

The Greene Clover

GREENE COUNTY / 4-H

MARCH / 2021

Our office will be open by appointment only on Monday and Tuesday. The best way to reach us is by phone/email. In this newsletter, you will find info on enrollment in 4-H Online, important dates to make note of, flower sale information, QA, beekeeping, project requirements, rabbit clinic, and more.

2021 FLOWER SALE INFORMATION:

We will be offered the flower sale for 2021. Orders are due to our office by April 6, 2021. All order forms are posted here. www.go.osu.edu/greenecoflowersale

We prefer 1 order form per club. Clubs will be issued a check afterwards for 15% back in total sales.

Pick up will be May 5.

Rabbit Birth Dates for 2021 Fair

- Meat Pen and Single Fryer = 5/26/2021
- Seniors = 12/03/20 and earlier
- 6/8 = 12/04/20 - 02/03/21
- Juniors = 02/04/21 - 05/03/21
- Pre-Juniors = 05/04/21 and after
- Fancy D&L = 06/08/21 - 06/22/21
- Commercial D&L = 05/26/21 - 06/22/21
- Matching Breeding Pair = 02/03/21 and earlier

Recommended Breeding Dates for Meat Pens and Single Fryers

- 4/25/2021: This is 100 days prior to the show day. Remember that each individual rabbit must weigh between 3.5 and 5.5 pounds. Any under or overweight rabbits will be ineligible for placing in the show. Underweight animals are also excluded from the sale.

Important dates coming up

- Market turkey orders due: March 5
- Ohio 4-H Week: March 7-13
- Flower sale orders due April 6
- Market chicken and market duck orders due: May 7
- Prefair judging (ALL NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS INCLUDING SHOOTING SPORTS) : July 7 & 8
- Skillathons- July 20 & 21



2021 Quality Assurance

Dates: YOU NEED TO REGISTER!

Time to get 2021 Quality Assurance dates on your calendar! Dates are posted at

www.go.osu.edu/greenecoqa

Please register by clicking the date you want to attend virtually. These dates will be done by zoom. **Plan now because you can't bring your animal to fair unless this is completed!**

BEEKEEPING PROJECT OPPORTUNITY

The Beekeeping Project (641) can be fascinating, fun, and result in really sweet rewards! Whether you want to keep honeybees to improve pollination, as a hobby, or for harvesting and selling honey and bee products, the 4-H Beekeeping project will help you care for and manage honeybees. Greene County 4-H members who are interested or just want to learn more about the project have a unique resource to help. The Greene County Beekeepers Association (GCBA) not only sponsors the Fair trophy and awards, but also has experienced beekeeper volunteers willing to mentor 4-H members. (Did we mention that GCBA members helped develop the Ohio project?) The GCBA also offers sponsorship opportunities (typically providing basic beehive equipment) to help offset startup costs.

Attn Club Leaders: Looking for a guest speaker to discuss project options? The GCBA has volunteers to provide an overview (Zoom or in-person when permitted)

There are three levels in the Ohio 4-H Beekeeping project:

Beginner—Members with no experience (1st year project, new to beekeeping). Youth learn basics of beekeeping. At this level, youth are not required to have bees (but many prefer to ‘jump right in’). The primary goal is to learn basic beekeeping first-hand, and one of the best ways to do this is with the guidance of a local beekeeper.

Intermediate—Members with some experience (1st year project with previous experience, or 2nd year project). Youth typically acquire their own colony of bees and learn how to care for and manage the hive throughout the year. A realistic goal at this level is to manage basic beekeeping operations that result in a healthy colony and the production of some ‘surplus’ honey for the novice beekeeper.

Advanced—Members with experience. Youth at this level are typically more independent and set more advanced learning goals such as comb or varietal honey production, pollen harvesting, queen rearing, and bee diseases and parasites.

If interested, contact Dan O’Callaghan 937-372-3005 ocallaghan@irishhillfarm.net, or the Extension Office.



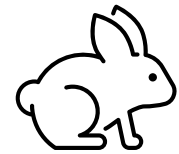
PROJECT GUIDE & REQUIREMENTS

It is not too early to review the project guide. We are still waiting for new projects to arrive so be sure to check the document frequently for updates.

Visit

www.go.osu.edu/greenecoprojectguide

We are hosting a spring clinic to help new and existing 4-H members with any rabbit related questions. We will have several different stations set up dealing with all aspects of the rabbit projects. Please plan on attending. ***It will be March 13 from 10-12 at the Dining Hall at the Greene County Fairgrounds.***



Online Club Enrollments in the NEW 4HONLINE2.0- NOW OPEN

Ohio 4-H upgraded software which means we get to learn a new interface. All families will be required to enroll and sign up for the correct projects in 4-H Online by **APRIL 1.** The website is the same, oh.4honline.com

For more info, visit,

www.go.osu.edu/greeneco4honline

We have been sending emails through 4-H Online. Some people have indicated they are going to their junk. Please check your junk folder!

LIVESTOCK RULES & DOCUMENTS

Many livestock rules and documents have been posted on the website. As we receive more, we will post more. Things posted include:

- Many species rules
- Livestock fair schedule
- Livestock location- due May 7
- Royalty application- due May 28
- Homegrown sheep and homegrown goat forms
- Market poultry order forms

CLOVERBUD CONNECTIONS & RESOURCES

I encourage all volunteers, especially Cloverbud, and even parents to visit <https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/>

On the left-hand side, you can put your email, so you don't miss any updates. Also, please visit the additional links for more resources.

