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Andre' St. Romain wins the Grand Champion of the Show and the coveted rotating trophy. Andre' is pictured with APA Judge Dennis Thompson. Andre's Winning cockerel is pictured below at the left.

Directly below is Nicole Hunter of Australia and a Judge with her Rhode Island Reds



Secretary Matt Lhamon and Miss Joni Collins at the West Central Ohio Show -Dennis Myers Photo



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DISTRICTS

The Unites States and Canada shall be divided into nine major districts; this division is made in order to have nine major meetings and exhibits each year in addition to the Annual Meeting of the Club, to secure better representation for members in all parts of the country and effect closer cooperation. The country shall be divide as follows:

District 1: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.

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District 4: Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

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District 7: Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah.

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District 9: Canada

District 10: All Other Foreign Countries

PLACEMENT OF CLUB

MEETS

All meets, with the exception of our club's national meet, are placed by the District Directors. The national meet is placed by a majority vote of the executive committee.

To have a Special Meet placed at your club's show, contact your District Director or the Club Secretary.

To have a State or District Meet placed at your club's show, contact the appropriate District Director for your area.

Bids on the National Meet must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer no later than September 15th (postmarks after September 10th are not accepted) of each year. The location of the National Meet will be announced in the November Chronicle.

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CHRONICLE BOOSTER

LISTINGS

(All Yearly Booster Listings will be posted to the web page)

Breeder Directory:

Financial Report

As of May 05, 2003

<u>Cash</u>	
Bank One Checking	\$2,280.54
<u>Inventory</u>	
Club Patches (119)	\$ 286.79
Article Sets (10)	\$ 75.00
Videos (3)	\$ 15.00
Hats (8)	\$ 72.00
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$2729.33
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	none
<u>Total Net Worth</u>	\$26729.33
<u>Receipts</u>	
Dues	\$ 230.00
Videos/Articles/Patches/Ads	\$ 132.00
Ads for APA/ABA	\$ 60.00
Donations	\$ 55.00
Interest	\$.72
Total Receipts	\$ 477.72
<u>Expenses</u>	
1 Chronicle-printing	\$ 252.42
Postage	\$ 120.00
Total Expenses	\$ 372.42
Total Receipts	\$ 477.72
Total Expenses	- \$ 372.42
Net	\$ 105.30

Secretary's Ramblings

I would like to take some space in my column to honor and support our men and women overseas. President Bush was in Lima, Ohio a few weeks ago visiting our General Dynamics Tank Plank, makers of the M1-A1 Abrams Tank we all seen on TV heading toward Bagdad. We built all the Tanks here in Lima and supplied several National Guard support troops for the War. Everyone here had friends and family in Iraq and we all pray for their safe return and congratulate them on their success.

The Spring Shows are in full swing and we made a few of them. Reds were not in the numbers we usually see but several breeders got a late start breeding due to the awful winter we had in the North. I have the Columbus 2002 video but I am having difficulty coping it. I turned it over

to someone who knows more about video duplication and I hope to be able to fill the orders I have already received and make a few extras for those who may want it.

Thanks to Harold Knapp, Dennis Myers, Rick Harmon and Richard Rader for their cash donations to the club. We appreciate it and plan to offer some real nice awards at our next National in 2004. I have received several request from Clubs all over the US to host our meet. Two bids so far offer at least \$500 in cash and the possibility of more. That's great news for the red breeders and it's great to be wanted by our fellow fanciers to show at their shows.

2004 will be the 150th Anniversary of the RI Red Breed, 50th Anniversary of the RI Red as the RI State Bird and the 106th Anniversary of the RI Red Club of America. It will be a historic year and I look

forward to what we can accomplish. Does anyone have any ideas to celebrate all these historic marks? Please let me know so we can plan something nice to honor our favorite breed.

