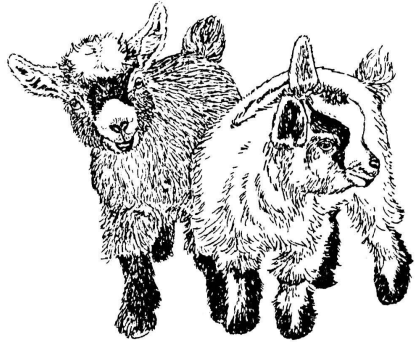


Pygmy Goats



The Superior Goat™

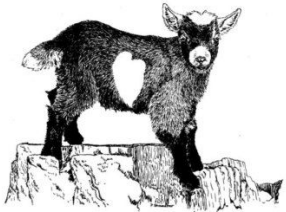


UBC's CS Grad Student Association

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Here to promote your interests and well-being!

Weekly socials: Tuesday Tea and Friday UDLS (happening now!)

Larger projects: Orientation, Coffee House, & numerous committees

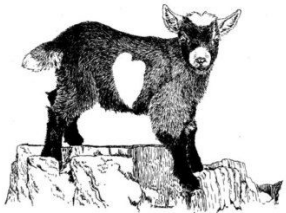


Schedule

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Now-5:30: My UDLS talk about pygmy goats

5:30-7: Breakout rooms (various research areas, then random)



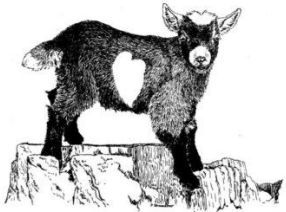
Pygmy Goats: what are they (and why are they so cute)

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Originally small goats of the West African Dwarf group of breeds

Imported from zoos in Germany to the United States, to be exhibited in zoos or used as research animals.

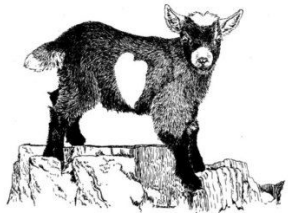
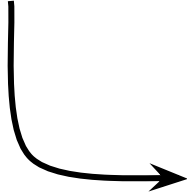
Later bred to be cute companions!



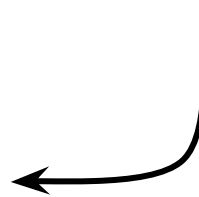
Two types: American Pygmy and Nigerian Dwarf

Nigerian Dwarf: a mini dairy goat!

American Pygmy



Nigerian Dwarf

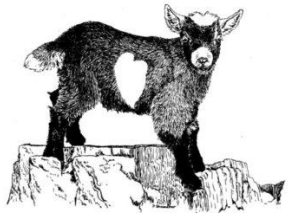


Pygmy goat: their (cute) size

Their height at their shoulders is usually between 40 to 50 cm (16 to 20 in)

Their weight is usually between 25 to 40 kg (55 to 88 lb).

Me at about 163 cm (5'4")



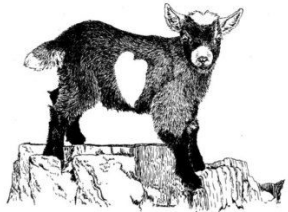
What they're good for (everything cuz they're perfect)

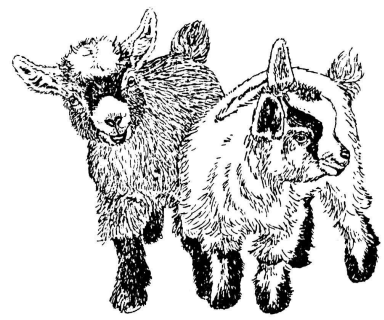
— — —
Can be bred for meat or dairy (but preferred meat).

Mostly bred as companions though!

Apparently they're also good producers of antibodies for immunological research.

My goat, Promise





Pygmy Goat Show!!



Local county fair & 4-H

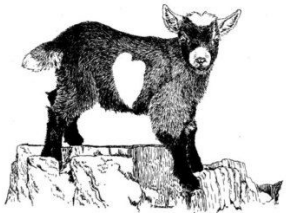
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4-H offers a bunch of cool community clubs/camps/involvement opportunities for “young people.”

All kinds of competitions at the local county fair--art, baking, cake decorating, engineering, flower arranging.. You name it!

In particular, animals were kept in pens/stalls/cages for a week and competed in various categories.

Cows, horses, goats, sheep, pigs, ducks, rabbits, and chickens!

