she is unable to do so.
13. Sanctioned Breeds for Open and Youth: English, French, Giant and Satin Angoras. Unrecognized varieties may be judged; however, they may not compete for legs or awards.
14. Awards will be given after the NARBC, Inc Specialty Show on Saturday, April 19th, 2025.
15. ONLY animals allowed in the showroom are rabbits. Service dogs are allowed in the showroom to assist the disabled.
16. Rabbits will be allowed to leave as soon as judging for the show is completed.
17. 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.
18. Exhibitors will not be allowed on the side of the show table designated for the judges.
19. Exhibitors must place their rabbits on the judging table PROMPTLY when classes are called.
20. Entry fees and banquet fees are non-refundable. There are no refunds for entries not shown.
21. ANY rabbit(s) showing signs of colds, or any other ailment will be removed from the showroom.
22. Sweepstakes will be governed by the latest sweepstakes rules of NARBC, Inc.
23. No smoking is permitted inside the show building.
24. The showroom will be unlocked and locked promptly at the times specified in this show catalog.
25. A \$30.00 fee will be assessed for insufficient checks.
26. 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.
27. Exhibitors may watch the judging; however, they may not talk to or question the judge(s) during judging.
28. Come to Decatur, IL and have a GREAT time!

Sanctions

Rabbit Renegades Shows and NARBC National Angora Specialty Shows 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) \$10.00, (2 yrs) \$18.00; (3 yrs) \$27.00; (4yrs) \$35.00 - Youth (1 yr) \$5.00 , (2 yrs) \$10.00, (3 yrs) \$15.00; (4 yrs) \$20.00 - Rabbitry 1 yr \$15.00, (2 yrs) \$25.00; (3 yrs) \$35.00; (4 yrs) \$45.00 - Family (1 yr) \$20.00, (2 yrs) 30.00; (3 yrs) \$40.00; (4 yrs) \$40.00- - 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