

\$2.00 for each youth (8-18). All must live at same address.

Hotot Rabbit Breeders International

C. Murphy Street, Secretary-Treasurer

Judging from mail directed to our club, the Dwarf Hotot has attracted attention and people's interest. Some correspondents have inquired as to how the Dwarf was developed from the Blanc de Hotot. As best as I have been able to determine, there is no connection between the Dwarf and the "standard" Hotot.

The Hotot breed was developed by Madame E. Bernhard at Hotot-en-Auge in Normandy, northern France, in the early 1900's. Thus, the name derives from the place where the breed was developed after approximately 500 matings over several generations, working with Flemish Giants and Checkered Giants. It is my understanding that the Dwarf did not originate in France and was not developed from Hotots. Presumably, the black eye bands on the white Dwarf rabbit are what prompted the name "Dwarf Hotot."

Membership inquiries and sanction requests for Dwarf Hotots should be directed to American Dwarf Hotot Rabbit Club, Marylouise Cowan, Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 54, Newagen, ME 04552.

Attempts to get a head count on Hotots around the country have met with little success. If you have ideas on how to accomplish the task, drop me a line.

Elections for president and half of our directors will be conducted this year, and potential candidates are encouraged to file nomination petitions which may be obtained by writing me at 852 Colebrook Rd., Fredericksburg, VA 22405.

American Beveren Rabbit Club

By John Parker, Director

Spring is just around the corner, and if you are planning to show at Orlando, now is the time to plan those breedings. Your seniors should already be in the nestbox. You still have time to breed for 6/8s and juniors.

Let's all work for a good entry at Orlando. We had a very good entry at Seattle, but not quite as many at Colorado Springs. "Let's do more in '84!"

I would appreciate getting some Beveren news from our members in the Midwestern states; in fact, I would appreciate Beveren news from anywhere. My address is 8182 Labish Center Rd. N.E., Silverton, OR 97381.

Dani White brought back some Blues from Kansas after the convention, and now Dani, also Jane Gaschke, are into Blues. I think the White is the most popular in our breed; but, hopefully, the Blues will catch up with them before this year is over.

Domestic Rabbits / March-April, 1984

Some news from "my gal in California." At the Northern California Rabbit Breeders Show there were 16 Beverens in regular, and one in fur. The judge was Bruce Brown. B.O.B. went to Jane & Lou Gaschke's White senior doe. B.O.S. went to Bob Orr's White 6/8. Best Blue went to Jane Gaschke, Best Opposite Blue went to Dani White.

At the Sonoma-Marín show, Santa Rosa, B.O.B. went to Jane Gaschke with a Blue doe. B.O.S. went to Lou & Jane Gaschke with a White. Judge was Bruce Brown.

The Beveren breeders in Northern California are trying to promote the Beveren at as many shows as possible. They are doing this by donating sanction fees and specials. We hope that as our beautiful Beverens are seen at show after show, discriminating breeders will take them up, and judges will cease to regard them as one of those curious breeds to be done at the end of the show after all the "serious" judging is finished.

If I may repeat myself, in the interest of our beautiful Beveren, "Let's do more in '84!"

American Harlequin Rabbit Club

By Pam Granderson, Secretary

The top ten winners in the 1983 sweepstakes contest were: (1st) Brenda & Eldon Smith, Indiana; (2nd) Jay & Lois Imes, Pennsylvania; (3rd) Rick Graeber, Texas; (4th) Pam Granderson, Indiana; (5th) Warren & Sandra Wagner, Ohio; (6th) Charlotte & Doug Crutcher, Arkansas; (7th) Carroll Terhune, Kentucky; (8th) Dora Maikranz, Indiana; (9th) T. Henry Buchanana, Oklahoma; and (10th) Carol Riley, Kentucky.

Winners in the most BOV color contest were: Black Japanese, Eldon & Brenda Smith; Blue Japanese, Charlotte & Doug Crutcher; Chocolate Japanese, Jay & Lois Imes; Lilac Japanese, Dora Maikranz; Black Magpie, Carroll Terhune; Blue Magpie, Sharon & Doug Sherrell; Chocolate Magpie, Pam Granderson; Lilac Magpie, Eldon & Brenda Smith.

The 1984 National All Harlequin Show will be in El Reno, Oklahoma, hosted by the Two Rivers Rabbit Club of Oklahoma on May 5, 1984. Anyone wanting information about this show or Harlequins in general can write the secretary, Pam Granderson, Star Route, Box 235F, Leopold, IN 47551.

The Havana Rabbit Breeders Association

By Randy Borne, Director

The next event on the calendar is the All Havana Show. Mike Anderson informs me his club members are working hard to get things ready for the show. The show will be on May 12, 1984 at the Salt Lake County Fairgrounds in Murray, Utah. There will also be an open show on Sunday, May 13, 1984 for those who

wish to make it a two-show weekend. An awards banquet will be held on Saturday night for all those who want to attend.

Mike informs me they will accept entries on rabbits shipped in for the show. Show catalogs will be available upon request. If you need any information on hotels, shipping of rabbits, or catalogs, please contact Mickeal Anderson, 5351 Leprechaun Ln., Kearns, UT 84118. This seems to be shaping up into a great show, so try and attend.

The standards committee has submitted its recommendations to the board of directors and they will be sent for a general membership vote in the near future.

There has been quite a bit of interest in the state of Washington in raising and showing the Havana. The breeders there are expecting a big rise in the number of animals shown this spring show season. They are still hoping to get a few more breeders in that area, so if you are looking for a new breed to raise in the Washington area, Havanas may be the choice for you.

I hope by the time this article is published, the weather in most parts of the country will be warming up. In the Deep South we have had an extremely severe winter which has hurt many breeders' young stock production. Those I have spoken to are still looking forward to a good spring show season.

Mrs. Becicka informs me that the requests for Havana sanctions are really pouring in.

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