Great to see some of our juniors writing articles for the Chronicle. We thank you Andre' St. Romain and Abigail Palin. Both are fine examples of the poultry youth of tomorrow. I have several breeds and some breed clubs do nothing for the juniors. They are ran by a bunch of points chasers seeing how many of this and that they can ring up. What they don't realize is the kids are the future of the hobby. If we do not keep them interested and motivated, they only ones who will be at the shows will be old geezers, myself included. Help out a 4H'er or a junior this season and see that they get a great start in Rhode Island Reds. Until next time. Matt

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**Upcoming Club Meets 2002
-2003**

Southeast Oklahoma Poultry Club
May 3, 2003
Special
Idabel, OK

Central Pennsylvania Avian Club
May 5, 2003
Special
Bloomsburg, PA

United Poultry Fanciers
May 11-12, 2003
Special
Avoca, IA

Red Hill Bantam Club
May 3-4, 2003
Special
Mt. Carmel, IL

Central Illinois Poultry Club
May 17, 2003
Special
Benson, IL

Buffalo & Western NY Poultry
Assoc.
May 18, 2003
Special
Hamburg, NY

Southern Ohio Poultry Breeders
Assoc.
May 24-25, 2003
District
Lucasville, OH
APA SEMIANNUAL

Badger Poultry Club
June 7, 2003
Special
Richland Center, WI

Buckeye Fancy Feather Club
June 14, 2003
Special
Canfield, OH

Illini Poultry Show
Sept. 13-14, 2003
State

Belvidere, IL

Wisconsin International Show
Sept. 27-28, 2003
State
Portage, WI

Southern Ohio Poultry Breeders
Assoc.
Oct 4-5, 2003
Special
Lucasville, OH

Utah Fancy Poultry Assoc.
Oct. 10-11-12, 2003
District
Farmington, UT

Central Oklahoma Poultry Assoc.
Oct. 18, 2003
Special
Guthrie, OK

Kansas State Poultry Club
Oct. 25-26, 2004
State
Hutchinson, KS

Nebraska State Poultry Association
Nov. 1-2, 2003
Special
Lincoln, NE

Four Corners Poultry Show
Nov. 1, 2003
State
Farmington, NM

Ohio Poultry Breeders Association
Ohio National
Nov. 8-9, 2003
Special
Columbus, OH

Red Hill Bantam Club
Nov. 29, 2003
Special
Mt. Carmel, IL

First Annual Rock & Red Show
Dec. 13-14, 2003
Special
Nashville, IN

Guil Rand Fowl Fanciers

Dec. 13, 2003
State
Greensboro, NC

Show Reports

East Ascension FFA Poultry Show
Special
02/22/03
Large Fowl (11)
SC-BV-BB-Andre St. Romain
SC-RV-RB-Andre St. Romain
RC-BV-Nancy St. Romain
RC-RV-Nancy St. Romain
Bantams (11)
SC-BV-BB-non member
SC-RV-RB-non member
Champion LF was Best American,
Champion LF and Res. Champion of
Show
No Junior Show

West Central Ohio Poultry Breeders
"Spring Kickoff" Show
Special
03/15-16/03
Large Fowl (25)
SC-BV-BB-Mark and Jeanne Palin
SC-RV-RB-Dennis Myers
RC-BV-Dennis Myers
RC-RV-Harold Knapp
BB LF was Best American
Bantams (53)
SC-BV-BB-M & M Exhibition Poul-
try
SC-RV-Rick Bond
RC-BV-RB-Zach Ogle
RC-RV-non member
Champion LF was Best American
Junior Show
Large Fowl (6)
SC-BV-BB-Abigail Palin
SC-RV-Bri Pickard
Bantams (16)
SC-BV-BB-Kelsey Chambers
SC-RV-RB-Tanner Engle
RC-BV-non member
RC-RV-non member
BB LF was Best American
BB Bantam was Best SCCL

Heartland Classic Poultry Show
Special
03/22-23/03
Large Fowl (5)

SC-BV-BB-Cathy Gleason
 SC-RV-RB-Cathy Gleason
 Bantams (18)
 SC-BV-BB-Greg Chamness
 SC-RV-RB-Greg Chamness

Champion LF was Best American
 Champion Bantam was Res. SCCL
 Junior Show
 Large Fowl (1)

SC-BV-BB-non member
 Bantams (4)

