

PAL NEWS

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President's Report – Jim Hunter:

Hello Fellow Palomino Rabbit Breeders,

I use the word breeders tongue-in-cheek due to the fact that I have not been able to breed for the upcoming spring national Palomino show. Very frustrating. I have a ways to go before I have breeding stock that I am happy with. I have purchased some and traded for some, but my breeding herd isn't where I'd like to have it. I have several test crosses to make and animals to wade through before I even know what will work with what. Contrary to previous years, I'm really trying to match make with my bucks and does to find out which pairings will produce animals that I would be proud to put on the show table. Even more important than that is producing the quality of animal that I wouldn't hesitate to trade or sell to fellow members of the PRCBA! Having said that, it doesn't look like I'll have much to show at the spring national this year other than older animals that may or may not be in fur at that time. I definitely won't have anything I'd be willing to sell or trade. Sorry about that. I hope to have some better animals to show in Indianapolis!



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President's Report Continued...

My world has been upside down since Thanksgiving Day, and it has been a slow, but steady, climb back to the reality of things. I'm not on top of everything yet as this Pal Club report is over a week overdue. Hopefully, my friend James Brown will forgive me this time. I also missed the deadline for the PRCBA report for the DR. My most sincere apologies to the club members for that. It was due the first part of December and I was busy with family, and decisions, and lots and lots of traveling. My mother would say, in times such as this, "This, too, shall pass."

I recently showed at the PRRF (Platte River Rabbit Fanciers) in Henderson, Colorado. There were four Palomino breeders in attendance and we had a good showing of lynx there. There were only a handful of golden Pals shown. I think Cliff will tell you about that show in his report. I was really glad to see Raejean Palko at the show and I had the opportunity to visit with her quite a bit while the Pals were on the table. I also talked with Wendy Richardson. She had purchased some lynx from me at Fort Worth and this is actually the first show I had seen her at since then. Last year shouldn't count, though, because I only showed Pals at two shows last year and both of those shows were in the fall.

If any of you have any suggestions on ways to get uncooperative does stimulated to be receptive to the buck, please feel free to share with me or with our Pal News Editor. Please remember that many of us who live in the temperate zone actually have seasonal variations. Wintertime breeding tips would be appreciated.

Once again I have started reworking my cage situation at Hunter Family Rabbits. This time I am working on the outside cages and hope to at least double the current number. That's still not very many cages overall compared to some breeders, but I find that it would be convenient to have unused cages on the premises 'just in case'.

Remember to please keep your membership current and always, always, always be a "Pal to the Pals"!

Jim Hunter



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ARBA Convention 2017



October 1 - 5, 2017

▣ Vice President's Report - Jim Brown:

Greetings Palomino Breeders!



We've had a mild winter thus far in Pennsylvania, but my does have been anything but cooperative. I've adjusted light and been watching their weight, but I can't seem to get them to want to breed. I've got a bunch of shows I'd like to attend this spring, but it doesn't look like I'll have a very deep show string.

Included in this issue are the requirements for the youth contests. If you know a youth member in your area that is actively breeding and showing Pals, please ask them to complete the application and submit their answers to the contests. The due date for submission is April 1st, 2017.

This past weekend was the annual Pennsylvania State Rabbit Breeders Association convention. It's a huge Show with great judges and four opportunities to show your animals. There were 15 pals entered each day by a great group of exhibitors. Sunday I won BOB in the show with a very nice 6/8 doe. If you ever get the opportunity to attend PaSRBA, it's a great weekend.

The last page of this edition is an opportunity to suggest Judges for ARBA Convention. We have judges scheduled through 2018 but now need to look ahead. Please either email me your suggestions or mail the last page back to me so that I can compile a list and begin reaching out to judges and make plans for future conventions.

Thank you for all you do to promote Pals in your area!



▫ **Secretary's Report – Carolyn Wright:**

Greetings from the Secretary's Desk!

By now, hopefully, everyone should have nest boxes full of Pals.

It's been crazy weather here in Texas. One minute it's 85 degrees and the next day its 20 degrees. I'm just glad no buns got sick. Only one was the "care taker", ME. I'm a firm believer in getting the Flu shot now. Wayne got one and never caught it and he had to endure me for 2+ weeks with the mess.

Don't forget the National All Pal Spring Show in Hutchinson, KS this April 22nd. The folks in the Central Regional Rabbit Club have been doing lots of planning for the different National club shows.

Also, in this Newsletter, you find an update of the open and youth sweepstakes.

