THE RABBIT REGISTER FOR WINDOWS

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UPGRADE ADDENDUM

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Program Installation

- 1. Start your existing Rabbit Register program. Go to the Summary Screen for any breed and click on **Display, System Information**. Write down what it says for the **Path** entry.
- 2. Exit from the Rabbit Register, and restart your computer.
- 3. Visit http://evsoft.us/version12.shtml and click on the Setup12R.exe link at the bottom of the page.
- 4. Save the file to your Windows Desktop. Restart your computer and turn off any running programs, including anti-virus software.
- 5. Run Setup12R.exe.
- 6. You will get the message that the publisher cannot be verified. Depending upon your system, click either **Yes** or **Run** to continue.
- 7. The setup program will start to run. Depending upon what version of the software you were previously using, you may get a Maintenance screen that asks you to choose between Add/Remove Components, Repair, or Uninstall. To ensure proper program function, you MUST chose Uninstall. After the uninstall is complete, then start the installation process again, by repeating steps 5 & 6 of these instructions. Note that performing an uninstall will NOT remove your data.
- 8. During the installation process, you will be asked if you want to change the location of the application directory, we highly recommend that you do not change the default location.
- 9. The installation program should now progress smoothly to completion. After installing under Vista or 7, Windows might give a warning that the program may have installed incorrectly. Please tell Windows that the program did install properly.
- 10. The program is now ready to run. The first time you start the program it will attempt to locate your old data, convert it to the format needed for the new version, and then end. When this happens, just restart the program, and your data should now all be there. If it does not locate the data itself, it is because you installed the previous version of the software in a location other than the default. In that case, you will have to click on **File**, **Restore Data**, and manually point the program at the location that you wrote down in step 1 of this installation procedure.
- 11. This program requires a new registration file in order to keep running. Be sure to follow the second link provided in the order confirmation email we sent you to obtain your registration file, otherwise the program will stop working in 30 days.

Program Improvements

The program contains many major and minor improvements. The following list will help you discover many of the new features — there are lots more, too many to list here. Just start reading below, beginning with the version number *after* the version that you are presently using. And be sure to visit http://evans-software.com/version12.shtml to download subsequent changes to this version for free. While on the Summary Screen, you can check to see if your program is current, click on Help, Check for Updates. If you've been using this method in

earlier versions of our software, please note that in this version we've moved the menu choice to be more consistent with other Windows programs.

Added or improved in Version 8:

- You now can keep a picture with every tattooed animal. Just go to the Detail Screen for the animal, click on Picture, and then click on the Add Picture button. Then, when you print a pedigree, that animal's picture can be included on the printout. While viewing the pedigree, just click on Adjust Printout, and select Use Animal's Photo, if Available. If a picture is stored for that animal, it will be used. If no picture is available, the program will then print whatever image is selected as a logo on the Pedigree Printout Adjustment Screen.
- While on the pedigree screen, you can click on the "picture" check box, and
 the program will show you a photo pedigree, using the photos that you have
 on file. To identify each animal, just hover the mouse pointer over that
 animal, and it's name and ear number will appear.
- Breeders that harvest wool can now track that information more completely.
 Up to 32 harvests per animal can be recorded, and the program will track
 gross weight, prime weight, grade 2 weight, and other vital data. This
 information then can be summarized and shown on each rabbit's pedigree.
 Enter this information by clicking on the View Wool icon that appears on the
 Summary Screen. To change your settings, click on the wrench icon on the
 Wool Record Screen.
- You can now store an email address & web address for each breeder in your rabbitry. If you have entered this information in the version you are currently using, it will apply to the first breeder on the breeder list, and you will have to enter the information for any other breeders. You can edit this data by first selecting the desired breeder on the breeder selection screen, and then going to the Summary Screen and clicking on Options, Update Personal Data, Update Web & Email Info...
- Legs information can now be viewed on the Summary Screen. Just click on Display, Show Legs in GC # Field. The animal's legs will show in parentheses in the GC Number column.
- We have expanded the SpeedFill capability. You can now use Alt+B to enter
 the currently selected <u>B</u>reeder's full name. And Alt+R will fill in the <u>R</u>abbitry
 name. You can also define your own SpeedFill text. To view/edit the
 choices, click on Options, Update Personal Data, View/Edit SpeedFill...
- You now can print a blank show entry form.
- More label sizes have been added.
- Custom data can now be entered on the litter expansion screen.
- When entering winnings, the program now remembers which show you are working on, and prompts you with judge's names, based on a list of judges that have previously judged your animals. If you see you have the same judge on the list more than once, with slight variations in how you have spelled his/her name, you can clean that up. On the Summary Screen, click on Display, View/Edit Judge List.
- In some parts of the country there is a show entry form that is used to enter double shows on a single page. The program will now create that special kind of show entry.
- Meat pens can now be specified when filling out a show entry. To select
 meat pen animals, hold down the Alt key and keep clicking on the animal
 until an M appears in the left column (you will have to click twice). That
 animal has now been selected for a meat pen. If you have more than one
 meat pen, there is a "preview" button on the show entry page. You will have
 to preview your show entry and select which animals are in each meat pen.