SC-BV-BB-non member
 SC-RV-RB-non member
 BB LF was Res. Champion LF and
 Best American

 Forsyth Fowl Fancier's Spring Show
 Special
 03/29/03

Large Fowl (4)

SC-BV-BB-non member

SC-RV-RB-non member

Bantams (15)

SC-BV-BB-non member

SC-RV-RB-Sammy Collins

No Reds in Junior Show

Delmarva Poultry Fanciers Club
 State

04/05-6/03

No Large Fowl (0)

Bantams (3)

SC-BV-BB-George Shreffler

SC-RV-RB-George Shreffler

No Reds in Junior Show

Western PA Poultry Show

04/13/03

Large Fowl (3)

SC-BV-BB-non member

SC-RV-RB-non member

Bantams (4)

SC-BV-BB-Bill Ziehm

SC-RV-RB-Bill Ziehm

Green River Poultry Club

Special

4/19/0

Large Fowl (7)

SC-BV-BB-non member

SC-RV-RB-non member

RC-BV-non member

RC-RV-non member

Bantams (17)

SC-BV-BB-Greg Chamness
 SC-RV-RB-Greg Chamness
 BB Bantam was Best SCCL, Res.
 Bantam and Res. Champion of Show.
 No Birds in Junior Show

Dayton Fancy Feather Poultry Show
 State

04/26-27-03

Large Fowl (10)

SC-BV-BB-Harry & Kathy Kolcaz

SC-RV-RB Zach Ogle

Bantams (41)

SC-BV-BB-Max Stacy

SC-RV-RB-Max Stacy

RC-BV- Zach Ogle

RC-RV-Rob Sando

Champion LF was Res. American

Junior Show

Large Fowl (2)

SC-BV-BB-non member

SC-RV-RB-non member

Bantams (10)

SC-BV-BB-Kelsie Chambers

SC-RV-RB-Kelsie Chambers

BB Bantam was Best SCCL

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 available from the Secretary
 for \$20 each**

**News for District 1
 By Don Nelson**

It looks like the Spring Show season is going to be about wiped out here in southern New England. We had a mild AI outbreak in Connecticut in March and now we have a small commercial flock with a mild AI outbreak in R.I. Both flocks are being vaccinated and not destroyed!

As of this writing the Connecticut Poultry Breeders Show on May 18th has been cancelled as well as the New England Bantam Club Show on May 4th. I have not heard any news on the Maine Show on the 25th of May as of yet. The Little Rhody Show was postponed from April 13th until June 8th and at this point we have the OK unless there is another outbreak of AI elsewhere.

It sure does make it hard to enjoy the hobby when all the local shows are cancelled.

I have been traveling to shows to judge so I have been able to get out and enjoy the shows. I have been to the Delaware show and to Sussex, NJ to judge-both shows had VERY few Reds. 'm off to Bloomsburg, PA this weekend to judge again, hopefully there will be a few more Reds. I'm looking forward to judging the JR. birds at Lucasville, and I know there will be some Reds out there!

I had a great year hatching Reds, I've got 80 large Red chicks and 90 Red bantam chicks! I also took 20 large chicks to sell at the auction in NJ and sold 18 bantam Red chicks ,plus I am shipping my last hatch this weekend-and pulling the plug.

The Little Rhody Show has applied for the Red National in 2004 and has guaranteed at least \$500 in awards for the meet. This is the 50th Anniversary of the RI Red being made the state bird, so we plan on going all out for this one time bid on a National meet. We plan to have the Red National on Saturday and our regular Fall Show on Sunday-the third weekend in October. The Reds will be in a separate building and will be there for both shows-with a different judge on each day. That way you can get in two shows or just come for the National. We are also planning some special awards and events-so we are asking for everyone's help for this one time event.
Don Nelson

Homesteading with RI Red Bantams by Dane Blumthal

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Hi Bob,

OK, we are up and running -- finally! The ban ties are adjusting very well to their new "condo". We have the roosts and nest boxes in an acceptable place for them apparently since they have been laying like crazy. We chose to stop eating the eggs (excellent by the way) this week and see if one or so of them would eventually go broody. Will see. Have attached a few images. Just want to again thank you for the kindness of meeting me out there so late at night, and for the advice on these little fellows. We feel that we have made a fine choice with these instead of the larger R I Reds. We even like their intelligent dispo-

sition -- really amazing.

