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HARRISON COUNTY HORTICULTURE NEWSLETTER



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Hello Horticulturalists! July is here and in Harrison County that means one thing—County Fair! This newsletter is packed full of what you need to know about the county fair, including dates of events as well as information regarding our new system for entering exhibits. This year, adult and youth exhibits **MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED**. We will not be taking walk-ups.

Also, included this month is information about the cost share programs we have available. Check out every page to make sure you don't miss anything!

REGISTRATION

Pre-registration will be required beginning June 15th, 2023 online using the website:

<https://harrisoncountyfairky.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19000>

Or use this QR code below:



Check-in will be assigned by appointment only. All entries must be completed online. No walk-up or day-of entries will be accepted.

We have three set days for those needing help entering your items online. Times will be between 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

- Thursday, June 29th
- Thursday, July 6th
- Monday, July 10th

This is by appointment only. Please call 859-234-5510 to reserve your spot.

DEADLINE TO ENTER all fair exhibits is Thursday, July 13th at noon.

Tag Instructions:

We will print your tags. Tag pick up will be Thursday, July 13th and Friday, July 14th at the Harrison County Extension Office (668 New Lair Road, Cynthiana, KY 41031).

IMPORTANT

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS!

This year we are introducing a new online registration program for ALL county fair exhibits! **ALL exhibits, for youth and adults, will require pre-registration.** We realize that with a new program and with change, it can sometimes be a bit of a learning curve, but the extension office is ready to assist you in any way we can!

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED and walk-in exhibits

will not be accepted. We will have three “help days” where you can come to the extension office and enter your exhibits online. Please see the flyer for more information and call the office at 859-234-5510 with any questions you might have.

We want to make this transition as painless as possible!

MONEY FOR FARM IMPROVEMENTS



Eligible Investment Areas:

Agricultural Diversification
AgTech & Leadership Development
Large Animal - Small Animal
Farm Infrastructure
Fencing & On-Farm Water
Forage & Grain Improvement
Innovative Ag. Systems
On-Farm Energy
Poultry & Other Fowl
Value Added & Marketing

Administered by
Harrison County Beef Cattle Association
668 New Lair Road
Cynthiana, KY 41031
(859) 234-5510

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CAIP)

Applications are available for Harrison County's CAIP to assist farmers in making important farm investments.

Application Period:
July 5 to July 25, 2023

No applications will be accepted before July 5 or after July 25

CAIP Informational Meeting will be held on July 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Harrison County Extension Office.

Application Availability:
Harrison County Extension Office
Monday – Friday (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

For More Information:
Contact Jessica Barnes at (859) 234-5510 or email jessica.barnes2@uky.edu

All applications are scored, based on the scoring criteria set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

Youth Agricultural Incentive Program (YAIP)

Many of you are familiar with the County Ag Investment Program (CAIP) that runs annually here in Harrison County to help farmers diversify their operations. This year our Ad Development Board has decided to also fund the Youth Agricultural Incentive Program (YAIP) to help youth that are interested in agriculture expand or start their project. This program is open to any Harrison County youth that is 9 years of age to a high school senior.

YAIP is a 50/50 cost-share based program that can reimburse up to \$1,000 per youth for their project. Project can include the following: Agricultural Diversification, Animal Production, Forage Improvement, Showmanship, Supervised Agriculture Experience, or Country Ham Projects.

The application period for YAIP will run from 8:00am on July 5, 2023 to 4:30 pm on July 25, 2023. Applications can be picked up at the Harrison County Extension Office at 668 New Lair Road in Cynthiana. Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30 pm.

2023

HARRISON COUNTY FAIR



It's County Fair Time!

www.harrisoncountyfair.webs.com

#hckyfair

July 15-22 4:00 Gates Open Daily
6:00 Carnival & Exhibit Hall Open

Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, July 15

\$10 GATE FEE

- 9:00 a.m. Hog Show (Barn)
- 12:00 p.m. Miss HC Pageant (McCauley Building)
- 5:00 p.m. HC Fun Horse Show (Center)
- 7:00 p.m. KTPA Truck Tractor Pull (Track)

SUNDAY, July 16

- 9:00 a.m. Open/4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show (Barn) (Registered by 8:30)
- 3:30-5:30 p.m. Enter exhibits 4-H, FFA & Floral Hall (non-perishable items)
- 6:30 p.m. FREE Family Gospel Sing