FOLLOW US AT:

Facebook: Ohio State- Greene County Extension Office:
<https://www.facebook.com/OSUEGreeneCounty>

Instagram: [osu_greenecounty](https://www.instagram.com/osu_greenecounty)



BEEKEEPING ESSAY COMPETITION

The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees is once again sponsoring the 2021 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition. The essay competition is open to active 4-H Club members only.

2021 Essay Topic: Immunity: Threats to Bee Colonies and Methods to Defend Against the Threats

Deadline for submission to the Ohio 4-H state office is March 29, 2021. Submit essays to Lisa Jinks, jinks.2@osu.edu by midnight. Each submitted essay will be reviewed by a panel of writing professionals and the top essay selected will be submitted for national competition. Be sure to see important requirements and guidelines on the Foundation's website. [Click here for rules and overview.](#)

Ohio 4-H Grab & Go Club Meeting Toolkit

4-H Advisors! Start your 4-H year with seven ready-to-go club meeting agendas detailing a family kick-off, team building, officer elections, public speaking and more. Learn how to adapt in-person activities to a virtual setting and strategies for including Cloverbuds. Find it at go.osu.edu/clubmeetingtoolkit.

The **Ohio 4-H Grab & Go Club Meeting Toolkit** provides 4-H volunteers and teen leaders with seven (7) club meeting agendas to help plan for the 4-H year. Each agenda is two pages. The first page provides an overview of the topic, a sample agenda and resources to put ideas into action. The second page provides in-depth explanations and specific strategies.

REMINDER OF COUNTY DUES:

\$10- per project age member

\$5- per Cloverbud member

2021 4-H Flower Sale (Member Form)

Member Name:

Club Name:

Orders Due to OSUE: April 6, 2021

Checks to: OSU Extension Greene County

Name on Order:

Contact Information:

Plant Type	Details	Color Choice	\$ Each	QTY	Total \$
Annuals					
Ball Mix Masters	6" quart pot	Berry Basket	\$6.00		
		Heartland	\$6.00		
Beacon Impatiens	1 pack of 6 plants	Select Mix	\$7.00		
	Flat	Select Mix	\$17.00		
Begonias/Green Leaf	1 pack of 6 plants	Pink	\$7.00		
		Red	\$7.00		
		White	\$7.00		
	Flat	Pink	\$17.00		
		Red	\$17.00		
		White	\$17.00		
Coleus	1 pack of 6 plants	Select Mix	\$7.00		
	Flat	Select Mix	\$17.00		
Fantasia Geranium	12" patio pot	Red	\$21.00		
Geraniums	Quart pot	Pink	\$5.00		
		Red	\$5.00		
Gerber Daisy	8" pot	Growers Choice	\$12.00		
Marigolds	1 pack of 6 plants	Mix	\$7.00		
	Flat	Mix	\$17.00		
Million Bell	6" quart pot	Fruit Cocktail	\$6.00		
		Laguna Beach	\$6.00		
Spikes	3" pot	None	\$3.00		
Sun Patiens	Quart pot	Purple	\$6.00		
		Red	\$6.00		
		White	\$6.00		
Sweet Potato Vine	Quart pot	Lime Heart	\$6.00		
		Red Heart	\$6.00		
Wave Petunia	1 pack of 6 plants	Blue	\$10.00		
		Pink	\$10.00		
		Red	\$10.00		
		White	\$10.00		
	Flat	Blue	\$25.00		
		Pink	\$25.00		
		Red	\$25.00		
		White	\$25.00		

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Hanging Baskets					
Beacon Impatiens	12" Hanging	Select Mix	\$21.00		
Combination Basket	12" Hanging	Proven Winner Mix	\$26.00		
Mix Master Million Bell	12" Hanging	Assorted Mix	\$21.00		
Dragon Wing Begonia	12" Hanging	Pinkish Red	\$21.00		
Foliage Combo Basket	14" Hanging	Assorted Mix	\$40.00		
Sun Patiens	12" Hanging	Rose Glow	\$21.00		
		Purple	\$21.00		
		Orange	\$21.00		
		Red	\$21.00		
Vining Geraniums	12" Hanging	Calliope (Red)	\$21.00		
		Pink Rose	\$21.00		
Proven Winner Supertunia Petunia	12" Hanging	Lovie Dovie (red)	\$21.00		
		Bubblegum (Pink)	\$21.00		
		Royal Velvet (Blue)	\$21.00		
Herbs & Vegetables					
Italian Herb Trio Pack	1 of each	Parsley, Basil, Oregano	\$12.00		
Patio Tomatoes	12" pot with cage	None	\$15.00		
Peppers	3" pot	Green Bell	\$1.50		
Tomatoes	3" pot	Big Boy	\$1.50		

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Foliage Combo Basket



Sun Patiens



Combination Basket



Fantasia Geranium



Million Bells



Laguna Beach



Patio Tomatoes



Dragon Wing Begonia



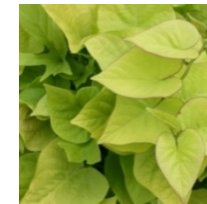
Fruit Cocktail



Begonia



Heartland



Sweet Potato Vine



Berry Basket



Vining Geraniums