From your suggestion to keep them enclosed for four weeks so that they know their home, will have the enclosed/ protective 8X8 run completed over spring break as they are coming up on a month in the coop by then. It is hard to tell in the picture, but there is an enormous 5X2 window high on the shadowed wall of the coop. We also wired it for DC fluorescent lighting and a small 12V computer fan. Will keep you posted. And again, thanks for all your help.

President's Note: I converted Dane from large fowl production reds to SCRI Red bantams. I shared with him one male and four pullets. He has no electricity and will hatch the chicks that he needs with the females who will make excellent mothers. Rhode Island Red Bantams make an excellent breed for yuppies who want to become homesteaders and to get their children involved in livestock. Always try to push our breed even if the person does not wish to be an exhibitor. That is what our hobby is all about. BOB BLOSL



Dane's Milk Crate Nestboxes



Dane's Henhouse

Note From District 4 Director Rick Bond

4th District Report by Rick Bond

Hello from South Central Indiana. Spring has finally arrived and the January chicks are finally on the ground enjoying these warm sunny days and the cool nights. I never thought that Spring would be here after all of the snow and cold we had down here. Spring did arrive like a gangbuster, the magnolia trees were beautiful followed by the redbud and the tulips.

I was able to go to the show in Wapakoneta, OH in mid March hosted by our Club Secretary Matt Lhamon and then the next weekend I was in Cape Girardeau, MO hosted by Kirk Keene, and 3 weeks later I was hosting the Gateway Show in Bloomington, IN. It was a fun time at all of the shows. I did not have much luck at winning but had a great time getting out and seeing friends that I had not seen in months.

Many District 4 members know that I work for the Indiana House of Representatives. My job is usually not a problem for attending shows. Here in Indiana they only meet from January to the end of April, but this year the legislature decided to end on Thursday before the Greenville, OH Show instead of the April 29th deadline. That I thought could be a good thing, I could take the next day off of work and be ready for Greenville, but the legislature schedule is not always predictable when the state budget must be passed.

When I left work late Thursday evening I knew that I was not going to be able to be in Greenville Saturday morning. The budget discussions were moving but not as fast as I would prefer cause I had plans to attend a poultry show on Saturday. When I got home about 11:30 p.m. there was the Poultry Press (guaranteed mailed out the last Thursday of the month). This made my day, I may not be able to go to the show but I had something about poultry to read.

Here in the Midwest the Rhode Island Red Bantam competition is very nerve racking. District 4 is a great place to exhibit red bantams due to the quality and the amount of reds shown at a show. And I love competing. When I opened my Press and went to the Wapakoneta ads I had

some great feelings running through my stomach and I was laughing so hard. The first ad that I saw was an ad from our Secretary Matt Lhamon underneath a picture of his B.B. Red S.C. bantam cockerel was the words "The Bond Killer" then there was an ad from Zach Ogle "Bond Killer" a R.C. red cockerel. Sure looks like they hooked up to run some ads for fun. It sure did relieve some of the tension from being and work and not being able to attend the show in Greenville. But Boys, Matt and Zach there is a fall season yet to come. Matt you better have some long backed female bantams and Zach you better be hatching some R.C. Large Reds, because I will be ready.

Do not forget the Rock N' Red Show December 14-15.

