



Ferret Fiesta
Saturday, April 14, 2018
Washington County Fairgrounds
300 Pleasant Valley Road
West Bend, WI 53095



There will be a limit of fifteen (15) ferrets in each Specialty and Miscellaneous ring. First Place through Tenth Place Ribbons will be awarded. Trophies will be awarded for First Place. This show is for altered ferrets only. Handicapped ferrets can only be entered in Specialty and Miscellaneous Classes.

Three Championship Rings:

Kits - All altered ferrets that are 16 weeks old to 1 year old at the time of the show.

Early Alter - Any ferret that has been neutered/spayed before five months old. Usually from a pet store. Open to ferrets over 1 year old up to 7 years old. (not 7 years 1 month)

Late Alter - Any ferret that has been neutered/spayed after five months of age. Open to ferrets over 1 year old up to 7 years old. (not 7 years 1 month)

Color Specialty Rings:

Albino - All ferrets with ruby red eyes and entire body white.

Blaze/Shetland/Panda - *Blaze*: all ferrets with a wide white stripe running over the top of the head, with mitts, a bib, and knee patches. *Shetland*: all ferrets with a thin white stripe running over the top of the head. *Panda*: all ferrets whose pattern includes mitts/stockings, bib, and an all-white head and neck.

Chocolate - All ferrets with chocolate brown coats. Legs, tail and standard/hooded mask darker than body.

Champagne/Cinnamon - *Champagne*: all ferrets with a coat that is tan, light golden brown/beige with a pink nose. Eyes are ruby, burgundy or brown. A banded mask or none at all is acceptable. *Cinnamon*: overall rust to reddish brown color with definition on points. Undercoat should be white to buff. The mask should be distinct and the same color as the body. Nose can vary from pink to brick. Eyes should be light to dark burgundy.

Point - All ferrets with a distinct difference between body color and the points (legs, tail, like a Siamese cat). There may be a "V" mask, a goggle mask, or no mask at all. Nose should be pink, dusky pink, or beige.

Sable (includes Black & Dark Sable) - Any ferret with a rich dark brown or black coat with a mask or hooded mask with brown or black eyes. Nose is solid/mottled/outlined/speckled. Undercoat could be from white to a cream but not yellow.

Silver - All ferrets that have any shade of gray, but not black coat. Eyes are usually black and the nose is pink, mottled, or black. The mask is more like two finger smudges like a ballplayer's smear under their eyes) and not a complete bar.

Roan - All ferrets whose guard hairs are black/sable/chocolate/champagne/cinnamon with roaning (white hairs) scattered throughout. This class DOES NOT include Silvers.

Mitt - Any color ferret having four white feet with white extending from toe tip to not more than 1/3 of the legs. The white paws must be clearly defined between body color ending on the leg. There must also be a clearly defined white bib. Eyes and nose may be of any color.

Miscellaneous Rings:

Mutt - Any ferrets that do not meet standard color requirements. Any color ferret in any combination with as many non-standard markings, patterns or standards. The more unusual, the better!

Shelter - All ferrets that have been adopted from a shelter. PLEASE, NO LATE ALTERS IN THIS RING. Adoption papers are not required, but will be accepted. This is the honor system.

Bibbed - All ferrets of any color that have a distinctive bib.

Square Peg - A ferret that would not fit into any color specialty. An example would be a sable with a little white on its neck, or a chocolate with white toes.

Senior - All healthy ferrets between the age of 5 and up to 7 that won't be stressed by being shown. There is no standard color or pattern requirement.

White Cheddar - (formally Sunshine) Any ferret who is white but coat has a yellow tinge, or has a faint to pronounced yellow stripe running along the back of its body. The coloring is not orange or peach colored. The coat is not oily. Eyes may be any color.

Marked White & DEW - (Dark-eyed, Patterned, Marked). All ferrets that are white with some dark marking or pattern on the body. The eyes may be black or dark ruby. The nose should be pink, however, dark noses will be accepted.

Angora - At least 50% angora bloodlines. Full/Semi/Half's only in this class, no Marshall Farm ferrets.

Handicapped - Includes all ferret with a handicap. Deaf is not considered a handicap. Blind, missing toes or appendage, shortened tail, misaligned jaws, etc.

