



Youth Rabbit Club

Rabbit Newsletter

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



February 2019

* Van Wert, Ohio *

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Bunny Hoppers

Tuesday February 19, 2019

The Bunny Hopper's first meeting is on Tuesday February 19, 2019 at the Fair Grounds Extension Office. The meeting will start at 6:30 and will last about 90 minutes.

Parent/grandparents: a parent needs to attend this first meeting to sign your enrollment, learn about changes in 4H, and help you get your \$10 dues taken care of.

If you cannot attend our opening meeting and are planning on joining the bunny hoppers please let advisor Heizman know.

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## 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. We will send notices out through text messaging.....

### Electronic Mail and Text Messaging

We will send out text messages as reminders of the meetings. Everyone needs to sign up at the meeting. If you need the (becoming old fashion) e-mail system let Advisor Chris know.

## CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2019 will be \$10.00.  
*(includes 4H, cloverbud, and youth club members)*

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



## Elected Officers for 2019

At the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting we will be electing officers to lead the club for this year. The election is not a popularity contest, it is who will lead, teach, and direct the club.

The positions are: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, safety, and historian/reporter.

## Advisors for 2019

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

## Changes, Changes, Changes

Again, this year there are a number of changes to 4-H guidelines, and the Van Wert County Fair. Make sure you are at meetings and paying attention to changes from past year.

## Animal Project Books

There are 2 Options for your animal project books. #1 purchase a new book for \$2.00, #2 download and print the project book, Animal Project Books are the same format as last year, and you will need a new book this year. You cannot just re-use last years. We will need to discuss project books and guidelines at our meetings.

**Notes:** this year we are planning some service projects, and to help the Exchange Club with the Light Show next December 2019.

## Rabbit Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance **IS** required for Meat Pen 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 2019 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

### Rabbit Specific Q.A.

Saturday April 13, 2019 9:00 am

### General Q.A.

Sunday March 03, 2019 2:00 pm

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Monday April 22, 2019 6:00 pm

## Club T-Shirts and Patches

We have not done club shirts for a few years, and club patches for a long time.

We are working on the design of a new club shirt. They will be \$10.00 each, and you, parents, grandparents, brothers and sister can all order a shirt....order forms are coming.....



**Hey Officers,  
what about a  
community  
service project??**

## Project Books

Project Books are a part of every 4-H project, animal and non-animal. Look through the family guide for projects you would like to accomplish this year. Books are \$6.00 each and can be ordered at club meetings. Bunny Hopper Rabbit Clover Bud books are free.

## Demonstrations are Required For Everyone This Year

At the first two meeting you need to sign up to give a 5 minute demonstration. If you do not sign up a date will be assigned. The demonstration should be fun and about something you like. It can be on your breed of rabbit, how to hold a bowling ball, dance, baseball cards, etc.

### QUESTIONS???????

How many recognized breeds of rabbits?

What is the weights of meat pen rabbit at the fair?

What causes a rabbit to loose its fur?

What does six class mean?

What is the most important thing you feed a rabbit?

What is heaver, a pound of rabbit fur, or a pound of mud?

## Movie Saturday

We are making plans on sponsoring a Movie again this year. To make this money making Project Work you need to sell tickets!!

## 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

### 4-H Motto

To Make the Best Better!

