

Rabbit Newsletter

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



April 2013

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 \$8.00 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 21st (spring rabbit show day)

Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance is not required for Rabbit Projects. If you are taking any other market animal to the fair, besides rabbits you must attend a quality assurance session. Classes are listed in the county 4-H family guide.

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.



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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 11, 6:30 pm

We will be discussing a lot about the upcoming rabbit show, and clarify some of the information from the past few meetings. Don, Judy and Sandy are leading the education section with rabbit knowledge games.

Saturday April 20, 10:00 am

We will be setting up for our spring rabbit show. Bring mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparent, and friends to help. We need everyone.

Sunday April 21, 8:00 am

We say 8:00 am but some will be there by 6:00am. This is our club's annual sponsored rabbit show. T is a great time to see rabbits, talk rabbits, and judge rabbits. It is an all day event. We need set up clean up, kitchen, raffle, writers for the judges, registration, clean up, and much more.

May 02, 6:30 pm

Rabbit showmanship meeting, bring a rabbit, carpet square, and show coat.

Pop and Desserts

For the rabbit show each family is asked to bring a case of pop or water, and two

desserts for the kitchen. Any dessert is great, but pies go fast.



Bring your donation to the April 20th meeting, or early show day (April 21st).

CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2013 is \$8.00 Then must be paid no later that the April 11th meeting

Do Not Wait to be Asked Volunteer First

Mark your calendar The annual spring rabbit show sponsored by the Bunny Hoppers is on Sunday April 21, 2013.

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!!!!

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 Lets Clarify Rabbit Animal Projects



NEW THIS YEAR: 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 the correct number of animals, correct age, and no babies added that are not a part of that original litter. Also you probably will need 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 in the 2013 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

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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 the list it see that the information was typed correctly.

Check the Roster

Attached to this newsletter is a roster of all the Bunny Hoppers for 2013. Please check to make sure I have your name, address, phone, 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

The theme of the County Fair Booth for 2013 is ??????

4-H Pledge

I pledge My head to clearer thinking, My heart to greater loyalty, My hands to larger service, And my health to better living, For my club, my community, My country and my world. To Make the Best Better!

Non-Rabbit Project Books

If you need a rabbit project book, clothing project book, photography, or any project book you need to get the book from your club advisor.

The books are \$5.00 each and you need to bring the money with you and fill out an order from at the club meetings.

If you want to add or subtract projects from the registration form you filled out at the last meeting, just let

Advisor Heizman know so we can change you registration information.

50/50 Club Raffle Tickets

Each family should have 10 - 50/50 tickets to sell. They are \$1.00 each. Please have them sold and the money turned in at the April 11^{th} meeting, or the latest turn in time is the morning of the April 21^{st} rabbit show.

