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President
Chris DeSurra

Whew, what a blast! The 2012 Reno MLRCA's Nationals has come and gone and was a fantastic show. The Grand Sierra Resort was sensational! The showroom was a huge, air-conditioned, open space where we gathered with good friends for stellar competition, hysterical conversations, and an all around good time! Breeders from all over the country enjoyed a weekend filled with beautiful rabbits, excellent advice, and some pretty fine meals! Thank you to West Coast Classics for being such efficient and accommodating hosts. Randy Shumaker, Allen Mesick and Uno Kivi were amazing to work with and afforded us with a truly unique and special experience. I highly recommend that other National Breed Clubs sign up with the West Coast team for this professional and exceptional opportunity.

Congratulations to Elizabeth & Linda Bell for besting 300 rabbits to win Open Best of Breed with their stunning Broken Senior Doe and to Bryan Shirk for marching all the way across the country to win Best Opposite of Breed with his sleek and shiny Solid Senior Buck. Congratulations to Siena Carvalho for winning Youth Best of Breed with her muscular Solid Senior Buck and to Jaycee Shugart for winning Best Opposite of Breed with her lovely Broken Senior Doe. I think we all learned a lot from our talented and knowable panel of judges whose transcontinental travels took Rusty Westoff from Tennessee, Briony Barnes from Kansas and Johnny Haussener from Pennsylvania. Many of us showed our lovely lops five times over the weekend and the combination of opinions and perspectives are sure to enrich our breed as much as it enriched our friendships and relationships.

The magnitude and quality of this event could never have been possible without the tremendous effort and contributions of so many. Foremost is Kassi Sieber who was the singe greatest contributor to the success of this National Championships. Kassi created and sent the catalog; ordered our awards; coordinated with West Coast Classics, our show secretary, show committee and judges; set up our booth, raffle, banquet auction, class auction and rabbit auction; planned our fabulous banquet; donated the lion's share of our raffle and auction items and $200 towards awards; and worked tirelessly throughout the weekend. She even got her 4-Hers to sweep our aisles and clean our entryway when the rest of us were so exhausted. I really can't say enough about her diligence, persistence and dedication. In other words, she threw a heck of a party!!

Robert Laughlin, who designed and organized our 2012 MLRCA Nationals tee shirt, outfitted the party. It was exhilarating to see the sea of "Nevada Gold" shirts proudly proclaiming that "We Holding Not Folding!" We would not be the club that we are without Robert's creativity, ingenuity and continued attention to our website. Also, our show was only made possible by the generosity and dedication of the Ambrosino Family who set up and tore down all of our coops. Jennifer Ambrosino secretaried all three of our shows including the Nationals and her son Justin Ambrosino judged our Specialty show on Friday evening. They were incredible to work with and ensured that our shows ran on time and accurately.

We also had a huge fleet of volunteers led by Lisa Davis who arrived a day early to staple coop cards and help set up the show. Lisa worked all weekend, carrying, clerking, recording, running errands and solving problems. Thank you. Vanessa Borquez was our booth Hostess with the Mostest! Thank you for selling tee shirts, raffle and banquet tickets. Diane Jones also went out of her way and picked up our awards. Bryan Shirk and Val Counterman clerked and ran rabbits for the entire Sunday Specialty Show. Chris and Kathy Mackprang made a herculean effort to participate considering that Chris graduated from Brigham Young University in Utah the night before and then clerked and ran rabbits all weekend. It was such a phenomenal experience to be together with good friends and great rabbits so I'll end by thanking the Kansas Carpoolers who hoofed it halfway across the country to be there: Liz & Tanya Hemphill, Kevin Rugen and Tracy Harmon. It would not have been the same or nearly as much fun with out all of your love and support!

Until we all meet again in Wichita this October for the ARBA Convention and in Kentucky this April for the next MLRCA Nationals!!

- Chris

Secretary/Treasurer
Kelly Hansen

Greetings from Michigan!

The weather here has been dreadful! We had 4 days in succession of 100 degree plus temperatures. Thankfully, the majority of my herd made it through these days well. However, I have heard of numerous people losing large numbers of rabbits. It is my hope that our group will help those who have lost animals get back on their feet. Making small donations to our disaster relief fund, or passing along an animal to help them rebuild are fantastic ways to help. It can also help to just be there for them in their time of loss, if you hear of someone having lost their herd, reach out to them and offer a listening ear. This can be the best way to help in some cases.

Thanks to the help of Kassi Seiber, I've been getting caught up on all my data input. She was kind enough to help when I was having issues with the PayPal based memberships. I am hoping that things are now caught up, but if you have ANY issues please don't hesitate to contact me at the number in the front of the Advocate. I am here to serve this club, and will do anything I can to help.

I hope you are all making plans to join us in the "Heartland" this fall. The 2012 ARBA convention is quickly approaching, and I would love to see beautiful bunnies from all over the country.

Hope you all are having a fantastic summer, may your next big winner be in the box!

Kelly Hansen

Rabbit Auction

(All proceeds went to Awards for MLRCA National next Spring in Kentucky)

	Donated By	Ear #	Class	Purchased By	Bid Amount
1	Christopher DeSurra	XX2	Solid Jr Doe	Robert Laughlin/Lisa Davis	$250.00
2	Alison Votaw	AV81	Broken Sr Buck	Shelene Castro	$25.00
3	Kaitlynn Dueck	IRON	Solid Sr Buck	Lauran Ludden	$25.00
4	Kevin Rugen	RB163	Broken Sr Buck	Vanessa Borquez	$25.00
5	Liz Hemphill	SVIH	Solid Jr Buck	Mary Whitney	$45.00
6	Lisa Davis	HT5	Solid Jr Buck	Vanessa Borquez	$25.00
7	Becky Jones- Gandy	BGME3	Broken Jr Buck	Jane Houser	$60.00
8	Nicole Velotta	VE1NT	Broken Sr Doe	Robert Laughlin/Lisa Davis	$105.00
9	Megan Morais		Solid Jr Doe	Lauran Ludden	$25.00
10	Becky Jones- Gandy	BGQE2	Solid Jr Doe	Kevin Rugen	$25.00
11	Val Counterman	CMFLT	Solid Jr Buck	Mary Whitney	$25.00
12	Tracy Harmon	942TW	Solid Sr Buck	Vanessa Borquez	$100.00
				Total $ Amount Raised	$735.00

Mini Lop National Show-Open Top Twenty

Best of Breed-Broken Sr Doe owned by Elizabeth & Linda Bell

Best Opp. Breed-Broken Sr Buck owned by Nicole Velotta

Solid Sr Buck-42 in class	Solid Sr Doe-41 in class	Solid Jr Buck-28 in class	Solid Jr Doe-49 in class
Judge-Briony Barnes	Judge-Rusty Westhoff	Judge-Rusty Westhoff	Judge-Briony Barnes
1. Bryan Shirk (BOV)	1. Christopher DeSurra (BOSV)	1. Jane Houser	1. Christopher DeSurra
2. Christopher DeSurra	2. Christopher DeSurra	2. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	2. Christopher DeSurra
3. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	3. Tracy & Terry Harmon	3. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	3. Christopher DeSurra
4. Megan Morais	4. Chris Mackprang	4. Christopher DeSurra	4. Christopher DeSurra
5. Christopher DeSurra	5. Christopher DeSurra	5. Christopher DeSurra	5. Valerie Counterman
6. Tracy & Terry Harmon	6. Robert & Michelle Laughlin	6. Elizabeth Hemphill	6. Chris Mackprang
7. Bryan Shirk	7. Jane Houser	7. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	7. Ilaena Mellentine
8. Robert & Michelle Laughlin	8. Christopher DeSurra	8. David & Kevin Rugen	8. Nancy Russell
9. Tracy & Terry Harmon	9. Kassi Sieber	9. Chris Mackprang	9. Bryan Shirk
10. Elizabeth & Linda Bell	10. Lisa Davis	10. Shelene Castro	10. Valerie Counterman
11. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	11. Jane Houser	11. Christopher DeSurra	11. Christopher DeSurra
12. Tracy & Terry Harmon	12. Megan Morais	12. Jane Houser	12. Elizabeth Hemphill
13. Christopher DeSurra	13. Elizabeth & Linda Bell	13. Joy Ekstrom	13. Shelene Castro
14. Ilaena Mellentine	14. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	14. Valerie Counterman	14. Christopher DeSurra
15. Kassi Sieber	15. Christopher DeSurra	15. Stephanie Turner	15. Megan Morais
16. Tracy & Terry Harmon	16. Bryan Shirk	16. Roger Thornell & Linda Rouse	16. David & Kevin Rugen
17. Victoria Samelson	17. Tracy & Terry Harmon	17. Jody Rosnik	17. Valerie Counterman
18. Victoria Samelson	18. Lisa Davis	18. Robert & Michelle Laughlin	18. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez
19. Tracy & Terry Harmon	19. Tracy & Terry Harmon	19. Christopher DeSurra	19. Christopher DeSurra
20. Juan Salas	20. Tracy & Terry Harmon	20. Jody Rosnik	20. Stephanie Turner

Broken Sr Buck-38 in class	Broken Sr Doe-36 in class	Broken Jr Buck-31 in class	Broken Jr Doe-29 in class
Judge-Rusty Westhoff	Judge-Briony Barnes	Judge-Briony Barnes	Judge-Rusty Westhoff
1. Nicole Velotta (BOSV)	1. Elizabeth & Linda Bell (BOV)	1. Bryan Shirk	1. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
2. Christopher DeSurra	2. Jane Houser	2. Christopher DeSurra	2. Jane Houser
3. Tracy & Terry Harmon	3. Lisa Davis	3. Christopher DeSurra	3. Christopher DeSurra
4. Tracy & Terry Harmon	4. Juan Salas	4. David & Kevin Rugen	4. Lisa Davis
5. Kassi Sieber	5. Jane Houser	5. Christopher DeSurra	5. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
6. Elizabeth Hemphill	6. Jane Houser	6. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	6. Rebecca Jones-Gandy
7. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	7. Juan Salas	7. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	7. Lisa Davis
8. Jody Rosnik	8. Kassi Sieber	8. David & Kevin Rugen	8. Elizabeth Hemphill
9. Tracy & Terry Harmon	9. Lisa Davis	9. Jane Houser	9. David & Kevin Rugen
10. Tracy & Terry Harmon	10. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	10. Joy Ekstrom	10. Christopher DeSurra
11. Tracy & Terry Harmon	11. Nicole Velotta	11. Jane Houser	11. Shelene Castro
12. Cathy Mackprang	12. Kassi Sieber	12. Christopher DeSurra	12. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
13. Nancy Russell	13. Kassi Sieber	13. Christopher DeSurra	13. Deanna Prichard
14. Joy Ekstrom	14. Christopher DeSurra	14. Nicole Velotta	14. Christopher DeSurra

Mini Lop National Show-Open Top Twenty, Cont.