- The program now records Date of Death (DOD), and calculates lifespan.
- We've added 4 user-defined fields to the litter data, so you can track data that we haven't thought of. These fields are defined by clicking on the wrench icon on the Litter Data Display Screen. We also added 5 more FCR fields.
- The program can now automatically move animals to whatever archive you want when they die, when they're sold, or if they are in the background of a pedigree. The program still defaults to putting everyone in Archive 1, but you can change that by clicking on Options, Archive Settings....
- You now can view a summary of all litter data for all active dams. Just click on Display, View Dam Summary....
- (Deluxe Only). The color genetics prediction algorithm is more accurate, especially when dealing with BEW and REW crosses.
- (Deluxe Only). Medications entered on the Medical Records Screen can now be viewed/updated in TaskMaster. To activate, click on Options, Chore Scheduling Settings, Show Medical Chores in TM.
- (Deluxe Only). Litter data can now be directly accessed from TM, for most chores. This is activated by clicking on Options, Chore Scheduling Settings, Access Litter Data from TM. Please note that this is a feature that you must use carefully. Remember that TM will update the litter data AFTER you have made your changes, so, if you are not careful, TM can undo some of the changes that you have made.

Added or improved in Version 9:

- You can now password the program, so that only people who know the
 password can use it. Just click on Options, Startup, Require a password....
 Be sure to pick a password that you will remember. If you forget your
 password, you won't be able to get into the program!
- The program can now import a pedigree directly from your email in-box.
 Note that you cannot be using a service like Hotmail or AOL for this to work.
- You can name the active and archive areas. These names can be unique for each breed. Click on Options, Active/Archive settings.
- The number of active and archive areas can now be set by the user. For each breed you can have up to 3 active areas and 6 archives.
- Membership numbers now appear on the printed and emailed show entry forms.
- Each animal's sire's and dam's ear/ring number can now be displayed on the Summary Screen, in lieu of the GC/registration number.
- We've added a 'tip of the day' box that reminds you of about 50 program features that many users do not know exist. This box can be shut off if you find it to be annoying.
- The program can periodically automatically check for free updates that are available. Just click on **Options**, Automatic **Update Notification**... to activate this feature. If you have DSL or a cable modem, you may want to set this feature to check daily. If you are on dialup, with a slow connection, you may want to leave this set to **Never**. You can always have the program check by clicking on **Display**, **Check for Updates**....
- When making changes to printed pedigree settings, those changes can now be previewed. Note that the preview that is provided is not as detailed as a real printout, so your final, printed pedigree will look better than what you see on the screen.
- You can now pick from the entire Windows color palette when selecting the colors for your pedigrees.
- Portrait pedigrees can now be printed in the custom formats.
- Buyer info can be printed as a list.