Owner Excellence - Open to all ferrets adopted from a shelter only, must be entered in the shelter class. Prize does not include a ribbon or trophy, but a special prize for the ferret owner. Based on the care and maintenance of the ferret.

Fun Match Descriptions (first and second prizes awarded):

Games can be signed up for day of event* **some games may be cancelled day of show*

Best Dressed - The ferret that receives the most votes on a paper ballot from attendees by wearing the cutest outfit.

Cutest Photo - Winner decided by audience vote. No professional photographs allowed. More than one photo can be entered (\$3 per photo). Bring photos with you to the show, no larger than 5x7, with your name and ferret's name on the back of the photo. Photos will be returned after the show.

Heaviest Male & Female - All will be weighed/recorded exactly the same by the game coordinators.

Lightest Male & Female - All will be weighed/recorded exactly the same by the game coordinators.

Paper Bag Escape - The ferret that escapes first from a paper bag that is folded twice.

Twisted Tube Race - The fastest ferret through an opaque flexible tube that has been knotted and looped to make it "twisted". You keep the tube.

Longest Tail - Ferret that has the longest tail measured.

Cup Tip - The ferret who knocks over the most cups with it's nose in 30 seconds.

Kissing - The ferret who gives the most kisses in 30 seconds on an external part of the body. (not in your mouth, but on your lips is acceptable) no ferretone or oils permitted.

Indy Car Race - The ferret who pushes the car on the track the fastest (drops of ferretone or oil that you bring to the contest will be used on the car). You keep the car.

Tightrope - The fastest ferret to walk the distance on a 2x4 board.

Quickest Tongue - The ferret who finishes a pre-measured amount of oil on a plastic spoon. Ferretone will be provided, or you may provide an oil that your ferret prefers.

Cover Your Tracks - The ferret and owner who can put socks on all 4 paws the fastest and keep them on all 4 paws at the same time.

Lure Course - A timed maze type obstacle course. Fastest ferret wins.

General Instructions and Guidelines:

Ferrets	All ferrets entered in the show must have current distemper shots certified by a licensed veterinarian or an approved shelter, or we will accept titer (resistance to the virus) tests in the acceptable range. A rabies vaccination is highly recommended but not required. Nails must be trimmed on all paws. Ferrets must be free of parasites and be in good health. Any ferret who appears to have had surgery prior to the show must have documentation from the veterinarian documenting when the surgery took place. No ferret may be entered that has had surgery within 3 weeks prior to the show. Owners will be asked to remove a ferret from the show hall that appears to be ill (no exceptions). Altered ferrets only. No other animals are permitted in the show hall except ADA service animals.
Entries	Open to all ferrets 4 months (16 weeks) or older on the day of the show. There is no limit of entries. Only those ferrets listed in the show book will be judged or allowed in the hall. No contest entries will be accepted at the door or over the phone (exception is a pre-registered ferret entered into a fun match day of show).
Entry Fees	The entry date is calculated by postmarked date. The entry fee includes free admission to the show. All entries must be printed neatly or typed and be accompanied by the correct fees.