Broken Sr. Buck-38 in class	Broken Sr. Doe-36 in class	Broken Jr. Buck-31 in class	Broken Jr. Doe-29 in class
Judge - Rusty Westhoff	Judge - Briony Barnes	Judge - Briony Barnes	Judge - Rusty Westhoff
15. Kassi Sieber	15. Juan Salas	15. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	15. Christopher DeSurra
16. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	16. Christopher DeSurra	16. David & Kevin Rugen	16. Jane Houser
17. Christopher DeSurra	17. Nicole Velotta		17. Georgia Williams
18. Nicole Velotta	18. Tracy & Terry Harmon		18. Jody Rosnik
19. Tracy & Terry Harmon			19. Jane Houser
20. David & Kevin Rugen			20. Robert & Michelle Laughlin

Fur-7 in class	Top 5 Display	
1. Bryan Shirk	1. Christopher DeSurra - 5903 pts	6. Elizabeth & Linda Bell - 1067 pts
2. Chris Mackprang	2. Jane Houser - 1752 pts	7. Lisa Davis - 891 pts
3. Chris Mackprang	3. Tracy & Terry Harmon - 1583 pts	8. Chris Mackprang - 706 pts
4. Chris Mackprang	4. Rebecca Jones-Gandy - 1313 pts	9. David & Kevin Rugen - 571 pts
5. Bryan Shrik	5. Bryan Shrik - 1233 pts	10. Kassi Sieber - 533 pts

Mini Lop National Show-Youth Top Twenty

Best of Breed-Solid Sr Buck owned by Siena Carvalho

Best Opp. Breed-Broken Sr Doe owned by Jaycee Shugart

Judged by Johnny Haussener

Solid Sr Buck-19 in class	Solid Sr Doe-22 in class	Solid Jr Buck-14 in class	Solid Jr Doe-8 in class
1. Siena Carvalho	1. Erik Nunamaker	1. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	1. Taelor Burt
2. Erik Nunamaker	2. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	2. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	2. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
3. Kaitlynn Dueck	3. Kaitlynn Dueck	3. Kaitlynn Dueck	3. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
4. Alison Votaw	4. Katharine Hemphill	4. Kaitlynn Dueck	4. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
5. Alison Votaw	5. Alison Votaw	5. Alison Votaw	5. Katharine Hemphill
6. Siena Carvalho	6. Taelor Burt	6. Katharine Hemphill	6. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
7. Nick Miller	7. Katharine Hemphill	7. Alison Votaw	7. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
8. Taelor Burt	8. Alison Votaw	8. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	8. Sunshyne Marsh
9. Nick Miller	9. Nika Gardner	9. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	
10. Nicola Falk	10. Jaycee Shugart	10. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	
11. Jaycee Shugart	11. Cailin Dockendorf	11. Taelor Burt	
12. Camden Dockendorf	12. Taelor Burt	12. Katharine Hemphill	
13. Cody Dalhberg	13. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	13. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	
14. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	14. Camden Dockendorf	14. Katharine Hemphill	
15. Alison Votaw	15. Makayla Moran		
16. Makayla Moran	16. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees		

Broken Sr Buck-14 in class	Broken Sr Doe-17 in class	Broken Jr Buck-5 in class	Broken Jr Doe-8 in class
1. Nick Miller (BOSV)	1. Jaycee Shugart (BOV)	1. Taelor Burt	1. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
2. Katharine Hemphill	2. Siena Carvalho	2. Alison Votaw	2. Taelor Burt
3. Taelor Burt	3. Cody Dalhberg	3. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	3. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees

Mini Lop National Show-Youth Top Twenty, Cont.

Broken Sr Buck-14 in class	Broken Sr Doe-17 in class	Broken Jr Buck-5 in class	Broken Jr Doe-8 in class
4. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	4. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	4. Cody Dalhberg	4. Jaymie Legan
5. Alison Votaw	5. Alison Votaw	5. Siena Carvalho	5. Erik Nunamaker
6. Adrianna Brandt	6. Taelor Burt		6. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees
7. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees	7. Camden Dockendorf		7. Taelor Burt
8. Taelor Burt	8. Jaycee Shugart		8. Alison Votaw
9. Cody Dalhberg	9. Katharine Hemphill		
10. Jaycee Shugart	10. Kaitlynn Dueck		
11. Jaycee Shugart	11. Kaitlynn Dueck		
12. Nick Miller	12. Cody Dalhberg		
13. Sky Miller	13. Veronica Copeland		
14. Alison Votaw	14. Alison Votaw		
	15. Sunshyne Marsh		
	16. Alison Votaw		
	17. Alison Votaw		

Fur-7 in class	Top 5 Display	
1. Jaycee Shugart	1. Caitlin & Ben Voorhees - 1537 pts	6. Siena Carvalho - 547 pts
2. Jaycee Shugart	2. Alison Votaw - 994 pts	7. Erik Nunamaker - 510 pts
3. Jaycee Shugart	3. Taelor Burt - 768 pts	8. Jaycee Shugart - 344 pts
4. Jaycee Shugart	4. Kaitlynn Dueck - 641 pts	9. Nick Miller - 320 pts
5. Jaycee Shugart	5. Katharine Hemphill - 617 pts	10. Cody Dahlberg - 235 pts

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Lisa Davis

Hello Everyone!

Here it is summer time again with the heat hitting us by the time you get to read this. Remember if you are in the areas that are a drier climate you can use a misting system along with fans to cool down the rabbit barn a lot. Some use air conditioners; others use fans and ice bottles. In the wet climates the misting system is less effective as it only increases the humidity without much cooling effect. With my work schedule I am not able to use the ice bottles so I use the misting system and fans as I'm in a drier climate. Whatever method you use make sure those buns stay cool enough!

All of the litters for fall nationals should be born by now and I'm sure everyone is waiting and watching them with baited breath hoping for that national winner! There are folks traveling down to Wichita from Washington and the surrounding areas so if you think you want to send some stock to nationals start keeping your eyes peeled for those offering transport and book with them ASAP.

The MLRCA is alive and thriving! We may still not be chartered with ARBA but we are still a very strong club with tremendous support from our membership to several running for office of the ARBA! Many of those running for an ARBA office this year are doing so because of what has happened to our club and others at the hands of some of the ARBA board members. The elections of the ARBA officers are extremely important this year, to our club and every other club affiliated with ARBA. Please make yourself aware of those running for office and what they stand for. So often we tend to vote for the status quo. Yes I have been guilty as well. I beg you to pay attention to this year's elections and make yourself informed as a voter and send in those votes!

Shows around my immediate area of the district have been going strong. Some shows with an excellent showing, others way down. I think the economy still is affecting our hobby. On a good note, Mini Lops have been winning more BIS and RIS's than ever before that I can recall since I've been raising and showing! Many congrats to all of those raising these gorgeous examples of our breed! Both the youth and open exhibitors should be proud of the ML's they are putting on the tables today. You should all be very proud!

Until next time...

Lisa

Open Judging gets underway at the 2012 National

SOLID SR. BUCK
BEST OF VARIETY
OWNED BY: BRYAN SHIRK

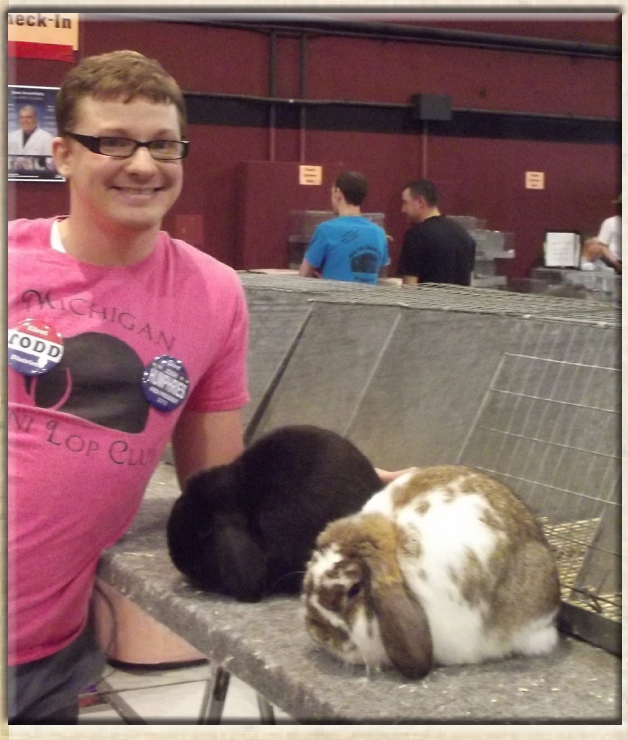
SOLID SR. DOE
BEST OPPOSITE SEX OF VARIETY
OWNED BY: CHRIS DESURRA

SOLID JR. BUCK
OWNED BY: JANE HOUSER

SOLID JR. DOE
OWNED BY: CHRIS DESURRA

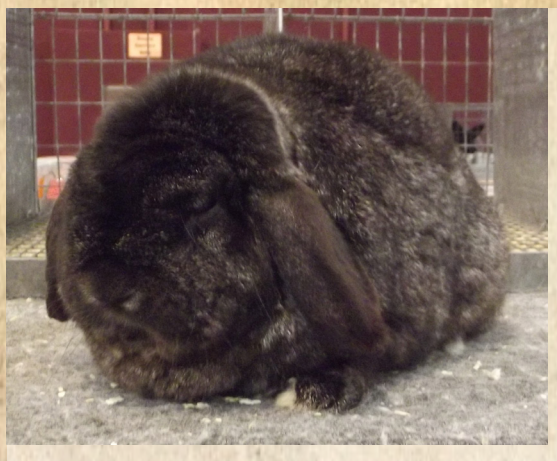
BROKEN SR. BUCK
BEST OPPOSITE SEX OF VARIETY
BEST OPPOSITE BREED
OWNED BY: NICOLE VELOTTA

BROKEN SR. DOE
BEST OF VARIETY
BEST OF BREED
OWNED BY: ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL



BROKEN JR. BUCK
OWNED BY: BRYAN SHIRK

BROKEN JR. DOE
OWNED BY: ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL



SOLID SR. BUCK
BEST OF BREED - YOUTH
OWNED BY: SIENA CARVALHO

BROKEN SR. DOE
BEST OPPOSITE OF BREED - YOUTH
OWNED BY: JAYCEE SHUGART

Friday Specialty Show-Open Top Ten

Best of Breed-Broken Sr Doe owned by Christopher DeSurra

Best opp. Breed-Solid Jr Buck owned by Jane Houser

Solid Sr Buck-37 in class	Solid Sr Doe-35 in class	Solid Jr Buck-17 in class	Solid Jr Doe-37 in class
Judge-Justin Ambrosino	Judge-Joe Lugo	Judge-Justin Ambrosino	Judge-Joe Lugo
1. Tracy & Terry Harmon	1. Christopher DeSurra	1. Jane Houser (BOV)	1. Christopher DeSurra (BOSV)
2. Tracy & Terry Harmon	2. Robert & Michelle Laughlin	2. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	2. Valerie Counterman
3. Christopher DeSurra	3. Tracy & Terry Harmon	3. Elizabeth Hemphill	3. Ilaena Mellentine
4. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	4. Lisa Davis	4. David & Kevin Rugen	4. Christopher DeSurra
5. Bryan Shirk	5. Christopher DeSurra	5. Stephanie Turner	5. Rebecca Jones-Gandy
6. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	6. Jane Houser	6. Christopher DeSurra	6. Rebecca Jones-Gandy
7. Elizabeth & Linda Bell	7. Kassi Sieber	7. Christopher DeSurra	7. Stephanie Turner
8. Tracy & Terry Harmon	8. Kassi Sieber	8. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	8. Jane Houser
9. Christopher DeSurra	9. Lisa Davis	9. Shelene Castro	9. David & Kevin Rugen
10. Megan Morais	10. Tracy & Terry Harmon	10. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	10. Nancy Russell

