

# Guinea Pigs (Junior)

## COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS | BARNYARD

SPECIAL ONE-DAY CONTEST | JULY 4th

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**JULY 3-7, 2024 3-7 DE JULIO**  
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## FAIR CONTACT INFORMATION

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| MARIN COUNTY FAIR   FAIR OFFICE | 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903                                   |
| WEBSITE                         | <a href="http://www.marinfair.org">www.marinfair.org</a>                       |
| EMAIL                           | <a href="mailto:fairexhibits@marincounty.org">fairexhibits@marincounty.org</a> |
| REGULAR OFFICE HOURS            | Monday to Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm   |
| FAIR OFFICE HOURS               | July 3 (Wednesday) to July 7 (Sunday): 8:00am to 8:00pm                        |
| MARIN COUNTY FAIR HOURS         | July 3 (Wednesday) to July 7 (Sunday): 11:00am to 11:00pm                      |

## COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS | BARNYARD STAFF

### GUINEA PIGS (JUNIOR)

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| COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS MANAGER   | Drew Patterson |
| ONLINE SUBMISSIONS COORDINATOR | Carole Sanders |
| DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR         | Caryl Hodges   |

## COMPETITION CALENDAR

Please refer to the Competitive Exhibits Calendar on [www.marinfair.org](http://www.marinfair.org) for all Competitive Exhibits dates and times. For Guinea Pigs-specific schedule information, please see the next page.

You can view the calendar via this direct link as well: <https://tinyurl.com/3n68ms9p>

## REGISTRATION

To register for the 2024 Competitive Exhibits, please visit <https://marin.fairwire.com/>

## COMPETITION CALENDAR

### GUINEA PIGS (JUNIOR)

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| <b>ENTRY FORM DUE</b><br>Competitors enter online at <a href="http://marinfair.org">marinfair.org</a>      | <b>SUNDAY, JUNE 30</b><br><b>BY 11:59PM</b>       |
| <b>COOP-IN (ARRIVAL &amp; CHECK-IN)</b><br>The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard                         | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>8:00AM-9:00AM</b>   |
| <b>MANDATORY MEETING FOR EXHIBITORS &amp; PARENTS/GUARDIANS</b><br>The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>10:00AM-10:30AM</b> |
| <b>SHOWMANSHIP</b><br>Showmanship in Novice, Primary, Junior, & Senior.                                    | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>AT 11:30AM</b>      |
| <b>BREED JUDGING</b><br>The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard, after Showmanship.                        | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>AT 11:30AM</b>      |
| <b>AWARDS CEREMONY</b><br>The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard  | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>AT 4:30PM</b>       |
| <b>ANIMAL COOP-OUT</b><br>Coop-out begins at 5:00pm. ALL animals MUST BE OUT by 7:00pm.                    | <b>THURSDAY, JULY 4</b><br><b>5:00PM-7:00PM</b>   |

## DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. **ELIGIBILITY** - Open to all California youth competitors (both 4-H and non-4-H) ages 5 - 18.

### ENTRY INFORMATION

2. **ENTRY FEES** - \$4.00 per Cavy (Guinea Pig) | Free for Showmanship
  - a. Fees are NON-refundable.
3. **ENTRY LIMIT** - NONE
4. **COOP-IN** - Please arrive between 8:00am and 9:00am on Thursday, July 4.
5. **REQUIRED MEETING** - Mandatory meeting for Exhibitors and their parents will be held on Thursday, July 4 at 10:00am in the Fur & Feathers Tent.

### CREDENTIALING FEES & RULES

6. **CREDENTIALING FEES** - Each Exhibitor will be issued one admission pass and one combined admission & parking credential for a parent and/or guardian.
7. **CREDENTIALING RULES** - Exhibitors, Parents, Guardians, or Volunteers who have been found giving away their Credentials will be sanctioned with revoked privileges and cash prizes withheld.

