

Spring 2025 Youth Breed Rabbit Show

May 17, 2025
T&P Trailhead Park
Pavilion
200 S Ellis St.
New Boston, Texas



*Presented by
Bowie County 4-H
Livestock Club*

- ★ Breed Rabbit Show
- ★ Showmanship Competitions
- ★ Art, Photography, and Crafts Contests!
- ★ Silent Auction / Raffles!

Concessions on site provided by Bowie County 4-H Youth Council

Youth do not have to be a 4-H member to participate!

Info:

Online Entries: Enter by using the QR code, [Entry Link](#) or email [PDF Entry Form](mailto:bowieco4hshows@gmail.com) to bowieco4hshows@gmail.com (Entry form inserted on last page of catalog)

Early Entry \$10 per rabbit by 5/15 (\$12 thereafter) ARBA Recognized Breeds

Check-In: Entries payable at time of check-in. Saturday, May 17, 2025 between 8am-8:45am.

Unlimited entries permitted!

Entries must be paid on the day of using cash or check only.

If you enter and do not show up, you will be responsible for paying your entry fees.

Online entries are to be input prior to May 15, 2025-midnight to ensure entry. Entries are permitted after that date at an increased fee.

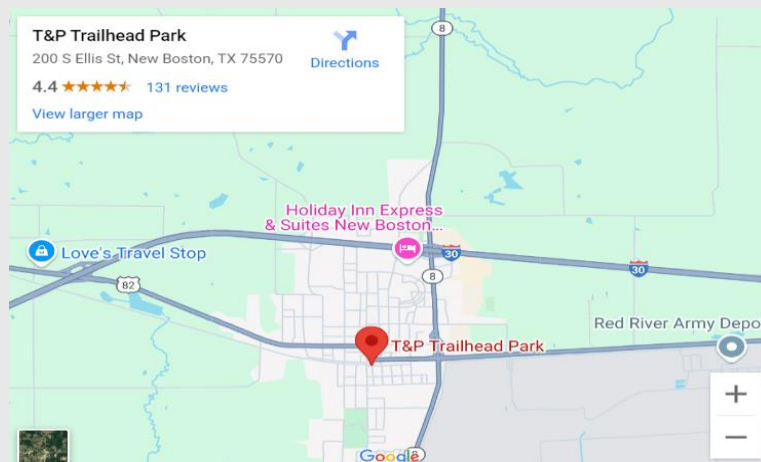
Review your check in sheets and contact show secretary immediately if there are errors. Changes will be allowed ONLY in the same breed, sex, variety and class.

NO CHANGES WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE SHOW TABLE AS PER ARBA RULES.

Top 10 breeds by entries will show in breed classes. All others will show in All Other Breeds (AOB). Six (6) rabbits will make a breed class.

Identifying tattoos shall be in the left ear and legible. No rabbits from the same exhibitor shall have the same tattoo. If you are unable to obtain a tattoo prior to the show, please inform the show superintendent via email at BowieCo4HShows@gmail.com no later than a week prior to the show.

All rabbits will be judged by American Rabbit Breeders Association standards as outlined in the Standard of Perfection reference manual.



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SHOW RULES:

1. All entries are entered and shown at the risk of the owners and/or exhibitors, and while show sponsors are expected to exercise all reasonable care in the handling and protection of the exhibits, show sponsors will not be liable. RHD Rules: The Show will follow all guidance put out by the ARBA (Visit arba.net for more details)
2. All entries must have a legible permanent tattoo in the left ear, otherwise will be disqualified from the class.
3. The Bowie County Rabbit Show reserves the right to substitute a judge or judges at any time it deems necessary.
4. All exhibitors are responsible for getting their animals to the show table promptly. There will be NO more than three (3) calls for a class. After that, any animal not on the table will be disqualified. ALL YOUTH MUST CARRY THEIR OWN RABBITS TO AND FROM THE JUDGING TABLE! Any exhibitor with special needs will be assisted by staff.
5. Judging starts promptly at 9am. We request that the exhibitors be ready at this time.
6. CHILDREN MUST BE UNDER PARENTAL CONTROL AT ALL TIMES, otherwise both will be asked to leave the show and entry money will be forfeited.
7. Bowie County 4-H, nor the show site facility will be responsible in case of fire, theft, accidents, or vandalism. Every precaution will be taken to prevent fire, theft, vandalism, and accidents from occurring. Outside smoking must be 25 feet from any entrance.
8. Any animal showing signs of disease or illness will be prompted to leave the premises immediately. If your animal is disqualified for illness, it will be scratched from the show without a refund of show fees.
9. Disrespect shown toward judges, show officials, or support staff will result in disqualification and a request to leave the event without reimbursement. Non-sportsmanlike behavior will result in being asked to depart, entries will be scratched, and fees forfeited.
10. Show officials reserve the right to refuse entry for any exhibitor.
11. Each class will only be announced 3 times. After the third time, the rabbits on the table will be judged accordingly and the missing rabbits will be scratched without reimbursement. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to pay attention to the show and ensure their animals are presented at the appropriate times.
12. Awards must be claimed while still at the show. If an exhibitor desires to have the awards mailed, they must make arrangements prior to the end of the show and are responsible for all shipping fees.
13. Entry fees are charged according to the advertised fee schedule. Adjustments to fees will only occur in the event of an error made by show staff. Entries are to be received by May 15, 2025 – midnight for early entry at the discounted fee. Entry to the show is an agreement to pay associated fees – including if cancellation occurs without notification.
14. This is a carrying case show. All carrying cages MUST have leak proof bottoms.
15. Trash containers will be provided outside the immediate show area for use. Good housekeeping for self and animals is encouraged. Exhibitors must keep their area clean and orderly while occupying the pavilion during the show and when leaving. Please be cognizant of fire safety and escape pathways.

16. Any issue that arises during the event will first be resolved by the immediate chair of that area. The show Superintendent will have full discretion if the conflict cannot be resolved by the chair of that portion of our program.

17. No changes or substitutions can be made at the show table. Both must be completed at the secretary's table prior to the entry deadline. Verification will be done at check-in with the exhibitor and staff.

18. We ask that rabbits for sale be advertised as their true quality – pet, brood, or show, with show being without any disqualifications and within acceptable condition for show standards. Again, no ill animals may be present on the premises.

19. Bowie County 4-H will accept cash, checks, and money orders. If paying with a check, the return check policy will apply. We do NOT currently accept PayPal/Venmo/CashApp.

Rabbit Showmanship /Crafts/ Art/ Photography Contests:

Showmanship-

Showmanship will be divided into 3 age division categories: Junior (3rd-5th grades)/ Intermediate (6th-8th grades) / Senior (9th - 12th grades).

We will also have a Pee-Wee category

Showmanship is an important skill that can be used to teach youth about their animals and the judging process. The ARBA method for judging rabbits and caviae is “judge based” not “handler based”, as it is for most other animal species. The ARBA judge poses and handles the exhibition animals. The judge is charged with giving the animal an opportunity to be its best. The ARBA Showmanship Standard and contests are designed to teach and demonstrate the participant’s ability to properly handle, pose and exhibit their animal. In today’s climate, all animal organizations must be mindful of public perception and proper handling and care are an important consideration. It also benefits the youth and other breeders since youth who run through showmanship with their animals before a show, should find most DQ’s before they reach the show table.

The ARBA Score sheet can be found here: <https://arba.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Rabbit-Showman-Scorecard-Updated.pdf>

Crafts/ Art/ Photography-

All entries shall be rabbit theme based. Crafts. Art and Photography will be judged separately and awarded by 1st, 2nd, 3rd placings by age category. Any entry that the exhibitor would like in the silent auction should note submission to auction upon entry.

Schedule:

Rabbit Check-In: 8am-8:45am

Rabbit Show Judging Starts by Breed: 9am

-Breed show order will be posted near tables

Art/ Craft/ Photography Entries due in: 10am

Raffle / Silent Auction Items due in by: 10am

Art/ Craft/ Photography Judging Begins: Noon

Showmanship Contests are walk-up starting at 10am - Ending at 2pm.

Youth are encouraged to walk up with their rabbit at any time when not showing.

Silent Auction / Raffle -

Items donated to the club to help support this and any future shows are greatly appreciated!