Broken Sr Buck-30 in class	Broken Sr Doe-27 in class	Broken Jr Buck-24 in class	Broken Jr Doe-23 in class
Judge-Justin Ambrosino	Judge-Joe Lugo	Judge-Joe Lugo	Judge-Justin Ambrosino
1. Nicole Velotta (BOSV)	1. Christopher DeSurra (BOV)	1. David & Kevin Rugen	1. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
2. Tracy & Terry Harmon	2. Nicole Velotta	2. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	2. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
3. Tracy & Terry Harmon	3. Nicole Velotta	3. Nicole Velotta	3. Christopher DeSurra
4. Kassi Sieber	4. Lisa Davis	4. Jane Houser	4. David & Kevin Rugen
5. Rebecca Jones-Gandy	5. Lisa Davis	5. David & Kevin Rugen	5. Elizabeth Hemphill
6. Christopher DeSurra	6. Elizabeth & Linda Bell	6. Juan Salas	6. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
7. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	7. Tracy & Terry Harmon	7. Christopher DeSurra	7. Elizabeth Hemphill
8. Christopher DeSurra	8. Kassi Sieber	8. David & Kevin Rugen	8. Rebecca Jones-Gandy
9. Kassi Sieber	9. Kassi Sieber	9. Deanna Prichard	9. Shelene Castro
10. Christopher DeSurra	10. Jane Houser	10. Bryan Shirk	10. Jane Houser

Friday Specialty Show-Youth Top Ten

Best of Breed-Broken Sr Doe owned by Siena Carvalho

Best opp. Breed-Solid Sr Buck owned by Erik Nunamaker

Judged by Rusty Westhoff

Solid Sr Buck-16 in class	Solid Sr Doe-16 in class	Solid Jr Buck-8 in class	Solid Jr Doe-3 in class
1. Erik Nunamaker (BOSV)	1. Erik Nunamaker (BOV)	1. Kaitlynn Dueck	1. Katharine Hemphill
2. Cody Dalhberg	2. Taelor Burt	2. Taelor Burt	2. Taelor Burt
3. Siena Carvalho	3. Katharine Hemphill	3. Alison Votaw	3. Sunshyne Marsh
4. Taelor Burt	4. Alison Votaw	4. Kaitlynn Dueck	
5. Siena Carvalho	5. Kaitlynn Dueck	5. Katharine Hemphill	
6. Alison Votaw	6. Katharine Hemphill	6. Alison Votaw	
7. Alison Votaw	7. Alison Votaw	7. Katharine Hemphill	

Friday Specialty Show-Youth Top Ten, Cont.

Solid Sr. Bcuk-16 in class	Solid Sr. Doe-16 in class	Solid Jr. Buck-8 in class	
8. Jaycee Shugart	8. Taelor Burt	8. Katharine Hemphill	
9. Nick Miller	9. Katharine Hemphill		
10. Makayla Moran	10. Jaycee Shugart		

Broken Sr Buck-11 in class	Broken Sr Doe-15 in class	Broken Jr Buck-4 in class	Broken Jr Doe-5 in class
1. Taelor Burt (BOSV)	1. Siena Carvalho (BOV)	1. Cody Dalhberg	1. Jaymie Legan
2. Nick Miller	2. Cody Dalhberg	2. Alison Votaw	2. Taelor Burt
3. Taelor Burt	3. Kaitlynn Dueck	3. Taelor Burt	3. Taelor Burt
4. Jaycee Shugart	4. Kaitlynn Dueck	4. Siena Carvalho	4. Erik Nunamaker
5. Nick Miller	5. Katharine Hemphill		5. Alison Votaw
6. Katharine Hemphill	6. Jaycee Shugart		
7. Jaycee Shugart	7. Cody Dalhberg		
8. Adrianna Brandt	8. Veronica Coplin		
9. Alison Votaw	9. Sunshyne Marsh		
10. Sky Miller	10. Alison Votaw		

Sunday Specialty Show-Open Top Ten

Best of Breed-Broken Sr Buck owned by Nicole Velotta

Best opp. Breed-Solid Sr Doe owned by Elizabeth & Linda Bell

Solid Sr Buck-24 in class	Solid Sr Doe-25 in class	Solid Jr Buck-17 in class	Solid Jr Doe-27 in class
Judge-Stephen Hultholm	Judge-Stephen Hultholm	Judge-Stephen Hultholm	Judge-Stephen Hultholm
1. Bryan Shirk (BOSV)	1. Elizabeth & Linda Bell (BOV)	1. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	1. Chris Mackprang
2. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	2. Kassi Sieber	2. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez	2. Vanessa & Tomalene Borquez
3. Jane Houser	3. Christopher DeSurra	3. Jane Houser	3. Valerie Counterman
4. Ilaena Mellentine	4. Robert & Michelle Laughlin	4. Valerie Counterman	4. Bryan Shirk
5. Bryan Shirk	5. Chris Mackprang	5. Shelene Castro	5. Valerie Counterman
6. Christopher DeSurra	6. Bryan Shirk	6. Jody Rosnik	6. Jane Houser
7. Juan Salas	7. Jane Houser	7. Stephanie Turner	7. Christopher DeSurra
8. Megan Morais	8. Lisa Davis	8. Christopher DeSurra	8. Stephanie Turner
9. Victoria Samelson	9. Lisa Davis	9. Chris Mackprang	9. Ilaena Mellentine
10. Lisa Davis	10. Jane Houser	10. Christopher DeSurra	10. Juan Salas

Broken Sr Buck-20 in class	Broken Sr Doe-26 in class	Broken Jr Buck-16 in class	Broken Jr Doe-17 in class
Judge-Stephen Hultholm	Judge-Lance Gendron	Judge-Stephen Hultholm	Judge-Lance Gendron
1. Nicole Velotta (BOV)	1. Lisa Davis (BOSV)	1. Jane Houser	1. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
2. Jason Scott	2. Nicole Velotta	2. Cathy Mackprang	2. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
3. Christopher DeSurra	3. Lisa Davis	3. Jane Houser	3. Elizabeth & Linda Bell
4. Lisa Davis	4. Jane Houser	4. Nicole Velotta	4. Jane Houser
5. Kassi Sieber	5. Nicole Velotta	5. Bryan Shirk	5. Christopher DeSurra
6. Christopher DeSurra	6. Elizabeth & Linda Bell	6. Kassi Sieber	6. Lisa Davis
7. Jody Rosnik	7. Christopher DeSurra	7. Stephanie Turner	7. Jane Houser

Sunday Specialty Show-Open Top Ten, Cont.

Solid Sr. Buck-24 in class	Solid Sr. Doe-25 in class	Solid Jr. Buck-17 in class	Solid Jr. Doe-27 in class
8. Kassi Sieber	8. Kassi Sieber	8. Jody Rosnik	8. Robert & Michelle Laughlin
9. Cathy Mackprang	9. Chris Mackprang	9. Jody Rosnik	9. Lisa Davis
10. Sandy Patterson	10. Jane Houser	10. Christopher DeSurra	10. Jody Rosnik

Sunday Specialty Show-Youth Top Ten

Best of Breed-Broken Sr Buck owned by Nick Miller

Best opp. Breed-Solid Sr Doe owned by Taelor Burt

Judged by Stephen Hultholm

Solid Sr Buck-13 in class	Solid Sr Doe-10 in class	Solid Jr Buck-3 in class	Solid Jr Doe-2 in class
1. Nicola Falk (BOSV)	1. Taelor Burt (BOV)	1. Kaitlynn Dueck	1. Taelor Burt
2. Nick Miller	2. Kaitlynn Dueck	2. Taelor Burt	2. Sunshyne Marsh
3. Erik Nunamaker	3. Jaycee Shugart	3. Kaitlynn Dueck	
4. Siena Carvalho	4. Erik Nunamaker		
5. Alison Votaw	5. Alison Votaw		
6. Kaitlynn Dueck	6. Taelor Burt		
7. Taelor Burt	7. Jaycee Shugart		
8. Sunshyne Marsh	8. Nick Miller		
9. Makayla Moran	9. Nika Gardner		
10. Jaycee Shugart	10. Makayla Moran		

Broken Sr Buck-8 in class	Broken Sr Doe-8 in class	Broken Jr Buck-2 in class	Broken Jr Doe-3 in class
1. Nick Miller (BOV)	1. Kaitlynn Dueck (BOSV)	1. Siena Carvalho	1. Taelor Burt
2. Jaycee Shugart	2. Jaycee Shugart	2. Taelor Burt	2. Taelor Burt
3. Adrianna Brandt	3. Siena Carvalho		3. Erik Nunamaker
4. Taelor Burt	4. Kaitlynn Dueck		
5. Taelor Burt	5. Jaycee Shugart		
6. Jaycee Shugart	6. Veronica Coplin		
7. Sky Miller	7. Sunshyne Marsh		
8. Nick Miller	8. Taelor Burt		

Welcome Sign & Entrance to the 2012 WCC

MLRCA Booth at West Coast Classic - 2012

District 2 Director
Kassi Sieber

Even though it's been a few weeks I still feel like I am still breathing a sigh of relief now that the 2012 Mini Lop Nationals in Reno is a thing of the past.

I forgot how much work goes into planning a National show and when you have only two members, it makes the work load much more. If it wasn't for Lisa Davis and Tracy Harmon I may not have survived. I think I definitely picked their brains more times than I can count, but bottom line is the SCMLC made the 2012 MLRCA Nationals a show for the history books.

Remember the next time you attend a show, whether it's a specialty, local, nationals or ARBA convention, make sure you offer your help and ALWAYS thank the show committee. Those two things make putting on these shows much more bearable.

Now that the National show is a thing of the past it's time to start planning for the ARBA convention in Wichita, KS. I have already gotten my flight booked; my room booked and a ride to the airport set up. Next I will start making plans on transport for my rabbits and over the next few months I will evaluate my rabbits to see who has the potential to make the trip. It is never too early start planning for these shows. Sometimes it seems like the time flies by and the next thing you know you are arriving at the showroom.

