

2014 Top Lop Youth Winners

1 ~ JHL Ruby Runt - RR

1509 Points

Bred and owned by Jessica Souza, CA

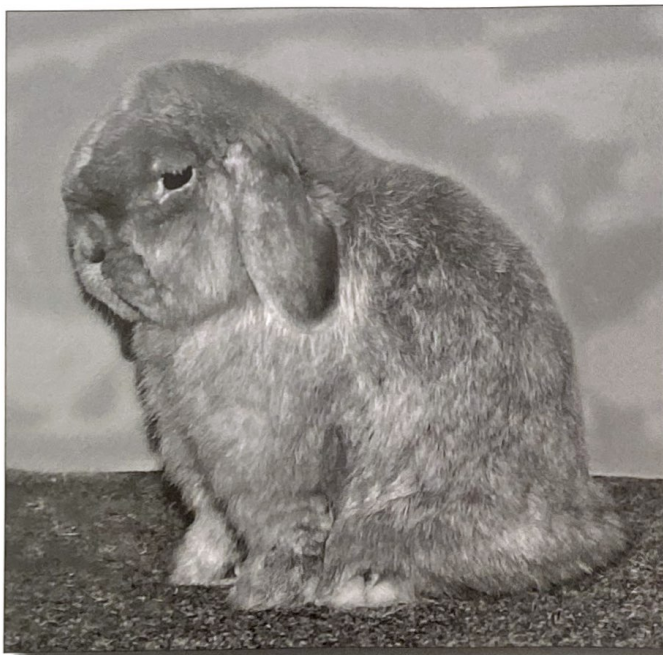
Jessie's Hoppy Lops Ruby Runt (RR) is a really cute and adorable rabbit that begs for a head pet every time I walk into the barn. I love her with all my heart! She was the runt of the litter and always appeared a bit awkward. This is one of the reasons I never showed her as a junior. I thought she was perfect, but my Mom just didn't think she would stack up to her brother and sister, and tried to sell her twice. Both times I begged and argued to keep her. Luckily, I won the battle. Ruby pulled it all together and became a nicely balanced compact package, when she became a senior. She posies naturally and wants to show herself off for the judges.

Ruby made her show debut in Reno, NV, at the West Coast Classic in 2013, receiving 2 BOB's and many wonderful comments. She did far better than I ever imagined. Ruby has been rocking the show table ever since winning numerous Best of Breeds, Best in Shows and Best Reserve in Shows. I am proud of Ruby, and it is an honor to have her recognized as the #1 Youth Top Lop in 2014. I have retired Ruby from the show table for breeding purposes.

I want to send out a huge thank you to all the wonderful judges I have encountered; the dedicated open Holland Lop breeders that have given me advice and help; and all the other youth Holland Lop breeders that I have met on this amazing journey. I have learned so much from all of you!



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2 ~ Woodland's Aslan

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1390 Points

Bred by Bill and Laureen Wark, CO

Owned by Gabrielle Rhodes Hibbert, CO

Fortunately Bill and Laureen Wark of Woodland's Rabbitry had faith in me. In July 2013, they brought us two or three bucks they felt would show well in youth. I totally fell in love when they showed me Aslan, who had three legs in open. I loved his blue tort coloring and his huge head. He was no comparison to the "pet" Hollands that I had started with. I just knew Aslan would shape my future at LapLop Rabbitry. By winter, Aslan had further matured so when I started showing him in Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and Nevada he was rarely defeated. Aslan picked up many Best of Breeds, and Best Opposite Breeds, a few Best in Shows, and some Best Reserve in Show wins, which tallied up to a whopping 46 legs in a little over a year. Aslan was a natural poser and really a ham on the table! He was definitely the "king" in our barn and best of all he was an amazing 'herd buck' consistently producing well. His legend continues in his offspring. Rest In Peace Aslan, we miss you.

3 ~ Boswell's Judi - JUDI

1208 Points

Bred by Ellie Boswell

Owned by Tammy Putz, MN

The 2014 show year is one that I will always remember. I had a blast showing Judi this past year. The highlight of my year was at Holland Lop Nationals, in Jefferson, Wisconsin, when Judi got Best Opposite of Breed, and Best of Breed at the day-after show. Judi is such a fun rabbit to bring to shows because she loves to pose for the judges. She sits up and peaks out of the show box whenever possible! Her personality is hard to miss, and she loves the attention.

