

Dale and Georgia Schrieber with 45 points.

We have added six new members this month, which may be a record for this small specialty club. They are Jim Conyers, New Mexico; Maureen Dunkel, Texas; Rene Nece, Texas; Dennis and Sue Umminger, Indiana; and Ronald Zuccala, Pennsylvania. Welcome aboard.

For more information about this club, write Mary Bethell, 5081 Buck Road, Shingle Springs, CA 95682. Why don't you GET FOXY.

The Giant Chinchilla Rabbit Association

By Wayne Bracy, President

We had a good turn out for the big show and convention at Tulsa. Brent Rice won Best of Breed with a 6-8 Doe, and Brian and Deb Brown won Best Opposite Sex with their Sr. Buck. Wayne and Peggy Bracy won Best Fur and Best Display. The Sweepstakes Trophy went to Wayne and Peggy Bracy and second trophy to Brent Rice, 3rd to Fred Burkholder, 4th to Steve and Dara Queck, and 5th place to Brian and Deb Brown.

The new year has started for Sweepstakes points and will end at the Convention at Tampa, Florida.

Thanks to Dan Brink for doing a splendid job as breed chairman. All checking in and checking out was done according to Hoyle and all the Giant Chins were well cared for. We had a very nice Giant Chin booth, thanks to Deb Brown, booth chairperson. Our large banner was displayed, and we had nice decorations. We had very nice prizes for our raffle and thanks to my wife, Peggy, for doing a fine job as chairperson and spending a lot of hours and thanks to all the other members that helped with the raffle. Our members bought a lot of tickets. Deb Brown was the only member to win a prize. The money will help toward our new Guide Book.

We have a new secretary/treasurer, the office that is the "back bone" of our organization — Mrs. Gina Hinkle, 4640 S. 27th Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 85041. She will also be editor of our newsletter. I am sure her experience in raising rabbits, working with rabbit shows, and judging 4-H rabbits will help her do a fine job in her new office. More will be forthcoming in the next newsletter.

I wish to thank Dara Queck, our past secretary/treasurer and editor, for doing a wonderful job in her term of office and to her husband, Steve, for his help on the computer and everything.

Anyone that doesn't have Giant Chins and is interested in another breed, one that has beautiful Chinchilla fur, very gentle, and fast growing, write to our new secretary, Mrs. Gina Hinkle, 4640 S. 27th Ave., Phoenix, Arizona for a pamphlet.

If you wish to join the Giant Chinchilla Rabbit Association, the dues are adult, 1 yr. \$6.00, 2 yrs. \$9.00; husband-wife, 1 yr. \$9.00 and youth 1 yr. \$3.00.

Hotot Rabbit Breeders International

By C. Murphy Street, Secretary/Treasurer

The convention in Tulsa marked the fourth year in a row that our club was represented with a booth. For a small club, that is quite an accomplishment! Let's give a pat on the back and a big "thank you" to Mary, Freddie, and Woody Hughley from California, and Elizabeth Street from Virginia, for making it all work out.

Planning is now underway for the 1990 Convention booth in Florida. If you can help in any way, please volunteer.

1989 saw some new breeders start working with Blanc de Hotots. Here's hoping that they become active in showing and help generate even more interest in our rare breed in various parts of the country.

Confusion continues with many folks calling Dwarf Hotots simply Hotots. Result is that some people don't know there are two distinct breeds and two different specialty clubs. That is part of the reason our club has found it necessary to resume using the full and proper name of our breed, the Blanc de Hotot.

Hotot is the name of the town in the Normandy region of France where our breed was developed in the early 1900's by Madame E. Bernhard.

For more complete information, take advantage of the rental VCR tape available from ARBA which provides full information about the Blanc de Hotot. Or write to me for a descriptive folder.

As we close this report, written in early December, the club has still not obtained the return of funds which should properly be in the treasury of this organization. Club members will be advised by way of our newsletter as to the eventual outcome of this ongoing problem.

For sanctions or information, write to me at 6 Purvis Lane, Fredericksburg, VA 22405.

Holland Lop Specialty Club

By Ralph Wilson, Publicity Chairman

Everything should be getting back to normal after the great time at Tulsa. Howell and Vi Crowder won Best of Breed with a solid senior buck and Chris Zemny had Best Opp. with a broken senior doe. Congratulations to all the winners.

The Holland booth took third place in the booth contest thanks to the fine efforts of Terry Pierce. A big thanks to all the people who helped work at the booth. Would not have been possible without you.

A couple of new appointments have been made recently. Jane Varner of Virginia is the

new Hollander editor. Rusty Fisher of Kentucky is the new youth Sweepstakes chairman.

Bob Locy reported on the upcoming "Golden Spike" National Holland Lop Show to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on April 7, 1990. The show is being sponsored by the Great Basin Littlest Lop Club and will be held at the Salt Lake County Fairgrounds. Judges will be Darrell Bramhall of Arizona, Randy Waggoner of Indiana and Eunita Boatman of Oregon on Youth. He invited everyone to come and participate in this national show.

Bob and Doug Williams of Utah came to the convention well supplied with T-shirts, sweat shirts, and pens to sell in order to promote the national show. For more information on the National and to order supplies and catalog advertising, please contact Doug and Gusti Williams, 1283 East Beverly Way, Bountiful, Utah 84010 or call 801/295-4828.

Best in Show winners from reports received to date are: Leslie Talbot, South Jersey R&CBA; Rene Bonde, Carroll County Youth RC, Maryland; Howell and Vi Crowder, Rabbit Producers of Alabama; Howell and Vi Crowder, Kiam Egyptian RBA, Illinois.

Contact Barry Hustins, 85 Mill Street, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803, for any club supplies you might need.

Did You Know?

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use of these substances in rabbits. It has been the intent of this article to define probiotics, describe how they are being utilized today and the possible future utilization of these materials.

If there should be any comments, questions or concerns about the provided information, or if you should have further questions about rabbit disease and management, please contact: Dr. T.E. Reed, Rabbit Specialist, Box 98, Markle, Indiana 46770-0098. Your questions will be responded to immediately. It is the intent of the author to respond to all questions within three to five days. However, due to the response (approximately ten to twenty letters per day) and work schedule, on occasion it will be up to several days before the questions can be responded to via mail.

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