- Actual DOB can now be viewed on the Summary Screen.
- You now can have mixed case in the name field. Various options are available.
 - Always Capitalize: This is the format that you are accustomed to regardless of how you type it, the entire name becomes capitalized: (example: MACDONALD'S OB26)
 - Always Mixed Case: the capitalization of the animal's name is left exactly as you typed it (so, if you got the cap's lock key on by mistake, it would appear as "mACdONALD"S ob26).
 - Speedfill Mixed Case ONLY: In this case, if your last name was MacDonald, the program would capitalize the animal's name as MacDonald's OB26, regardless of how you typed it, but when you entered McIntire, it would capitalize the entire word, because it is not YOUR last name.
- We've added a 7th generation to pedigree screen, for those people with large screens. Your screen must be set to 1600x1200 or higher to get this generation to show. While on the Summary Screen, click on Options, Pedigree Display to make your selection of the number of generations shown
- You can now view the pedigree of a hypothetical pairing. Just hold down the shift key and click on one male and one female — so that you get the asterisk in front of each one. Then click on the View Pedigree icon.
- We have now added a sire summary screen, which functions identically to the extant dam summary screen.
- Now when you create a show entry, the program creates a web page that you can email, and lets you email it directly from the program. It also creates a file of the web page. Note that folks that use AOL, Hotmail and other web-based email tools, may have to attach that file to an email. Folks that use Outlook Express, Outlook, Eudora or other standard form of email, can email the show entry from within the Register program itself.
- The program can now import pedigrees that were created using the postage stamp icon. To import a pedigree that someone else created using the postage stamp icon, they must be using version 7.5 or our software or later.
- The program now remembers the names and locations of previous shows, so when you are preparing a show entry for a show that you entered previously, it can auto-fill that information for you.
- We have expanded the search feature so that you can search for animals by their Grand Champion number, and you can search for a partial match — so, for example, you can ask the program to show you a list of all animals whose ear number begins with one or more particular letters and/or numbers of your choosing.
- On the Summary Screen, you can now ask the program to highlight females with litter data or those animals that have photos. Just click on Display, Highlight Particular Animals to activate this feature.
- (Deluxe only) We have made sweeping changes to make the genetics calculations to be more intelligent.
- (Deluxe only) The program now automatically updates the genetics whenever new data might be available. So you don't have to keep going back to the Detail Screen and clicking on the Auto-Analyze button. This button still exists, but the title has been changed to Update Genetics. If you have an older computer or have a LOT of animals, you may find that the program becomes sluggish because it is continually updating genetic information in the background. In that case, just click on Options, Genetics Setup, and uncheck the Auto-Update Genetics menu choice. Then use the Update Genetics button as you are accustomed to doing.
- (Deluxe only) We have added the ability to mark animals as Vienna Carrier and Vienna Marked and have improved the BEW calculations. If you are

entering an animals variety, and want to mark that animal as a Vienna Carrier, just type a $\bf C$ after the color number — just as you would type a $\bf B$ if it were a broken. Similarly, to mark it as Vienna Marked, just type an $\bf M$.

 You now can right-click on a rabbit on the summary screen to select it, and double-click on it to view its pedigree. Click on Options, Doubleclick Setting to change the double-click feature to view a litters, view winnings, etc.

Added or improved in Version 10:

- Miniature Pedigrees. You now can print miniature pedigrees. These pedigrees fit on 4x6 paper, so you can print them either on index cards or photo paper. Because the printing is so tiny, in order to get good results, you must use a printer capable of creating high quality images. If printing in color, we recommend a photo quality printer and photographic paper. If printing in black and white, then a laser printer on regular index cards will work just fine. The miniature pedigrees will match the general format of your full-sized pedigrees, but will not include any photo or graph images, and will not include sold to information. As with all printed pedigrees, You can make some changes to their style by clicking on the wrench icon on the Pedigree Screen.
- Add all wins for a show from one screen. We have added a new screen, reached by clicking on the View Wins icon, and then selecting Add Results from Recent Shows. This allows all show results to be entered from a single screen. On this screen, you will see a list of all shows for which you have prepared a show entry since getting version 10 of the software. You can select a show, and then enter all your data, including sweepstakes points, for each show. The winnings will be added to each rabbit, as usual, and the sweepstakes points will be added to your annual totals.
- From the View Wins icon, there also is another new choice, View Sweepstakes Points, which allows you to view your current point tally, and to add points for shows for which you do not enter points via the screen mentioned in the previous paragraph.
- Tracking for sale animals. You can now enter a sale price for those animals that you want to sell. Then, on the Summary Screen, click on Display, View For Sale Animals, and the program will then show you a list of only those animals that are for sale. You can then click on the Print icon, and if you print an inventory, the program will list only those animals that are for sale, along with their sale price. As with all inventory printouts, you can click on the Adjust Page Settings button to control what other columns you would like printed on your sale list.
- For sale cards. In addition to printing the sale list, you can print For Sale cards for the individual animals. Just view the Sale List, then select the animals for which you want to print cards and click on the Print icon, select For Sale Labels/Cards. and click the Print button.
- Automatic classification by weight. The program now knows the
 weight classes for all recognized breeds. It will automatically identify
 underweight and overweight animals, and will bump up your animals to a
 higher weight class, if the breed standard for that breed allows bump
 ups. You can control this feature for each animal by using a set of
 controls that appear next to the Class box on each animal's Detail
 Screen
- New folder locations. When the program saves exported pedigrees and email show entries, it now places them in subfolders entitled My

