

**Please be aware that  
Exhibitors entering  
into these classes  
must also be familiar  
with the General  
Rules and Livestock  
Rules.**

**(anything highlighted in grey is new)**



**POCKET PETS**  
DEPARTMENT 14 – Div. 3

**Registration Deadline: July 1, 2026**

**Chairman: Rob Christner**

**SUPERINTENDENT: CAITLIN YODER**  
**FAIR WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Verify Entries ---Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
**Animal Cert. Form turned in at Entry Office**  
**Health check/Enter Exhibit - Friday: 8:00 - 8:45 a.m.**  
**Judging --- Friday: 9:00 a.m. Bldg. #34**  
**Release --- Animals must be removed from the fairgrounds after the show.**  
(Exhibitor MUST furnish own cage)

**It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to get their animals in cages and to the show table.**

*Exhibitor must take responsibility to refer to BCYF General Rules, Regulations & Policies of Procedure, as well as, BCYF Youth Exhibits Rules, and BCYF Livestock Rules (if applicable).*

- A. Pocket Pets are Major Exhibits.
- B. Pocket Pets must be owned by exhibitor or family and in exhibitor's possession at the time of registration. Pocket Pet and cage may only be exhibited by **one exhibitor**.
- C. Each exhibitor may have a maximum total of four Pocket Pet entries.
- D. Ferrets must have rabies and distemper vaccine prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> of current year by a veterinarian. Must have proof of vaccine with registration.
- E. Each entry must be caged separately with no more than two animals per cage. Animals to be exhibited in the cage that they live in, carrying cages not allowed except for Chinchillas & Other Species. Animals with litters are not allowed.
- F. Pocket Pets will be judged by the animals health, condition of the cage and exhibitors knowledge.
- G. Animals must be securely contained in cage. If the cage has tubes, please remove or block off for showing. The exhibitor should be able to easily remove animal from the cage when instructed by the judge.
- H. Entered animals must be brought to check-in table before judging, on day of show.
- I. All exhibitors must be present at time of judging. No exhibits will be judged after the appropriate class has been judged.
- J. Decision of the judges is final.
- K. Pets must be fed, watered & in clean cages.
- L. A Trophy and Rosette will be awarded for the Best of Class for Hamsters, Guinea Pigs, Chinchillas and Other Species.
- M. Upon completion of judging, all Pocket Pets are to be removed from the Fairgrounds.

**Each class will be divided and shown according to exhibitor's age: except class 624**

**Young Jr. Division - Ages 5 - 8 years**

**Jr. Division - Ages 9 - 12 years**

**Intermediate Division - Ages 13 - 15 years**

**Sr. Division - 16 - 20 years**

The four age group winners will compete against each other for the best of that class

**Premiums for classes 624-643 are:**

A-2.25, B-1.50, C-1.00

**625. Special Needs Exhibitors with Pocket Pets**

**626. Chinchillas - Young Jr. Div.,** Pen of one or two

**627. Chinchillas - Junior Div.,** Pen of one or two

**628. Chinchillas - Intermediate Div.,** Pen of one or two

**629. Chinchillas - Senior Div.,** Pen of one or two

- **Best Chinchillas,** Pen of one or two  
Rae Harris Trophy

**Any Other species or any other pocket pet limited to: Ferrets, Gerbils, Hedgehogs & Sugar Gliders - See rule D**

**630. Other Species - Young Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**631. Other Species - Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**632. Other Species - Inter. Division,** Pen of one or two

**633. Other Species - Sr. Division,** Pen of one or two

- **Best Other Species,** Pen of one or two  
Memory of David Harris Trophy

**635. Hamsters - Young Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**636. Hamsters - Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**637. Hamsters - Intermediate Division,** Pen of one or two

**638. Hamsters - Sr. Division,** Pen of one or two

- **Best Hamsters,** Pen of one or two  
Memory of Phil Harris Trophy

**640. Guinea Pigs - Young Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**641. Guinea Pigs - Jr. Division,** Pen of one or two

**642. Guinea Pigs - Intermed. Division,** Pen of one or two

**643. Guinea Pigs - Sr. Division,** Pen of one or two

- **Best Guinea Pigs,** Pen of one or two  
Former Exhibitor Jilly Harris Trophy
- **Grand Champion Pocket Pet**  
Steve Marsh Memorial Trophy (ra13c)
- **Reserve Grand Champion Pocket Pet**