



AMERICAN CAVY BREEDERS
ASSOCIATION

Specialty Show

Dodgeville, WI April 26-28, 2024



Facebook page: 2024 ACBA Specialty Show

ACBA President's Letter

Dear Fellow Cavy Breeders,

Welcome to Dodgeville Wisconsin, and a weekend of showing and comradery. Come and show your cavies, meet new breeders, and maybe bring home something new to add to your caviary. This is the best part of our hobby, being able to meet up with friends and others who understand why showing cavies is fun. It's time to pick you best, polish them up, trim those nails and travel to the 2024 ACBA Specialty. I hope to meet many of you and enjoy the weekend.

Sincerely,
Sara Buchanan,
ACBA President

Midwest Cavy Fancier's President's Letter

The Midwest Cavy Fanciers welcome you to the spring 2024 Specialty Show in Dodgeville, WI.

One of our local members is offering "Cavy Camp" for those arriving early or staying a few days to visit the WI area. Ann & Brian Wimann are generously willing to house your cavies off site as early as Monday before the show and as late as Thursday after the show. There's no charge if you feed and water your animals and they will be housed in an attached garage that will be heated if it's cold. Call or text Ann @ 608.393.0601 to reserve your spot and discuss details.

Our Facebook page has been set up and managed by Kristi Moyle Kenkel, You'll find it at "2024 ACBA Specialty Show". We'll keep this page updated with show info and details.

Roger Moeller will be our vendor and the Rock County 4H Rabbit & Cavy project will be providing breakfast, snacks and lunch. Please support our local youth and enjoy their delicious offerings.

Please join us Friday night for a get together from 5pm - 8pm. We'll be serving cheese, wine and chocolate from local suppliers. Did I mention, "CHEESE!"

Looking forward to seeing you and hope you have a wonderful weekend in Wisconsin.

Midwest Cavy Fanciers President,

Terry Kelman

Countdown to Cavies, Cheese and More Specialty

IMPORTANT DATES

Entries & Payment Due: April 17th, 2024 by 11:59pm CST

Changes (Breed, Variety, Sex, Age) due by April 24th, 2024 at 11:59 CST

Ear Tag ONLY changes @ Check- In

All entries must be checked in by 9pm CST on April 26th, 2024.

Entries must include Exhibitor Name, Address, Phone Number.
Please format cavy entries as follows:
Ear Tag – Breed - Variety – Age - Sex

Email for payment and entries:

midwestcavyfanciers@gmail.com

Cavies, Cheese and More weekend schedule

(Times may be adjusted. All times Central)

Friday, April 26

- 8am: show hall opens (committee)
- 9am: show hall opens for vendor set up
- 12noon: Show hall opens for exhibitor set up and check in
- 12noon – 9pm: Cavy Swap meet (unofficial tile to buy/sell cavies)
- 3:15pm - 3:45pm: Youth competition check-in
- 4pm – 6pm: Youth judging, showmanship, breed ID and interviews
- 5pm – 8pm: Welcome Get together – cheese, wine and chocolate tasting.
- 6pm: Judges Conference
- 7pm: ACBA board meeting
- 9pm: check-in closes
- 10pm: Show hall closes

