Agriculture & Natural Resources Newsletter

The Old Farmhand: Part II

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A Note from Jessica

Harvest season and one of my favorite times of the year is upon us and I hope that each of you have a safe and bountiful harvest this fall! There is a lot going on in the farming community this time of year as well as at the Extension Office. Please review this newsletter as there are several upcoming events and classes to take part in.

As always if you have any questions or would like to see a class offered, please feel free to reach out and we can talk about it! I look forward to seeing several of you at the upcoming field day detailed below!



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Controlling Pasture Weeds

This is the time of year that I receive several phone calls on what to spray pastures with to help control some of the weeds. Below is a chart from one of our UK Extension Publications that is very helpful when trying to decide what chemicals will best control the weeds that you are fighting. As always if you have questions or need more information feel free to give me a call at the office.

Response of Pasture Weeds to Herbicides and Mowing

| Weed Species | Life Cycle 1 | Preferred Time for Herbicide Treatment ² | 2A-D (variousproducts) | dicamba (Clarity, etc.) | dicamba+ 2,4-D (Weedmaster etc.) | Grossbow | Pasture Gard | DuraCor | GrazonNext | Chaparral ³ | metsuffuron3 (MSM60, Patriot, etc.) | Sharpen | MOWING4 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|--------------|---------|------------|------------------------|--|---------|---------|
| Amaranth, Spiny (Pigweed) | A | May-July | F/G | F/G | G | G | F/G | G | G | G | G | - | X |
| Aster spp. (White Heath Aster) | A | July-Sept | F/G | G | G | G | - | - | - | - | F | P | R |
| Burdock, Common | В | Feb-Mar | G | F | G | G | G | G | G | G | F | P | R |
| Buttercup spp. | A | Feb-Mar | G | F/G | G | G | F | G | G | G | G | P/F | X |
| Carrot, Wild (Queen Anne's Lace) | В | May-June | F/G | F/G | F/G | F/G | F | G | G | G | G | P | R |
| Chickweed, Common | A | Nov or Feb-Mar | Р | F/G | G | F | G | G | G | G | G | P/F | X |
| Chicory | Р | Feb-Mar or Aug-Nov | F/G | F/G | G | G | G | G | G | G | F/G | P | |
| Clover. White | Р | May-Aug | F | G | G | G | G | G | G | G | | _ | R |
| Cocklebur, Common | A | VIUL-VEM | G | G | G | G | G | G | G | G | G | Р | X |
| Dandelion | P | Oct-Nov or Mar-Apr | G | G | G | G | F/G | G | _ | | G | G | R |
| Deadnettle, Purple | A | Feb-Mar | P | F/G | G | F | G | G | G | G | 6 | Р | X |
| Dock, Curly or Broadleaf | P | Feb-Apr | P/F | F | F/G | G | F/G | G | | G | G | | X |
| Dogbane, Hemp | P | May-Aug | P/F | F | F/G | G | | | G | G | G | Р | X |
| Garlic, Wild | P | Nov or Mar-Apr | F | F | F | F | G | P/F | P/F | P/F | Р | P | S |
| Goldenrod spp. | P | June-Aug | F | F/G | F/G | G | P | F | F | F/G | G | Р | X |
| Hemlock, Poison | В | Nov or Mar-Apr | F/G | F/G | F/G | F/G | | F | F/G | F/G | Р | _ P | S |
| Henbit | A | Feb-Mar | P | F/G | | | P | F/G | F/G | | F | P | R |
| Horsenettle | P | July-Aug | Р | P/F | G | F | F/G | G | G | G | G | - | X |
| Ironweed, Tall | P | June-Aug | P | F F | F | F | P/F | G | G | F/G | F | Р | Х |
| Jimsonweed | A | May-July | F | | | | G | G | G | G | P | P | 5 |
| Lespedeza, Sericea | P | June-July | P | G P/F | G | G | | G | G | G | 924 | 4 | R |
| Marshelder (Sumpweed) | A | | | | P/F | G | G | P/F | P/F | F/G | F/G | Р | X |
| Milkweed, Common | P | May-July | F/G | F/G | G | G | F | G | G | G | F | -3- | R |
| Mint Perilla | A | July-Sept | Р | F | P/F | F | P/F | P/F | P/F | P/F | Р | Р | S |
| Multiflora Rose | P | May-July | F | F | F/G | G | F/G | G | G | G | | - | S |
| Passionflower, Maypop | P | Apr-June or Sept | P | P | F | G | G | F | F | F/G | G | Р | X |
| Plantain, Broadleaf or Buckhorn | _ | May-July | P | Р | Р | P/F | F | Р | P | P | 70 | Р | X |
| Pokeweed. Common | P | Oct-Nov or Mar-Apr | F/G | F | F/G | G | F | G | F/G | F/G | F/G | Р | X |
| Ragweed, Common | _ | May-July | F | F/G | F/G | F/G | P | F/G | F/G | F | P | Р | S |
| Ragweed, Control | A | May-July | F/G | G | G | G | G | G | G | G | P | G | R |
| | Α | May-July | F/G | G | G | G | | G | G | - | Р | - | R |
| Sida, Arrowleaf | A | May-July | Р | Р | Р | | - C+- | F | F | F | - | 2 | R |
| Sneezeweed, Bitter | A | May-July | F/G | F/G | G | G | G | G | G | G | | | R |
| Sorrel, Red (Sheep Sorrel) | Р | Sept-Nov or Mar | P | F | F/G | F/G | F | | (to 1 | F/G | F/G | Р | Х |
| Spurge, Nodding | A | June-July | Р | P | Р | P/F | - | P/F | P/F | G | G | - | R |
| Thistle, Bull | В | Oct-Nov or Feb-Mar | G | G | G | G | F/G | G | G | G | F/G | Р | R |
| Thistle, Canada | P | Prebud or Oct-Nov | Р | P/F | F | F | P/F | G | G | G | F | D | S |
| Thistle, Musk | В | Oct-Nov or Feb-Mar | G | G | G | G | F/G | G | G | G | F/G | P | R |
| Thistle, Plumeless | В | Oct-Nov or Feb-Mar | G | G | G | G | F/G | G | G | G | F/G | P | R |
| Tickclover (Desmodium spp.) | Р | June-Aug | P | 4/1 | F | F/G | F/G | F/G | F/G | | - | P | R |
| Trumpetcreeper | P | Aug-Sept | Р | Р | P/F | F | F | Р | Р | | P | P | Х |