Well my favorite time of time of the year

Presidents Message By Bob Blosl

is spring and it is here in full bloom in our region. Our grass is growing very rapidly and I am spending most of my time trying to maintain our yard and the one-acre of free range where we have our young birds. We have a good number of red bantams that we hatched in the early part of the year and now we are putting more pressure on hatching in May as the hot summer months stifles their growth and makes a smaller bantam. So far from the hatches that we had in March, our bantams are the smallest that we have produced in the last 13 years considering we started the strain of the E W Reese large fowl and Lee Roy Jones cross back in 1991. I put some eggs in the incubator yesterday from a small pullet mated back to her sire and they are the smallest eggs I have ever seen on a Red Bantam. We look forward to the hatch in 21 days and cannot wait to see what the chicks look like. For a change, our bantams are hatching with nearly total horn color in their beaks and their surface color especially in the females are the darkest that we have ever produced. I hope that we will see the dark blood red quill color that we used to have in our large fowl this year show up in our bantams. We also stated raising white call ducks this year and placed the eggs in the incubator and then after 7 days

we placed 8 duck eggs under a Red bantam sitting hen. I let the little ducks hatch under the hen, remove them in a few hours, and keep placing new eggs under the hen. After about 50 days of sitting, I let the sitting hen have some fertile Red Bantam eggs from the incubator to hatch and raise for us in special brooder houses. This has worked out perfectly, the ducks are growing very well, and the mother hen is happy to have a batch of little red chicks around to raise for her labor. A little secret, if the mother hen is a good overall female, as a hen after she raises a batch of chicks she will then molt back with the most even dark color you ever saw on a hen. This is a secret passed on to me by the late Ken Bowles from New York as he did this and his secret would help him win 1st hen at the fall shows that he attended and many of the hens would go on to win best of breed. You should try it, as you will be surprised at what the broody hen hormones has as an effect on the finish of the female after she molts. Many members have requested that I appoint a new committee to review the by-laws and see if changes can be made to update them to our current times and the use of the internet in the way we do business, nominations for officers and reporting the election results after an election. I have appointed Mike Hawkins, Don Nelson, John Klimes, Mike Miller and Rick Bond who will be the chairperson to make suggestions for any changes in our Bylaws. If the committee finds changes to be made I have approved a special meet to be held at the All Rhode Island Red- Plymouth Rock show coming up this November in Indiana. Matt will place such suggestions by this committee in the upcoming Red Chronicles in do time as the current by-laws state. In addition, a committee will be appointed for candidates for this years Hall of Fame, which we will be posted in the upcoming Red Chronicle. In closing, I would like to thank long time District 7 Director Clyde Montgomery for his many years of service to the club promoting Rhode Island Reds in his region. He has requested to step down this year and we have appointed Mike Hawkins from Arizona to fill this position. Mike has been a great booster of our breed over the past few years and I am grateful that he has accepted to be our new District –

Director. I also want to remind you that Matt has the two and half hour video tape of the recent Ohio National Red Club Meet. We started the tape off with a walk right from the parking lot into the Poultry Building and a tour from the floor as well from the second floor bleachers. You will then have a review of all the RI Red Large Fowl that were entered along with the red bantams that takes about 90 minutes. There is a short segment of the meeting and handing out the awards at the National Show and we rounded out the last 30 minutes with a Master Breeder Panel Discussion by our past junior member Zack Ogle as the master of Ceremonies. These 30 minutes of the panel discussion is worth the \$20 for the tape alone. All postage and the cost of the tape are included and the profits from this fundraiser will go to our junior and adult National Meet awards program. So far, for the past three years our profits from these tapes and Classic Articles have allowed us to donate money for awards and not touch a penny in our general fund with still extra money left over if needed for the club. It has been a very successful fundraiser, but most of all it has been a fantastic way to share the knowledge of how to grow, show and breed our Rhode Island Reds to our members.

I wish you the best this summer with your Reds and please spread the word about our club and help us recruit new members so they may learn how to be excellent exhibitors and breeders of Rhode Island Reds.

TO: OUR AVIAN ONLINE NEWS-LETTER READERS

Good Article Forwarded by Mike Hawkins

FROM: AVIAN MEDICINE CHEST
RE: NEST BOXES & BUGS, SPIDERS

We want to remind you that there DEFINITELY is something natural and non-toxic that you can use to put in your nest boxes to get rid of mites, bugs and spiders.

A lot of our customers have been known to use Sevin to kill bugs, mites and spiders in their nest boxes. As you probably know, this is a toxic poison and is a problem with vulnerable little

chicks.