I do want to take this time and encourage EVERY ARBA member out there to vote in the upcoming ARBA elections. I have heard so many people complain in the past about the BOD of the MLRCA as well as in ARBA. The ONLY way changes can be made is if you RUN for an office and/or VOTE. So remember when you receive your ballot for the ARBA elections make sure you take the time to vote and mail in your ballot so your voice can be heard.

-Kassi

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Class Auction Results		
Class	**Bidder**	**Bid Amount**
Solid Sr Buck	Bryan Shirk	$30.00
Solid Sr Doe	Jane Houser	$110.00
Solid Jr Buck	Robert Laughlin	$50.00
Solid Jr Doe	Val Counterman	$45.00
Broken Sr Buck	Tracy Harmon	$50.00
Broken Sr Doe	Robert Laughlin	$300.00
Broken Jr Buck	Kevin Rugen	$30.00
Broken Jr Doe	Robert Laughlin	$35.00
	Total	**$650.00**
Class Winner-Robert Laughlin winning $325.00		

Vote
Josh Humphries
ARBA President
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Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions, thoughts, or concerns. Call or text 423-364-3065 or email judge784@yahoo.com

Expiring Membership List - RENEW NOW!

May	
Bennett, Martha	Gatlin, Beth
Borquez, Tomalene	Gatlin, Chad
Borquez, Vanessa	Gatlin, Logan
Clarke, George	James-Borquez, Jaelyn
Clarke, Kara	West, Larry
Clarke, Trudy	West, Susan
Conklin, Carri	Wiley, Tim E
Desenze, Jocelyn	

June	
Anderson, Andrew	Spenelli, Ethan
Anderson, Nora	Wilcox, Debra
Dunlap, Beth	Wilcox, Tammy
Spenelli, Anthony	Willner, Dita

July	
Baird, Mayay	King, Larry
Baird, Rhonda	Lacewll, Horace
Bowers, Noah	Lacewell, Sharon
Cluck, Rita	Perez, Michael
Dueck, Heidi	Poe, Karen
Dueck, Kaitlynn	Poe, Ryan
Dueck, Shianne	Poe, Tim
Haddox, Benjamin	Poe, Travis
Haddox, Berneta	Richer, Augustin
Haddox, Clem	Richer, Monique
Haddox, Lisbeth	Todd, Hobart
Hoffmaster, Kim	Todd, Judy
King, Eileen	

Up Right: MLRCA Members mingle around the judging table
Above: Judge Rusty Westhoff prepares to judge solids

August	
Carpenter, Elizabeth Gail	Marshall, Ashley
Culver, Rosalie	Marshall, Tracy
Dadlow, Eric	Miles, Judith E.
D'Ambrogio, Richard	Pecor, Christine
Elleman, Jeremy	Percy, Patty
Hoeper, Devin	Russell, Nancy
Jackson, Lacey	Sutton, Samantha
Jackson, Stacey	Walser, Trinda
Johnson, Keliesa	Weikal, Kassie

September	
Bauer, Stacy	Kenney, Mike
Bledsoe, Kellsey	Kenney, Sandy
Borst, Terri	Laroche, Jacques
Borst, Victoria	Lloid, Alyssa
Caldwell, Mason	Mahan, Andy
Celesnik, Pam	Mahan, Dana
Celesnik, Peter	Mahan, Jabez
DeVall, Brianna	Stewart, Chelsea
DeVall, Dax	Stewart, Chyann
DeVall, Paris	Stoudt, Lizzie
DeVall, Ryan	Stoudt, Sarah
Hayes, Sophia	Weigel, Gus
Howard-Weigel, Maggie	Whaley, Becky
Kenney, Alex	Whaley, Sanders
Kenney, Max	

Account Balances - As of 7/9/2012

Bank Accounts	
Checking	2683.15
Checking Acct.	1227.31
Saving Account	8144.48
Total Bank Accounts	**12054.94**
Overall Total:	**12054.94**

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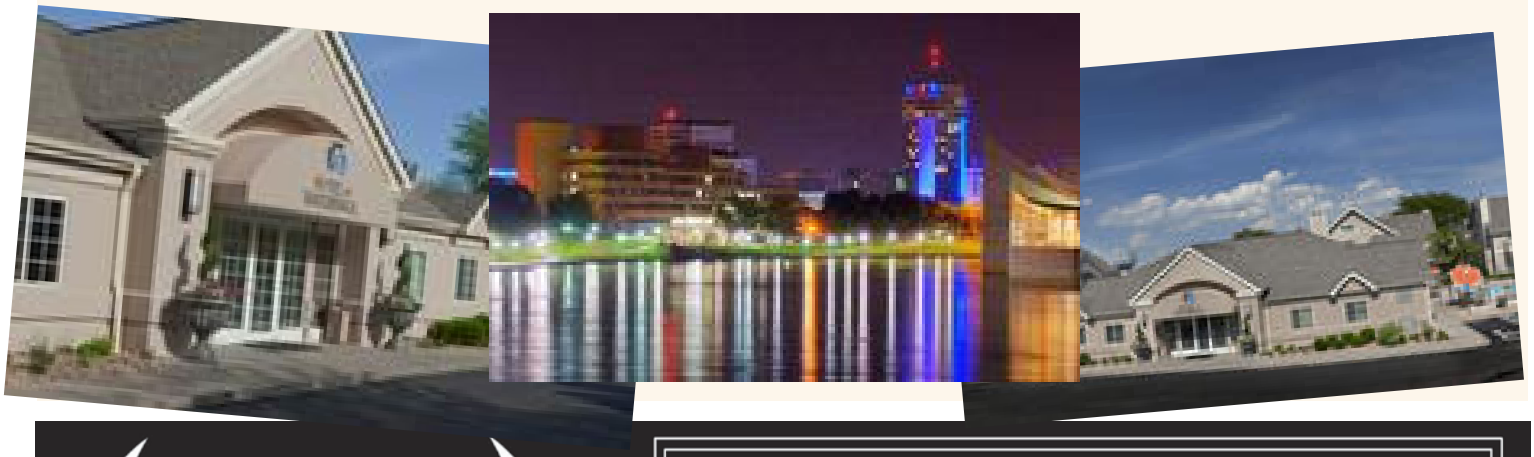

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District 3 Director
Pam Celesnik

Hello Everyone from District 3,

Well this has been one strange spring here in Northern Wisconsin forgoing from 90 degrees to freezing, no snow, no rain to rain and damp back to record setting highs and all within a few days. Our poor rabbits they do not know whether to molt or not. This is causing some things that I have to seen in years especially in the older bucks. Fur mites! Yuk! Ok one can do several things which will get rid of fur mites:

1) You can buy Ivomec and either give as an injection or your best bet (as some rabbits can be allergic to these injections and may cause sores that will cause white spots) just put a few drops on the nape of the neck and it will also keep ear mites away. (Not do not do injections if you do not know the dosages, always consult your vet 1st)

2) You can use Sevin dust found in the Garden department treat you whole herd for a couple of days do not with any of these use on pregnant or lactating does.

3) Use Ivomec paste I use a horse paste and just a small pearl in the mouth is all you need again ask your vet if you are unsure. These are just a few things one can do to get through the molting season .

I personally have been unable to attend many shows this spring, but have shown a couple of times in MN where Travis Valadez cleaned house in Austin, Andrea Baber had a BOB and a BOS in Dodgeville I know Jacalynn Gumz and Remi Taff have both had a great spring doing well at show and just plain having a good time Jacalynn had BOB in Austin Kristen Peterson Got BOS. Sorry I have not seen the bulletin in so I do not have the winners list from here anyone who had any wins in D-3 and want them announce please contact me.

On another note we do ask for your patience as far as getting our Charter back we are working on it and these things take a great deal of time please do not ask us what going on we will inform you when something definite happens. Thank you for your patients in this matter until next time hope you keep your nest box's full.

- Pam

Above: Tracy Harmon works tirelessly through paperwork

Below: Judge Briony Barnes, enjoys a small break in classes

District 4 Director
Theresa Farrow

Here in Texas it looks like another HOT summer is on the way. Hopefully we will not have the severe heat and drought of 2011. In our barn we run a lot of ceiling fans and blowers all day and night. This helps some, but it is still too hot for breeding and raising litters from July-September.

I just attended the Louisiana R.B.A. Memorial weekend shows and had the pleasure of meeting and showing with our web designer, Robert Laughlin. He shows at a lot of shows around the eastern section of the country, and is one of the strongest supporters of the Mini Lop Club of America that I know. Robert had a very nice solid Sr. buck that won BOB in all three shows along with a BIS and a 2nd Reserve in show. I was very happy to win BOS in two of the shows with two different solid Jr. does.

At this time, I am making preparations for the annual Texas Mini Lop Specialty night show. We hold our annual double open and youth show at my home each year, along with a covered dish supper. We all really enjoy this more relaxed evening of friendly competition with just our group of Mini Lop breeders, as this is our last show before our summer break.

Please check your MLRCA membership dates. Our website makes it easy to renew your membership on line, if you prefer, or you can send it by mail to our secretary, Kelly Hansen. For your sweepstakes points, just send a copy of the show report you receive from the show secretaries to our sweepstakes chairman, Kassi Sieber, along with $1.00 for each show. This can also be done on line through our website.

I am looking for a new Youth Director for district 4. Thanks to Zach Weber, our current Youth Director, who will soon to be too old for this position. If any youth in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, or New Mexico is interested, contact me. My contact information is on the front cover of the Advocate.

Theresa Farrow

Lisa Davis, rocking some Goregeous Hair and Paperwork!