Control: G = Good or Excellent; F = Fair (suppression or partial control); P = Poor; - = No Information

2 The preferred time for herbicide treatment will depend on environmental conditions and other factors.

Mowing: R = Timely mowing reduces top growth and seed production; S = Suppression of top growth; X = Not very effective

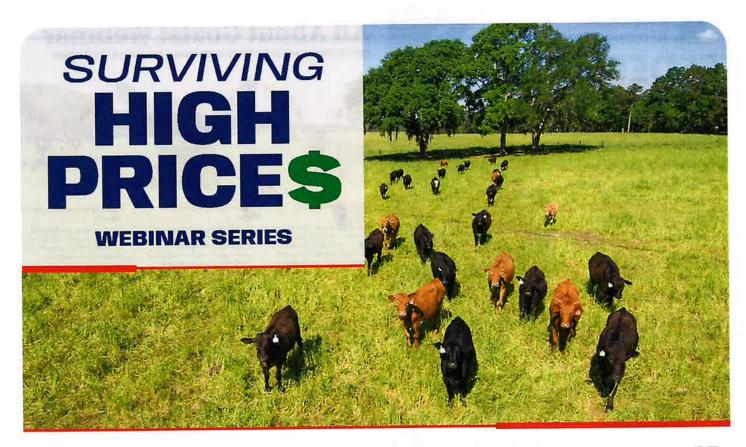
Note: This table should be used only as a guide for comparing the relative effectiveness of herbicides to a particular weed. The herbicide may perform better or worse than indicated in the table depending on the species, weed size, time of application, and/or extreme weather conditions. Consult herbicide label for weed height or growth stage and product amount. Read and follow all label directions and precautions before herbicide application.

