

The Missouri Group did an awesome job with the 2010 All Havana Show in Sedalia. Thank you all for your hard work and hospitality!!! Congratulations to: Brad & Katie Boyce BOB ~with a Black Sr. Doe and Ryan Raab BOSB ~with a Black Jr. Buck in Open and Miranda Tolsma BOB ~with a Blue Sr. Doe and Heath Rush BOSB ~with a Black Sr. Buck in Youth.

The new Havana Guidebook was distributed to the attendees in Missouri and mailed to the rest of the members. It is a wonderful effort and will be a great tool for all of us. Remember it is election time, Nationally, ARBA and HRBA. Your voice does make a difference! Please make sure you send in your nominations for club officers, any changes you would like to see made to the HRBA Constitution and for judges you would like the Association to hire for ARBA Conventions before the end of June. In particular we will need a new Secretary/Treasurer. This is a critical position in our organization. It takes time and patience and we should all thank our out-going Secretary/Treasurer, Suzanne Hemsath for her tireless dedication and hard work during her term in office.

Keeping showing those great rabbits!



## Hotot Rabbit Breeders International

by Matthew Hinderman [matthewhinderman@yahoo.com](mailto:matthewhinderman@yahoo.com)

Thank you to all the HRBI members who attended the Blanc de Hotot National Show in Columbus Ohio! The OSRBA staff was a great group of people to work with. It was great to see so many rabbits and breeders at the show. Members came from Iowa, Indiana, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, and Michigan to attend the show. I wanted to thank Erik Bengtson for judging the Blanc de Hotot National show.

This year the HRBI will have club patches available at the ARBA convention in Minnesota. Be sure to get a club patch at the show. Club patches will be \$8.00 for HRBI members and \$12.00 for non HRBI members. If you have been interested in joining the HRBI but haven't sent your membership in, please take this opportunity to do so. You will be able to also sign up for membership at the ARBA national convention. We will need club members who will be present at the ARBA Convention to volunteer to help

with the HRBI booth at the ARBA Convention. The club has invested a great deal in the convention this year so it very import our members attend the convention and help with the booth to help promote the Blanc de Hotot rabbits and represent our club at the Convention. If you plan to attend the ARBA Convention this fall, be sure to breed your does so you have rabbits to sell at the convention. This is a great opportunity to get rabbits to the far reaches of our country because breeders will travel great distances to attend the ARBA convention. Most are always willing to transport rabbits for other breeders. This year, the Blanc de Hotot was #1 on the rare breeds list so it is more important than ever to make sure everyone who wants to raise this breed has an opportunity to get new breeding stock. Don't forget this is an election year for the HRBI. If you are a member of the club and are willing to hold an office, please be sure to contact Matthew Hinderman [matthewhinderman@yahoo.com](mailto:matthewhinderman@yahoo.com) to have your name added to the ballot for elections this fall.

The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy is taking census information about the Blanc de Hotot Rabbit population. If you could send how many bucks, does, and outcross rabbits you are working with in your breeding program that will be very much appreciated. If you know someone who raises Blanc de Hotots but is not a member of the HRBI, please be sure to have them send their information to the HRBI club secretary. It is important to capture a true representation of our breed's population so we can a better understanding exactly how rare the Blanc de Hotot is.



## Lop Rabbit Club of America

by Debbie Ernst

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Greetings Lop friends! Hope everyone is handling the hot temperatures and keeping your rabbits as cool as possible this summer. Just think—in a few more months, we will be dealing again with freezing temps and thawing out water bottles! It's amazing how our rabbits get through all of this.

Our sympathy goes out to Sandy Bennett of South Carolina, on the loss of her husband, Jim. He was an all around great guy and loved his work in construction, as well

Blanc de Hotot

French Lop

English Lop