### ANIMAL ROOM & BOARD

8. Animals must be brought in their own cages.
  - a. CAGE MUST HAVE SOLID WATERPROOF BOTTOM.
9. Food AND Water must be provided in the cage for the animal(s).
10. During Coop-out, Animals must be claimed and picked-up by the Competitor. Any other individual must have a signed letter of authorization from the Competitor.
11. The Cavies (Guinea Pigs) area has fans and air coolers.

### COMPETITION RULES

12. Definition and judging procedures as prescribed in the latest edition of the *Guide Book & the Standard of the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.* Procedures shall apply to all District and County Fair cavy (Guinea Pigs) shows, provided that they do not conflict with any rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Food & Agriculture's Fairs & Expositions Division.
13. Competitors must have owned their Cavy (Guinea Pig) at least 30-days PRIOR to the Competitive Exhibits Entry DEADLINE.
14. A Judge or Fair Management may remove a Cavy (Guinea Pig) from competition if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition.

### PUBLICITY

15. The Marin County Fair reserves the right to photograph any exhibitor/animal/entry in the exhibition for educational, catalog, website, or publicity purposes.

### LIABILITY

16. The County of Marin, Marin County Fair, and/or its contractors will not be responsible for loss or damage OR illness or death of a pet which may occur from any cause.

## DIVISION 800 | GUINEA PIGS (CAVIES)

Entry Fee - \$4.00

**List Breed & Variety on Entry Registration:** Abyssinian, American, Coronet, Peruvian, Silkie, Teddy, Teddy, Texels, White Crested, etc.

➤ Division will be divided according to the number of entries.

### CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Senior Boar** | Over 32 ounces
2. **Senior Sow** | Over 32 ounces
3. **Intermediate Boar** | 22 ounces & up to & including 32 ounces, up to six months of age.
4. **Intermediate Sow** | 22 ounces & up to & including 32 ounces, up to six months of age.
5. **Junior Boar** | Min weight of 12 ounces & max weight of 22 ounces, up to 4 months old.
6. **Junior Sow** | Min weight of 12 ounces & max weight of 22 ounces, up to 4 months old.

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### AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | CAVIES (GUINEA PIGS)

*Offered per Class at the Discretion of the Judges*

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| <b>FIRST PLACE</b>  | <b>\$12 &amp; RIBBON</b> |
| <b>SECOND PLACE</b> | <b>\$8 &amp; RIBBON</b>  |
| <b>THIRD PLACE</b>  | <b>\$4 &amp; RIBBON</b>  |
| <b>FOURTH PLACE</b> | <b>RIBBON</b>            |
| <b>FIFTH PLACE</b>  | <b>RIBBON</b>            |

### SPECIAL AWARDS

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>BEST OVERALL GUINEA PIG (CAVY)</b> | <b>\$35 &amp; TROPHY</b> |
| <b>BEST RESERVE GUINEA PIG (CAVY)</b> | <b>\$25 &amp; TROPHY</b> |

## DIVISION 801 | SHOWMANSHIP

Entry Fee - FREE

Entries must follow these guidelines:

- Guinea Pigs (Cavies) used for Showmanship must be entered in at least one other class (Classes 1 - 6).
- Showmanship Entries will be accepted on July 4.
- Competitor's age as of July 1, 2024.

### CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Novice\* Showmanship** | Any age
2. **Primary Showmanship** | Ages 5 - 8
3. **Junior Showmanship** | Ages 9 -12
4. **Senior Showmanship** | Ages 13 - 18

\*A Novice is an Exhibitor who has never competed in a Guinea Pigs (Cavies) Showmanship contest (regardless of age).

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### AWARDS | DANISH SYSTEM | GUINEA PIGS (CAVIES) SHOWMANSHIP

Offered per Class at the Discretion of the Judges

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|---------------|-----------------|
| FIRST PLACE*  | RIBBON & TROPHY |
| SECOND PLACE* | RIBBON          |
| THIRD PLACE   | RIBBON          |
| FOURTH PLACE  | RIBBON          |
| FIFTH PLACE   | RIBBON          |

**Please Note - 1st and 2nd place winners from the Junior and Senior Showmanship Classes are invited to compete in the Round Robin Showmanship Contest on Saturday, July 6.**