If you'll notice in the Open Pal of the year list, gold pal buck F4 is listed twice. Yeap, that's the Convention Group winner buck. Never have I had the same animal listed twice in all the years as Sweepstakes Recorder.

The youth list is compiled of ALL the youth we have actively show Palominos. We picked up a few new youth breeders in the last couple months and sanction requests are coming in full swing now.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to drop me a line.

Regards

Carolyn Wright

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Palomino Rabbit Co-Breeders Association Youth Contests Spring 2017

All participants must be under 19 years of age and a current member of the PRCBA. Applications and photos become the property of the PRCBA and will not be returned.

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Youth Signature* _____

Parent or Guardian Signature* _____

*signature indicates consent to the posting of awards on the PRCBA website.

Directions:

Please answer each question in complete sentences. Contests are to be completed by the youth member. Younger children may have an adult assist with the typing or writing of answers.

Contestants may include pictures and additional documentation to support your answers.

Send your completed contest entry and a color photo of yourself to:

U.S. Mail:

James Brown
2177 West End Road
Bath, PA 18104
Attn: Palomino Youth Activities

Electronic Submission:

PalominoYouthActivities@gmail.com

Deadline: Entry must be postmarked or emailed by **April 1, 2017**

Winners will be announced during the Banquet at Palomino Nationals.



Palomino Rabbit Co-Breeders Association Youth Achievement Contest

Please answer each of the following questions in complete sentences.

You may include pictures and additional documentation to support your written answers.

1. How long have you been a member of the PRCBA? How long have you been breeding and showing Palominos? What varieties do you raise? Why did you choose the Palomino breed?
2. What other rabbit or youth organizations are you a member of, and how long have you been a member? Have you held any officer positions or served on any committees in these organizations?
3. Describe any rabbit activities that you have participated in and/or developed? Please explain how Palominos were used to help your participation.
4. Explain what you do to make others aware of Palominos, increasing their knowledge of the breed and to encourage them to become active in breeding and or showing Palominos?
5. What is the most important award(s) you have won with your Palominos? What is the most important award(s) you yourself have won through your work with your Palominos? Please explain why you consider them the most important.
6. How many shows did you attend this past year with your Palominos? How many rabbits did you register this year, and were any eligible for Grand Champion status through the ARBA?
7. What goals did you set for your rabbit project when you first started? What goals have you achieved up to this point?
8. What goals have you set for your project this year? How do you plan to achieve them?
9. How does setting goals and achieving them help you in the future?
10. How do feel your participation in this contest will help you in the future?
11. What would you like us to know that we have not asked?



Palomino Rabbit Co-Breeders Association Youth Management Contest

Please answer each of the following questions in complete sentences.
You may include pictures and additional documentation to support your written answers.

1. How long have you been a member of the PRCBA? How long have you been showing and breeding Palominos? How many Palominos do you have? What varieties do you raise and how many bucks and does do you have?
2. Please describe the type of cages or hutches you use to house your animals: include the number of cages, the size and what materials they are made with.
3. Describe where your rabbits are located and how you protect them from the elements and predators.
4. What type of equipment do you use to feed and water your rabbits? What type of feed do you feed your animals and why did you select this feed? How do you store your feed? What supplements do you feed, if any?
5. Explain your cleaning schedule for cages and how do you dispose of manure?
6. Have you had any disease problems with your rabbits and if you did, how did you treat it. What do you do to prevent illness or disease with your rabbits?
7. What factors do you consider when breeding your animals? How do you care for the doe before and after kindling? Describe the type of nest boxes you use and what type of bedding you provide for nesting.
8. How many litters did you raise in the last year? How many rabbits did you wean? How many rabbits did you keep for your breeding/show program? What did you do with the surplus animals?
9. What factors do you consider when selecting new rabbits to purchase, or replace breeding stock?
10. Describe your record keeping system, please be specific and explain what information you keep on each rabbit.
11. What would you like us to know that we have not asked?

▫ **District 3 Report – Tom Lowin:**

We have been in sort of a deep freeze here in the Northern Plains for several weeks but the Weather Man says there is a January thaw coming. Looking forward to that! My hardy Pals don't seem to the mind the cold though in their outdoor shelters. Sure suits them better than the summer heat.

The East River Rabbit Breeders show in Sioux Falls, SD on January 28 is the start off show (in my normal range of travels) for the year around here. The show is usually well attended as breeders are ready to come out of hibernation. Then there is one more winter show in Watertown, SD in mid-February before the spring shows starting in April. It will be good to get out again and mingle with the rabbit crowd.

