



Rabbit Newsletter

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



April 2012

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Thank You Dr. Bonnette

By: President Katelyn Welch

What a great meeting on March 27th. Dr. Bonnette taught us about rabbit digestion, nutrition, and feed. With feed we all should know what is in the feed, how to calculate how much feed each rabbit should get, and what we need to add to the feed. THANK YOU DOCTOR BONNETTE!!!!



Nest Bunny Hoppers Thursday April 12, 2012

The Bunny Hopper's will meet again on Thursday April 12, 2012 at the Fair Grounds Extension Office. The meeting will start at 6:30 and will last about 90 minutes.

We will be working on: plans for the April Rabbit Show that we are hosting, learning some 4-H summer opportunities, and how to handle rabbits.

The highlight of the meeting will be a "Rabbit Costume Display". You are asked to bring a rabbit and dress the rabbit up in a costume. There will be two categories: the rabbit dresses up, and you and the rabbit dresses up together. THIS IS A FUN ACTIVITY!! Talk to mom and dad about some ideas.

(Hint: the day of the meeting don't dress the rabbit ahead of time, just do it before we start)



Please invite your parent/grandparent to stay for this meeting to help sign up to work at the rabbit spring show, check your project registration, and help you get your rabbit dressed for the costume activity. And of course everyone will love seeing/taking pictures of all the rabbits in costume.

Mark your calendar
The annual spring rabbit show
sponsored by the
Van Wert Youth Rabbit Club
And Bunny Hoppers is on
Sunday April 22, 2012.

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. MARK YOU CALENDARS NOW!!!!

*Please check the following items
in the club roster that is
enclosed"*

- Is your name spelled correctly?
- Is your address correct?
- Are the projects you signed up for correct?
- Is your registration form turned in?
- Are your dues paid?

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



Animal Project Books Have Changed

Keep your animal project books from past years, but things have changed for this year. There are 3 options for your animal project books. #1 purchase a new book, #2 download the project book, #3 download an accompany packet that goes with past year project book. There is a complete explanation in the 2012 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

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Are You Taking A Non-animal Project This Year?

Are you are doing a non-animal project this year and need a project book? If so you need to purchase it through the club. The books are \$5.00 each, and there are order forms at our meeting.

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### Text Message or E-Mail ????????



If you would like a meeting reminder by receiving a text message or e-mail, sign up at the next meeting. This can be for members, parents, grandparents, whomever.

### Advisors for 2012

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|--------------------------------|----------|
| Chris & Christine Heizman----- | 238-4554 |
| Carl & Ruth Lape-----          | 238-3911 |
| Phil & Sara Lape-----          | 203-9764 |
| Don & Susan Mosier-----        | 749-4139 |
| Sandy Klinger-----             | 749-2068 |
| Jacque Welch-----              | 771-8151 |
| Judy Wortman-----              | 238-9830 |

# Each Rabbit Family is Asked

To Help with the upcoming spring rabbit show on April 22 each family is asked to donate one 12 pack of pop/or water, and one dessert item.

Also at the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting there will be 50-50 raffle tickets to pick up. Everyone is asked to sell a few tickets.

In addition on April 12<sup>th</sup> there will be signup sheets for working at the April 22 rabbit show. We need kitchen workers, raffle workers, writers, and clean up. Please everyone (adults & kids) sign up to help sometime at the show.

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Second Meeting In April

On Saturday April 21 starting at 10:00 am we will have a parent and member work meeting. This is a set up session for the rabbit show on Sunday. Bring gloves. After the setup there will be a short business and education meeting.



Coming Up Soon

County 4-H BBQ
tickets sale
Camp Palmer

For the Van Wert Junior Fair 2012

Ownership of Show Rabbits
is June 1, 2012

Ownership of Meat Pen and/or Single Fryer
Rabbits
is 45 days before the fair
which is July 17, 2012