- Refunds** Preparation for the event requires pre-printed forms and show books as well as pre-ordered ribbons and awards for each event. These expenses are made from all funds received prior to the event. For this reason, Absolutely **NO REFUNDS** of any entry or sponsorship fees can be given.
- Check-In** For the health, safety and comfort of all ferrets, owners and guests, all ferrets will be checked. This wellness check will include looking for parasites (fleas, ear mites, etc.), visible signs of illness (runny nose, mange, etc.), and verifying immunizations of other tests and a check of the litter pan. You must submit proof of vaccinations from a licensed veterinarian or established shelter and certified by that veterinarian or approved shelter. Due to recent titer studies, if your ferret is two years or older, has been vaccinated for the past two years (2016 & 2017) and you have certified proof of vaccinations, we will accept skipping the vaccination for this show. Any ferrets who have had reactions to the distemper vaccine must have documentations from their veterinarian stating that fact. If your ferret has had reactions, a titer test is required and must meet the required level of acceptance. If you have any questions - please email ferretunderground123@gmail.com.
- Ribboning** All exhibitors are expected to return to the judging area for ribboning call backs. Absent ferrets/owners will be called a maximum of three times to return. At that time, ribboning will commence even if all ferrets are not present.
- Show Time** Exhibitors must check in with the entry clerk between 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM for their show packet and entry numbers. Ferrets not checked in by 8:30 AM will be marked absent. Judging starts promptly at 9:00 AM. The show is open to the public at 9:00 AM.
- Exhibitors** Ferrets must be housed in clean cages with fresh litter, litter pans, water, food dishes (with food) and suitable bedding for the ferret's comfort. No newspapers or straw in cage bottoms. Ferret cages must have a solid pan or bottom attached to the cage to be permitted in the show hall. Shoes must be worn by exhibitors at all times.
- Smoking** No smoking is permitted in the show hall or rooms. Smoking is permitted outside the building. Please discard cigarette butts in the receptacles provided.
- Food** Outside food and beverages are allowed in the show hall. There will be food and beverages available for purchase and proceeds benefit the show. A menu, including vegetarian options, will be available day of show.
- Awards** Ribbons (Rosettes) will be awarded to the First through Tenth place ferrets in all of the rings. Trophies will be awarded to First Place. Trophy winners from each ring will be determined by total score(s) from the ring judge(s). There will be a trophy for First Place in each of the Specialty and Miscellaneous Rings, and also for each First Place Male and Female in each of the three Championship Rings. There will be a trophy for Best Kit, Best Early Alter, and Best Late Alter. A trophy will also be presented to Best Championship, Best Specialty, and Best Miscellaneous Rings. Best In Show trophy will be presented at the end of the day.

- Sponsorship** Sponsorship for rings will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Sponsorship of each listed ring includes a page in the show book. Your space in the show book can be used for an advertisement, poems or memorials, pictures, recognitions, etc. Please send your camera-ready art, photographs or materials (prefer jpg or jpeg format) to ferretunderground123@gmail.com.
- Donations** There will be a raffle table and other games/contest throughout the day of the show. We welcome any donated items to be used in the raffle, for door prizes or game prizes. These items do not have to be ferret related. All donations will be accompanied by a tax receipt and a thank you acknowledgement. Please be sure to complete a donation record form for each donation that you provide. Please contact ferretunderground123@gmail.com by March 15, 2018 with your donations or questions about donations.
- Confirmation** If you do not receive confirmation of your entries and/or sponsorship by March 31, 2018, please contact ferretunderground123@gmail.com
- Liability** You will be asked to sign a Waiver of Liability form. The form is self-explanatory and is required for all shows and exhibitions where live animals are shown. There is always the possibility of exposure to infectious diseases for your ferrets when brought into social gatherings. We recommend that you allow a minimal handling of your ferrets and minimum exposure to other ferrets at the show. All ferrets in cages and playpens must be supervised to ensure their safety and comfort. ***At no time are ferrets allowed on the bare floor. All cages must have some type of insulation between them and the bare floor to prevent the ferrets from contacting the bare floor.***
- Cancellation** If the show is rescheduled for reasons beyond our control, entry fees will not be refunded. There will be no refunds of sponsorship fees for any reason.
- Admission** Admission is included with exhibitor entry fees. Admission is \$3 per person for non-exhibitors. Children 3 and under free.

Please return this page and the following documents in your entry packet:

- Entry Forms – one per ferret (make additional copies as needed)
- Certified Proof of Immunization(s) or Titer Test Results (if required).
- Veterinarian's Documentation of Surgery (if required)
- Waiver of Liability Form (Signed)
- Sponsorship Form (If sponsoring any event)
- Payment (check made out to Ferret Fiesta or money order), No cash please. Paypal at ferretunderground123@gmail.com (please add \$2 to the total to cover fees)

You may email your forms to ferretunderground123@gmail.com or mail them to:

Susan Holme
218 W. Juneau St
Tomah, WI 54660

I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge, and that my entries will be in good health, free of parasites and vaccinated for distemper or tested (titer tests are at acceptable levels) against Ferret Distemper. I understand that failure to have my ferrets and their cages in compliance with show standards will be grounds for removal from the show hall.