Judge Johnny Haussener judging the Youth MLRCA National

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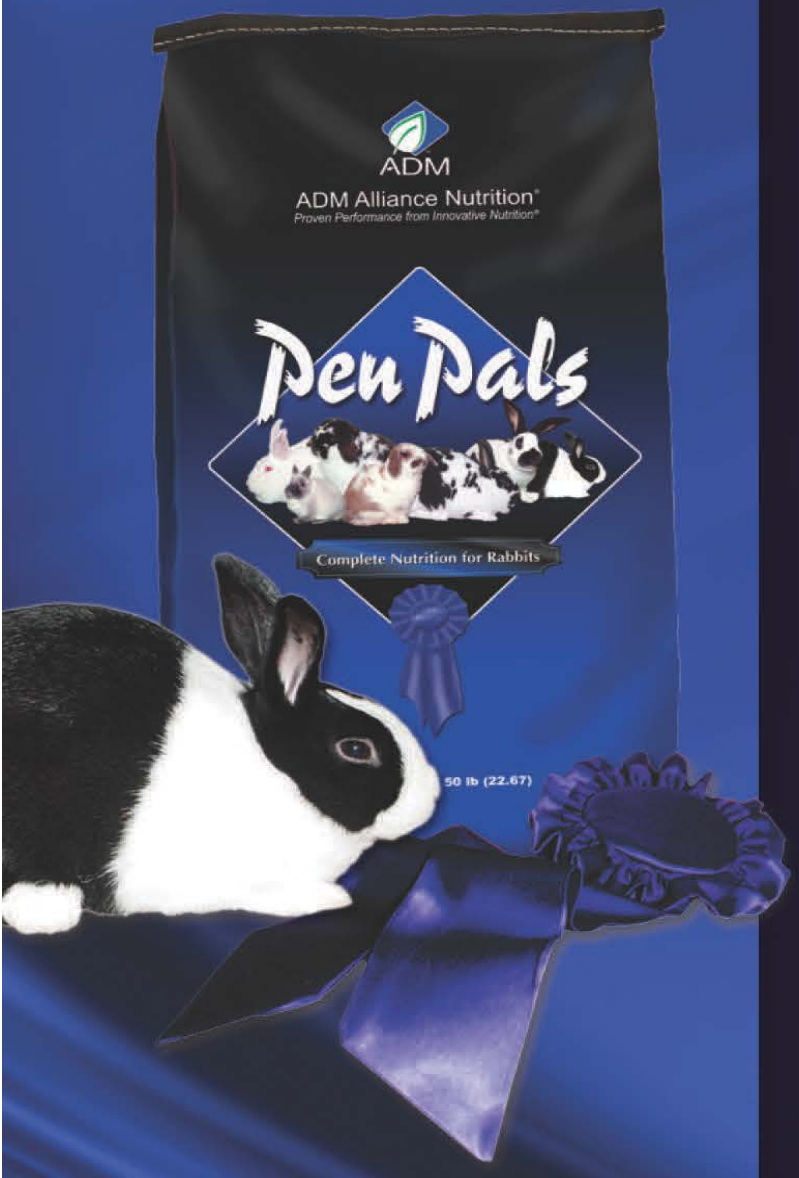

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District 8 Director
Jason Scott

Hello Mini Lop Friends.

I hope that this letter finds you happy and with cages full of babies for the fall shows and a winner for convention. I know that I am very excited about some of my breeding and there should be some very promising little ones in my litters. The show scene in D8 has been strong with some very nice mini lops winning on the tables across the district. I know that there have been a number of BIS and RIS mini lops. I have been working with two girls here in southern Indiana and Kentucky and they were fortunate enough to come home with BIS each from the Kentucky Cup show. One Miss. Rebecca Bradley won with a very nice Chin buck and Hannah Lawson won with a very nice Chestnut buck. I hope everyone else is doing just as well.

I was able to attend the Ohio Mini Convention and we had a great showing of mini lops there. Well over 200 and some very nice animals at that. It was good to have people come in from all over the region and even a few from down south. The big winners on the open side were Jocelyn Desenze, Nancy Riedeman, Bryan Shirk, and Jason Scott. I'm not positive on the youth side, but I got a chance to see some of the youth animals judged and they were very nice. Those kids should be proud of their hard work and keep it up. It is nice to see a good group of hard working youngsters coming up. It's going to get rough on the open tables with the quality in the youth in our district. Keep up the good work kids.

On a voting note. It's coming around and make sure that you send in your ARBA and MLRCA ballots. We need to represent ourselves and be heard. Let's let the ARBA know we mean business and we will not only wear our pink shirts and buttons, but we will do our member duties and vote for what we believe in. So when they come in the mail, look them over and check your choices and send them back in. We need everyone to vote and talk to your friends who raise other breeds and get them to vote as well. Let's be HEARD!

Well till the next time, enjoy the babies popping out of the next boxes and pray for a mild summer this year.

Later mini lop friends.

Jason

Youth Members chat, while working on their paperwork!

Jason M. Scott's

Mini lops

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District 9 Director
Stephen Trent

Greeting from Sunny and HOT VA. My rabbits think that we have moved to Texas. It is soooo HOT here. It was 101 here today and this is unheard of in Va in early July. Even with these temps we have 2 does with litters. Each mini lop doe is raising 2 Flemish Giant babies where the Moms thought that it was to hot to deal with. Go Mini Lops!!!!

As far as the MLRCA goes, we are still fighting. We have decided not to go into a lot of details, but we are continuing the fight. AND fighting hard as ever!!! I am so proud to be a Director for the MLRCA

REMEMBER to send your show reports to Kassi Sieber, Chairman Sweepstakes Committee to get credit for your shows.

I am not sure how others are dealing with the heat but here are a few tips that we do…..We use 2 and 3 liter frozen water bottles in the heat of the day. We have 6-8 commercial oscillating fans where each rabbits get hit with air during that fans cycle. We have a commercial ice maker and several times a day we put crushed ice in their water bottles to keep that very cool. Not everyone will have an ice maker but crushed ice is cheap at the grocery store.

Great News……The 90th ARBA Convention is coming to Harrisburg, Pa October 19-23, 2013. The website is up and running. Check it out @ http://www.marcsconvention.com The 2013 ARBA Convention hotel link is now available...for info go to…… http://www.marcsconvention.com/Hotels.htm be sure and book your rooms in advance. Yall come now….ya hear!!!!!

We are so excited to have it back on the East Coast. It hasn't been here in about 30 years.

My email is dstrent@cox.net I would like to hear from D-9 members. Let me know what is going on in your corner of the District. Email me if there is something that you would like to see in the Advocate or who is winning your shows. I would love to hear from you. You will probably see me at shows in the District. We show from NY to GA and as far west as Ohio.

-Stephen

Youth breeder Siena Carvalho, is all smiles after her best of breed win at the 2012 MLRCA National

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M.L.R.C.A. FORMS DEADLINES

Please note we no longer are going to be putting forms in the Advocate so as to be more cost efficient.

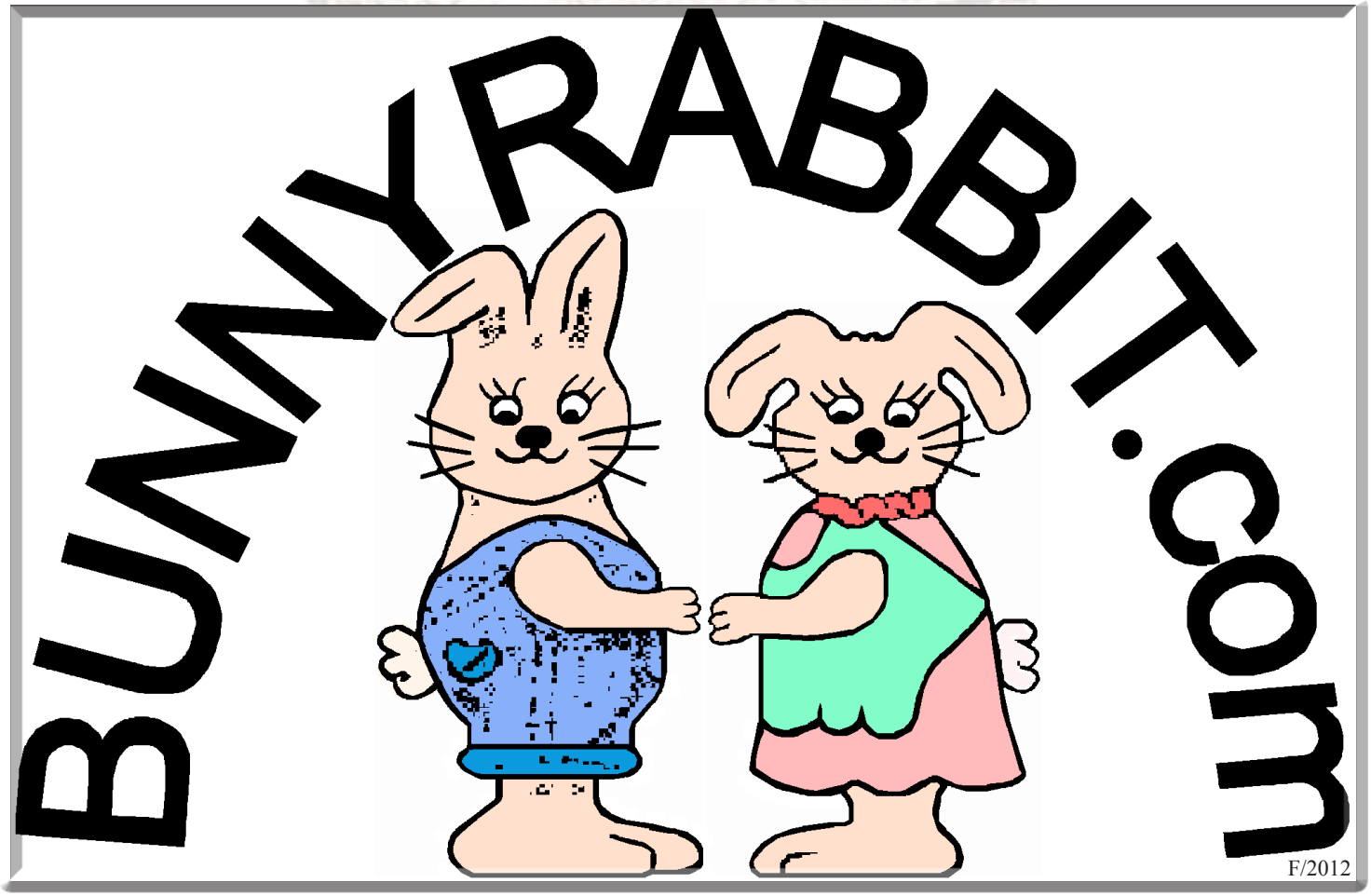
All forms are now on the MLRCA website (http://www.minilop.org/) and maybe downloaded . If you do not have this capability please contact the Secretary and she will mail them to you .

MINI LOP RABBIT CLUB OF AMERICA PETITION FOR OFFICE - Applications resume to the Secretary / Treasurer no later then May 1 of each election year . May be found on line on the MLRCA website. Election this year will be district s 2-4-6-8 and President

MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARDS: Fill out a ballot and return to the MLRCA secretary before the ARBA Convention. May be found on the MLRCA website

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS : Fill out a ballot and return to the MLRCA secretary before the ARBA convention . Maybe found on the MLRCA website

YOUTH SCHOLORSHIP APPLICATION: Must use the forms from the Scholarship committee . Return to the MLRCA Secretary by August 31 of Scholarship year . May be found on the MLRCA website



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Tracy Harmon	Diane Geitzanuaer	Pam Celesnik
Mark Elston		
Kassi Sieber		
Beverly Massegee	2007	2011
Ron Hood	Mark Bender	Claire Howman
Jim & Carol Hartsough	Amy Alderson	
Pennie Grotheer		

Message to the Members:

The officers and directors of the MLRCA would like all members to know we remain active in pursuing avenues to regain our charter. Due to our unanimously agreeing to keep all information from this point forward strictly confidential, we respectfully ask that you be patient with us and refrain from asking us specific questions about our actions as we are unable to give you answers at this time. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Dated: February 12, 2012

Don't forget...

To send in your contest reports for your points to count.

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Kassi Sieber

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OR pay for them on our website www.minilop.org using paypal.

