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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

2010 is a year of rebirth for Empress and also a year of re-growth. I am excited about the new changes, and I truly believe that all of us, big rancher and small have got to all start pitching in to make Empress not only succeed but go forward. If we are not willing to make changes, I am very concerned about Empress going the way of many other non-profits in this day and age, a true non-profit.

I am sure you have heard the rumor by now, and it is true. Instead of me sending out monthly statements next year we are going to go to a once a year membership drive. The membership dues will remain the same for 2010.

I realize that this may be a little difficult to get through the first year, but after that it will be much easier, just trust me on this one.

Starting in 2010, I will be sending out all the membership dues in the first part of July. You will have July and August to get your dues back to the National Office. If you choose to pay after July or August a penalty of $5.00 per month will be incurred. September 1st I will be sending out a broad mailing of membership cards, so when the show season begins in the Fall everyone should be good to go. We chose summer to set this up because, kids won’t be in school, taxes won’t be due, so just plan a head a bit and we can make it work. Those that are due in January thru August will owe more this first year, and those that paid in December will owe less, but in 2011 everyone will owe at one time of the year, and everyone will be on the same playing field. Our membership year will run from September 1 thru August 31 of the following year. Everything will be prorated out. Also the advertising rates for the breeder directory will be prorated next year, those that I have for 2009. Again advertising and membership, except for the display advertising, will all come due at the same time. Be aware the advertising has gotten way behind on a payment schedule, so come July both the magazine and the web-site will start over. I will also send out billing to our Lifetime members so that they can update their address’, and let me know if they want to be in the breeder directory in the magazine and also on the web.

The dues on your cards for this year will be the date that I go off of for next year. All the dues will be prorated out for 2010. The chart on the next page I hope is explanatory. Lets give it a try.

So don’t think twice about your bill until July 1st comes. Again I wish you and your family the very best in 2010, and that many blessings will come your way.

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WE WILL BE GLAD TO ACCEPT DISPLAY ADS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

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Kathy Clark
970-921-7231
empresschinchilla@gmail.com

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Empress Chinchilla  43188 Cottonwood Creek Road  Crawford, CO  81415

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OKLAHOMA STATE SHOW 2009

The Oklahoma Branch of ECBC held their 2009 State Show at the La Quinta Inn in Oklahoma City on December 5, 2009 with Brenda Walter and Gene Adcock as judges. Eleven ranchers from Ohio, Colorado, Kansas, Texas, Missouri, and Oklahoma entered 132 standard and 75 mutation animals for judging. Nineteen pelts were brought, discussed, and evaluated as an educational program. Lunch was provided by the club and everyone enjoyed the chili prepared by Shirley Brown. Oklahoma is pleased to welcome a new member – Laura Rico from Derby, Kansas - who joined the Oklahoma Branch during the state show.

Joe Brown swept the standard competition taking Grand Show and Reserve Grand Show Championships. Joe also won the Class Champion awards in all 10 classes as well as Reserve Championships in Class 1, 2, and 5. Richard Ryerson won Reserve Champion in Class 3. Bob Merritt won Reserve Champion in Classes 4, 6, 7, and 10. Bob Smith won Reserve Champion in Classes 8 and 9.

Standard Breeder Awards went to the following:

⇒ 1st Place – Joe Brown
⇒ 2nd Place – Bob Merritt
⇒ 3rd Place – Bob Smith
⇒ 4th Place – Jennifer Delozier
⇒ 5th Place – Mike Lawrence
⇒ 6th Place – Robert Barr

Tamara Tucker and Pam Biggers swept the mutation competition taking Grand Show and Reserve Grand Show Championships. They also won Class Championships in the sapphire, ebony, and black velvets plus the Reserve Champions in the sapphire and black velvets. Claudia Irvine won the Class Champion in whites and the Reserve Champion in Beiges. Richard Ryerson won Class Champion in violets and beiges with Reserve Champion honors in white and ebony classes.

Mutation Breeder Awards went to the following:

⇒ 1st Place – Tamara Tucker and Pam Biggers
⇒ 2nd Place – Jennifer Delozier
⇒ 3rd Place – Mike Lawrence

The Young Breeder Awards in both standard and mutation went to Mike Lawrence.

