

Rabbit Newsletter

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



March 2022

www.vanwertrabbit.org

Parents and 4Hers You must enroll for 4H Online Deadline is April 1st

4-H online is new and improved for 2022! Though the layout is different, most of features are still the same. It is also more mobile friendly – so it is easier to access on a mobile phone or smaller tablet.

The county deadline for enrollment is April 1, 2022! Please use the steps below to complete your enrollment.

Visit this direct link to enroll: oh.4honline.com

• Returning members/families already have a profile – enter your password from the previous years and log in.

 If you or another of your family members are already in the program or have been in recent years – please do not create a new profile. Contact the office and we can help with log in.

• The registration process allows you to update personal information annually such as age, grade, contact information and years in projects etc.

• Years in 4-H and years in projects are for your own records but please be sure to check for accuracy

Project Numbers

Show rabbits #225 Market Rabbits #226 Cloverbud 710

If you are doing projects other that rabbits, use the project guide book to see all the possible projects and their numbers.

Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance is required for Market Rabbit Projects (meat pen, rosters 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 02, 2022 9:00 am to 11:00 am. A parent is invited and encouraged to attend also.

There are 2 general Q.A. is at the fairgrounds. Check your county 4H guide book for dates and times.

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.

March Meetings

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

Mon. March 07, 2022 6:30 pm

The feature learning session of this meeting is Breeds of Rabbits. Hands on activity directed by advisors Sara and Phil

Tues. March 22, 2022 6:30 pm

The education section of this meeting is Rabbit Trivial Contests.



CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2022 is \$10.00 and were due in March.

Demonstrations

There are still spots open for presenting a breed of rabbit or anything you like demonstration. Sign up to give a 5 minute, 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, roaster 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 MIGHT be asked to present the doe and litter on the show table instead of judging in the cage.



4H BBQ

The annual county wide 4-H BBQ will be on Tuesday June 07, 2022. Each club in the county is asked to sell tickets.



Working on Project Books

Project Books: we will talk about the new project book system at the March Meetings.



Advisors for 2022

Matt & Melissa Bockrath	513-0418
Chris & Christine Heizman	238-4554
Cody & Amanda Lape	203-9139
Phil & Sara Lape	203-9764
Don & Susan Mosier	749-4139
Jacque Welch	771-8151
Judy Wortman	238-9830

Officers for 2022

President: Kyra Welch Vice President: Ella Lamb Secretary: Evelyn Lamb Treasurer: Madilynn Springer Safety: Keiley Welch

Rabbit Carrier Project

We are working on a hands-on project. The members will each get a kit to build their own one-hole carrier.

Then we will assemble that carrier together at our club meeting. The purpose is to help the kids



understand what it takes to build a safe carrier for their rabbits. In addition, each kid will then have a carrier to transport their rabbit safely to the show table.

Financial help is needed. Each kit costs \$25.00 and we estimate the need for 30 kits. The club is looking for some grants and donations.

If you know of an organization or perhaps, your workplace that awards grants for such a project, please obtain an application.

If you would like to sponsor one or more kits, please make your check out to Bunny Hoppers 4H Club.

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.