Please remember to make checks payable to the MLRCA.

If you have any question please contact Kassi:

ksieber@msn.com or 209-847-2466

Judges Westhoff & Barnes announce thier Open MLRCA National Best of Breed Winner.

Chris DeSurra, begins the Rabbit Auction!

2011/2012 OPEN TOP FIFTY IN THE NATION

	NAME	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST
1	ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	37	25925	CA
2	ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	42	20235	SC
3	RICHELLE HELLPAP	3	10	15551	WI
4	NICOLE VELOTTA	1	40	13370	WA
5	CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	2	11	10596	CA
6	TRACY & TERRY HARMON	5	7	8329	KS
7	EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	15	7634	ME
8	JANE HOUSER	2	20	6726	CA
9	DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GRADY	1	18	5511	WA
10	JASON SCOTT	8	20	4673	IN
11	THERESA FARROW	4	17	4052	TX
12	ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	5	14	3755	KS
13	PAM/BRIANNA CELESNIK/DEVALL	3	17	2554	WI
14	DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	3	10	2551	MN
15	DEBRA DOLPH	9	23	2475	SC
16	SHEREE WHITE	8	8	2403	MI
17	LISA DAVIS	1	5	1913	WA
18	BRYAN SHIRK	8	8	1748	MI
19	DITA WILLNER	3	16	1488	MN
20	LAWRENCE & ANGELA WEEKS	1	9	1383	ID
21	NANCY RUSSELL	1	20	1332	OR
22	VANESSA & TOMALENE BORQUEZ	1	6	1269	OR
23	KASSI SIEBER	2	9	1235	CA
24	AMY TERRY	6	11	1203	TN
25	KRIS & HILLARY WALSER	9	8	1074	NC
26	NORA ANDERSON	6	11	938	TN
27	LARRY GRUNDLER	9	3	922	PA
28	DAVID & KEVIN RUGEN	5	2	819	MO
29	RICK & JENAE SCHMIDT	5	2	799	KS
30	VALERIE COUNTERMAN	8	3	731	MI
31	ALISON VOTAW	2	7	561	CA
32	ANDY MAHAN	8	2	531	KY
33	LARRY & SUE WEST	8	2	525	MI
34	ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	2	448	WA
35	RICHARD D'AMBROGIO	7	3	442	NY
36	SARA & TRACY MARSHALL	1	10	416	WA
37	MIKE PADGETT	8	3	413	IN
38	SARA & JAMES KITSEMBLE	3	2	412	WI
39	NICOLE POOLE	9	1	409	MD
40	HOBART & JUDY TODD	8	2	404	IN
41	CAUDILL/ALSUP	6	4	362	TN
42	MEGAN MORAIS	2	1	336	CA
43	ONDREYA BERINI	7	2	326	VT
44	BELINDA CARLIN	4	2	313	TX
45	JOCELYN DESENZE	8	2	304	OH
46	FLO YEARSLEY	2	5	296	UT
47	NIKKI MENCSIK	8	2	293	OH
48	KRISTINA WILDENBORG	1	2	277	WA
49	FERGUSON/TRENT	9	5	270	VA
50	RUSTY WESTHOFF	6	2	200	TN

2011/2012 OPEN TOP 5 ALL DISTRICTS

DISTRICT 1	SHOWS	POINTS	BOB	BOS	BRES	BIS
NICOLE VELOTTA	40	13370	16	15	1	2
DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GRADY	18	5511	2	3		1
LISA DAVIS	5	1913	1	1		
LAWRENCE & ANGELA WEEKS	9	1383	6	4		
NANCY RUSSELL	20	1332	1	1		
DISTRICT 2	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	37	25925	31	29	13	6
CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	11	10596	7	6	2	
JANE HOUSER	20	6726	7	4		1
KASSI SIEBER	9	1235				
ALISON VOTAW	7	561	2	1		
DISTRICT 3	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
RICHELLE HELLPAP	10	15551	4	2		
PAM/BRIANNA CELESNIK/DEVALL	17	2554	8	4		
DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	10	2551	7	7	1	
DITA WILLNER	16	1488	3	5		
SARA & JAMES KITSEMBLE	2	412	1			
DISTRICT 4	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
THERESA FARROW	17	4052	12	8	1	
BELINDA CARLIN	2	313		1		
W.H. O'HAVER/CHELSEA STEWART	3	61	1			
DISTRICT 5	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
TRACY & TERRY HARMON	7	8329	3	1		
ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	14	3755	5	6		
DAVID & KEVIN RUGEN	2	819				
RICK & JENAE SCHMIDT	2	799	2	2		
BONNIE & BILL BOLEN	1	152				
DISTRICT 6	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
AMY YERRY	11	1203	2	1		
NORA ANDERSON	11	938	1			
CAUDILL/ALSUP	4	362	1			
RUSTY WESTHOFF	2	200	1			
DON PETERSON	1	28				
DISTRICT 7	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
EILEEN & LARRY KING	15	7634	12	13		2
RICHARD D'AMBROGIO	3	442	1	1		
ONDREYA BERINI	2	326	1		1	
SUZETTE ST. PIERRE	2	145				
NICHOLAS KING	2	37		1		
DISTRICT 8	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
JASON SCOTT	20	4673	10	8	1	1
SHEREE WHITE	8	2403	3	2		
BRYAN SHIRK	8	1748	1	1		
VALERIE COUNTERMAN	3	731				
ANDY MAHAN	2	531	1		1	
DISTRICT 9	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	42	20235	26	25	2	3
DEBRA DOLPH	23	2475	1	2		
KRIS & HILLARY WALSER	8	1074	1	3		
LARRY GRUNDLER	3	922	2	2		
NICOLE POOLE	1	409	1	1		

2011/2012 OPEN QUALITY POINTS

	NAME	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST.
1	ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	37	682	CA
2	RICHELLE HELLPAP	3	10	528	WI
3	EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	15	509	ME
4	ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	42	483	SC
5	CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	2	11	469	CA
6	TRACY & TERRY HARMON	5	7	440	KS
7	SHEREE WHITE	8	8	300	MI
8	NICOLE VELOTTA	1	40	278	WA
9	JANE HOUSER	2	20	262	CA
10	LISA DAVIS	1	5	256	WA
11	DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	3	10	255	MN
12	ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	5	14	249	KS
13	DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GANDY	1	18	247	WA

2011/2012 OPEN HERDSMAN

EXHIBITOR	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST.
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	37	20	CA
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	42	19	SC
EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	15	12	ME
JASON SCOTT	8	20	11	IN
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	40	11	WA
ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	5	14	10	KS
LAWRENCE & ANGELA WEEKS	1	9	8	ID
DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	3	10	8	MN
CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	2	11	8	CA
PAM/BRIANNA CELESNIK/DEVALL	3	17	8	WI
THERESA FARROW	4	17	7	TX
JANE HOUSER	2	20	7	CA
DITA WILLNER	3	16	6	MN
FLO YEARSLEY	2	5	5	UT
RICK & JENAE SCHMIDT	5	2	4	KS
TRACY & TERRY HARMON	5	7	4	KS
SHEREE WHITE	8	8	4	MI
KRIS & HILARY WALSER	9	8	4	NC
RICHELLE HELLPAP	3	10	4	WI
LARRY GRUNDLER	9	3	3	PA
DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GANDY	1	18	3	WA
DEBRA DOLPH	9	23	3	SC
NICOLE POOLE	9	1	2	MD

2011/2012 OPEN DISTRICT BREEDER OF THE YEAR

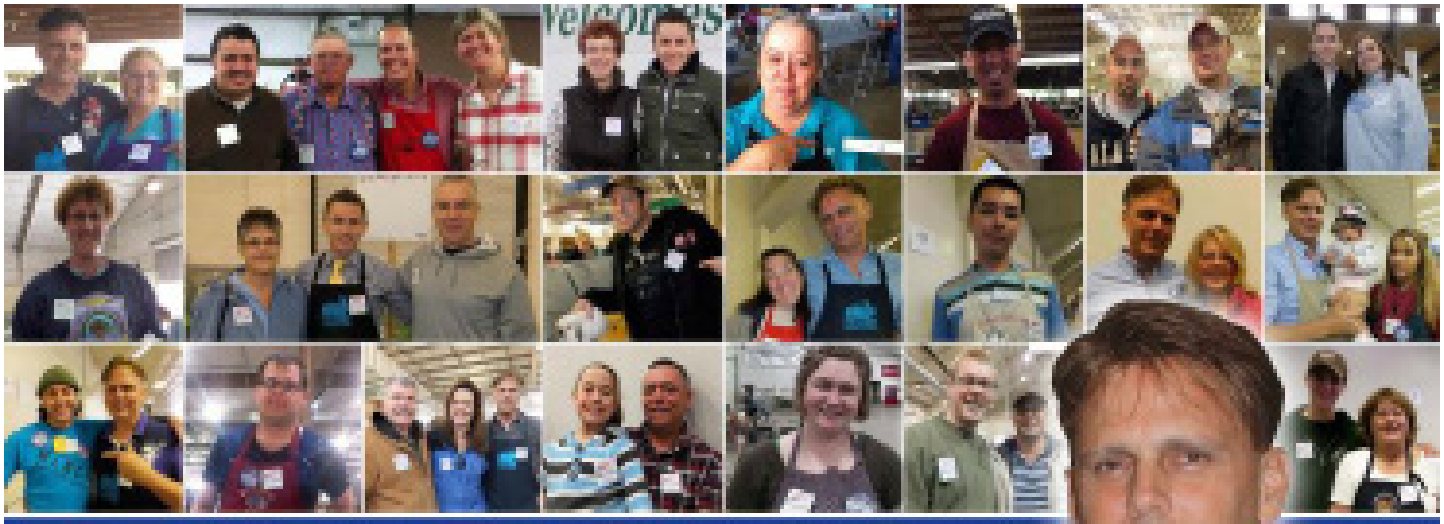
EXHIBITOR	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST.
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	40	58	WA
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	37	154	CA
DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	3	10	24	MN
THERESA FARROW	4	17	35	TX
ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	5	14	16	KS
AMY TERRY	6	11	5	TN
EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	15	45	ME
JASON SCOTT	8	20	35	IN
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	42	95	SC

2011/2012 OPEN TOP LOP

EXHIBITOR	DIST	EAR#	VAR/SEX	POINTS
RICHELLE HELLPAP	3	15HH	BSRD	1572
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	VEFP6	BSRD	911
CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	2	LP	BSRD	894
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	MLKA72	BSRD	782
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	831TW	SSRD	598
JASON SCOTT	8	JS680	SSRB	577
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	VEGT2	SSRD	549
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	MLKA50	BSRD	488
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	MLE169	SSRB	480
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	FF031	SSRD	469
RICHELLE HELLPAP	3	20HH	SSRB	427
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	VENTI	BSRD	386
EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	MOO	BFRD	370
NICOLE VELOTTA	1	VEKS	BSRB	358
DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GANDY	1	BJVL5	BSRD	352
EILEEN & LARRY KING	7	AD4	SSRD	349
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	GDM3	SSRB	348
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	U14	SSRD	300
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	2	MLA53	SSRB	296
THERESA FARROW	4	CX	BSRB	292
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	FF002	BSRB	286
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	938TW	SSRB	278
PAM/BRIANNA CELESNIK/DEVALL	3	AB106	SSRB	266
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	9	M2D1	BSRD	266

