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been going to. It sure is nice seeing other breeders at the shows. John acquired a nice Black Otter buck from Rene Goedderz at the ABPRS National Show in Columbus, Ohio. He also got several Blue Otters, Fox and REW's from myself. He told me that he is getting some exceptional animals from them. Unfortunately John & Michelle had dogs get in their rabbitry, losing a few very good animals, and maiming others.

On the 4th of July John & Michelle Lasley, and John's sister-in-law attended the East Indiana RBA show. There were over 30 petites shown. It was nice to see some competition in the classes. LeAnn McKinney and Jim Wallbank both showed some very nice REW's. John & Michelle Lasley showed both REW's & Black Otters. John's sister-in-law showed a Black Otter. John & Michelle won BOSV Black Otter.

I am looking forward to seeing some of you in Louisville, KY at the ARBA National Convention & Show. If you have anything you feel might be good to include in any of the publications, please feel free to send me anything you may have for consideration.

American Checkerboard Giant Rabbit Club

by Brian Carter, President

Hi everyone. Well it's early August as I write this and the fall shows and the convention are just around the corner. I hope that everyone's rabbits have successfully weathered the hot and humid weather that we've been getting this summer.

As you read this the convention will only be about one month away. It seems like it's sneaking up on us pretty fast. I believe that things are pretty well set for our club's activities. If you haven't made your arrangements for it (such as where you're going to stay), it's probably a good idea to begin thinking about it. As many of you know, last year at Tulsa we were unable to meet a quorum to hold an official membership meeting. To try and alleviate this problem this year we will be holding our official membership meeting after our banquet. If we do this I think that we will easily meet our quorum to make our meeting official. According to our bylaws we need at least 30 members present to have a quorum. I know that last year a lot of members left for home after our banquet and I believe that this is the

reason why we had such a hard time meeting our quorum.

I want to remind everyone that we will also be holding a raffle again this year. Last year there wasn't much enthusiasm for this. I'd like to see some nice items donated so that we can have a really top rate raffle again. Remember the funds raised from this are used for our picture pages in the bulletin. Contact Carol Edwards if you would like to donate an item. I also want to remind everyone about the contest to redesign our arm patch. Judy Waggoner is in charge of this contest, so please contact her if you have a design you would like to submit.

It's that time of year to vote again for officers. This year we will be voting on three directors along with president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. Please take the time to vote as each vote is important and does make a difference.

Lastly, as always the secretary of the ACGRC is Carol Edwards, 542 Aspen St. NW, Toledo, OR 97391. Our dues are \$5.00 per year.

Until next time, take care.

Blanc De Hotot International

by Sherrill Randazzo

I must apologize for missing an issue of *Domestic Rabbits*. I have had a couple of rough months. I have had some health problems and rabbitry problems. My own dogs tore into some cages and killed six of my "good" rabbits. My dogs were in a chain link yard within our chain link yard. With a lot of heartache I had these two dogs put to sleep. I just could not take the responsibility of maybe having these dogs get out and do damage to someone else's animals.

We attended the California State show with pretty good results. My granddaughter, Leslie Harris, and I got BOB and BOS. There were five breeders and eleven Hotots entered.

We also had a club booth at State that was a lot of fun and we were able to talk to many people about how great our breed is. I have been simply amazed at the amount of mail I have received since I began writing this little column. I have fallen behind answering my mail but promise to catch it up. Also my does are doing their best to get some young stock for sale. The dog incident set us back but we hope to catch up before Kentucky. We had snow here in sunny Southern California in the middle

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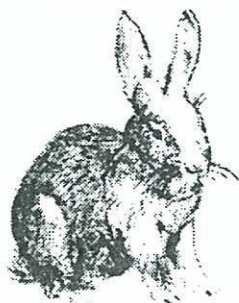
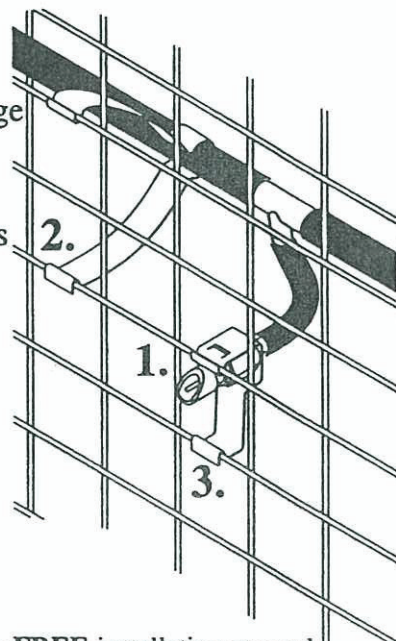
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Specialty Club Reports

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of June, and now two weeks later we are in a heat wave. Poor bunnies don't know what to expect next!

