

# **Rabbit Newsletter**

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



#### **May 2015**

#### www.vanwertrabbit.org

#### **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 and/or 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.



#### **May Meetings**

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

#### Thursday May 07, 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. The education part of the meeting is: judging rabbits and show forms and show writers.

#### **Saturday May 16, 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 May 17, 8:00 am**

We say 8:00am but some will be there by 6:00am. This is our club's annual sponsored rabbit show. This 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 28, 6:30 pm

Showmanship is the education portion, bring a rabbit and carpet square to this meeting.

## **CLUB DUES**

The club dues for 2015 is \$8.00

# **Pop and Desserts**

For the rabbit show each family is asked to bring a case of pop or water, and one desserts for the kitchen. Any dessert is great, but pie go fast.

Bring your donation to the May 16<sup>th</sup> 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 May 17, 2015

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 Raffle Items**

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We are in need of good raffle items for the spring rabbit show. Each family is asked to find 2 good or interesting items for the raffle. We are not looking for a bag of items from the dollar store.

For the Van Wert Junior Fair 2015

Ownership of Show Rabbits Is June 1, 2015



# 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 the correct number of animals, correct age, and no babies added that are not a part of that original litter. Also the judge might request you 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 2015 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 (breeding) rabbits and market rabbits.

## 4-H BBQ

Tuesday June 9, 2015

#### **Sell Your Tickets**

(turn in to club before June 1st)