

THRIANTA NEWS

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"FIRE OF THE FANCY"

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During the past summer I was plagued with rabbit thieves. Yep, that is correct. These are things you only occasionally hear about happening to someone else, but I will tell you it is what nightmares are made of. For almost a month the thieves took quite a few very choice animals in a broad range of breeds: Thriantas, Mini Satins, Belgian Hares, Silver Fox, Harlequins, Lilacs and Harlequin Dutch, which included brood stock, imports, convention purchases, bred does, every 11 day old youngster, all toll around \$5,000. Since the razor-wire went up no more rabbits have been missing. Police are well aware and the case is building for felony theft, criminal mischief, animals cruelty (knocked rabbits in the head and even cut all four legs off a Thrianta baby and threw it back into the cage), harassment, and stalking. Well it did cut down on the feed bill.... I only say that to try and keep my spirits lifted.

As most of you know, Glen Carr's Thriantas passed their second presentation in Providence, Rhode Island...WAY TO GO GLEN. Just "ONE MO TIME" and the breed will be official as we all look forward to the next convention in Indiana. With the 2006 ARBA Convention being awarded to Fort Worth, Texas, hopefully we'll see a super showing of the "Fire of the Fancy".

Just before the past convention I had the good fortune to be able to go to England and then on to Prague, Czechoslovakia for the world show, more properly known as Europe. This is where all of Europe comes together every three years, loads of rabbits, pigeons, poultry and even Nutria Rats. No Thriantas, but their larger cousins the Saxon Gold/Sashengold were very well represented.

Show season has been in full swing and I hope you have been showing your Thriantas. I encourage you to get them on the show tables before as many judges as possible. Be sure to bring a copy of the Working Standard with you. There is not better way to promote the breed than having them out before your fancier friends and believe you me, they ALWAYS attract attention. Please continue to promote the American Thrianta Rabbit Breeders Association (ATRBA) and of course share your experiences with the membership through the *THRIANTA NEWS*. Our Secretary Carrol Hooks will be delighted to hear from you. Since anything pertaining to Thriantas had been included in her spam filter and she had not received any of the emails, she thought we were not interested anymore. She is really excited to know there is an even greater interest and asks that you send everything you can for the next newsletter.

In closing, if I may be of service to any of you, do not hesitate to contact me.

Bob

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Convention in Indiana is rapidly approaching. I would not be human if I did not have some concerns about the Thrianta presentation. I hope many of you will be there for support on Wednesday morning when I make the presentation. If successful and they are accepted for inclusion in the ARBA Standard of Perfection, we will be able to show them in competition with all other breeds in February, 2006. In the meantime, keep entering them at the shows for exhibition. The more exposure we get, the better. We are discussing having a celebration party in my suite if the presentation is successful. There will be more information on this in the next newsletter. The target date for the next issue is August, please send information for inclusion.

Glen

CARROL'S COMMENTS (SECRETARY'S MESSAGE)

Yesterday I found a serious problem, according to the server, I had a worm in the computer. To no avail, I tried to clean it but found nothing. As instructed by the server I took it in and they went to work on it. This morning when I picked it up, all nice and clean, we discussed the "Spam Blocker" and what I had done. Quite some time back when they helped me set all it up so I would not get all those unwanted messages (you know the ones I mean), they told me about "*" and I used it a lot, way to much. They found out that any thing that had a "th" was not coming through as I had blocked it. I had even told a friend a few days ago that I was sure not getting as many e-mails as I used to, but that was good. SO I THOUGHT..... For those of you who do not know me real well, if you show me how to operate a computer program I am on my way and proceed quickly. But, when it comes to e-mail, web sites, etc. I am at a total loss. I really thought most everyone had lost their interest in our little club and I was quite disappointed. When I realized I had blocked all the e-mail pertaining to Thrianta & Thrianta Fanciers and that the interest was still there, I was both pleased and upset. Pleased with the interest and upset with myself. When I talked to Bob to tell him about it, he was very understanding and explained to me that the people who had mailed checks were wondering what was going on. As I explained to him, I was not going to cash their checks when I had not given them a newsletter or anything in return. We have everything fixed now (I think), and I am not to be doing anything with the spam blocker anymore.

In this issue you will find a reprint of the Thrianta Working Standard. Remember if you wish to show them at a show you must provide a copy for judging. If you need additional copies or would like to have a copy of the History of the Thrianta let me know.

So, fellow Thrianta Lovers, we are back on track. This newsletter will be mailed next week and membership cards for new members will be included in the newsletter. Teri Reymann has been appointed as our News Editor. She is very experienced and is anxious to do the next issue which will be mailed in mid August. If you have articles, pictures or any other information please send it to her no later than August 1st. Membership dues and advertisements with fees will still come to this office. Do not send those to the News Editor.

Take care, have a great summer and remember to keep the bunnies cool.