- Pedigrees and My Show Entries, under the user's *own* My Documents folder you no longer have to find the other My Documents folder on the c: drive.
- Partial Dates. When entering show winnings, you now do not have to know the day of the month of the show. Just enter a question mark? In place of the day, and the program will understand that you do not know the day of the show. Example: The show was sometime in February 2003, but you don't know the date. Enter the date as February?, 2003 or 2/?/3. The program will then display the show date as February 2003, or 2/2003.
- Record Keeping for Judges. (Deluxe only) We have now added a feature called the Judge's Notebook, which provides judges with a place to record their show bids, income and expenses. If there's enough space on the toolbar, you can access this feature by clicking on a new icon labelled Judge's Data. If there's not enough room for that icon to appear, then you can access this feature by clicking on Display, View Judges Record Book. Data entry is straightforward, and you can print annual summaries for tax purposes.
- **More Inventory Choices.** You now have the ability to print each animal's weight on your inventory listings, as well as other info.
- Merge two animals. This feature is handy if you accidentally put the same animal into your program twice. It can be accessed from the Find Rabbit screen. Search for the identical rabbits, then click the Merge 2 Rabbits button, and the program will step you through the process.
- Breeding date calculator. This is for folks who want to have animals ready
 for a particular show or holiday. Click on Display, Breeding Date
 Calculator, and enter the date you want to have animals of a particular age,
 and what age you want them to be, and the program will tell you when to
 breed.
- Weight Charts. Plot up to 10 weights for each animal. Data is entered at the bottom of the Detail Screen, and is totally independent of the weight field that shows on your pedigrees and show entries.
- **Display fonts are adjustable**. If your screen is set higher than 800x600, you can now enlarge the display font on the most-used screens. Click on **Options, Program Font Size**.. Depending upon your monitor setting, you will have either one or two more font choices. The larger your monitor, the larger the number of choices.

Added or improved in Version 11:

- Print full 15 photo 'family portrait' pedigree. On the pedigree screen, check the Photo box. Then click the Print Pedigree icon. By clicking on the wrench icon you can customize your pedigree to either have each picture matted and framed, or they can be printed exactly as shown on the screen. As always, the printed pedigree looks much nicer than what you see on the screen.
- **Print business cards.** These are printed from same screen that you use to print show entries, cage cards, etc. Please read the program's built-in help for complete details on how to design your cards.
- Print cage cards on separate 3x5 and 4x6 file cards. You can now print on individual cards, if your printer allows it. Most photo printers like to print 4x6 cards, no problem. You must manually set your printer to print cards before using this feature in the program.
- **Print litter data on cage cards.** When printing on any card that is more than 2.9" tall, the program will allow you to print litter info for the doe. Be sure to select the cage card size before going to the Cage Label Setup Screen, so the program will know you are planning on using large cards.

- New Ancestry Search Features. If you click on a single animal, and then click the View Kin icon, you can have the program highlight in yellow all animals on the active screen that have a common ancestor with the selected animal. You can also click on two animals, and via the View Kin icon, have the program display two pedigrees simultaneously and highlight the animals that are common between the two pedigrees.
- Input dates by clicking on a calendar. No more mis-spelled dates!