2011/2012 OPEN BOB, BOS, BRES, BIS

DISTRICT 1	SHOWS	BOB	BOS	BRES	BIS
VANESSA & TOMALENE BORQUEZ	6	1			
LISA DAVIS	5	1	1		
DIANE/REBECCA JONES/GRADY	18	2	3		1
NANCY RUSSELL	20	1	1		
NICOLE VELOTTA	40	16	15	1	2
LAWRENCE & ANGELA WEEKS	9	6	4		
DISTRICT 2	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ELIZABETH & LINDA BELL	37	31	29	13	6
CHRISTOPHER DESURRA	11	7	6	2	
JANE HOUSER	20	7	4		1
ALISON VOTAW	7	2	1		
FLO YEARSLY	5	2	3		
DISTRICT 3	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
DIANE & BOB ANDERSON	10	7	7	1	
KAREN & ANN BROUNS	2	1			
PAM/BRIANNE CELESNIK/DEVALL	17	8	4		
RICHELLE HELLPAP	10	4	2		
SARA & JAMES KITSEMBLE	2	1			
KATELYN & KATHY LAUNDERVILLE	2	2	1		
PATTY PERCY	2	1	1		
DITA WILLNER	16	3	5		



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2011/2012 OPEN BOB, BOS, BRES, BIS					
DISTRICT 4	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
BELINDA CARLIN	2		1		
THERESA FARROW	17	12	8	1	
W.H. O'HAVER/CHELSEA STEWART	3	1			
DISTRICT 5	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
TRACY & TERRY HARMON	7	3	1		
ELIZABETH HEMPHILL	14	5	6		
RICK & JENAE SCHMIDT	2	2	2		
DISTRICT 6	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
NORA ANDERSON	11	1			
CAUDILL/ALSUP	4	1			
AMY TERRY	11	2	1		
RUSTY WESTHOFF	2	1			
DISTRICT 7	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ONDREYA BERINI	2	1		1	
RICHARD D'AMBROGIO	3	1	1		
EILEEN & LARRY KING	15	12	13		2
NICHOLAS KING	2		1		
DISTRICT 8	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
JOCELYN DESENZE	2	1	1		
KELLY HANSEN	4	2	2		
ANDY MAHAN	2	1		1	
NIKKI MENCSIK	2	1	1		
MIKE PADGETT	3		1		
JASON SCOTT	20	10	8	1	1
BRYAN SHIRK	8	1	1		
HOBART & JUDY TODD	2		1		
LARRY & SUE WEST	2	1	1		
SHEREE WHITE	8	3	2		
DISTRICT 9	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
DEBRA DOLPH	23	1	2		
LARRY GRUNDLER	3	2	2		
ROBERT & MICHELLE LAUGHLIN	42	26	25	2	3
STEPHEN PAPPAS	2	2			
NICOLE POOLE	1	1	1		
KRIS & HILARY WALSER	8	1	3		

2011/2012 YOUTH HERDSMAN				
EXHIBITOR	**DIST**	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**ST.**
STACY BAUER	8	15	11	MI
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	14	9	PA
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	19	9	IN
NICHOLAS KING	7	9	8	ME
ALISON VOTAW	2	30	7	CA
KYRA CLARK	8	15	6	OH
DEVIN HOEPER	3	3	5	MN
JEREMY ELLEMAN	8	9	5	CA
DYLAN WAUTHIER	5	3	4	IL
REMI TAFF	3	6	4	WI
CODY DAHLBERG	5	11	4	MO
KELSEY MACQUARRIE	4	2	3	TX
JOSHUA & SHAY STENCHEVER	1	4	3	WA
ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	5	3	WA
JENAE SCHMIDT	5	1	2	KS
STEPHANIE LUTZ	7	2	2	CT
KAITLIN SMITH	4	2	2	TX
ALYSSA LLOID	6	3	2	LA
ANTHONY SPENELLI	8	3	2	MI
SIENA CARVALHO	2	3	2	CA
WYATT JAMES	4	4	2	OK
PIPER MALCOLM	8	4	2	IN
KATHARINE HEMPHILL	5	4	2	KS
CHYANN STEWART	4	5	2	TX
TAMMY WILCOX	4	1	1	AR

2011/2012 YOUTH QUALITY POINTS					
	NAME	**DIST**	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**ST.**
1	ASHTON SAMBOL	9	14	641	PA
2	TRAVIS TERRIL	8	19	386	IN
3	STACY BAUER	8	15	320	MI
4	NICHOLAS KING	7	9	234	ME
5	CODY DAHLBERG	5	11	233	MO
6	KYRA CLARK	8	15	210	OH
7	HJ OLGER	8	8	160	MI
8	JEREMY ELLEMAN	8	9	159	OH
9	ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	5	136	WA
10	REMI TAFF	3	6	121	WI
11	ALISON VOTAW	2	30	100	CA
12	CHYANN STEWART	4	5	32	TX

Important Sweepstakes Notice

This is a reminder that the sweepstakes year ended May 31, 2012. For those of you wanting to compete in the sweepstakes for the 2011/2012 year….Please send in your show reports ASAP. All show reports must be postmarked NO LATER than August 15th 2012 to be counted in this year's sweepstakes. If you have any show reports from June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012 make sure you send them in to get your points. Show reports and payment can be sent to Kassi Sieber 9684 Warnerville Rd, Oakdale, CA 95361 or pay for them on our website www.minilop.org using PayPal. Please remember to make all checks payable to the MLRCA. If you have any questions, please contact Kassi at ksieber@msn.com or 209-847-2466

2011/2012 YOUTH TOP LOP

EXHIBITOR	DIST	EAR #	VAR/SEX	POINTS
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	E2MV	SSRD	611
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	BNA42	SSRB	435
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	BNA93	SSRD	366
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	BNA68	BSRB	264
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	T745	BSRB	236
CODY DAHLBERG	5	899TW	BSRD	219
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	BNA67	BSRD	189
STACY BAUER	8	ZIVA	BSRD	180
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	TIG	BSRD	164
SIENA CARVALHO	2	BDGPEEKA-BOO	BSRD	156
KYRA CLARK	8	TG1	SJRD	150
KYRA CLARK	8	GMG	BSRB	148
JEREMY ELLEMAN	8	3HI42	SJRD	140
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	YA1	SSRB	134
STACY BAUER	8	MAG	SJRB	124
STACY BAUER	8	1SB	BSRD	118
STACY BAUER	8	LW2	BSRD	118
NICHOLAS KING	7	CC2	BSRD	113
KYRA CLARK	8	SGB	BSRB	112
STACY BAUER	8	B35	BSRB	110
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	BNA4	BSRB	110
SIENA CARVALHO	2	SCR3	SSRB	107
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	Y8	SSRD	102
ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	SPUNK	BSRB	100
HJ OLGER	8	MMC	SSRD	100

2011/2012 YOUTH TOP 5 ALL DISTRICTS

DISTRICT 1	SHOWS	POINTS	BOB	BOS	BRES	BIS
ERIK NUNAMAKER	5	1054	2	2		
JOSHUA & SHAY STENCHEVER	4	517	1	2		
KELLY BLEDSOE	2	46				
JAELYN JAMES - BORQUEZ	1	9				
DISTRICT 2	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ALISON VOTAW	30	3890	2	5		
CAITLIN & BEN VOORHEES	1	1537				
TAELOR BURT	3	1225		1		
KAITLYNN DUECK	3	927				
SIENA CARVALHO	3	878	2			
DISTRICT 3	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
DEVIN HOEPER	3	781	2	3		
REMI TAFF	6	726	2	3		
ALEX & MAX KENNEY	3	255				
DISTRICT 4	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
TAMMY WILCOX	1	615	1			1
KAITLIN SMITH	2	589		2		
WYATT JAMES	4	343	2	2		
KELSEY MACQUARRIE	2	243	1	2		
CHYANN STEWART	5	162	2			

DISTRICT 5	SHOWS	POINTS	BOB	BOS	BRES	BIS
CODY DAHLBERG	11	3319	4	3		
KATHARINE HEMPHILL	4	1048	1	1		
CAYDEN HARMON	2	908	2		1	1
JENAE SCHMIDT	1	797	1	1	1	
DYLAN WAUTHIER	3	482	3	2		
DISTRICT 6	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ALYSSA LLOID	3	752	2			
DISTRICT 7	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
NICHOLAS KING	9	2102	8	4	2	1
STEPHANIE LUTZ	2	443	1	1	1	
ALEX DEMBINSKI	2	60				
DISTRICT 8	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
TRAVIS TERRIL	19	9862	9	7	1	
STACY BAUER	15	7147	7	6	1	
KYRA CLARK	15	4727	5	5		
HJ OLGER	8	2239		1		
JEREMY ELLEMAN	9	1432	2	6		1
DISTRICT 9	**SHOWS**	**POINTS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ASHTON SAMBOL	14	8971	13	11	3	2
AMANDA SAUNTER	2	220				
KAYLEE TAPPEN	2	214				
ASHER HOFFMAN	2	56				
ELIZABETH WILTSHIRE	1	17				

2011/2012 YOUTH DISTRICT BREEDER OF THE YEAR

EXHIBITOR	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST.
ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	5	6	WA
ALISON VOTAW	2	30	9	CA
DEVIN HOEPER	3	3	7	MN
WYATT JAMES	4	4	6	OK
CAYDEN HARMON	5	2	11	KS
ALYSSA LLOID	6	3	4	LA
NICHOLAS KING	7	9	30	ME
TRAVIS TERRIL	8	19	29	IN
ASHTON SAMBOL	9	14	54	PA

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2011/2012 YOUTH TOP FIFTY IN THE NATION