The show concluded with our traditional pizza party.
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Water problems have not changed since 1995—this very informative article is as pertinent today as it was then.

HOW TO CHOOSE A WATER FILTER or
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You're spending a small fortune on bottled water and you know it's just a temporary solution. But where do you start when it comes to water filtration? Get the latest, up-to-date info to help guide you through the maze of choices. Learn what to look for, what to avoid, the hidden costs.

There is an enormous boom today in the awareness and usage of alternatives to drinking tap water. There are hundreds of new bottled waters now on the market and just as many hundreds of choices of various filtration devices.

Consumer protection is just starting to be put into action in the last two years. In this guide, we'll bring you up to date on what to look for, what the ratings mean, and how to completely protect your drinking water sources. Included in this guide are:

1. Brief History and update on the water problems we face today
   ⇒ What the municipalities can deliver
   ⇒ What the state and federal governments can regulate and enforce

2. Drinking water problems and their sources
   ⇒ Why point-of-use systems are the most logical and efficient
   ⇒ Why it is the individual's responsibility to guarantee their own drinking water

3. The main technologies available to the consumer
   ⇒ Pros and cons of each technology
   ⇒ Granular activated carbon

DRINKING WATER PROBLEMS

⇒ Solid carbon block
⇒ Distillation/reverse osmosis
⇒ KDF resin
⇒ Ultraviolet/ozonation
⇒ Bottled Water
4. Consumer Protection when purchasing a water filtration device
   ⇒ What is NSF
   ⇒ Why is NSF the industry standard nationwide as of 1992?
   ⇒ How does NSF compare to Consumer Reports
5. The hidden costs of Water Filtration.

In 1972, the Federal Clean Water Act targeted what is known as “point source pollution” - contamination coming from specific industries and industrial sites. The act helped start massive cleanups of rivers, lakes and streams brought to the point of biological death in many cases.

The action resulting from this legislation helped resolve point source pollution problems but non-point source pollution remains rampant nationwide. This type of pollution comes from rain drains, leaking septic tanks, leaking gasoline storage tanks and agricultural ground water pollution.

The federal government mandates to the states, with EPA participation, to set minimum acceptable contaminant levels in drinking water supplies through the local municipal systems within each state.

Municipal systems are regulated by state guidelines and monitored by local districts. They are allowed to deliver water with certain minimum levels of sediment, organic matter and non-pathogenic (non-disease producing) bacteria.

Often, they violate these standards, especially during periods of heavy rain. However, they don't stop delivery, except in the most extreme cases. They are only required to fix the problem but sometimes, for example with asbestos, the problem is impossible to fix due to economics and/or logistics.

If people are actually getting sick, diarrhea or worse, then more drastic steps are taken. For the most part, the action taken consisted of notifying people that they need to boil their water or buy bottled water until otherwise notified.

In essence, the government can't solve the situation overnight. The problems are too massive and too complex. For example out of over 300,000 toxic waste sites, the EPA has targeted one thousand of them as priority. Five years and 1.5 billion dollars later, few sites are cleaned up and the resulting damage to the groundwater supplies will remain for decades, even centuries.

Local governments, municipalities and water companies do their best but they are severely handicapped by a lack of funds, by the inability to test for a wide range of contaminants and by antiquated distribution systems, such as pipelines constructed of lead or asbestos. One example is compliance with the EPA priority list of 129 toxic chemicals found nationwide in the drinking water—most municipalities test for less than thirty of these.

DRINKING WATER PROBLEMS

Chlorine:

The experimental use of chlorine began in the 1890's to combat water-borne diseases such as cholera and typhoid. It quickly gained wide acceptance because of low cost and high efficiency in killing just about everything hazardous in the water. Chlorine allowed population centers to spring up and thrive without any epidemic outbreaks.

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Over the long term is highly uncertain. Also, chlorine reacts with water-borne decaying organic matter like leaves, bark, sediment, etc. To create a family of chemicals called trihalomethanes and other highly toxic substances. Trihalomethanes, or THM’s include chemical such as formaldehyde and formalin, both of which are extremely carcinogenic even in minute amounts.

