

Rabbit Newsletter

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



May 2012

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We Have 2 **Club Meetings in May**

On Thursday May 3, 2012

The Bunny Hopper's will meet on Thursday May 3, 2012 at the Fair Grounds Extension Office. The meeting will start at 6:30 and will last about 90 minutes.

We will be working on showmanship, so bring a rabbit your show coat, and a carpet square if you have one. Advisor Chris Heizman will be putting everyone through the paces on how to practice for showmanship.

On Tuesday May 22, 2012

The Bunny Hopper's will meet on Tuesday May 22, 2012 at the Fair Grounds Extension Office. The meeting will start at 6:30 and will last about 90 minutes.

This will be a great learning meeting as Advisor Don Mosier has organized a rabbit clinic for everyone.

What a great Rabbit Costume Parade



We had 28 rabbits in costume at the last meeting. It was a great time seeing all the rabbits in costume and we had a lot of fun!

BBQ Poster Contest

For all those members doing a post for the upcoming county chicken BBQ, remember they are due to the extension office by May 18. Remember to put your name and club name on the back.

Also remember to sell BBQ dinner tickets. If you did not pick up tickets up or need more please see Advisor Klinger.

For the Van Wert Junior Fair 2012

Ownership of Show Rabbits Is June 1, 2012

Ownership of Meat Pen and/or Single Fryer Rabbits Is 45 days before the fair Which is July 17, 2012

Animal Project Books Have Changed from past years

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. There is a complete explanation in the 2012 Van Wert County 4-H Family Guide.

If you are You Taking A Non-animal Project This Year?

Are you are doing a non-animal project this year and need a project book? If so you need to purchase it through the club. The books are \$5.00 each, and there are order forms at our meeting.

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Great Job Madelyn Lamb for being second place in the state of Ohio for showing Polish Rabbits. The clock you won is beautiful!!

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Vacations are Coming Up

This is going to be a busy summer, and there will be 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.

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Also remember that a Van Wert County 4-H rule is you must attend at least 50% of your clubs meeting and activities to participate at the fair

New Rabbit Barn

There has been talk for 20 years on a new rabbit barn at the fair. The talk has come and gone many times, with discussion the only result.

Well there is surfacing a number of major construction issues with the present barn. Ann Marshall our Senior Fair Board Director in charge of the rabbit barn is perusing the possibilities of a new barn. In addition Rex Marbaugh a great rabbit supporter has been investigating options over this past winter.

Bottom line we need money. Ann has 50/50 tickets for seed money to start a barn campaign. Also if you know anyone that might be a big contributor please let Ann know.

We will have more details at our next few club meetings.