



# Rabbit Newsletter

Van Wert Youth Rabbit Club &  
Van Wert Bunny Hoppers 4-H Rabbit Club



March 2015

Van Wert, Ohio

[www.vanwertrabbit.org](http://www.vanwertrabbit.org)

## Bunny Hoppers 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting Thursday March 19, 2015

*By President Katelyn Welch*

Our second meeting of the year will be on Thursday March 19, 2015 at the fairgrounds. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm and our meeting usually last about 90 minutes.

#1 We will fill in the project section of our club registration. Look over the 2015 4H Family Guide of all the projects available, and be ready to fill in the project portion of your registration. Note: #225 Breeding Rabbits, 226 Market Rabbits, 710 Cloverbud. We do not do pet rabbits.

#2 We will be discussing changes in the 4H in Van Wert County and Rabbits.

#3 Our education section will be on Recognizing different breeds of rabbits, and handling rabbits.

As always parents, grandparents, are invited and encouraged to attend all meetings. Raising 4-H animals is a family project, so your family is invited to learn with us.



## REMEMBER THE CHANGES IN JUNIOR FAIR RABBITS THAT STARTED LAST YEAR

#1 Meat Pen and Single Fryer weights are: 4 to 6 pounds. You will need to adjust your breeding dates.

#2 Doe and Litter for a four class rabbit is now 3 or more kits. For a six class rabbit it remains 4 or more kits.

## Club Information

*It is your job to know what is going.  
Make sure you are:*

- #1 checking the club web page
- #2 reading the newsletters
- #3 reading the extension office newsletter
- #4 sign up for text message reminders of meetings
- #5 read the Van Wert County 4-H guide
- #6 sign up for e-mail reminders of meetings
- #7 ATTENDING THE CLUB MEETINGS

### The club dues for 2015

will be \$8.00.

Please bring you dues to  
the first meeting &  
bring correct change.

## Club Communications

We are trying to go with less paper. At the meetings we will give everyone a meeting calendar, and the meeting calendar will be on the web page. Monthly Newsletters will be at each meeting but we are going to try to save postage and not mail a monthly newsletter or post card. Instead we will send notices out through electronic mail or text messaging..

### Electronic Mail and Text Messaging

We will send out e-mail and text messages as reminders of the meetings. You can sign up for text messages through your cell phone or on the internet. Check our web page for the directions. We will also have sign up for this electronic messaging at each meeting. Everyone needs to sign up.



**Mark your calendar**  
**The annual spring rabbit show**  
**sponsored by the**  
**Van Wert Youth Rabbit Club**  
**and Bunny Hoppers is on**  
**Sunday May 17, 2015**

This is one of our service projects for the year, and we bring a lot of people to our community.

It takes a lot of work to run this rabbit show, and all members and parents are need.

### Advisors for 2015

Chris & Christine Heizman-----238-4554  
Carl & Ruth Lape-----238-3911  
Phil & Sara Lape-----203-9764  
Becki & JR Mollenkopf-----605-8420  
Don & Susan Mosier-----749-4139  
Jacque Welch-----771-8151  
Judy Wortman-----238-9830

## Elected Officers for 2015

president – Katelyn Welch  
vice-president – Abbey Bradford  
secretary – Allison Hauter  
treasurer – Madison Lamb  
health and safety – Alicia Rist  
historian and reporter – Brynn Mollenkopf

## Changes, Changes, Changes

Again this year there are a number of changes to 4-H guidelines, and the Van Wert County Fair. Make sure you are at meetings and paying attention to changes from past year.

## Animal Project Books

There are 3 Options for your animal project books. #1 purchase a new book, #2 download the project book, #3download an accompany packet that goes with past year project book. There is a complete explanation in the 2015 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.



### Rabbit Breed Demonstrations



There are still spots open for presenting a breed of rabbit. Sign up to give a 5 minute, Breed Demonstration at our club meetings