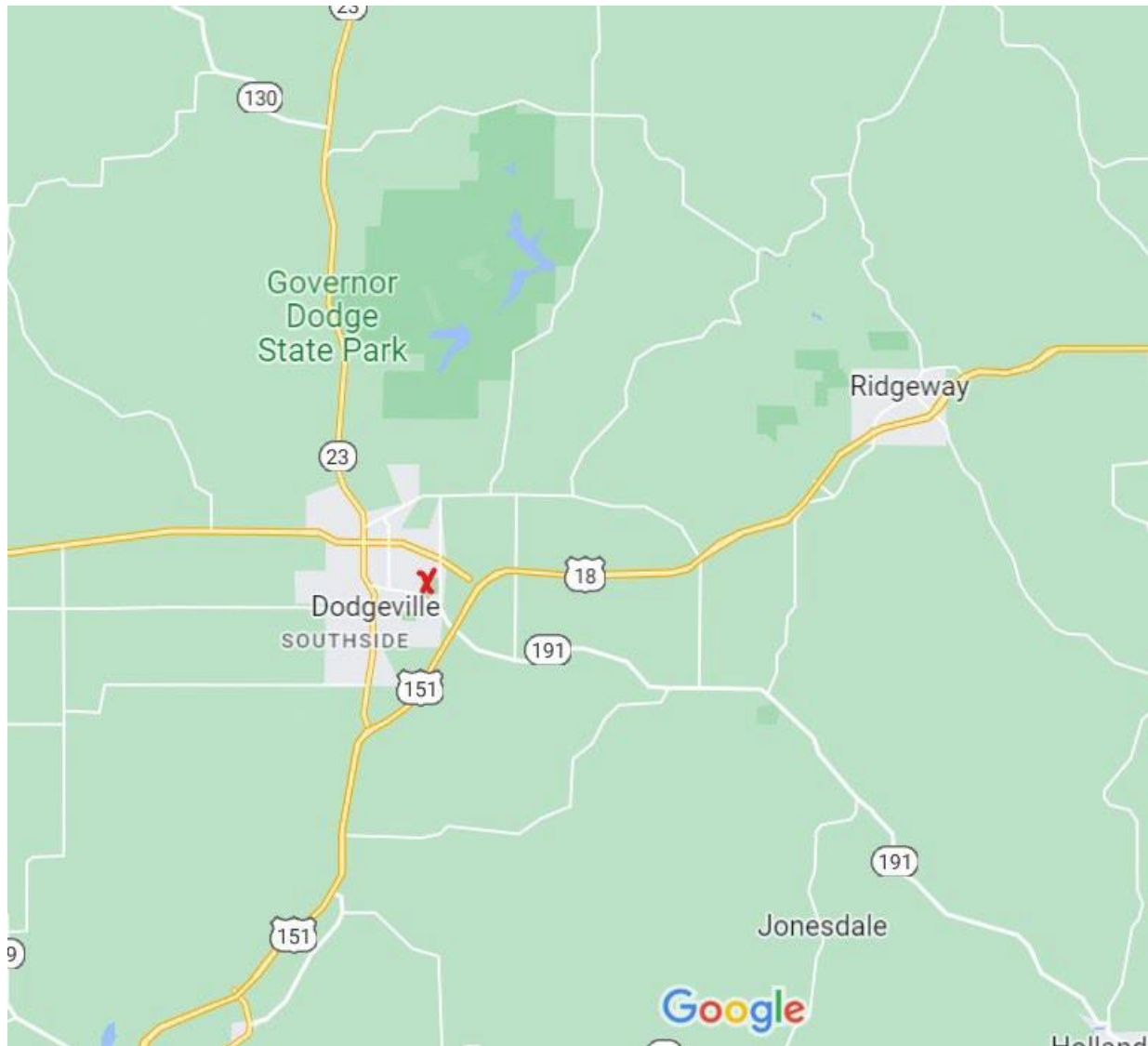
Saturday, April 27

- 7am: Show hall opens
- 8:30am: Youth competition written test
- 9am: ACBA Specialty show begins.
- NOTE: Youth show will not begin until the Youth Competitions are completed
- 12pm-1pm: ACBA general membership meeting
- 2pm – 3pm: Educational projects will be judged with ribbons/rosettes to be awarded
- 5:30pm: Show hall closes
- 6:30pm: Banquet hall doors open at Dodger Bowl Lanes, 321 King St, Dodgeville, WI 53533
- 7pm: Dinner served, Awards to follow

Sunday, April 28

- 8am: Show hall opens
- 9am: Midwest Cavy Fancier's double Open/Youth Shows begin
- 2pm: All youth educational projects need to be picked up.

