



Rabbit Newsletter

Van Wert Youth Rabbit Club & Van Wert
Bunny Hoppers 4-H Rabbit Club * Van Wert, Ohio



April 2016

www.vanwertrabbit.org

Club T-shirts



We are having new club t-shirts made again this year. The shirt will be dark gray with a rabbit, Youth Rabbit Club, and Bunny Hoppers on the front. The shirts are \$10.00 each, and anyone can order a shirt (members, brothers, sisters, mom, dad, grandpa, whomever). The money needs turned in with the order. Order forms are due by the April 15th.

Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance is required for Market Rabbit Projects. Also required if you are taking any other market animal to the fair. Classes are listed in the county 4-H family guide. Rabbit specific Q.A. is at the fairgrounds on Thursday April 14, 2016 starting at 6:30 pm.

Attendance

Being a member of any club is a commitment for all. The rabbit club is only as good as its members and its members being active. Remember by county 4-H rules, to be eligible to participate at the county fair, you must attend at least 50% of your club's meeting/activities.

Parents, this is your commitment also, since most 4-Hers rely on you to get them where they need to be.



It Is Your Job to Know

Everyone is busy, and there is a lot going on. It is your job to know when things are due and to get things done on time. "I did not know or I did not remember" is not excitable. Read and post your calendars, check the newsletter, attend your club meeting, ask question, and pay attention.

April Meetings

As always parents are encouraged to stay for the meetings. An animal project truly is a family affair.

Thursday April 14, 6:30 pm

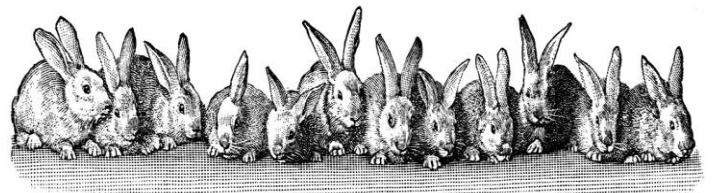
The feature of this meeting is the required learning of quality assurance. That will start at 6:30 and a short business meeting will follow.

Saturday April 16, 2016

We will be having a parent, (older member) work morning at the rabbit barn. Bring gloves, shove, hammer. Don will have more information at the April 14th meeting.

CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2016 is \$8.00 Then must be paid no later than the April 14th meeting

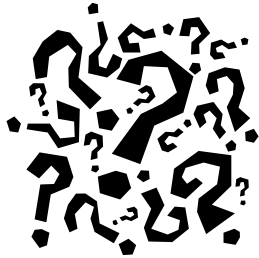


Rabbit Breed Demonstrations



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

Let's Clarify Rabbit Animal Projects



REMEMBER: YOU MUST TAKE BREEDING RABBITS #225 TO TAKE MARKETS RABBITS #226. (That means you must complete a breeding rabbit project and show at the county fair junior rabbit show, to show and sell a meat pen or single fryer at the auction).

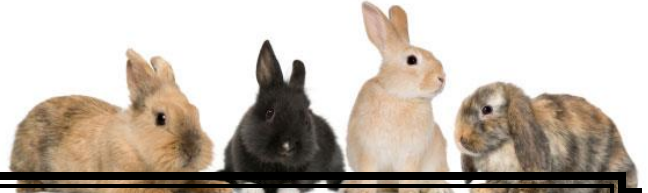
Also to be eligible for the special \$20.00 award for a doe and litter, the project must be an "A" grade. This means the litter must be the correct number of animals, correct age, and no babies added that are not a part of that original litter. Also you MIGHT be asked to present the doe and litter on the show table instead of judging in the cage.

Project Books: There are 3 options for your animal project books. #1 purchase a new book, #2 download the project book, #3 Keep your animal project books from past years, and download an accompany packet that goes with past year project book. This is the same as last year and a complete explanation is in the Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.



Rabbit Cloverbud project books are for free and can be picked up at our meetings.

Do not sign up for the pet rabbit project, we do show and breeding rabbits.



If you would like to be on the e-mail and text messaging lists, to receive meeting updates, and information sign up at the next meeting. If you did sign up this year and not receiving the info, check with Chris to see that the information was typed correctly.

Check the Roster

Attached to this newsletter is a roster of all the Bunny Hoppers for 2016. Please check to make sure I have your name, school, grade in school, and project numbers correct. Are your dues paid? If I have made any mistakes please let me know at the next meeting.

Advisor Heizman



50/50 Club Raffle Tickets



The Van Wert Youth Rabbit Club will be selling raffle tickets. Help out, sell your tickets and turn them in on time. More information at the next meeting.