Also, looking forward to seeing those that can attend the Hutchinson show. At least at this time I am planning to attend.

Happy New Year!

▫ **District 5 Report – Beth Thurn:**

Greetings from Kansas and District 5. I haven't been to any rabbit shows recently, so don't have any exciting rabbit news. Winter has been extreme. A few weeks we reached a morning low of minus 16. The coldest I remember being since I began raising rabbits and they all survived. We just got off easy with a recent ice storm and now are having spring temperatures. The warmer weather is much easier for taking care of bunnies. We are excited about have Palomino Nationals in Hutchinson in a few months. At the end of this school year, I will be retiring from teaching high school and middle school vocal music. Some of my family and friends say I am "too young" but there are many things on my list of things I want to do and I am ready for more time to do them. One of them will be spending more time caring for my Pals and going to more shows during the year.

▫ **District 4 Report – Latosha Lucas:**

Hello everyone,

Hope everyone had a great holidays. I know there is a couple of show coming up in Texas. The Fort Worth Livestock Show is January the 27-29 for open and February the 2-4 for youth, good luck to everyone that is showing there.

Hope everyone has babies in the nest box for Nationals.

Remember that the National Palomino Show is April 22-23 at Hutchinson, Kansas.



▫ **District 9 Report – Shannon Cicero:**

Hello fellow Pals,

I hope everyone had a great holiday and a happy new year.

As I stand in my barn trying to choose my show string. I decided to move to another state just so my rabbits will have a decent coat, but that's not going to happen. So living in a state of unpredictable and ever changing weather adds to the challenges of raising rabbits from giving frozen bottles to thawing frozen bottles, You're always trying to stay ahead of what's to come. I just couldn't be prepared for what the fall & winter change has done to my rabbits coats.

I barely had show able coats for Grand Finals and Garden State. I felt I could of prepped better for the oncoming, but how? So I started my search for supplements and high priced products. Seemed like an easy fix, too easy. I started asking around at shows and fellow breeders. Not only was I given some terrific ideas but got to talk to so many amazing people.

This hobby has some great people who love to help. I felt it was a win/win, meet people and fix my problem. I've been researching products as well and found a mix online of odd ingredients. So being nosy I reached out and asked the owner. He was so kind and quick to answer.

To sum it up he did what I've been doing. He has asked around and got the advice and secrets to a great coat passed down from the original rabbit hobbyist. The old school breeders, The ones who are true to what's worked for them. No high priced quick fix products but honest trial and error advice. So far I've added a few extras. I will always feed Dandelion for a week before a show and a week after. That is for immunity, genetics are great but every bit helps. As time goes I will add other extras but for now baby steps. Here are a few ideas I was given: flaxseed(I prefer meal,it sticks to the food and the rabbits can't pick it out), wheat germ, wheat germ oil, beet pulp, oatmeal, BOSS, peas and Amplify.

I am looking forward to PASARBA and to see the results of my rabbits.

Thank you to all who are willing to share and keep our hobby going in the right and positive direction. Not only do we benefit but, so do our Pals



▫ Hi, I want to thank the Palomino Co-Breeders Association for the award I received, and for the opportunity to represent Palomino Breeders at the shows I attend. I love being with my rabbits and the Palominos are the best. Until now I have only raised Golden Pals, but I should have some Lynx by this summer. I am so excited.

I have attached a picture of me with my award and one of my favorite bucks, "Daring Charming" PC5D (Sr Buck). Daring was RIS at the California Rabbit and Cavy Shows Inc. Show in Stockton CA on 3/26/16.

Thank you so much,
Cailin Casey

□ **District 1 Report – Cliff King:**

Howdy fellow Pal breeders,

Hopefully everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

We are looking forward to going to some shows, depending on the weather. This time of year, is hit and miss. We have been fighting the cold weather with rabbit being born. It never fails when they are due it is the coldest and snowiest day of the month. We have the heat lamps going and the electric company really likes us.

Last week we had nice weather and made it to a show in Denver. Jim Hunter made the trip out from Kansas. We got to meet Jim's very nice wife Carolyn. We had a Pal member renewal her name is Samantha Richardson. We had a good showing of Pals, 5 golden, 6 lynx and 6 breeders.

Show A: BOB 6/8 Lynx doe shown by Raejean and Clay Palko . BOS 6/8 Lynx buck shown by Cliff and Terri King.