What we recommend is Worm-Out that we use and recommend to our customers. It is absolutely safe and free from toxic poison.

One needs to merely sprinkle Worm-Out in the nest box and just leave it there all season. If the parents eat any, this is great because it gets rid of internal worms and adds trace minerals to their diet all at the same time. We would call this a "3fer". We also use Worm-Out for pet fleas, sprinkling in our garage, in the bathroom and kitchen under the sinks. We use this around the outside base of the house to keep crickets at bay. We use it on our dogs, cats, birds and rabbits. Of course it can be used on any little animal that is bothered with external parasites.

Use it on the feathers or fur, in the food in their water. This Worm-Out is really great stuff for getting rid of just about every external and internal parasite. It does not get one celled parasites like giardia and other protozoa. You would need Parastem for these.

Go here to read more about it:

<http://www.petmedicinechest.com/avian/parasites.asp>

Best regards,

Rose

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PS. Feel free to pass this information along to any of your bird friends. Help them keep their babies healthy too.

Also feel free to reprint this in its entirety if you have a newsletter and wish to add this note. Be sure to include our contact information.

This year breeding got off to a slow start. When I finally got 7 breeding pens set up,

Note From Jeanne Palin

my nice male that has been on the front page had died. I did not get any chicks from him either! Since then I lost another male, I was never able to show him, but he had great potential, also died. I now have 5 breeding pens. I have around 10 chicks out and most of them are all out of 1 male. So fertility is poor.

I have HOPE, though. We will have to hatch out more through out the year to get caught up. Rhode Island Reds are a pretty hardy bird. I think if you stick to it long

enough, good things happen.

I missed a few shows due to family matters, and my job related promises. But we will return to enjoy the company of you great Rhode Island Red fanciers. We enjoy the shows and the friends we have met. Good luck to all of you.

Jeanne Palin

Dear Members of The Rhode Island Red Club,

Note from Junior Red Breeder-Miss Abigail Palin

My name is Abigail Palin. I am a new member in the club. I'm ten years old and have been showing Chickens for six years. I just got a RIR membership for Christmas from my Mom & Dad. I love showing, and the color of reds. When I'm older, I want to start the Bantam reds. I'm a member of the APA/ABA Youth Program and I am a Coop Tender, working towards my Flock Tender Patch.

I also show Bantam SC Dark Brown Leghorns, Bantam SC Light Brown Leghorns and Bantam White Wyandottes I have received from Dr. VL Patterson for a birthday gift.

I like Rhode Island Reds, and hope to meet more members at the next show.

Sincerely Yours,

Abby Palin

Editors Note: I have know Abby since she was about 4 years old and she is a true young fancier. Glad she has taken to RI Reds and I think she will be a real competitor in the future. Thanks for the article, Abby!

Matt

Showmanship is defined as a contest in which showman compete by displaying their abilities to handle their show animal and their general knowledge of their

Poultry Showmanship with Reds by Junior Member Andre' St. Romain

breed. In this article I want to share some information on showmanship with Reds. Preparation is very important in showmanship. To prepare, I read about Reds fro several sources. After researching, I

wrote an outline. The purpose of the outline was to organize my ideas and so when I talked to the judges I wouldn't skip any parts. I learned my outline so I wouldn't need notes or que cards. My sources were the Standard of Perfection, some showmanship guides and some articles from the Red Club website and Blue Ribbon Reds. I learned about color, type and disqualifications. And ways to prepare a bird for show. Also, I researched parasites, diseases, and nutrient needs of chickens in general. Last, I got familiar with the other birds in the American Class.

From speeches and demonstrations I had given, I learned the basic speaking practices; stand straight, make eye contact, be calm, etc. I brought these into play for showmanship and they really helped me out.

For showmanship I chose a tame bird and practiced with her. I made sure to hold her, put her in the cage, and unfold her wings right. She got used to being handled.

Three major tips I picked up during my showmanship really helped me out. First, stay calm-if you handle an accident well, it might be to your advantage. Second, don't just wait for the judge to ask you a question-just tell him/her everything you know. Last, if you don't know something, don't make it up.