Location and address



Harris Park* Ley Memorial Ice Arena/Pavilion

600 N Bennett Rd, Dodgeville, WI 53533

All activities will be held in this building

Show Committee

Chairperson:	Terry Kelman
Show Superintendent:	Dalton Kelman
Show Secretary:	Kelly Hansen
Banquet:	Laurie Peirick
Sunday Awards:	Dalton Kelman
Judges' Conference:	Erica Montefusco
Table Help Coordinator:	Christi Ringles
Catalog and Advertising:	Kelly Hansen/Laurie Peirick
Facebook Coordinator:	Kristi Moyle-Kenkel
Vendor Coordinator:	Terry Kelman
Youth Liaison to ACBA:	Ann Wimann
Kitchen Staff:	Lynn Galbraith-Wilson and the Rock County 4-H Rabbit and Cavy families
Hospitality:	Midwest Cavy Fanciers
Logo Artists:	Laurie Peirick, Kitty Peirick, Rose Lake & Carrie Shoenicke

Cavies, Cheese and More show rules

- 1 This is an official ARBA and ACBA sanctioned show and will be governed by the latest ARBA and ACBA official show rules available online <https://arba.net/official-arba-show-rules/> and http://www.acbaonline.com/office_rulesandregs.html
- 2 Any and all questions not covered by these rules shall be referred to the show superintendent and all parties shall abide by his/her decisions.
- 3 All cavies will be judged by the current ARBA Standard of Perfection.
- 4 By submitting an entry, you agree to make payment whether you attend or not. Cavies will not be considered entered until payment is received. There are no refunds for entry fees. Unused banquet tickets may be sold to others.
- 5 By submitting an entry, you indicate acceptance of all our show rules and the rules for ARBA and ACBA which govern this show.
- 6 Any cavy showing signs of illness or disease will be removed from the showroom at the discretion of the superintendent/show committee.
- 7 No animals other than cavies are allowed in the showroom except service dogs.
- 8 With the exception of cavies, selling of products or services in the show hall requires purchasing a vendor space.
- 9 The ACBA, MCF, nor the Harris Park grounds are not responsible for any loss or injury in the event of fire, theft, or providential destruction. Exhibitors are responsible for their own security.
- 10 This is a carrying cage show. All caries must have leak-proof bottoms. Carries must have latches that close securely.
- 11 Tables will be provided in the showroom with space designated for entries.
Grooming stands/tables will be allowed along the perimeter of the walls of the showroom. Please do not block aisles. Blockages will be removed from the showroom. Space under the tables may be used.
- 12 All cavies will be judged by ARBA licensed judges and the sponsoring show committee reserves the right to substitute judges or hire additional judges if deemed necessary.
- 13 All cavies must have a permanent and legible ID in their left ear per ARBA regulations.
- 14 All cavies will be judged per the exhibitor's signed check-in form. Absolutely NO changes will be made at the show table.
- 15 Each person is responsible for getting their cavies to the judging table when called in a timely manner.
- 16 All youth entries must be carried to the show table by a youth for all youth shows. Contact the superintendent if accommodations need to be made for persons with disabilities.
- 17 The Show Committee and Show Superintendent have the right to remove any person or exhibitor and their entries if it is deemed necessary due to unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive behavior.
- 18 Any exhibitor, exhibitor guardian or affiliate attempting to, or actually interfering with, annoying, harassing, or influencing the judge or judges, acting in a manner unbecoming; an exhibitor shall have all their entries disqualified by the judge and shall be ejected by the show superintendent and barred from the showroom.
- 19 Children must be supervised at all times while in the showroom.
Parents/guardians will be held responsible for their children's actions and any damages done by children. Children not following the showroom etiquette may be expelled from the showroom.
- 20 Only judges and show personnel are allowed behind the show table during judging. No one is allowed to handle any entry other than their own without the owner's permission, except members of the show committee, ramrods or/or clerks.
- 21 There will be an area designated for sale cavies. Only exhibitors may bring "for sale" cavies. "For sale" cavies will be allowed as space permits, first come basis.
- 22 All specials and awards must be picked up after judging is completed. No awards will be mailed.

