



Rabbit Newsletter

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



February 2018

* Van Wert, Ohio *

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Bunny Hoppers

Sunday February 11, 2018

The Bunny Hopper's first meeting is on Sunday February 11, 2018 at the Fair Grounds Extension Office. The meeting will start at 2:00 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 dues taken care of.

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

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 electronic mail or text messaging.....

Electronic Mail and Text Messaging

We will send out e-mail and text messages as reminders of the meetings. Everyone needs to sign up at the meeting.

CLUB DUES

The club dues for 2018 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 2018

At the February 11th 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 2018

Matt & Melissa Bockrath-----513-0418
Terry & Kirsten Hauter6-----05-3961
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.

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 2018 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

Rabbit Specific Q.A.

Saturday April 21, 2018 9:00 – 11:00 am

General Q.A.

Sunday March 04, 2017 2:00 - 4:00 pm

General Q.A.

Thursday May 31, 2018 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Rabbit Breed Demonstrations



You need to sign up to give a 5 minute, Breed Demonstration at our club meetings



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.

Club Constitutions

The last club's constitution was enacted before all of you and most of your parents were born. It is time to bring the club's constitution up to date. At the first few meeting the old and a ruff draft of the new will be discussed, and voted on. Make sure you look them over.

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?

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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

