

*Welcome to  
Cochins International!*

Our Purpose is to Promote, Encourage  
and Foster the Development of the  
Cochin breed  
of poultry to include Large Fowl,  
Bantams and Pekins (International).

Our Mission and Focus is the  
Advancement of Exhibition Cochins.

As a new member, you will receive:

1. Membership Card
2. Current edition of our Breeders Directory  
(published once every two years)
3. Current edition of our Club Newsletter  
(published three times a year)

*(Please Note: The Club Constitution and By-Laws  
are published in the Breeders Directory.)*

In addition to our Breeders Directory and  
Newsletters, we offer many other member  
benefits, including eligibility in all Club awards and  
Meet premiums, Master Breeder programs for  
both Open and Junior Exhibitors, free linkage to  
your website from the Club website, and voting  
rights in all general elections.

We encourage you to visit our Club website  
[www.CochinsInt.com](http://www.CochinsInt.com). There you will find  
everything from Club Meet information to Club  
Merchandise, current Club News, an extensive  
library of Education articles, Breed Standards,  
Variety photos, Show Photos and Results, and  
information on our Master Breeder programs.

We invite you to join our Facebook Group – it  
is open to all Cochin enthusiasts to share photos  
and experiences, and it's a great place to ask  
questions and get expert advice! If you are not a  
Facebook member, we also have a forum on  
[ShowBirdBid.com](http://ShowBirdBid.com).

[www.CochinsInt.com](http://www.CochinsInt.com)

Please Join  
Cochins International  
in Supporting:

The American Poultry Association  
[www.AmerPoultryAssn.com](http://www.AmerPoultryAssn.com)



The American Bantam Association  
[www.BantamClub.com](http://www.BantamClub.com)



Youth Exhibition Poultry Association  
[www.YouthExhibitionPoultry.org](http://www.YouthExhibitionPoultry.org)



*A Special  
Invitation  
for You!*



*from  
Cochins  
International*

# Special Award & Master Breeder Programs

## Master Breeder Program

Cochins International has a well-established Master Breeder Program, whereby members earn points based on the number of Cochins exhibited at shows which host Cochins International meets. There are currently three Master Breeders point total recognition levels.

### Gold:

500 Points in One Variety  
Master Breeder Status and Plaque

### Silver:

250 Points in One Variety  
Merit Certificate of Achievement

### Bronze:

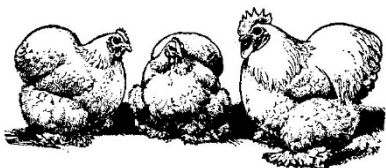
100 Points in One Variety  
Merit Certificate of Achievement

## Annual Exhibitor Awards

– to those who earn the Most Exhibition Points in their Variety in the calendar year.

## Annual Legacy Awards

– in honor of our Master Breeders who have passed or retired from showing, the award is given at their home District Meet for the Best in the Master's Speciality Variety.



# Greetings!

On behalf of the Officers and Directors of Cochins International, I invite you to take a closer look at our Club and the many benefits we have to offer for Adult, Family and Junior Members!

As one of the Premier Breed Clubs for Fancy Poultry, we host two National Meets every year (East and West), as well as annual District Meets in our eight regions across the United States and Canada. Special Meets are held at most other APA/ABA sanctioned meets.

Did you know that 20 Varieties of Bantams and 9 Varieties of Large Fowl Cochins are recognized by the APA and ABA? And of course, every Variety can also be shown in Frizzle! We have something for Everyone!

Whether you are a backyard fancier or a veteran exhibitor, young or young-at-heart, we have something for Everyone!

By now you've probably noticed that the Comradery of the Cochin Family in the show aisles is unequalled. Our passion for this fancy binds us, and our commitment to help one another succeed keeps us strong.

I hope you will consider joining us!

*Gail Carlson*

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President, Cochins International

**Cochins Rule!**

# Junior Programs

The Junior Master Exhibitor Program is an achievement program open to youth from ages 5-18 who are members of Cochins International. Our club wishes for this program to serve as an incentive for juniors to learn more about the proper care, breeding and exhibition of both bantam and large fowl cochins.

Points to achieve Junior Master Exhibitor status may be earned in a variety of ways. First, Cochins International is in partnership with the Youth Exhibition Poultry Association; therefore, points may be earned from joining YEPA, completing the YEPA Coop-Tender Book, and participating in youth showmanship at poultry shows. Please see the YEPA website at [www.youthexhibitionpoultry.org](http://www.youthexhibitionpoultry.org) for more information on becoming a member of YEPA, participating in showmanship, and other educational opportunities. Next, juniors may earn points by exhibiting cochins in an APA/ ABA Sanctioned Junior Poultry show, obtaining help from an adult mentor, or completing a poultry-related service project. \*\*\* Beginning in January of 2017, it is now a REQUIREMENT that all juniors wishing to earn the Junior Master Exhibitor status must submit a Breeding and Hatching Record for at least one pair or one breeding pen of cochins in order to complete the program. The Breeding and Hatching Record is worth 300 points, and the form may be printed from the website. Junior Master Exhibitor Status is earned when a junior member earns 3,500 points and there are no time limits for completion.

In addition to the Junior Master Exhibitor Program, Junior members of Cochins International may earn achievement pins for Best of Breed or Reserve of Breed wins with their cochins in either an Open or Junior APA/ABA sanctioned show. These pins look great on the lapel of a showmanship coat, show apron, or hat!

