

# Ameraucana Alliance Meet Policy

As of 10-31-2021

Refer to club constitution/bylaws; Article 7 - Sanctioned Meets

**Club Meets** - This policy, as set by the Board of Directors, outlines the procedures for requesting and placing Club meets.

- In Open Show competition, with three or more birds in a class, we offer...
  - a ribbon for Best of Breed bantam.
  - a ribbon for Reserve of Breed bantam.
  - a ribbon for Best of Breed large fowl.
  - a ribbon for Reserve of Breed large fowl.
- In Junior competition, we offer...
  - a ribbon for Best of Breed bantam.
  - a ribbon for Best of Breed large fowl.

Nonmembers exhibiting Ameraucana count as exhibitors, but are not eligible for club awards or points. If a member and his/her children enter a meet as individuals, they compete against each other for purposes of club awards and points.

Club meets may be placed by the Director in charge of meets when a member requests a meet for a specific show he/she plans to exhibit Ameraucana at, in time for the meet to be publicized in the quarterly Ameraucana Newsletter prior to the show's entry deadline. Members need to know well in advance when and where meets are placed for planning purposes. Members requesting club meets are strongly encouraged to obtain an exhibitors list and fill out a Meet Report on their own and have it signed by the show superintendent or another Ameraucana member at the show. If an official Meet Report isn't received from the show superintendent our member's report will be used. The Director may refuse to place a sanctioned meet, for up to one year, with a show club that doesn't submit a show report within sixty days of that show club's prior Ameraucana Alliance meet. In the event a member is refused placement of a requested meet the Director shall provide an explanation to the member. If the member is not satisfied, he or she then may appeal the decision in writing to the President, who shall poll the Board of Directors. The Director will have an opportunity to defend his or her decision to the entire Board; an absolute majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be final in any such dispute.

**National Meets** – There will be at least one and not more than two annual National Meets. Our National meets are true national events, of equal importance, and not to be considered merely regional events. They may include themed titles to differentiate them, such as “Ameraucana National Celebration”, “Ameraucana National Challenge”, etc. Any member may solicit bids/offers from poultry show clubs wishing to host an Ameraucana National Meet **or make an offer to host a private Ameraucana only ABA and APA sanctioned show** and submit them to the President. Bids must be received by November first to be considered for the club's National Meets to be held the following fall/winter. At least two members, that plan to attend the show, must agree to organize our National Meet there before a bid is considered. The President shall share the list of bids with the Board members for discussion. The President will then ask for the Board to vote on the show club bids before November 15th. The meet(s) will be promoted in the Winter Newsletter. If a show is cancelled for whatever reason, the President will ask the Board to consider an alternate venue as soon as possible. Club sponsored awards offered at the annual Ameraucana National Meets will be the same and determined by the Board of Directors.