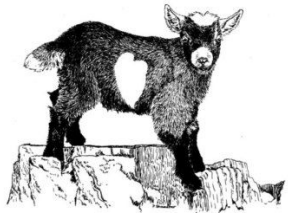




Pygmy Goat Show

Pygmy goats had their own category!! (0-1, 1-3, 3-5, 5+)

Other goat categories were dairy, meat, and misc (mother & kid, twins).

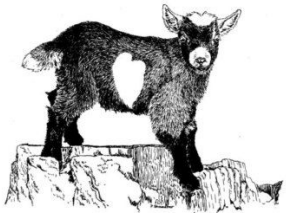


Promise & her babies,
Clover and Peppermint



Before the show

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Wash cute goat, shine hooves and horns with baby oil, tape ends of horns, and practice that walk!!

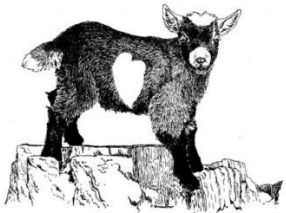




Day of the show

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Come in appropriate show attire (white or flannel shirt and jeans), pin your number on back.

Leash up your goat, brush them out, and line up when announced over intercom!





Show procedures

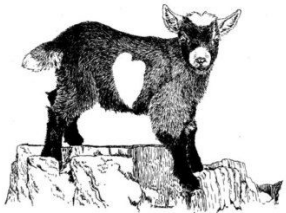
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Walk around the ring with everyone, follow judge's instructions.

Set up in a row/several rows with other goats.

Align hooves in a square, their best position for judging.

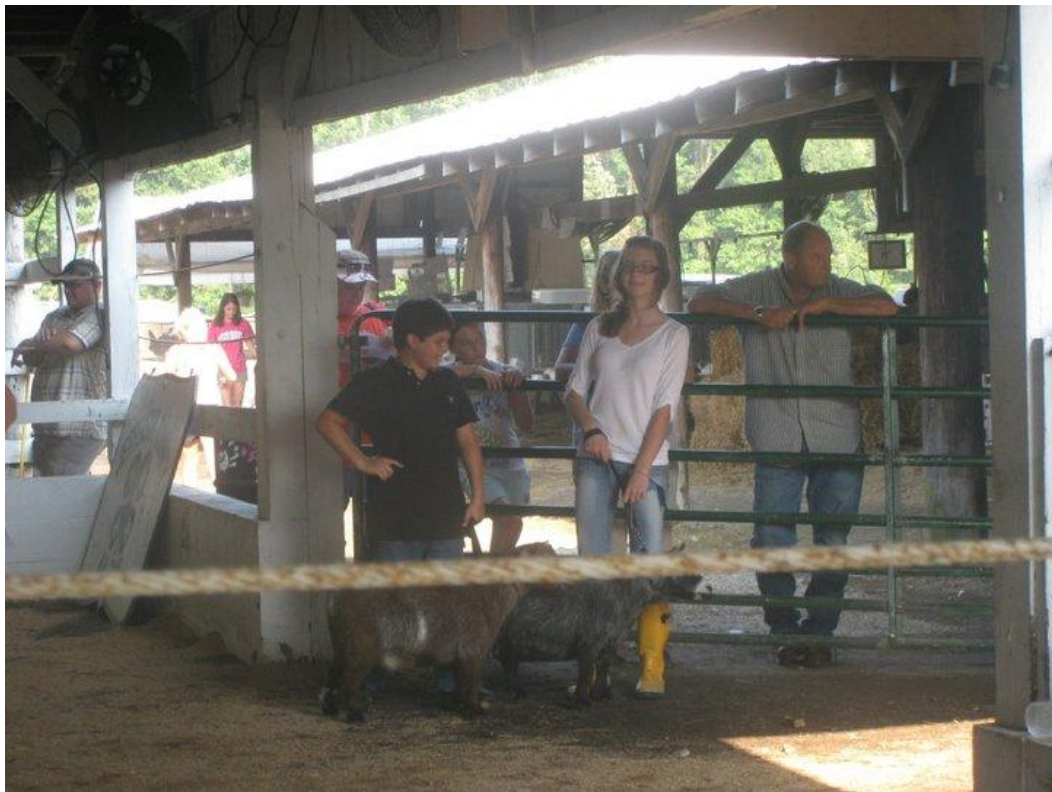
Several goats will be asked to leave, until the best three are selected.

The best of three compete with the best of three in the other years!













Summary

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Pygmy goats are the cutest goats!

Come to UBC!