Chloramine: is another substance used now in many larger municipalities. In systems where the level of chlorine is at the highest acceptable level but need still more disinfection, the utility will add a chlorine/ammonia compound. Chloramine is represented as totally safe but with the disclaimer to not give chloramines-treated water to your animals or use it in fish tanks, because it kills fish.

Bacteria: If you are on a municipal system with chlorination of chloramines, theoretically you are protected against bacteria. However, if the level of chlorination isn’t high enough from the municipal source to your tap, bacteria can re-infect the water anywhere along the distribution system. The piping system, whether it’s the mains or house plumbing has bacterial growth in it happening all the time. If you are on a spring or well, with no chlorine, then you are very vulnerable to bacterial contamination. Even the most pure sources cannot prevent occasional contamination from animals either dying or defecating in the source, or from neighboring pollution traveling from an adjoining watershed to contaminate the source. Also, the pipes are again a source of bacteria. Many people do periodic testing on their well or spring source and rely on this method to assure themselves that they have good water. What they don’t realize is that there are a few problems with testing. First, the test is only good for the moment the sample was taken. Bacteria can have “blooms” if the conditions are right, which potentially occur hours, days or weeks after the testing and therefore remain undetected. Other casual contamination can occur from animal or human sources, as mentioned above, which the test never detected because the sample was taken before the contamination occurred. Second, testing can be very expensive to do, depending on what is being tested for. Most basic tests cover bacteria levels such as calcium, magnesium iron, sulfur and specific chemical contaminants are more difficult and therefore much more expensive to test for.

Lead: is a cumulative toxin that stays in the tissue permanently, especially in brain tissue. It also affects a person in relation to their body weight. Therefore, an exposed adult can fend off the toxic effects for some time but in children, brain and developmental damage occur quickly and permanently. Lead pipes and lead solder in the distribution system are the main sources of lead pollution. Boston Globe estimates that 98% of all homes built in the 50’s or before are at risk.

Asbestos: is another potential carcinogen that can come either from water with naturally occurring asbestos, areas with large amounts of serpentinite rock, or from pipe laid in the 1950’s still not replaced yet today.

Chemical Pollution: Chemicals for the most part, odorless, colorless and tasteless, therefore undetectable. Chlorine is the most predominant chemical in our water. Some of the most dangerous chemicals are present only in the trace amounts. Sources are usually industrial or commercial, like leaking underground storage tanks for gasoline or industrial solvents such as TCE. These leaking toxins end up in the groundwater or in the municipal supply through breaks or cracks in the main water pipes. The biggest family of these toxics are VOC’s or volatile organic contaminants. Including various plastics, and petroleum products. Next is the herbicides group such as dioxin and lindane, used as a defoliant in modern logging operation and found in many wild and rural areas.

Cysts: This last group includes microscopic worms, parasites and protozoa. The biggest offenders are giardia and cryptosporidium which cause major diarrhea, dehydration, intestinal disorders and even death in people with compromised immune systems. Water experts estimate that over 63% of water problems in the United States today are directly caused by giardia and cryptosporidium. Giardia is seven to fourteen microns in size and cryptosporidium is from three to 5 microns in size. When the environment becomes inhospitable (like the presence of chlorines or the absence of water) both parasites can go into the cystic form (a hard round impermeable microscopic egg). The cyst form is chlorine resistant and very hard to kill. Municipal utilities are unable to completely remove these cysts. Cysts have been found in the most major municipal water systems in the USA. The human body is over 70% water. To think that contaminants in our drinking water have little or no bearing on our short term and long term health picture is to ignore reality.

Removing all contaminants at the kitchen or bathroom taps just before consuming the water is the most logical, efficient and economical solution to drinking water purification. In this manner, only the drinking water is filtered (rather than all the household water). Also, there is no possibility for re-contamination after purifying the water.

