ASRBA YOUTH CONTEST GUIDELINES

The youth committee would like to encourage all youth members to become involved in the American Satin Breeders Association youth contests. We strive to offer a wide range of contests so that each one of you will find one that interests you. These contests are held each year at the annual all satin show. Some of these contests are designed so that those members who can't attend the NASS will still be able to participate; attendance is required for other contests. Please pay close attention to all rules noted below. The ASRBA Youth Committee have obtained donation of pairs of rabbits, one Mini Satin and one Satin.

ROYALTY CONTEST:

Contestants will participate in the Judging, Written Test and one other contest. The total points of these 3 contests will determine the winner.

Royalty contestants are divided into age groups, age determined by the last day of the NASS:

- Lord and Lady: Under 9 years of age. *(Note: Lord and Lady Contestants will not be required to participate in the judging contest but will be asked to speak to our judges about one of their rabbits.)*
- Prince and Princess: Age 9-11
- Duke and Duchess: Age 12-14
- King and Queen: Age 15-18

CRAFT CONTEST

1. The topic must be about some aspect of SATIN or MINI SATIN rabbits.
2. Exhibit may be any type craft.
3. Name, date, state, age, and title of craft must be present on back of craft
4. Scoring will be based on the following:
    - Neatness (45 pts.)
    - Creativity (45 pts.)
    - Age appropriate (10 pts.)

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

1. The topic must be about some aspect of SATIN or MINI SATIN rabbits.
2. Display should be informative as well as creative.
3. They may feature pictures, wording, or other appropriate items to support the subject of the display.
4. Duplication from previous year's entry may not be entered.
5. Name, date, state, age, and title of display must be present on back of display.
6. Scoring will be based on the following:
    - Organization of Materials (20 pts)
    - Presentation and Neatness (20 pts)
    - Effectiveness (educates, keeps readers attention and entertains) (40 pts)
    - Use of Space (20 pts)

RABBIT JUDGING CONTEST

1. Evaluate 3 classes of rabbits; both Satins and Mini Satins will be represented during the contest.
2. Contestants in the royalty contest must participate in this contest. (Exception: Lord and Lady Contestants)

WRITTEN TEST

1. Contestants in the royalty contest must take part in the written test.
2. The test will include questions on general rabbit knowledge along with knowledge specific to the Satin and Mini Satin breeds.

SPEECH

1. Participants may choose to use visual aids.
2. Topic must be specific to the Satin or Mini Satin breeds.
3. The length of the speech should be from 4-6 minutes.
4. Judges may ask questions on the speech.
5. Judges will receive a copy of the outline of the speech to know the general topic.
6. Contestants may use note cards. Excessive reference may be a point deduction.
7. Evaluation of speeches will be based on the following:
    - Content 30%
    - Organization of material 20%
    - Presentation: 30%
    - Language 10%
    - Voice/pitch 20%
    - Eye contact 10%
    - Poise 5%
    - Use of allotted time 5%

WRITING

1. Exhibit may be an essay, poem or short story.
2. Subject should be related to the Satin or Mini Satin breeds.
3. Contestants need not attend the NASS, non-attendees may enter using the following steps
    - Mail exhibit to or e-mail Youth Committee Chairperson
    - Mailings must be postmarked 2 weeks prior to NASS or e-mail by the Monday prior to NASS.

You will receive confirmation via e-mail that your exhibit was received.

4. A cover page should include name, address, phone, birth date, grade in school, word count calculation and email address (if you have one). A plastic cover is advised. All essays must be typewritten and use 12 point type and Times New Roman font (not bold).
5. Pages should be numbered. 6. Exhibits will be judged on the following: based on 100 points (20 % per category).
    - Content of exhibit.
    - Effectiveness (educates, keeps the attention of reader, and entertains the reader).
    - Length of essay or short story:
        - Lord & Lady 175-250 words.
        - Prince & Princess 250-400 words.
        - Duke & Duchess 400-550 words.
        - King & Queen 550-800 words.

- Length of poem (minimum)
    - Lord & Lady 5 lines.
    - Prince & Princess 10 lines.
    - Duke & Duchess 15 lines.
    - King & Queen 20 lines.
- Style (grammar, sentence structure, types of sentences, spelling, and punctuation).
- Organization of exhibit (orderly, ease of following and reading).

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST - Candid shots of shows, individuals, or etc.
1. Photos may be framed or matted
2. Digital entries on photo quality paper.
3. Pictures should have been taken in the past calendar year.
4. Judged on the following criteria:
    a. 50% composition, creative look, uniqueness, and communicative power.
    b. 50 % Color, sharpness, exposure, cropping and technical quality.
5. Gloss paper is not recommended.
6. Exhibitors not attending NASS may enter in this contest.
a. Mail exhibit to Youth Committee Chairperson
b. Mailings must be postmarked by two weeks prior to NASS.
7. Name, date, state, age, and title of photograph(s), and date taken must be present on back of exhibit.

THE FOLLOWING CONTESTS ARE PRE-ENTRY BY Two Weeks Prior to NASS

TECHNOLOGY CONTEST – Exhibits would use technology to communicate information on the Satin or Mini Satin breeds. Examples of entries would be a PowerPoint Presentation, Web Pages, Spreadsheet, Brochure, etc.
1. Topic would be some aspect of Satins or Mini Satins.
2. Judging breakdown.
    a. 50 % content
    b. 25 % originality
    c. 15 % technical merit
    d. 10 % affective use of technology.

Send you pre-entry to:

Glenda Weiss
16321 Hoeft Rd
Belleville, MI 48111

The Youth Committee would like your input and suggestion so please send comments to: glweiss@hotmail.com, the above address, or call: 989-598-6932. We are proud of our YOUTH!!

Please make plans to attend the NASS and participate in the contests.

American Satin Rabbit Breeders Association Youth Committee