God Bless You All.

National Rex Rabbit Club

by Dennis Roloff, President

Greetings from the National Rex Club! It's Showtime....

That's right, by the time that you read this the ARBA Convention will be just around the corner. In the event that you haven't ordered your Convention catalog, here is the address: Patt Wuest, Rt. 1 Box 77, Depauw, IN 47115. The cost of the catalog is \$7.00. If you have never been to an ARBA Convention show before, why not plan on this one? The location is good for everyone, the building is just huge and everyone needs to get away before the snow starts to fall (I don't even want to think about that . . .). This show will be

the largest gathering of Rex breeders this year. What better way to meet old friends, make new friends and to just relax and enjoy our hobby and our Rex. We will see the largest concentration of all the varieties that we will ever have the opportunity to view. If you need breeding stock, all the top breeders from all across the United States will be there. You will never have a better chance to find that "special" rabbit that you have been looking for. You will be able to meet the officers of the National Rex club. Get to know them as they make the decisions to make this club work. We need your input to know what the breeders want this club to do. Visit the Rex club booth. It will be a good one again! Last year we took first place in the booth contest and are hoping for a repeat this year. Wendy and Tom Brabender from Wisconsin are working extra hard on this project. Make sure that you stop by. Need a new Rex tee-shirt? A new design will be sold in the booth at this show. They are real nice so why not buy one for yourself and one for a new breeder in your area. Let's get these new people involved and working with us to promote our outstanding breed, the Rex!

Now for a little business. At this time of the year the National Rex club usually holds its election of officers. This year we had three positions up for election on our Board of Directors. We received only **two** persons who wanted to run for these offices. Should the club spend several hundred dollars on an election where everyone on the ballot is going to win? I don't think so. . . As President of this club, I made the decision to call Dinah Sarman and Tom Brabender elected. That takes care of the two people who wanted to run for these offices. Next, I have appointed Wava Roye to the final spot on the board. She has many years experience with this organization and will be a great asset to have in the decision making process of this club. So, Tom, Wava and Dinah, welcome aboard! I hope you find your next couple of years with us as much fun as I have. I would also like to take this opportunity to say thanks to Fran Brown of New York and Clydell Hicks of Florida for their two years of service to our club. Your help and ideas have been welcomed.

Now that you have read this far down the page, have you thought about joining

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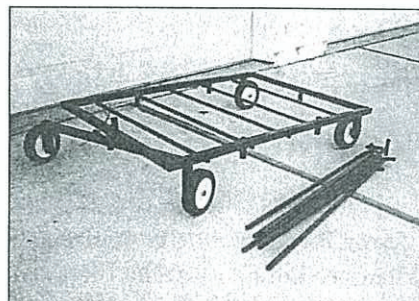
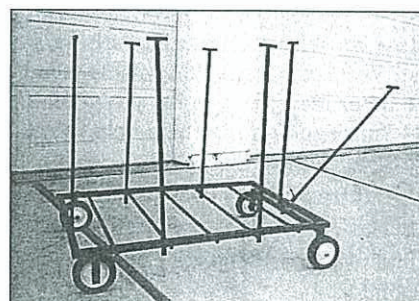
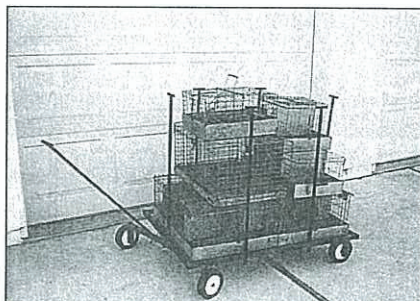
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