Netherland Dwarfs

Standard of Perfection

As the name implies, the Netherland Dwarf should be a small, compact, stocky little rabbit with a head distinctly full and rounded in profile. The eyes are round, bold and bright. The ears should be erect, of good substance, slightly rounded at the tips and two inches in length or less. The maximum weight for juniors [animals under six months of age] is 2 pounds. The maximum weight of seniors [animals six months of age or over] is 2 1/2 pounds. The fur should be short, soft, dense and roll back slowly into position when stroked toward the head.

The schedule of show room points allows 70 points for general type with 35 points for body type alone. The head, ears and eyes also receive 35 points. The remaining 30 points are allocated for color, condition and fur. As such, considerable importance is attached to the overall confirmation of the Netherland Dwarf.

The “Standard of Perfection” published by the American Rabbit Breeders Association divides the varieties into five different color groups:

1. Self — Ruby Eyed and Blue Eyed White, Black, Blue, Chocolate and Lilac.
2. Shaded — Sable Point, Siamese Sable, Siamese Smoke Pearl, and Tortoise Shell.
3. Agouti Pattern — Chestnut, Opal, Lynx, Chinchilla, and Squirrel.
4. Tan Pattern — Otter, Silver Marten and Tan each classed together in [Black, Blue, Chocolate, and Lilac], plus Sable Marten, and Smoke Pearl Marten.
5. Any Other Variety [AOV] — Broken, Himalayan [Black, Blue, Chocolate, Lilac], Orange, Fawn and Steel.

Join the Club!

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Prices are for memberships within the United States. All payments must be made in US Dollars.
Canada & Mexico: add $ 8.00 per year
All other Foreign: add $15.00 per year

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“The Gem of the Fancy”
The Netherland Dwarf Rabbit

The fact that the Netherland Dwarf is one of the most popular breeds clearly indicates that it has much to offer the rabbit fancier. Its type characteristics and wide variety of colors present a challenge to the exhibitor. Its small size and easygoing disposition make it an ideal pet for children. Since the breed requires little space and a small amount of feed, it enables the breeders to establish a fair size rabbitry which would not be possible with larger breeds of rabbits. Likewise, the demand for good pedigreed stock and the sensational headlines created by Dwarfs at the show tables make it an attractive breed for all concerned.

The American Netherland Dwarf Rabbit Club

The American Netherland Dwarf Rabbit Club is chartered by the American Rabbit Breeders Association. The club was organized to unite Netherland Dwarf breeders in a close bond of cooperation and to provide communication among members. Assisting breeders in the development, raising and advancement of the Netherland Dwarf remains one of the ANDRC’s prime objectives. We invite your participation!

The Benefits of ANDRC Membership include:

Guide Book
First year members receive a complimentary copy of the Netherland Dwarf Official Guidebook, an informative compendium of knowledge about the Netherland Dwarf breed of rabbit and its sponsoring National Breed Club, the ANDRC. The current 146 page Seventh Edition devotes 50 color pages to pictures, descriptions and breeding tips for each of the Netherland Dwarf color varieties.

Dwarf Digest
A quarterly publication which is the official voice of the American Netherland Dwarf Rabbit Club. This journal exists for the continuing, active exchange of information between the Club and its membership, and affords you the opportunity of an open forum for your continuing education. Included you will find changes in ANDRC policy, news about the events in your region, election information, a listing of current Club Officers and Directors, a listing of local affiliated Dwarf Clubs, informative articles about the Netherland Dwarf, results of competitions at shows, and more.

Sweepstakes
You will have the opportunity to compete and accumulate points in national and regional sweepstakes competition. The results of both Open [adult] and Youth competitions are tabulated and awards are given annually to top winning exhibitors.

Professional Designation
A Charter Breeder designation is awarded to those exhibitors who demonstrate consistent achievement over a three year period. Certificates and show coat patches are available to winners.

Supplies
Assorted promotional items featuring the ANDRC logo are available to members.

Assistance
Assistance for new members and advice on rabbitry problems is offered by contacting your Regional Directors or Officers of the ANDRC.

National Shows
In addition to your local rabbit shows, the ANDRC participates in the annual autumn Convention & Show of the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc. [ARBA]. This is the largest exhibition of rabbits in America. The ANDRC also promotes a spring National Netherland Dwarf Show, which is the second largest exhibition of Dwarfs annually. These shows are held in various locations around the country on a rotating basis.

ANDRC Website
Members may include their contact information on the Breeders List and place sale ads for their Netherland Dwarf rabbits on ANDRC.com.

Scholarships
Youth members who are graduating seniors or in their first year of post-secondary study, may apply for an ANDRC scholarship provided they have been a member for at least three years.