Technologies Available:
Granulated Activated Carbon

Carbon is a substance that has a long history of being used to absorb impurities and is the most powerful absorbent know to man. One pound of carbon contains a surface area of 125 acres and can absorb thousand so different chemicals. For centuries, sailing vessels used it to store drinking water for long voyages. Carbon is also commonly used as an effective antidote for swallowed poisoning. Activated carbon is carbon which has a slight elector-positive charge added to it, making it even more attractive to chemical and impurities. Loose granular activated carbon (GAC) is used extensively in most of commonly encountered water filters today. Most of these filters have ratings as simple taste and odor filters or as pre-filters designed to remove initial dirt, rocks, sediment, et. Very few of these GAC filters are effective at true purification. Below are some problems:

Channeling: When water is forced through a substrate of GAC (which has the consistency of sand or coffee ground) it takes the path of least resistance and makes its own channels through the GAC in the filter. What this means is that the water being filtered is not contacting the GAC for enough time to allow complete absorption of impurities to take place. Many impurities seep through along with the purified water.
Bacterial Growth—When the water passes through the GAC, some bacterial are trapped in the substrate, too. The problem is that these trapped bacteria multiply prolifically in the warm moist oxygen-containing environment among the grains of GAC. Because the GAC is loose, there is no barrier to keep any bacteria growing inside the filter from coming out with the water pushed through each time the filter is used. There have been extensive tests showing certain filters have thousands more bacteria coming out of them than initially went into them! Some companies add silver nitrate to the GAC to keep the bacterial growth down, but this method has limited effectiveness. There are also questions about health effects from the silver nitrate itself.

Effectiveness decreases rapidly: Because the amount of GAC is usually minimal in most GAC filters, they quickly become saturated and overwhelmed with normal household usage. The filters must be changed quite often, which also adds to the expense of filter maintenance.

Distillation: Distillation is an expensive process that heats the water to the vapor point and aids in removing some impurities from the water. The theory is separated off from the vaporized water. The treated water then passes into a holding tank and the drinking water is drawn from this tank as needed. The process itself requires electricity and adequate water, since it wastes gallons of water for every gallon produced. Distillation is used in rare situations where large amounts of trace minerals must be removed from the water for specific health regimens such as the dissolving of kidney or gall stones. However mineral-free (soft) water is detrimental to the health of bones, teeth and tissues if drunk over a long period. Such soft water is termed “aggressive” water by the EPA because of its ability to leach our the minerals, metals or other materials or whatever it touches or passes over.

Maintenance: the units require periodic and extensive maintenance to the piping that usually can only be done in a factory.

Holding tank: all distillers require a holding tank to store the processed water, inviting possible recontamination and bacterial growth in the tank.

Incomplete purification: distillation is not effective at removing the VOS’s because many of them re-condense back into liquid just like the water does. For this reason, the distiller is usually combined with granular carbon filter to remove additional chemicals that slip through.

Environmental contamination: in some cases, distillers have been shown to blow vaporized contaminants out into the surrounding air of the household.

Inconvenience: with most distillers, the homeowner has to wait eight hours to get a couple of gallons of drinking water.

Reverse Osmosis: is another separation process that makes use of a semi-permeable membrane. This membrane lets particles of a certain size or smaller through and keeps back larger particles.

Just like distillation, some contaminants can make it through the membrane just like water molecules, so a GAC filter is added at the end of the process to capture these materials. RO systems also waste three to ten gallons of water for every gallon produced.

So what do we do now? Stay tuned for next months conclusion. In the meantime here are some web addresses for you to look into. Every large rancher agrees that our animals need purified water, this article and next month simply give you a starting point for that.

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Rancher Focus—Wendy Torgerson

I asked Wendy at the annual meeting to answer a few questions for me in the form of a poll. Several people filled those out and you will see them in future additions of your Breeder.

Wendy Torgerson of Mosinee, WI raises her chinchillas in a 10x12 room in her basement. She currently owns 16 breeding females with a total of 40 animals, and has had chinchillas for about 10 years.

She was introduced to the chinchilla in a classroom pet swap. A year later after the sale of her mini Rex rabbit, she purchased a pair of chinchillas to play with and that was the start of her obsession. About 5 years ago she started purchasing Breeder’s and her herd is growing today.

She uses wire runs with pull out pans. The chins are on shavings, but she does enjoy the benefits of the enhanced air flow with the wire cages.

Wendy chooses to supplement every morning. This is a good time to check, and an easy way to see each animal’s responses, interest, etc. She also feeds Manna Pro pellets in the evening,. Just a good time to check the health of everyone in the barn, as you feed them their supper.

