



# Rabbit Newsletter

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



**MARCH 2025**

**Van Wert, Ohio**

**www.vanwertrabbit.org**

## Parents of 4Hers, Cloverbuds, & advisors

### You must enroll for 4H Online Deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>

4-H online is new and improved for 2025! Though the layout has changed, most of features are still the same. It is also more mobile friendly – so it is easier to access on a mobile phone or smaller tablet.

**The county deadline for enrollment is April 1, 2025!** Please use the steps below to complete your enrollment.

To enroll in a 4H club you need to go online. It takes about 5 minutes if all goes correctly. If you forgot your password from last year there is a place to re-set a new one.

#1 on facebook go to Van Wert County 4H.....scroll down to 4-H online enrollemnt 2025 (note there is new information on 4H every week.)

#2 go to your app. Store and download Van Wert County 4H (note there is new information on 4H every week.)

#3 in your web browser go to **oh.4honline.com**

If you or another of your family members are already in the program or have been in recent years – please do not create a new profile. ...If you have problems, contact the 4H office and they can help with log in. (419-238-1214)

The program does ask for the 4Hers shirt size.

**If...** you did not attend our opening meetings and are planning on joining the bunny hoppers please let advisor Heizman know.

## Club Communications

Rabbit meetings are the best place to learn. At the first few meetings we will give everyone a meeting calendar, and the meeting calendar will be on the web page. Also, monthly newsletters will be at each meeting.

#1 We will send notices out through text messaging.....Everyone needs to sign up at the meeting. Kids, parents, grandparents can all get the club text messages.

#2 We have a facebook page. Go to Bunny Hopper 4H and click on follow

#3 our web page [www.vanwertrabbit.org](http://www.vanwertrabbit.org)

## CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2025 will be \$10.00.  
*(includes 4H, cloverbud, and youth club members)*

**Please bring you dues to  
your first meeting &  
bring correct change.**



**Check out the 4-H Tutorial on  
Showmanship  
@ You tube**

## Elected Officers for 2025

**President: Ella Lamb**  
**Vice President Evelyn Lamb**  
**Secretary: Hannah Lamb**  
**Treasurer: Keiley Welch**  
**Safety: Kemlynn Welch**

## Advisors for 2025

Matt & Melissa Bockrath-----513-0418  
Chris & Christine Heizman-----238-4554  
Phil & Sara Lape-----203-9764  
Cody Lape-----203-9139  
Don & Susan Mosier-----749-4139  
Jacque Welch-----771-8151  
Judy Wortman-----238-9830

## Club Demonstrations

All club members will need to give a demonstration at one of the club meetings. The demonstration should only be 4 to 5 minutes long and something you like or is fun. It is NOT to be stressful. Examples of demos: your rabbit breed, dribbling a basketball, dance, a rock collection.....something you know and is fun.

Sign up dates will be available at the first few meetings, and if you do not sign up a date will we picked for you.

## Animal Project Books

If you are new you need a rabbit learning project book. Each family should have a rabbit resource book. If you did a rabbit project last year, you can continue with the project book/s you started. In addition you will need the rabbit record insert. We will explain the books and show examples at the meeting.

As always we have clover bud rabbit projects books.

## Rabbit Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance **IS** required for Meat Pen, Roaster, and Single Fryer Rabbit Projects. However, this training is good for all since we must use healthy and drug free practices for our rabbits.

If you are taking any other market animal to the fair besides rabbits you must attend one quality assurance session. Classes are listed in the county 4-H newsletter, and the 2025 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

### Rabbit Specific Q.A.

Saturday April 13, 2025 9:00 – 10:00 am

### General Q.A.

Monday April 08, 2025 5-6 pm,  
Tuesday May 12, 2025 5-6 pm,  
Tuesday June 10, 2025 6-7 pm.