MONDAY, July 17

\$10 GATE FEE

- 9:00-12:00 noon Enter all Floral Hall Exhibits (4-H, FFA, Adult exhibits)
- 1:00 p.m. Dairy Cattle Show (Barn)
- 6:00 p.m. Sheep Show - Market Lambs, Breeding Classes (Barn)
- 6:00 p.m. Kid Activities Hosted By Community Action Council (center)
- 6:00 p.m. Touch-A-Truck (center)
- 6:00-9:30 p.m. Zero-Turn Lawn Mower Driving Contest (between center ring)
- 6:30 p.m. Baby Show (McCauley Building-registration begins at 6p)
- 7:00 p.m. Lawn Tractor Pull (Track)

TUESDAY, July 18

\$10 GATE FEE

- 10:00 a.m. Open 4-H/FFA Boer Goat Show (Barn) (Registered by 9:00)
- 6:00 p.m. Beef Show (Barn) (on grounds by 5:00)
- 7:00 p.m. Miss Teen HC Pageant (McCauley Building)
- 7:00 p.m. Donkey Racing (Center)
- 7:00 p.m. Tractor Tug Pull (Track)

WEDNESDAY, July 19

\$10 GATE FEE

- 5:30 p.m. Poultry Show (Barn)
- 6:00 p.m. Miss Pre-Teen (McCauley Building)
- 7:00 p.m. Pony Pull (Center)
- 7:00 p.m. Tractor Tug Pull (Track)

THURSDAY, July 20

\$10 GATE FEE

- 9:00 a.m. Land Judging
- 1:00 p.m. 4-H Tractor Driving & Lawn Mower contest
- 5:30 p.m. Children's Show (McCauley Building)
- Little Miss/Mister, Little Prince/Princess & Tiny Prince/Princess
- 7:00 p.m. KITPA Sanction Pull (Track)
- 7:00 p.m. 3rd Annual Pedal Tractor Pull (Center)
- 8:00 p.m. Family Fun Night (Center)

FRIDAY, July 21

**3M NIGHT
FIRST 100 CARS**
Receive a gift bag!

\$10 GATE FEE

- 6:00 p.m. Power Wheels Demolition Derby (Center)
- 7:00 p.m. HC 4-H Style Revue (McCauley Building)
- 7:00 p.m. Battle of Bluegrass Pull (Track)
- 9:00 p.m. Greased Pig Contest (Center)

SATURDAY, July 22

\$10 GATE FEE

- 9:00 a.m. HC Farm Bureau Country Ham Breakfast
- 5:00 p.m. Rabbit Show (McCauley Building)
- 6:30 p.m. Rocky Mountain Tennessee Walking Horse Show (Center)
- 7:00 p.m. Tractor Speed Pull (Track)

POST-FAIR EVENTS

SATURDAY, July 29

\$10 GATE FEE

- 5:00 p.m. BBQ Cookoff (Sponsored by WCYN)
- 6:30 p.m. Cornhole tournament (BARN)
- 7:00 p.m. 6th Annual KY Youth Rodeo (Center)

Sunday, July 23

1:00-3:00PM

Pickup Floral Hall Exhibits
(4-H, FFA, Adult Exhibits)



EXHIBIT ENTRIES
Pre-Registration Required
No walk-up or day-of entries.
(June 15th - July 13th)

See the Harrison County Fair Book or Facebook page for locations, check-in and registration times.

\$8 **\$8**

2023 HARRISON COUNTY FAIR PRE-SALE TICKETS

Save on fair admission & purchase your tickets in advance!
\$8 per ticket, per night. Ticket is valid on any night.

Purchase at the HC Extension Office June 5 - July 7,
 8:30a to 4:00p. Cash/Check accepted.

NON-REFUNDABLE **Includes Rides.**

\$8 Check out our schedule on our website at **\$8**
www.harrisoncountyfair.webs.com



HARRISON COUNTY FARM BUREAU COUNTRY HAM BREAKFAST



**July 22, 2023
9:00 am**



**SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023
6:30 P.M.
HARRISON COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS**

**\$250
Added
Monies**

BRING YOUR OWN PARTNER
 \$40.00 per Team
 \$250 Added Monies

BLIND DRAW TOURNAMENT
 \$10.00 per person

Call or Text Ashley Yazell @ 859-588-8666 to Pre-Register.
 You can also register the night of the event @ 6 p.m.



DONKEY RACING

**TUESDAY, JULY 18
7:00 P.M.
CENTER RING**

Registration begins at 6 p.m.

**Yes! You will
actually ride
a Donkey!**

- 5 Heats with 10 Participants
- Awards for 1st & 2nd Place & Worst Rider
- MUST BE 16 YEARS OLD



**2023
WCYN
BRISKET
Cook Off**

**JULY
29TH**

*\$100 Entry Fee
maximum of 3
members per
team*

**JUDGING WILL
BE BASED ON:**

- APPEARANCE
- TASTE
- TENDERNESS
- QUALITY

1st Place:
\$600

2nd Place:
\$300

3rd Place:
\$100 & free
entry for 2024!