I would like to thank the Boswells for breeding Judi, and the Selhosts for allowing me to acquire her. I'd also like to congratulate all of the other open and youth Top Lop winners on their beautiful rabbits!



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4 ~ JC's Bed Bug - JC100

1132 Points

Bred and owned by Jaci Royer, MI



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Bed Bug!! I have been asked so many times why I named her such a name. Her sire is JC's Yahtzee, and all his kids are named board-game names. We had just bought my brother a game called 'Bed Bugs', and she inherited the name. I am so happy that JC's Bedbug did such a wonderful job this year, and earned herself this spot. It is amazing, to think that this little bunny grew to do such great things.

She is my little princess and comes out of my stock very closely breed to Henry's Pudding, her grandsire who was 7th place Top lop in 2010. I always knew there was something special about her, from the beginning. She was small but had a spark about her, and I knew she was going to stick around and grow up a bit. The Holland lop national show was her first show. My mom thought I was a bit nuts taking her, because she was small and it was her first show. Well I took her anyway; and she won her very first leg under Jenny Poprawski. I was blown away. Bed Bug went on to win many more shows, earning herself 24 legs, 4 Best in Show, and 2 Best Reserve in Show wins, all before the age of one.

Although I am proud of all her wins, her earning the "Best of the Breast" at the annual fundraising show for breast cancer, couldn't have had better timing. My grandma was going through breast cancer treatments at the same time.

I love taking Bed Bug to shows, but she doesn't feel quite the same anymore, and she does not travel very well. So now she stays home and plays queen bee here. She makes me so happy every time I see that cute face; and that is fine with me, because there will never be another Bed Bug.

5 ~ LOV's Eminem - MNM

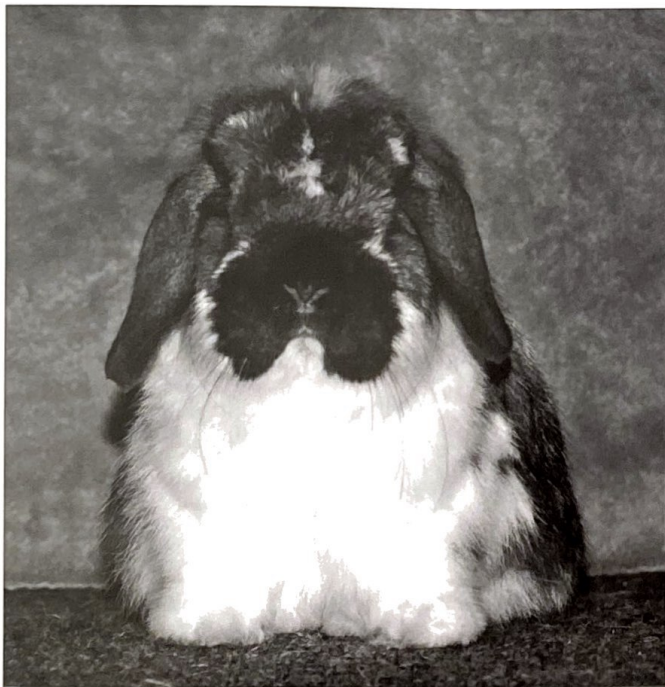
697 Points

Bred by Ardis Hartwig, OR
Owned by Carlie Schramm, MI

I am Carlie Schramm from Michigan. I am excited that my buck was the 5th place Top Lop for 2014. He is my herd buck. We purchased at the 2013 ARBA Convention, when I decided I would begin breeding Hollands. MNM won BOB at the annual breast cancer show ("Best of the Breast") under Brian Shirk. This is one of my favorite shows and BOB wins with this buck. I have enjoyed working with Hollands over the last few years and hope to continue and begin working on other colors.



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6 ~ LapLop's Thor - AB2

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694 Points

Bred and owned by Gabrielle Rhodes Hibbert, CO

On the day Thor was born I was doing the Summer Cleaning routine – cleaning pans, scraping and power washing cages, cleaning and preparing nest boxes along with the many other necessities of raising rabbits. It was about lunchtime when I peeked into Brighton's (Thor's mother's) nest box and I realized that she was having trouble delivering her babies. I pulled her out of her cage, grabbed some Vaseline and helped her deliver two live kits. That was the day that the small but mighty Thor was born. At the time it was just my gut feeling, but as Thor grew and never really hit the "uglies", I could tell that he was just what I had been hoping for. LapLop's Thor is quite possibly one of the favorite rabbit personalities in my barn. He is the result of a very successful half brother, half sister breeding. I am very thrilled to have produced such a balanced buck. Thor has a great personality and he will forever be a part of LapLop Rabbitry.