Owner's Name _____ Phone number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address* _____

(*Confirmation will be sent to the email address provided)

Do you want a show book (add \$6)? Yes _____ No _____

Are you interested in being a volunteer for Ferret Fiesta? Yes _____ No _____



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**Early Entry deadline must be postmarked by March 1, 2018
 and the cost will be \$13.00 per entry.**

Final Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2018 and will be \$16.00 per entry.

*** this does not reflect games or Owner Excellence, those can be signed up for day of show***

Ferret Name: _____	Age at time of show: _____
Sex of Ferret: Male _____ Female _____	Date of Birth: _____
Owner Name: _____	Phone number: _____

Championship Rings:

Kits: _____ \$ _____	Early Alter: _____ \$ _____	Late Alter: _____ \$ _____	
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Color Specialty Rings:

Albino _____ \$ _____	Blaze/Shetland/Panda _____ \$ _____
Champagne/Cinnamon _____ \$ _____	Chocolate _____ \$ _____
Point _____ \$ _____	Roan _____ \$ _____
Sable _____ \$ _____	Mitt _____ \$ _____
Silver _____ \$ _____	

Miscellaneous Rings:

Mutt _____ \$ _____	Senior _____ \$ _____
Bibbed _____ \$ _____	Shelter _____ \$ _____
Square Peg _____ \$ _____	Marked White/DEW _____ \$ _____
White Cheddar _____ \$ _____	Angora _____ \$ _____
Handicapped _____ \$ _____	

Owner Excellence:
 \$5.00 entry _____ \$ _____

Fun Matches (\$3/each, except tube races are \$8):
Play Pass of 4 of any of the below for \$10 (excluding Twisted Tube)
or a Play Pass of 5 of any of the below for \$12 (excluding Twisted Tube)

Best Dressed _____	Paper Bag Escape _____	Heaviest Male _____	Heaviest Female _____
Lightest Male _____	Lightest Female _____	Tightrope _____	Longest Tail _____
Indy Car Race _____	Cup Tip _____	Quickest Tongue _____	Kissing _____
Cutest Photo _____	Lure Course _____	Cover Your Tracks _____	Curly Tube Race (\$8) _____

(Photo size no larger than 5x7)

*****you may also sign up for games day of event. *****

Please make additional copies of this page for additional ferret entries

TOTAL \$ FOR THIS FERRET _____

Waiver of Liability Agreement Form

Participant Name (Please Print) _____

Ferret Name (s) _____

Participant Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Please read, and if you have questions, please contact Sue Holme at ferretunderground123@gmail.com.

Your signature below certifies that you have read and understand what you are signing.

1. I understand that I am solely responsible for my ferret (s) and anything my ferret (s) does while on the premises of the Washington County Fairgrounds while attending the Ferret Underground Ferret Fiesta.
2. I accept FULL responsibility for any damages or destruction as a result of my ferret's actions, including, but not limited to, any person(s) or property while attending the Ferret Underground Ferret Fiesta.
3. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless to every Ferret Underground, its officers, members and all employees, including, but not limited to, Ferret Underground staff, members and volunteers and Washington County Fairgrounds, members, employees, staff and volunteers.
4. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless any other person(s), company, organization(s), exhibitor or vendor from any liability resulting from my ferret's behavior and attendance at Ferret Underground Ferret Fiesta.
5. **WITHOUT EXCEPTION.** I accept full responsibility for my ferret (s), its actions, health and behavior at Ferret Underground Ferret Fiesta. I am the ONLY person responsible for above named ferret (s) and accept this responsibility.
6. I agree that my ferret (s) is/are current on all ferret distemper immunizations and to the best of my knowledge, has/have not been exposed to any ferret that may have contracted or been exposed to any distemper virus through any means. I certify that the required documents will be readily available to show personnel. _____ (Initials)

I understand that this Release Agreement is a CONTRACT. I have read and fully understand the terms and conditions above and I am SOLELY RESPONSIBLE for above named animal to enter Ferret Underground Ferret Fiesta. I agree that I am legally competent to execute this Release Agreement.

Participants Name (Printed Name) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(Must be 18 to sign or parent or guardian)