Wendy is on a municipal water system, but does believe in filtering water.

Wendy dusts her animals two, three times per week, with her show animals getting a dust bath each and every day. This sometimes changes depending on the humidity, every rancher has different needs to dust, dependent on the humidity where you live.

Wendy says “I have always had a fascination with genetics and fur-bearing animals: Chinchilla are a challenging, compact creature outlet for my obsession, and provide me with a competitive venue as well”.

Wendy adds that her involvement in ECBC activities, though limited by my “newbie” status have been overwhelmingly positive! I appreciate the educational competitive, and social opportunities offered by Empress.

Thank you Wendy for you willingness in participating, keep up the Good Work!
Western Ohio ECBC State Show  
Saturday January 9th, 2010

Judge: Jim Ritterspach

PLACE: Jenera Community Center Jenera, Ohio

Schedule: Set-up Friday night 6:00PM to ?  
Saturday: Hall opens at 7:00AM for registration and grooming. Judging begins at 10:00 AM

Type Of Show: 10 Class Standard Live Animal Show and Mutation Show

Awards: Trophies will be given for Standard and Mutation Grand Show and Reserve Grand Show Champions.  
Plaques for Standard breeder point 1st thru 5th place, Mutations Breeder points 1st thru 3rd.

Entry fee: $5.00 per entry (Limit of 20 animals for Standard and 20 for Mutation)

Lunch: Will be available at the hall for $5.00 per person.

Special events: 50/50 drawing

Any questions? Contact Jim Ritterspach 419-326-6985 Or Jan Ryerson 567-224-7488
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Friday Night: Doors open 7:00pm - 9:00 pm for cooping of animals and
early registration. Hospitality room from 7:00pm -
9:00pm.

Saturday: 9:30 am - Mutation show
7:00 pm - Pizza Bash, $10/per person

Sunday: 9:30 am - Standard show

Grooming from 8:00am-9:00am both days.
***No grooming will be permitted after 9:00 am.***

Contact show chairs Cara Beasley (rascalhorsygirl@yahoo.com) or Tabitha
Hong (fuzzyelf@yahoo.com) with any questions you may have.

This is a sanctioned show—So plan to attend
The California branch would like to thank all of the participants and speakers that made this seminar a spectacular event! Everyone got a chance to learn some great things in a friendly, welcoming environment.

Thank you to Pete Kiseskey and Bill Booker for bringing pelts for everyone to see and talking at length about pelting and the pelting business! We all learned a lot on the pelting process and have to say this was one of the highlights of the seminar with everyone present crowding around the table and asking questions!

Thank you again Pete and Bill.

Thank you to Margot Neubauer, Sue Kiseskey and Donna Read for the grooming demonstration! It was wonderful to get to see three different grooming methods from the women who know how to get it done! You all were more than helpful with answering questions and letting everyone know where to purchase grooming tools and which tools would benefit them more. It gave us all something to go home with! Thank you very much ladies!

Thank you to Cara Beasley for her very educational talk on coat color genetics! You managed to make the talk simple enough for those who haven’t had an educational background in genetics but involved enough to keep others interested and asking questions. The use of power point with a projector really helped show everyone how the genetics for coat color look when you write them out. It was very straightforward and left everyone with a solid foundation in coat color genetics! Thank you!

Also thank you very much to Gary Neubauer for his extensive talks on pairing and herd management! It was great to hear from one of the big ranchers what it takes to compete at the top of the table. Thank you very much for an educational and eye opening talk.
Thank you to Donna Nelson for her demonstration on spinning chinchilla fur!

It was extremely interesting to learn about how chinchilla fur can be spun and seeing it in action. We all learned a lot about another use for chinchilla fur and the process of turning the fur into yarn. Thank you Donna for showing us all the process and work that goes into spinning chinchilla fur into yarn!

Thank you to Lani Ritchey for her demonstration and talk on how to tell if you have good hay. It was very helpful to be able to see, touch and smell the difference between the different hays and what moldy hay really looks and smells like. Thank you very much Lani!

Thank you to Norah Horton for a wonderful hospitality room! The food was phenomenal and there was enough to last through to Saturday night. You made a wonderful room that was warm, comfortable and full of good food and beverages where we were all able to unwind and enjoy ourselves. Thank you very much Norah!