7 ~ Swade's Fran - L41

688 Points

Bred by Charlotte Swade, WI
Owned by Allison Williams, WI

I want to first off say thank you too everyone who has helped me, over the last nine years, build my herd into what it is today. One lady in particular is Charlotte Swade. She has not only sold me rabbits, which helped my herd tremendously, but has given me amazing advice, and has also been a great mentor to me. I got Swade's Fran from the Wisconsin State Convention silent auction last year. Charlotte had sold him to Tina Zabler, who donated him into the silent auction. A lot of people like to say people do not put nice animals into auctions, but when my mom and I saw him, we had to have him.

Again, I want to thank Tina for donating him, and Charlotte for producing such a gorgeous buck. He's been a great asset to my herd, and I am excited to see what he will produce for me in the upcoming years. I move into open in February, and I am so eager and excited to see how my herd does and what it can become! Thanks to Dawn Plokhooy, Andrea Smith, and Pam Van Stelle for helping me make my herd what it is today. See you on the open tables next year!



7 ~ Swade's Fran - L41



8 ~ Krolow's Grizz - OKD4

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672 Points

Bred and owned by Kiara and Kolton Krolow, WI

We were so happy to see that Krolow's Grizz made it into the Top Ten youth Hollands, once again. Coming in at number eight was a surprise, especially when he had to compete against a few other rabbits from our herd that were in the top twenty, including his daughter Krolow's Victoria, who was number twelve. Grizz will always be a special rabbit to us, and has provided many great memories for our rabbitry.

9 ~ Quietcreek's Camp - H172

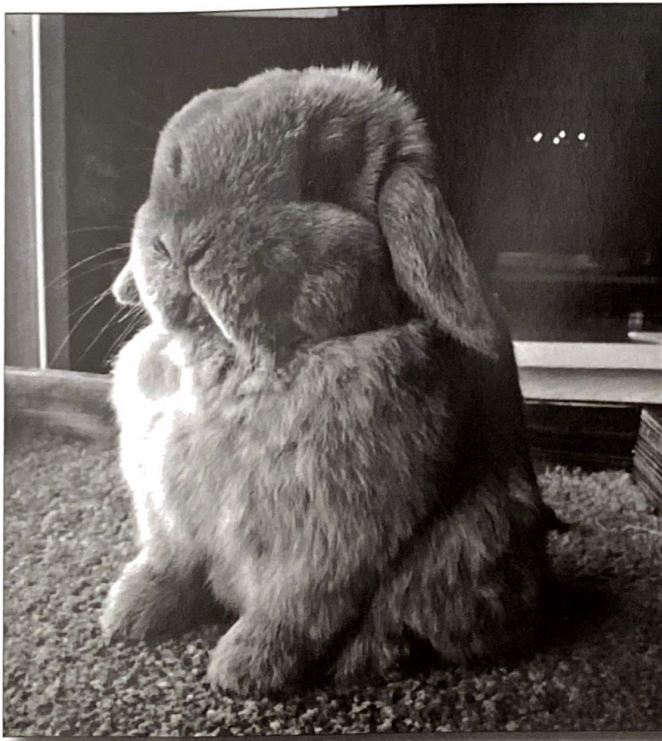
620 Points

Bred by Cindy Hinton, TX
Owned by Marina Shelly, TX

Quietcreek's Camp won many best in breed awards during his career for Cody, Zachary and Marina Shelley. Camp has now retired and is living at home as a therapy rabbit. He goes to different schools to help kids learn about responsibility. He loves going to schools to be loved on by little kids. At home, he enjoys lots of love and affection. He ended his career by being in the 9th place of the Top Lop competition.



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10 ~ Priceless - PRICELESS

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597 Points

Bred and owned by Grace Corbin, MI

My doe, Priceless, is out of Karash's Iris and Karash's Milo, two rabbits I purchased from them two years ago. Thank you to the Karash family for getting me started in the Holland program, and doing so much more than just starting me off. Priceless won a total of 8 junior legs, and received a few seconds in the senior class. Although I wish she would have been a registered grand champion, her show days are up, and she is happily at home pregnant with her future first litter!