Adapted from Weed Management in Grass Pastures, Hayfields, and Other Farmstead Sites (AGR-172; revised 3-2021). Available at http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/agr/agr172/agr172.pdf.

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¹ Life Cycle: A = Annuals; P = Perennials; B = Biennials

³ May cause temporary yellowing, stunting and seedhead suppression of tall fescue (consult label). Metsulfuron is an active ingredient in several products (e.g. Chaparral, MSM60, Patriot, Purestand).



WEDNESDAYS: 2-3 P.M. ET | 1-2 P.M. CT | 12-2 P.M. MT | 11-12 P.M. PT

Join us for a 6-week series to learn about & discuss the uniqueness of the current cattle cycle so we can better understand how to help our producers manage their operations through record-high prices!

Speakers will include Extension economists and specialists from across the United States.

| DATES | TOPICS | | | | | |
|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| September 10 | Industry Margins & Beef Demand | | | | | |
| September 17 | Differences in this Cattle Cycle & Import Dynamics | | | | | |
| October 1 | Risk Management & What To Do With Profits | | | | | |
| October 8 | Operation Resiliency & Contract Grazing | | | | | |
| October 22 | Integrated Crop-Livestock Systems & How Not to Need a Hay Baler | | | | | |
| October 29 | Defining "Better Genetics" & Economics of Reproduction Strategies | | | | | |

Visit this link or scan the QR Code to register: bit.ly/register-for-SHPwebinar























FEEDER CALF **GRADING SCHOOL**

Join us for an engaging feeder calf program where you will gain experience in grading and evaluating feeder calves. Learn key strategies to improve your marketing success and maximize profits.

REGISTER NOW

September 8th

6:00pm at Bluegrass Stockyards Please RSVP by Friday August 29th FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP



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All About Goats! Webinar



Goat Health and Care

During this session, Extension Specialist, Dr. Brady Campbell, will review proper care for goats of all ages and explain how to help keep them healthy and continue production

Farm Business and Management

Extension Specialist, Eric Richer. and Extension Educator, Pressley Buurma, will help quide participants in farm management strategies and provide options for enterprise budgeting and record keeping as it relates to goat production

Goat Processing Oct. 20

Throughout this presentation. Extension Specialist, Dr. Lyda Garcia, will explain the cuts of a carcass and how to process a

Livestock Marketing

Nov. 3

Join us as Extension Specialist, Garth Ruff, discusses the ins and outs of the goat market. He will also discuss how to market goats to fill the current wants and

Hay and Grain Production Nov. 17

Throughout this session, Extension Educator, Jordan Penrose, will present tips and tricks on hav and grain production for goats as well as what type of crops would work best for your production system.

Coyote Management Dec. 1

This session is going to focus on how to manage interactions between coyotes and goats. Experts will also explain the current status of coyote research in Ohio

Open Forum: Ask Me Anything Dec. 15

Have a burning question that was not answered during one of our past webinar sessions? Join Extension Educators and Specialists to get your questions

answered!

Webinars are hosted via Zoom (7-8 p.m. EST). Register at:

go.osu.edu/allaboutgoats25



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2025 Horses & Horsemen:

Farm & Facilities Expo

Tuesday, September 16th

RSVP to Bourbon County Extension Office: 859-987-1895

Schedule:

5:00: Registration and Trade Fair 6:00: Dinner

6:15: Welcome & Farm Overview

Arena footing and maintenance - Dr. Coleman, UK Equine Extension Specialist Pasture Walk —Central KY ANR Agents

> Heavy Use Areas & Farm Infrastructure— Dr. Bob Coleman Horsemanship Demo - Mike & Chris Stokley

Location: Mike & Chris Stokley **Big Creek Livestock**

1310 Thatchers Mill Rd Paris, KY 40361







2025 CENTRAL KENTUCKY HAY IMPROVEMENT **PROGRAM**

Testing provides nutritional value of hav to assist in balancing rations, and can result in reduced feed cost. increased animal performance. and information to improve forage stands.