 Adjacent to most fields where you have to enter dates there is a new icon, which brings up a calendar, and you just click on the date you want.
- Weight chart improvements. When plotting dates, you now can plot either from the animal's DOB or from the date of the first weighing. You still enter all weights with the day they were taken, but you can ask the program to show you the weights by either date taken or by the animal's age. And, if you're entering a bunch of weights at once, you can set up the program to automatically bring up the weight entry screen for the selected animal when you double-click on that animal on the Summary Screen. Just click on Options, Double-click Settings. Weight charts can also now be printed, either singly or in bunches, from the same screen where you print cage cards, etc.
- Select/edit litter and winning entries by double-clicking on them. Now, instead of clicking on the entry and then clicking on the Edit icon, just double-click on the litter or winning that you want to edit.
- Define default color to be entered when entering new animals. For you
 folks that have mostly animals of one color, you can tell the program to
 automatically fill in that color for you. It'll still bring up the Variety Menu
 screen, but you can just push tab and keep going as long as you like the prefilled variety. To specify the variety, click on Options, Specify a Default
 Variety.
- **Widen spacing on printouts**. You can now double- and triple-space inventory and MBL printouts.
- Create triple show entry. 'Nuff said, we've added triple shows to the show entry routine.
- **Speedfill changes.** Due to Vista compatibility issues, we are no longer able to use the Alt key to implement Speedfill. Now just type a forward slash (it's on the key with the?) then follow it by the appropriate letter, **B**, **S**, **R**, etc.
- (Dlx only) Customize Master Breeding List. You now can select the fields that you want to have appear on the MBL.
- **(R Dlx only) Create your own user-specified gene.** Lots of folks wanted to be able to add their own gene(s) to our genetics routine. Unfortunately, that's really hard to do. So, as a compromise, what we've done is let you redefine the dwarf gene to be whatever you want. You can only have two choices, dominant and recessive, and that gene will then show for ALL your breeds. The program does no color calculations on that gene, but it will track and print it on your paperwork.
- (Dlx only) Show chores for only the currently-selected breed. Now, when viewing chores, there is a new check box, View This Breed Only. Check it to only see the chores for the currently selected breed.
- Specify age class for rabbit cross-breed screen. For all recognized breeds, the program automatically knows whether the breed is 4-Class or 6-Class. For cross-breed it isn't sure. By default it believes animals in the cross-breed area are 6-class. You can now change this setting. While on the Cross-breed Summary Screen, click on Options, Set Cross-breed Age Class...

Added or improved in Version 12:

- **Print Receipts/Bills of Sale.** Select animals just as you would for a show entry, then click the Print icon. Select **Bill of Sale.** Follow the steps on the right side of the screen, and the program will print a completed Bill of Sale. You can add line items to the receipt for items other than your animals, and when you prepare a bill of sale, the program will check to see if you have already sold animals to the same buyer in the past week, and, if so, will add those sales to the receipt, if you wish.
- The program now verifies that your backup is complete & accurate.
 After backing up your data, the program compares it to the data in your computer and makes sure that the backup copy is identical. That way you know your backup was successful.
- Date-Stamped backups. You now can make multiple backups to the same device, and it will keep them separate by date. Click on Options, Backup Settings, Save each backup to its own folder.
- When restoring data, the program automatically detects the version of your old software. In the past you had to try to remember what it was.
- Simplified and expanded the ability to sort and search through your data. Above the Summary List we have placed a new control called the Summary List Control Panel. It allows you to easily select between all your animal displays such as active, archive, sold, and so on, and gives you complete freedom of choice in how you would like to sort your data. Click on any underlined item to view your choices. In addition, there now are tabs down the left and right sides of the list. Both sets of tabs are identical, we just put them on both sides because some folks like to turn their head to the left, while others turn their head to the right. The tabs are like the index tabs in a dictionary clicking on a tab immediately takes you to that spot in the data. They really are handy when you have a more than 1 screen of data. But, if you find them annoying, you can shut them off by clicking on Options, Summary List Options, Index Tab Placement, None.
- Exported pedigrees match the style of your printed pedigree more closely. Exported pedigrees now will try to more closely match the style of your printed pedigree, but we still can't include an image on the exported pedigree—that will be in the next version.
- Exported pedigrees print on one page without user intervention.
- When exporting pedigrees, you can suppress importable data. If you are sending a pedigree just for someone to decide if they want to buy the animal, now not only can you suppress some of the displayed information, but you can prevent them from importing the data into their program.
- The pedigree export/import process will now work with all email programs. We've spent a LOT of time trying to come up with a scheme that will work with all email programs, and we think we've finally got it!
- Added more active and archive areas. You now can have up to 4 active areas and 9 archive areas.
- Undelete animals. Now when you delete animals they go to a Recycle Bin inside the Register program, and they will remain there for some time. This gives you the opportunity to retrieve animals that were deleted by mistake.
- **Segregate data by breeder.** For 4-H families, where each breeder needs their own records, you can assign animals and expenses to a particular breeder, and the program will track that information separately for each breeder, or, at the click of a button, show the combined data. To activate, click on **Options, Personal Settings, Segregate Data by Breeder**.
- SpeedFill now uses the = sign. We've done away with using the slash, because some folks use it in names, and we've done away with using the Alt key because some anti-spyware programs thought we were key-logging.

- Expanded the Points field for European customers. Our offshore customers can now enter fractional points.
- Numerous small changes to make the program more user-friendly and more like other Windows programs. More calendars, more fields now autofill, and do it more intelligently. More drop-down lists, expanded address fields, ... The Check for Updates and Display System Information menu choices have been moved from under Display to under Help.