



# Rabbit Newsletter

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



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

## Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance is required for Market Rabbit Projects (meat pen and single fryer). Also, it is 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 Saturday April 29, 2017 9:00 am to 11:00 am. A parent is invited and encouraged to attend also.

**This is also one of our club meetings. You need to be at this one!!!!!!**

## 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.

**Wednesday April 19, 2017**

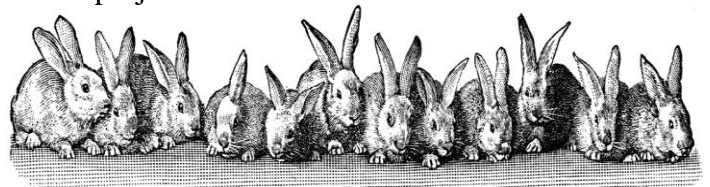
**6:30 pm**

The feature learning session of this meeting is Rabbit First Aid and Rabbit Nutrition

**Saturday April 29, 2017**

**9:00 am to 11:00 am**

This is the required Quality Assurance Meeting. Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting also. If you do not attend one of the three q.a. meeting in the county you cannot show or sell market projects at the fair.



## CLUB DUES

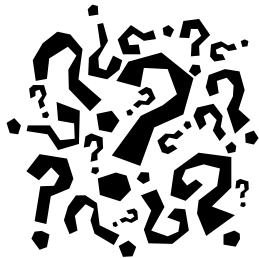
The club dues for 2017 is \$10.00 and were due in March. Some people are past due.

## 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 2 options for your animal project books. #1 purchase a book, and they are available at the meetings for \$2.00 each. #2 download and print the project book yourself, there is a link from our web page

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

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



## Rabbit Show Saturday May 13, 2017

#1 We need everyone members and parents to work at this show. We are the sponsor and hundreds of rabbit people from all over the 5 state area will be here to show rabbits.

#2 This is a great time to show your rabbits, look at different rabbits, and purchase rabbits. This is an ARBA sanctioned show, so we will be following ARBA rules and procedures at this show.

#3 We are asking each family to find one raffle item for the raffle table, donate one 12 pack of soda or a case of water, and .....

## Check the Roster

Attached to this newsletter is a roster of all the Bunny Hoppers for 2017. 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.

# 4H BBQ

The annual county wide 4-H BBQ will be on Tuesday June 13, 2017. Each club in the county is asked



to sell tickets. The bunny club usually is assigned 150 tickets, so that means we hope each member will sell at least 3 tickets. It goes to all the 4-H stuff and awards in the county and is a great chicken dinner. We will have tickets sometime in April.



# Working on Project Books

It is time to start looking over your project books and completing the sections.



Non-animal project judging will be on July 18, 2017.  
Animal project judging will be on July 31, 2017.

# Bring Rabbit Project Books to the Meetings

During our club meetings, we will start spending a segment of our time on the project books.

Bring you rabbit project book to the club meetings in April and May. Also make sure your name is on your book, and you bring something to write with.