Please contact Gene
Arnold via text
(859) 298-1531
or Jorge Enriquez
(859) 377-1296

Sign ups & entry
fees due by July 1st

\$6500 ADDED MONEY

**Champion
Mutton
Busting
Buckle
Awarded**

**High
Point
Awards
each
Division**

KENTUCKY YOUTH RODEO CHAMPIONSHIP

BARREL RACING, GOAT TYING, TEAM ROPING, CALF
 ROPING, POLE BENDING, BREAKAWAY ROPING AND
 MORE

**K-12
grade**

**CHECK OUR
FACEBOOK PAGE
July 29 2023**

Cynthiana, Ky 41301

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You are invited to
Harrison County Extension Office's

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION



7 Aug
2023

6-8PM

Stepping Stone
1674 Cynthia Rd, Paris, KY 40361
RSUP: 859-234-5510

Free food,
fun, &
games
for the
whole
family

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The Extension Office
will be closed on
Tuesday, July 4th for
the Independence
Day Holiday

Licking Valley Honey Bee Society

Next Meeting: July 11th

**Beginning Session beginning at
5:30 p.m.**

**General Beekeeping Club Meeting
beginning at 6:30 p.m.**

at the Harrison County Extension Office

Start Monitoring for Garden Pests Today

Whether it's slugs, squash vine borer, or Colorado potato beetle, home gardeners know that every year some creepy crawly is looking for a free meal in their vegetable patch. Unfortunately, pest management in home gardens often relies on a reactive, spray-oriented approach to these pests rather than taking a more engaged attitude that helps to prevent problems. You can change that through integrated pest management and focusing on monitoring for pests before they become a true issue.

Integrated pest management, also known as IPM, is a philosophy of pest management that intends to use all the available tools at our disposal to help suppress pest populations. This can look different depending on the pest being managed and the situation in which the pest is an issue. In the home garden, some simple pest management tools can include cultural methods such as fall garden sanitation, which removes overwintering habitat for pests. Physical methods, such as floating row covers, which exclude pests from plants, and insecticidal control, such as spraying Bt when dealing with caterpillars.

IPM is not an organic approach necessarily; IPM can include synthetic insecticides when they are the appropriate method of suppression.

Source: Jonathan Larson, UK Entomology Specialist

Community Corner

MCTC



LIBRARY



HC EXTENSION

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Check out what's happening in our community! Use your smart phone camera to scan the QR codes to be directed to the organization's separate website.



Start your day with Extension!

9:10 a.m. Stacey Stephens with NEP:

1st Monday of the month

Jessica Wells with Horticulture:

1st Wednesday of the month

Shannon Farrell and Holly Laytart with 4-H:

2nd Wednesday of the month

Shelley Meyer with FCS:

4th Thursday of the month



Flat Run Veterans Park
364 Oddville Ave., Cynthia

The Harrison County Farmers Market is in full swing with lots of summer vegetables! Stop by and see them each Saturday from 9:00—1:00.

Tuesday, July 11th from 4:00—8:00 p.m. there will be a special pop-up market event, with market members as well as other vendors!

Scan the QR code to go directly to the Farmers Market Website. Also, be sure to follow them on Facebook for the most up-to-date information!



Check out the new Hort Culture podcast, made specifically for Kentucky! It is a great source for growers of all experience levels!



Cucumber, Corn, and Bean Salsa

- 2-3 large cucumbers
- 2 tomatoes
- 1 yellow bell pepper
- 1 small red onion
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro
- ½ cup black beans

Wash all vegetables. Finely **chop** cucumbers, tomatoes, pepper, and onion. **Combine** in a large mixing bowl with chopped cilantro. **Drain** and rinse beans and add to chopped vegetables. **Add** corn. If using canned corn instead of fresh, **drain** off liquid prior to adding to vegetables.

In a small bowl, mix together ranch

- ½ cup fresh whole kernel corn, cooked
- 1 ounce package dry ranch dressing mix
- ⅓ cup cider vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar, optional

dressing packet, vinegar, and sugar. **Pour** dressing over vegetables and mix well. **Serve** immediately or refrigerate until chilled.

Yield: Makes 20, ½ cup servings.

Nutrition Analysis: 50 calories, 0 g fat, 130 mg sodium, 7 g carbohydrates, 2 g fiber, 70% Daily Value of vitamin C and 6% Daily Value of vitamin A

Buying Kentucky Proud is easy. Look for the label at your grocery store, farmers' market, or roadside stand.