BOV Golden 6/8 buck, BOSV Golden 6/8 doe shown by Cliff and Terri King

Show B: BOB 6/8 Golden doe, BOS 6/8 Lynx buck shown by Cliff and Terri King. BOSV Golden 6/8 buck shown by Cliff and Terri King and BOSV Lynx doe shown by Raejean and Clay Palko.

If you need promotional items get in touch with Terri. She has shirts, aprons, pens, note pads, and patches. terriking3499@gmail.com.

Keep promoting our breed. Get more breeders involved, have them join the Pal club or even pay for a membership for them when they get a rabbit from you, and sell only the best rabbits.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at Pal Nationals in Hutchinson.

Take care and God bless America.





Congratulations!!
 to
 Kenneth and Imogene Drews:
 1st Place Fur
 3rd Place Sweepstakes Points



Latosha Lucas – BOSB – Open – Lynx
 Fort Worth Stock Show



Teryn Haliburton – BOB – Lynx 6/8 Buck
 Rachel McCarthy – BOSB – Lynx 6/8 Doe
 Fort Worth Stock Show

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Open Palomino Sweeps as of 1-1-17

1 st . James Brown	18 shows	2358 points
2 nd . Wayne & Carolyn Wright	5 shows	911 points
3 rd . Clifford King	6 shows	773 points
4 th . Mike Raab	5 shows	680 points
5 th . David & Sharon Pellham	1 show	631 points
6 th . Johnny & Carla Piper	9 shows	582 points
7 th . Aileen & Jim Brown	16 shows	506 points
8 th . JoDan Shelton	10 shows	503 points
9 th . Jeffery Lewis	2 shows	438 points
10 th . Aileen Brown	16 shows	398 points
11 th . Cliff & Terri King	1 show	385 points
12 th . Elizabeth Reichert	4 shows	351 points
13 th . Sharon Pellham	4 shows	345 points
14 th . Tony Schwartzmiller	5 shows	333 points
15 th . Kathleen Utter	3 shows	303 points
16 th . Latosha Lucas	11 shows	301 points
17 th . James Hunter	2 shows	287 points
18 th . Bob Sorrels	3 shows	260 points
19 th . Tim & Jennifer Luedecke	3 shows	240 points
20 th . Herman Young	3 shows	206 points
21 st . Cathy & Harold Dunkle	2 shows	194 points
22 nd . Tom Lowin	2 shows	150 points
23 rd . Steven & Laura Blank	1 show	132 points
24 th . Kenneth & Imogene Drews	2 shows	119 points
25 th . Joy Lucas	5 shows	110 points

FUR

1 st . Wayne & Carolyn Wright	420 points
2 nd . JoDan Shelton	30 points
3 rd . Jeffery Lewis	28 points
4 th . James Hunter	20 points



Palomino of the Year

1 st . Johnny & Carla Piper	G.B. # F4 > 223 points
2 nd . James Brown	G.B. # BR6A2 > 190 points
3 rd . Mike Raab	G.B. # F4 > 126 points
4 th . JoDan Shelton	G.B. # B210 > 68 points
5 th . James Brown	G.B. # BR6C > 62 points
6 th . Wayne & Carolyn Wright	G.D. # GAM > 56 points

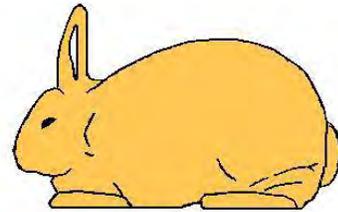
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Youth Palomino Sweeps as of 1-1-17

1 st . Jai Shaun Wofford	10 shows	652 points
2 nd . Elizabeth Hines	7 shows	305 points
3 rd . Brooke King	2 shows	214 points
4 th . Teryn Halliburton	5 shows	175 points
5 th . Andrew Springer	2 show	166 points
6 th . Levi Bruns	1 shows	162 points
7 th . Rachel McCarthy	5 shows	160 points
8 th . Seth Whitney-Wekar	4 shows	142 points
9 th . Makayla Moran	1 shows	79 points
10 th . Rachella Lamborn	2 shows	66 points
11 th . Patrick Rush	2 show	12 points
12 th . Sandis Walter	1 shows	11 points

FUR

1 st . Andrew Springer	145 points
2 nd . Jai Shaun Wofford	48 points



Palomino of the Year

1 st . Jai Shaun Wofford	G.D. # M06 > 112 points
2 nd . Andrew Springer	L.B. # SKT > 32 points
3 rd . Elizabeth Hines	L.D. # T18 > 9 points

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