	NAME	DIST	SHOWS	POINTS	ST.
1	TRAVIS TERRIL	8	19	9862	IN
2	ASHTON SAMBOL	9	14	8971	PA
3	STACY BAUER	8	15	7147	MI
4	KYRA CLARK	8	15	4727	OH
5	ALISON VOTAW	2	30	3890	CA
6	CODY DAHLBERG	5	11	3319	MO
7	HJ OLGER	8	8	2239	MI
8	NICHOLAS KING	7	9	2102	ME
9	CAITLIN & BEN VOORHEES	2	1	1537	CA
10	JEREMY ELLEMAN	8	9	1432	OH
11	TAELOR BURT	2	3	1225	CA
12	ERIK NUNAMAKER	1	5	1054	WA
13	KATHARINE HEMPHILL	5	4	1048	KS
14	KAITLYN DUECK	2	3	927	CA
15	CAYDEN HARMON	5	2	908	KS
16	SIENA CARVALHO	2	3	878	CA
17	JENAE SCHMIDT	5	1	797	KS
18	DEVIN HOEPER	3	3	781	MN
19	ALYSSA LLOID	6	3	752	LA
20	REMI TAFF	3	6	726	WI
21	TAMMY WILCOX	4	1	615	AR
22	KAITLIN SMITH	4	2	589	TX
23	JAYCEE SHUGART	2	3	522	CA
24	JOSHUA & SHAY STENCHEVER	1	4	517	WA
25	DYLAN WAUTHIER	5	3	482	IL
26	PIPER MALCOM	8	4	479	IN
27	STEPHANIE LUTZ	7	2	443	CT
28	WYATT JAMES	4	4	343	OK
29	RYAN POE	8	2	255	IN
30	ALEX & MAX KENNEY	3	3	255	MN
31	CAMDEN & CAITLIN DOCKENDORF	2	3	246	CA
32	KELSEY MACQUARRIE	4	2	243	TX
33	AMANDA SAUNTER	9	2	220	PA
34	COURTNEY COWLES	2	2	216	CA
35	KAYLEE TAPPEN	9	2	214	MD
36	CHYANN STEWART	4	5	162	TX
37	ANTHONY SPENELLI	8	3	127	MI
38	ALEX DEMBINSKI	7	2	60	NH
39	ASHER HOFFMAN	9	2	56	PA
40	KELLSEY BLEDSOE	1	2	46	WA
41	ELIZABETH WILTSHIRE	9	1	17	PA
42	JAELYN JAMES - BORQUEZ	1	1	9	OR

2011/2012 YOUTH BOB, BOS, BRES, BIS

DISTRICT 1	SHOWS	BOB	BOS	BRES	BIS
ERIK NUNAMAKER	5	2	2		
JOSHUA & SHAY STENCHEVER	4	1	2		
DISTRICT 2	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
TAELOR BURT	3		1		
SIENA CARVALHO	3	2			
COURTNEY COLWES	2	1	1		
CAMDEN & CAITLIN DOCKEDORF	3		1		
JAYCEE SHUGART	3	1			
ALISON VOTAW	30	2	5		
DISTRICT 3	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
DEVIN HOEPER	3	2	3		
REMI TAFF	6	2	3		
DISTRICT 4	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
WYATT JAMES	4	2	2		
KELSEY MACQUARRIE	2	1	2		
KAITLIN SMITH	2		2		
CHYANN STEWART	5	2			
TAMMY WILCOX	1	1			1
DISTRICT 5	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
CODY DAHLBERG	11	4	3		
CAYDEN HARMON	2	2		1	1
KATHARINE HEMPHILL	4	1	1		
JENAE SCHMIDT	1	1	1	1	
DYLAN WAUTHIER	3	3	2		
DISTRICT 6	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ALYSSA LLOID	3	2			
DISTRICT 7	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
NICHOLAS KING	9	8	4	2	1
STEPHANIE LUTZ	2	1	1	1	
DISTRICT 8	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
STACY BAUER	15	7	6	1	
KYRA CLARK	15	5	5		
JEREMY ELLEMAN	9	2	6		1
PIPER MALCOM	4	1	1		
HJ OLGER	8		1		
RYAN POE	2	1			
ANTHONY SPENELLI	3	3	2		
TRAVIS TERRIL	19	9	7		1
DISTRICT 9	**SHOWS**	**BOB**	**BOS**	**BRES**	**BIS**
ASHTON SAMBOL	14	13	11	3	2

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Advocate Editor
Elizabeth Bell

Hello Mini Lop Breeders!

Super Hot! That's about all I can say to some up this summer for everyone. Seems like the entire country has been hit with a heck of a summer, with extreme heat and drought coupled with other disasters (such as wildfires), it is time for summer to roll out and I am sure we are all looking forward to fall.

I will be finishing my last year at Cal State San Bernardino this fall and I couldn't be more excited. I have been in school forever and I can't wait to wrap it up and begin my career!

West Coast Classic was a blast and I was happy I was able to attend this year. Randy Shumaker and Uno Kivi, know what they are doing. The shows ran smoothly and without difficulty. I was stuck at a table most of the weekend as I was the show register (I think my final count was about 35). I was able to pull away in time to watch Best of Breed judging on Saturday for the National, and I was so happy that Rusty and Briony chose our Broken Sr. Doe (who is pictured on the cover of this issue). Thanks to all who have congratulated us on our win.

I made so many new friends at West Coast Classic, and I had so much fun. I encourage everyone to attend in the future. The show is well worth the trip!

Convention is just around the corner, Wichita is going to be incredibly fun. One thing I learned at West Coast Classic is Mini Lop Breeders definitely know how to party! I hope my school schedule allows for me to come and partake in some of that fun.

By the time this issue makes it into your hands, it will be ARBA election season. It is really important; regardless of who you vote for, the most important thing to do is vote!!! As a member of the ARBA, it is both your right, and obligation to elect representatives. If you do not vote, you have no ground to complain about the goings on in the organization. So in short, Please Vote! I have included a list of candidates who the MLRCA supports in this election. Remember out goal is restore the MLRCA as the rightful National Specialty Club. This candidates listed below have stated their position on these matters.

Josh Humphries - President
Randy Shumaker - Vice President
Rusty Westhoff - District 6 Director

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Thanks, Liz

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Christopher DeSurra	Vodka Gift Basket	$80	Borquez Family
Kassi Sieber	Beatrice Potter Music Box	$75	Lisa Davis
Kendra Oliver-Gill	Gourmet BBQ Basket	$75	Val Counterman
Kassi Sieber	Blue Calla Lily Bowl	$70	Bryan Shirk (for Tracy)
Kassi Sieber	Bunny Tea Cup Music Box	$70	Lindsay Rouse
Kassi Sieber	John Deere Trays	$65	Val Counterman
Kassi Sieber	Thomas Kinkade Plate	$65	Robert Laughlin
Christopher DeSurra	MLRCA Satchel	$50	Bryan Shirk
Kassi Sieber	Bunny in Teapot	$50	Diane Jones
Christopher DeSurra	Fun-Buns Jacket	$50	Shalene Castro
Kassi Sieber	Rabbit Chip & Dip Plate	$50	Jane Hauser
Borquez Family	Bunny Planter w/Parsley	$40	
Kassi Sieber	Bunny Music Box	$40	Rusty Westhoff
Kendra Oliver-Gill	Scrapbooking Basket	$40	Tanya & Liz Hemphill
Kassi Sieber	Photo Album Gift Set	$40	Bryan Shirk
Kassi Sieber	Salt & Pepper Shakers	$35	Nancy Russell
Kassi Sieber	Gardening Flag Pole	$30	Jane Hauser
Kassi Sieber	Dried Flower Wreath	$25	Voorhees Family
Total Raised		$1055.00	

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BEST OPPOSITE SOLID	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Solid Senior Buck	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
1st Place Solid Senior Doe	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Solid Senior Doe	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
1st Place Solid Junior Doe	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Solid Junior Doe	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Broken Senior Buck	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Broken Junior Buck	2012 MLRCA Nationals, Reno
2nd Place Solid Senior Buck	2011 ARBA Convention, Indianapolis

1st Place Solid Junior Doe	2010 ARBA Convention, Minneapolis
BEST BROKEN	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego
1st Place Broken Senior Doe	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego
1st Place Broken Junior Buck	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego
2nd Place Broken Junior Buck	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego
2nd Place Solid Junior Buck	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego
2nd Place Solid Junior Doe	2009 ARBA Convention, San Diego

BEST OF BREED	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
BEST OPPOSITE BREED	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
BEST SOLID	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
BEST OPPOSITE SOLID	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
BEST OPPOSITE BROKEN	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
1st Place Solid Senior Buck	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
1st Place Solid Senior Doe	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
1st Place Broken Junior Buck	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey
1st Place Broken Junior Doe	2009 MLRCA Nationals, Monterey

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A Presidental Apology:

Presidential Apology

As many of you know, this Summer a fellow mini lop breeder took it upon herself to track down and bulk mail my 20 year old arrest report to hundreds of Open and Youth, former and current MLRCA members. I truly apologize for any inconvenience or discomfort this may have caused you or your families. It deeply saddens me that such ugly and extreme measures have been taken to harm the MLRCA, but as with my mistake 20 years ago, this experience has taught me an invaluable lesson, which I would like to share with you.

When I was detained and released with a warning for hanging with the wrong crowd in college, I learned that we are judged by the company we keep and that we are absolutely responsible for our actions and our choices. I learned that my mistakes early in life might have had a damaging effect later in life and I share this enlightening experience with my college students in my lecture on "The Perception Process" in the hopes that they will also learn from my experience because I think that it is important that this age group realizes the consequences of their decisions. I am so disappointed that a breeder decided to share this information with children.

When I first learned that this information was mailed across the country, I laughed because I thought it was silly. I thought it was hysterical that someone would take the time to dig up such an archaic report or thought that it would mean something to those who know me. I actually enjoyed the first few days after the letter was mailed because I was flooded with supportive and encouraging emails, texts, Facebook messages and letters. But then I realized the magnitude of the mailing and that it was also sent to youth members and to people no longer in the club and that realization was really hard.

Raising rabbits has always been about family for me. My mini lops were there for me as a child, and during my parent's divorce, and during my tough time in high-school and recently as a valuable relief from a demanding career as a Communication Studies Professor and Department Chair. I cherish the friendships, relationships and experiences this hobby has afforded me and I'm shocked that my love for my bunnies and the MLRCA has come to this. I had no idea that representing the members of a rabbit club would open me to such ugly scrutiny and cowardly character attacks.

While I admit that the MLRCA still has a lot to learn, I think that as a club it has verified that it is adaptable and responsive to its members and is the future of the Mini Lop breed. The MLRCA adheres to the philosophies that an overwhelming majority of mini lops breeders feel are important: comradely, sportsmanship, cooperation, inclusion, fairness, and fun. The MLRCA has always been and continues to prove that it is one of the best Specialty Breed Clubs in the Nation.

So, to all of you who received a piece of my past in the mail, I am deeply sorry for my mistakes and your unfortunate involvement. I also received a plain envelope with the Nashville postmark only mine didn't contain my picture; it contained the following typed note. Upon reading it, I knew exactly who sent it to me and my picture to so many. Many of you will also recognize her distinctive writing style and complete lack of understanding of how and why friendships and relationship are fostered and developed. I feel sorry for her; sorry that she thought this would change the opinions of those who know me and sorry that she spent the time and money to stoop so low.

Thank you for your love and support and for loving mini lops as much as I do. The note to me reads:

In the short run, in an artificial system such as school, you may be able to GET BY if you learn how to "MANIPULATE" the man-made rules, to "PLAY THE GAME." In most one-shot or short-lived human interactions, you can use the Personality Ethic to get by and make favorable impressions through charm and skill and PRETENDING to be interested in other people's hobbies.

You can pick up quick and easy techniques that may work in short-term situations.

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