Thank you to Tabitha Hong for her talk on wound management. It was helpful to get a list of items that are cheap and easy to attain for a simple medical kit. It was also interesting to see a broken leg on a kit and see how to set it, showing that amputation is not the only solution to a broken limb. Thank you very much for an educational talk and demonstration.

Everyone pulled together to make an amazing weekend packed full of good information! Thank you again to Gary and Margot for donating the animals for the raffle and judging seminar! On the same note, congratulations to Norah Horton and Bill Booker for winning the raffle!
2010 Heartland Chinchilla Group ECBC
Sanctioned Live Animal Show

Date: Saturday - January 23rd, 2010 - 10:30 A.M.

Hosting Branches: S. Minnesota, Greater Kansas City,
                Nebraska, N. Illinois

Type of Show: Live Standard Show / Live Mutation Show

Judge: Bethann Connell, Joe Brown

Location: Community Building

(Boone County Fairgrounds)
1601 Industrial Park Rd. Boone, Iowa 50036

Reservations: Super 8 Motel 1715 S. Story Street (515) 432-8890
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Admission Fee: $5.00 Per Animal - LIMIT 20 STANDARDS & 20 MUTATIONS
              (Limits are for Show Animals only, not for the Silent Auction)

`All animals must remain caged and in the exhibition Hall at all times!
`Policy does not allow animals anywhere except the exhibition hall!

Entry Data: Animals may be entered and caged AFTER
            7:30 P.M. FRIDAY

Entry and Grooming: 6:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. SATURDAY
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Special Events: Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing, Raffle for Door Prizes, Baby Derby   Bring those cuties!

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When: Saturday, February 6, 2010. One day show.

Location: La Quinta Inn, 970-493-7800
3709 E. Mulberry Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Show: 10 Class Standard Live Animal Show
Mutation Live Animal Show

Entries: 20 standard / 20 mutation

Entry fees: $5 per animal for members
$7 per animal, non-E.C.B.C. members

Setup: February 5, Friday evening at 6 P.M.

Entry: Friday after setup is complete
Saturday morning 6 A.M. to 9 A.M.

Judging starts at 10 A.M. Saturday, February 6

Judge: Maxine Lynch

Awards: Ribbons for 1st-5th. Rosettes for class and reserve class champions.
Trophies for Standard/Mutation Grand Show, Reserve Grand Show.
Breeder awards for 1st-5th.

Special Events: 50-50 Drawing, Door Prizes.

Show Chair: Maynard Beitz, 970-482-1834, cell 970-481-8650
Show Co-Chair: Bob Ducey, 720-333-1222

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General Helpful Info: La Quinta is located 1 block west of I-25 on the south side of Hwy. 14 (also known as Mulberry Street). Use I-25 exit 269B. West of the overpass, turn left onto the frontage road and drive west to enter the hotel lot. Looking forward to visiting with you at the show and enjoying some stiff but friendly competition!
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March 5th, 6th, & 7th, 2010

57th ECBC Standard Live Animal Show
46th Mutation Live Animal Show
5th Combined ECBC International Dressed Pelt Show

LaQuinta Inn
800 South Meridian
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
1 405 942-0040

Reservation Code:  ECBC Chinchilla
Room Rate:  $64.80 plus tax
This block of rooms with this rate will be
held until February 12, 2010.
Book early to avoid disappointment.
Airport shuttle service to the hotel is
available from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

JUDGES
Jim Ritterspach - Ohio
Dick Bradford - Arkansas
Joe Brown – Oklahoma

Show Chairman
Bill Hatfield 918 527-5630
Registration Chairman
Mona Hatfield 918 527-5630
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Entry Fee  6.50 per animal
A Non-Profit Organization to Improve the Quality of the Chinchilla through shows, education and friendship!

Are you Missing Out?
Be sure you have the following sites earmarked in your favorites:
Www.empresschinchilla.org
A quick and easy way to keep up with all the news and events of your organization. You will find sections regarding events and
Information from the past thru the present
http://forum.empresschinchilla.org
Become a member of the Chinchilla Breeders Resource and you will have a place to ask questions and share ideas with other ranchers worldwide.