So to do well in a showmanship contest, research reds, practice with your bird, follow those 3 tips and be confident.

Andre' St. Romain

ST. ROMAIN SWEEPS 4-H STATE POULTRY SHOW

The State 4-H Poultry Show was held in Baton Rouge from Feb. 6, 2003 through Feb. 8th, 2003. Andre' St. Romain, Mat-

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thew Olinde and Madeline Olinde represented Pointe Coupee in the poultry exhibition contest. Andre' St. Romain won the coveted rotating trophy (Grand Champion

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REDS AT THE WEST CENTRAL OHIO SHOW-PHOTOS BY DENNIS MYERS

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Of Show) with his single comb Rhode Island Red cockerel. Andre' also won 1st place and a belt buckle in the showmanship competition. Madeline Olinde won ninth place showmanship and Matthew Olinde won eight place showmanship. Andre' St. Romain also won Grand Champion Large Fowl, Best American, Best of Breed and Best Male and 1st place with his single comb Rhode Island Red cockerel, 2nd place Rhode Island Red cockerel, Reserve Champion American, Best Female and 1st place his single comb Rhode Island Red pullet, 2nd place single comb Rhode Island Red pullet, 1st place single comb Rhode Island Red cock, 2nd place single comb Rhode Island Red cock, 1st place single comb Rhode Island Red hen, 2nd single comb Rhode Island Red hen, 1st place Sumatra pullet, 2nd place Sumatra hen and pullet, 3rd place Sumatra cock and 3rd place Sumatra cockerel. Matthew Olinde won 1st place single comb Rhode Island Red bantam cockerel and 2nd place single comb Rhode Island Red cockerel, 1st place single comb Rhode Island Red pullet and 2nd place single comb Rhode Island Red pullet. Madeline Olinde won 2nd place Old English BB red Bantam hen, 2nd place BB Red cockerel, 3rd place BB Red hen, 3rd place BB Red pullet. 3rd place Silver Sebright cock, 3rd place Silver Sebright hen, 4th place BB Red cockerel, 4th place Silver Sebright cock, and 5th place BB Red cock.

Note From Nancy St. Romain

Dear Matt,
Andre' wrote an article for the Chronicle on what he learned about showmanship which is new to Louisiana and we don't have a guide for this yet. Also, to let you know he won the LSU State Show with a Red Cockerel and got Res. American with a Red pullet. Dennis Thompson, from Iowa, judged the Large Fowl and Doug Connelly from Texas, judged bantams with both judging showmanship. To top off his big year, he won his age group in showmanship.
Nancy St. Romain

Editors Note: Congrats to Andre' St. Romain and his accomplishments with his reds and poultry projects. Andre' is a fine example of some of the super Junior Exhibitors we have in the Red Club and is our Newest Junior Master Exhibitor!.
Matt

Note From Nicole Hunter of Australia

Dear Matt,
My name is Nichole Hunter. I show Large and Bantam Single Comb only. I am the sponsorship coordinator for the Rhode Island Red Club of Victoria. Our show is held in June 28th this year at Ballarat. Could you donate some ribbons or a badge with your Rhode Island on it. I would like to be a member of your club myself and could I get a badge too! I will pay for it and let me know the price of membership, I can pay that too! I have been showing cooks for 14 years. I show Black Rosecombs and have Silver Laced bantams but I don't show Silver Laced yet, not quite good enough yet, working on them. I have some very good black rosecombs. I do quite well with them. I show Large Rhode Island Reds and Bantams, also have very good ones. Mine are from John List, in Sydney. I don't now if you know him. He is a good friend of mine. John List gave me your address. Secretary Rod Lindsey said we can give you some of our ribbons for your show and rosettes. Matt, if we could get Ribbon or Rosette for Champion Bird of Show, Champion Large, Champion Bantam and Champion Junior and maybe Champion White Rhode Island. We can send ribbons and rosettes but we don't have a badge yet. I will leave it to you. But I would like to join up myself and buy a badge too! I have sent some pictures of my birds. Looking forward to your reply.
Kind Regards,
Nicole Hunter

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