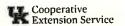
Free analysis to determine hay quality and livestock needs.

> Call your local **Extension Office to** sign up.



DEADLINE TO REGISTER: September 29





Proactive Pinkeye Management in Cattle

Pinkeye (IBK) is a major, costly disease for beef producers, quickly spreading and causing issues like reduced weaning weights and sale discounts. Early risk reduction is vital.

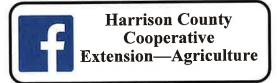
Pinkeye Prevention Strategies:

- Ensure good nutrition (trace minerals) and clean water.
- Minimize dust and UV exposure.
- Use IGRs, ear tags, dust bags, and back rubbers.
- · Promptly treat symptoms with vet-prescribed antibiotics and isolate.
- Use commercial or custom vaccines 4-6 weeks pre-season, with boosters.

Contact your local county extension office for more information







Dead Animal Removal Service 859-421-1867

Community Corner **Spanish** Resources



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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.



HC EXTENSION

Beef Quality and Care Assurance (BQCA) Trainings

I will be holding two BQCA trainings on Thursday, September 25 at 10 am and 6 pm. These certifications are good for 3 years and are necessary if you sell in CPH-45 sales, utilize the Large Animal Incentive Area of the CAIP Program as well as a few other things. If you are interested in attending on of these sessions please give us a call at 859-234-5510 to register so we have enough exams and materials ready for each session. If you are unsure if your certification has expired or not you are welcome to give us a call and we can look that up for you.



Pumpkin Apple Muffins

1¼ cups all-purpose flour 1¼ cups whole-wheat flour 1¼ teaspoons baking soda ½ teaspoon salt 1½ teaspoons ground cincamon ½ teaspoon ground ginger ½ teaspoon ground nutmeg 1¼ cups honey 2 large eggs

1½ cups fresh pureed pumpkin ½ cup canola oil 2 cups Granny Smith apples, finely chopped

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. In a large bowl, combine flours, baking soda, salt and spices. In a small bowl, combine honey, eggs, pumpkin and oll; stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Fold in apples. Fill greased or paper lined muffin cups, two-thirds full. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until muffins test done. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pan.

Note: Can substitute two cups granulated sugar for honey, decrease baking soda by ¼ teaspoon and increase oven temperature to 350 degrees F.

Yield: 18 muffins

Nutritional Analysis: 200 calories, 7 g fat, 0.5 g saturated fat, 35 mg cholesterol, 160 mg sodium, 35 g carbohydrate, 2 g fiber, 20 g sugar, 3 g protein



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Kentucky Winter Squash

SEASON: August through October.

NUTRITION FACTS: Winter squash, which includes acorn squash, butternut squash, pumpkin and other varieties, is low in fat and sodium and an excellent source of vitamin A and fiber.

SELECTION: Winter squash should be heavy for its size with a hard, tough rind, free of blemishes or soft spots. **STORAGE:** Store winter squash in a cool, dry place and use within one month.

PREPARATION:

To Steam: Wash and remove seeds. Cut squash into 2-inch cubes or quarter, leaving rind on. The rind will remove easily after cooking. Bring 1 inch of water to a boil in a saucepan and place squash on a rack or basket in the pan. Do not immerse it in water. Cover the pan tightly and steam the squash 30-40 minutes or until tender.

To Microwave: Wash squash and cut it lengthwise. Place in a baking dish and cover with plastic wrap. Microwave until tender, using these guidelines:

Source: www.fruitsandveggiesmatter.gov

- Acorn squash: ½ squash, 5-8 minutes; 1 squash, 8½-11½ minutes.
- · Butternut squash: 2 pieces, 3-4½ minutes.
- · Pumpkin: 1 pound piece, 7-8 minutes.

To Bake: Wash squash and cut lengthwise. Smaller squash can be cut in half; larger squash should be cut into portions. Remove seeds and place squash in a baking dish. Bake at 400 degrees F for 1 hour or until tender. Seeds can be toasted at 350 degrees F for 20 minutes.

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