ACBA Banquet

Saturday, April 27, 2024

Location: Dodger Bowl Lanes

Address: 321 King St, Dodgeville, WI 53533

Doors open @ 6:30pm and dinner is served at 7pm. Awards program to follow dinner.

Menu:

Garlic herb chicken breasts and beef tenderloin tips, garlic mashed potatoes and Belgian carrots. Dinner includes lettuce salad with dressings, rolls, milk and water. Other beverages and adult beverages may be purchased at the bar.

Any specialized food needs or allergies need to be noted on the banquet ticket request. This venue can prepare meatless options or children's food at your request, to be ordered at the bar.

Banquet Ticket - \$28 each.

Please indicate number of tickets needed on your emailed entry.

Dessert & Wine Auction

We will be holding a silent auction for desserts and wine at our banquet this year. Cookies, Cakes, Pies...OH, MY!

Tables can pool their money and buy a dessert together to enjoy after the meal or you may decide to buy that special dessert all for yourself. It is sure to be a fun time for everyone.

If you would like to donate a dessert or bottle of wine, please contact Kelly Hansen or Laurie Peirick at midwestcavyfanciers@gmail.com

Youth Competition Information

Susan Jones – ACBA Youth Royalty Chair, 520.247.0810
email: azcavycountry@yahoo.com

Youth Members are eligible to participate in Youth programs if they have not yet reached their 19th birthday by the end of Specialty. All youth wanting to participate in the ACBA Youth Programs must be a member of the ACBA.

The ACBA Youth Royalty Contests are conducted at the ACBA Specialty Show which consists of a written test, an oral interview, showmanship (for the younger classes) and judging (for the older classes) as conducted by the ACBA Youth Committee.

The ACBA Youth Achievement, Management and Educational Contests are open to youth members, and they are not required to be present at the ACBA Specialty Show.

Forms required for participation and may be downloaded from.

<https://www.acbaonline.com/youth>

Forms are due by email or postmarked by March 15, 2024.

Make sure you fill out the "Entry Form" in addition to any contests you choose to enter.

Friday, April 26

3:15pm - 3:45pm: Youth competition check-in

4pm – 6pm: Youth judging, showmanship, breed ID and interviews

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8:30am: Youth competition written exam begins.

9am: ACBA Specialty show begins.

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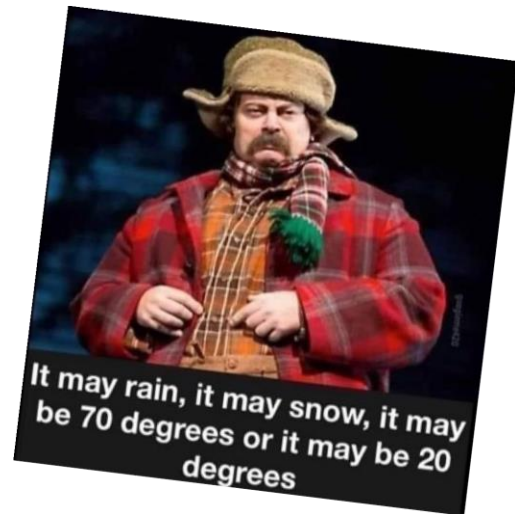
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Sunday, April 28

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Weather in Wisconsin

Dodgeville's average temperatures for April are.... Well let's just say, "plan for anything" Seriously, bring layers!



Lodging

Best Western Dodgeville Inn & Suites

608.935.7739

pets allowed w/pet fee, room is \$119/night plus tax
2 miles from showroom, includes pool/fitness room and breakfast

AmericInn by Wyndham Dodgeville

608.273.8935 (cut off date March 26)

No Pets, \$139/night plus tax
includes hot breakfast, pool and hot tub

Don Q Inn Dodgeville

608.935.2321 (cut off date March 26)

no pets, \$90/night for Fr or Sat, \$80/night for Sun night
includes pool, hot tub, hot breakfast

Getting here

Dane County Regional Airport (MSN) Madison, WI is the closest airport and a little over 1 hour away.

Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport (MKE) Milwaukee, WI is a little over 2 hours away.

O'Hare International Airport (ORD) Chicago, IL is 2.5 – 3 hours away.

Tourist info

- ~Governor Dodge State Park
- ~Cave of the Mounds
- ~Circus World Museum
- ~Taliesin Preservation: Frank Lloyd Wright Visitor Center
- ~House on the Rock
- ~Wisconsin Dells (1 hr 13 min away)
- ~Wisconsin Deer Park
- ~Ripley's Believe It or Not
- ~Carr Valley Cheese
- ~Dells Raceway Park
- ~Museum of Root Beer
- ~Devil's Lake State Park
- ~Wisconsin Duck Tour
- ~Dells Boat Tours

Wineries

* committee member favorite

Balanced Rock Winery, <https://www.balancedrockwinery.com/>

* Baraboo Bluff Winery, <https://baraboobluffwinery.com/>

Prairie Hawk Winery, <https://www.prairiehawkwinery.com/>

Fawn Creek Winery, <https://fawncreekwinery.com/>

Broken Bottle Winery, <https://brokenbottlewinery.net/>

Wollersheim Winery, Distillery & Bistro <https://www.wollersheim.com/>

Specialty Judges

(subject to change/add judges if needed)

Chase Austin, TX

Linda Canfield Loucks, ID

Reed Tibbits, TX

Janice Tibbits, TX

Jason Whitehurst, OR

Dale Mize, IL

Judges' Conference

Friday, April 26, 2024

Organizer: Erica Montefusco

Schedule and Topics will be posted to our Facebook Page.

Conference starts @ 6pm and will last until 9pm

Coffee, water, and snacks will be provided.

Not a judge? Please plan to attend anyway, all are welcome. This conference will have a wealth of cavy information presented by the speakers, and any exhibitor will find value in attending.

Last Supper

Please watch our Facebook event page for more information on the Last Supper. We will post all info there as soon as it is confirmed. Thank you!

Show Vendor

Roger Moeller and Moeller Equipment will be our show vendor. His contact info is:

Roger Moeller 920.595.0431

email: moellerequipment@gmail.com

Show Registrar

Are you currently a registrar? We'd love to see everyone get a chance to register animals to help them along their way to becoming a judge! Please feel free to advertise your availability on our Facebook Event Page!

Raffles

Saturday:

The ACBA will be hosting a raffle on Saturday, please bring donations and buy tickets to support our fancy!

Sunday:

The Midwest Cavy Fanciers will run a raffle table. Your donations will gladly be accepted.

Sanction information

OFFICIAL ARBA OPEN/YOUTH SANCTIONED SHOW

Eric Stewart, Executive Director

P.O. Box 400

Knox, PA 16232

www.arba.net

Membership Dues:

Youth, \$12.00 per year, \$30.00 for 3 years

Adult, \$20.00 per year, \$50.00 for 3 years

Husband/Wife: \$30.00 per year, \$75.00 for 3 years

The national convention for 2024 will be held at

LOUISVILLE, KY, 10/26-30/2024

OFFICIAL ACBA Sanctioned Show

Kim Davis, ACBA Treasurer

3392 Old Mulkey Rd

Tompkinsville, KY 42167.

www.acbaonline.com

Membership:

Adult (NEW) 1 year- \$25 (renewal \$20) 3 years (NEW) \$60 (renewal \$55)

Youth (NEW) 1 year - \$20 (renewal \$15) 3 years (NEW) \$45 (renewal \$40)

Family (NEW) 1 year- \$30 (renewal \$25) 3 years (NEW) \$75 (renewal \$70)

Canadian Members Add \$5/yr

Other foreign add \$20/yr

Open Sanction \$15 per show

Youth Sanction \$10 per show