Carrol

ATRBA FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance		\$ 171.75
INCOME:		
Dues	\$ 207.00	
Total Income		\$ 207.00
EXPENSES:		
Ream Paper	\$ 4.87	
Cartridge - black	28.99	
Cartridge - color	36.99	
Stamps - Newsletter	60.00	
Total Expenses		\$ 130.85
Ending Balance		\$247.90

ADVERTISING RATES

Breeders Listing - 4 Lines.....	\$ 5.00
Business Card Ad	\$ 10.00
1/4 Page Ad	\$ 25.00
1/2 Page Ad	\$ 45.00
Full Page Ad	\$ 80.00

These fees are for 4 yearly issues of the Newsletter.
 All advertisements must be camera-ready.
 Send ad and proper fee to ATRBA Secretary
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LATE BREAKING NEWS - WE HAVE A NEWS EDITOR

Teri Reymann has been appointed ATYRBA News Editor. Mail Pictures, articles and informational items to her at: 521 N Main Street - Yreka, CA 96097. E-mail: sonshinerabbitry@hotmail.com

MEMBER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

I am really excited about these bunnies... Is everything true that I hear as far as the beautiful rich color and the wonderful personality?

Cher

I've been looking for Thriantas without much success since I saw them at the Peoria convention. Who do you suggest going to for stock? I would rather not ship if I don't have to.

Ross

Where in the U.S. could I purchase a nice trio??? Can't find them anywhere but overseas.

Cher

I had Glen look over my jr. Thriantas, actually they are almost sr. He said mine had better color than his and I have one doe that is exceptionally nice in the litter. I was planning on keeping her so I guess I chose the right one to keep. I am going to rebreed does today. I only have 4 sr animals, I want to keep my herd small.

Deb

Just wanted to let you know that I received the Newsletter (Thrianta) and I must say VERY NICE and Thank you. I look forward to the next issue.

Bob

HOW DO YOU PRONOUNCE THRIANTA?

It'S simple, just say TREE-AAN-TA!

THRIANTA OR SACHSENGOLD: The breeds are pretty much one in the same, as we must remember the Germans introduced Thriantas to improve the color of their Saschseingolds, then the Dutch re-introduced Saschseingolds into Holland and name them Thrianta. Thriantas, are bred more squat in build, slightly smaller in size, the color is more intense and carried well down the hair shaft. The Dutch prefer an ideal weight of 4 pounds. The Sachseingold, can weigh up to 7 pounds, has a yellow to orange coloring, so therefore not as intense as the Thrianta and it's standard calls for a lighter under color. It should be noted that the Thrianta is a Tan Pattern rabbit devoid of the black, blue, chocolate or lilac color.

THRIANTAS ARE A COLOR BREED, BUT ARE THEY CONSIDERED ORANGE OR RED? Often you will hear people say what a beautiful orange color the Thriantas have, well in human eyes, yes the color is orange. Those who exhibit small stock or any livestock for that matter, their beautiful orange color is known as red in the breed standards. SO, Let'S just call the color RED.

THRIANTAS IN BRIEF. The breed is unique with their fiery red-orange color, compact type, stout head and ears which are quite pronounced in the bucks. A 24 x 24 inch cage is ideal for their housing. They are good natured, but inquisitive. Does readily breed at 6 months and will average 4 to 6 in a litter and are good mothers. Seldom will you see white toenails or foreign spots in the coat. You can be assured that they attract a great deal of attention in the showroom whenever presented. The Thrianta is a HOT little rabbit in all respects and garners the title as a "FIRE OF THE FANCY".

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THRIANTAS NORTHWEST!

The showing of Thriantas is just beginning in the Pacific Northwest. Two bucks were exhibited at Washington's Evergreen State Fair, where one mom daringly utilized one of them for the 4H "Novice Parent" Fit and Show Class. She didn't do very well, but that wasn't the Thrianta's fault - and the crowd enjoyed hearing about the breed!

Three Thriantas were shown at the Northwest Rabbit Breeder's fall show on October 2 in Monroe, Washington. Cindy Wickizer judged them and went over them very thoroughly. She described the difference between the "European" style of the Thrianta, as opposed to the Florida White, to which the Thrianta is always being compared, and showed the spectators how that breed is shown bunched up and rounded, but the Thrianta is not.

Other fall shows featuring Thriantas were the Tri Cities Rabbit Breeders show in Kennewick, and Puget Sound RCC in Bremerton. Winter and spring found the Thriantas at Mount Vernon, Kennewick, Yakima and around again to the fabulous Northwest Rabbit Breeder's spring show in Monroe.

So far it looks like there are six owners of Thriantas in this area, three of us in Western Washington, one in Eastern Washington and two in British Columbia. If there are more of you out there, send me an e-mail!

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Hi:

My name is Cindy Burgess and I have had Thrianta's for 3 or 4 years. I showed them for the 1st. Time at Iriquois show in IL. In fact it was only the 2nd show I've been able to attend due to illness. This was a double show and both Tex Thomas and Dick Gehr like my improvement in stock. I don't have a ton of Thrianta's, but I do have some to sell at times. I will be growing. This is an example of my stock. This is a buck that I have for sale.

Cindy Burgess



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Circle Appropriate Membership: IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON, LIST ALL NAMES BELOW

Single Adult - \$10.00 yr.

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I hereby make application for membership in the ATRBA and agree to abide by it's Constitution and By-Laws. Enclosed is membership fee as circled above.

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