



# Ohio County Farm & Home News

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## GRAZING CONFERENCE TO FOCUS ON LOW STRESS CATTLE HANDLING

Cattle producers will have two opportunities this fall to learn more about low-stress livestock handling. The University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, along with the Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council, the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund and the Kentucky Beef Network will offer the “Kentucky Fall Grazing Conference” Oct. 31 at the Hardin County Extension office in Elizabethtown and Nov. 1 at the Fayette County Extension office in Lexington.



“Rotational grazing systems require producers to move animals on a regular schedule,” said Chris Teutsch, associate professor for the UK Department of Plant and Soil Sciences, stationed at the UK Research and Education Center in Princeton. “It is critical that we have infrastructure in place that facilitates animal movement that reduces stress on both the animal and producer.”

The conference will address not only the physical infrastructure, but also how to minimize stress in grazing systems.

Topics to be covered include:

- “Reducing Livestock Stress in Grazing Systems” with Curt Pate – nationally renowned low-stress livestock handling expert with a unique focus on reducing stress in grazing systems.

- “Fencing for Multi-Species Grazing” with Lewis Sapp – nationally recognized fencing expert with extensive experience in both temporary and permanent fencing systems.
- “Designing Flexible Watering Systems” with Jeff Lehmkuhler – UK Beef Specialist
- “Designing Livestock Handling Facilities for Existing Structures” with Chris McBurney – livestock facilities expert with more than 25 years of experience in designing, fabricating, and installing livestock facilities throughout the eastern United States.
- “Optimizing Resources with Multi-Species Grazing” with Greg Brann – owner of Big Spring Farm in Allen County. He has more than 40 years of experience and extensive knowledge of grassland ecosystems, grazing management, and mixed-species grazing.

The programs begin at each location with registration at 7:30 a.m. CT and run until 3:30 p.m. CT. Participants should pre-register. Advance registration is \$45 per person; day-of registration is \$60 per person and student registration is \$15. Use the following links to register:

- Elizabethtown - <https://tinyurl.com/FGCHardin>
- Lexington - <https://tinyurl.com/FGCFayette>
- Register by Email: [info@kfgc.org](mailto:info@kfgc.org)
- Register by Phone: 513-470-8171
- Register by mail: Christi Forsythe, PO Box 469, Princeton, KY 42445. Make Checks payable to KFGC.



## U.K. FALL CROP PROTECTION WEBINAR SERIES IN NOVEMBER

University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Extension Specialists, have organized a webinar series aimed at helping producers provide better protection for their grain crops.

The 2023 Fall Crop Protection webinars begin Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, on the video conferencing app Zoom and will focus on new and common threats to Kentucky corn, soybeans and wheat. The weekly webinars will occur at 9:00 a.m. CT on Thursdays and are hosted through the Southern Integrated Pest Management Center.

Preregistration is required to attend each webinar. The webinar schedule and preregistration links are as follows:

- Nov. 2 – Dr. Kiersten Wise, Extension Plant Pathologist. “Do multiple corn fungicide application pay?” Registration link: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_CfQFt0dQSnq5ifdnaSre7A](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CfQFt0dQSnq5ifdnaSre7A)
- Nov. 9 – Dr. Carl Bradley, Extension Plant Pathologist. “What have we learned from nearly two decades of research, on soybean foliar fungicides?” Registration link: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_3SvKPhEDSSWcYhnUnLrvsQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3SvKPhEDSSWcYhnUnLrvsQ)
- Nov. 16 – Dr Travis Legleiter, Extension Weed Control Specialist. “Managing the offensive spread of weeds. Registration link: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_SIOzGyibQiOk4A6pTRHGmw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SIOzGyibQiOk4A6pTRHGmw)
- Nov. 30 – Dr Raul Villanueva, Extension Entomology Specialist. “Insects in field crops during two years of partial drought and heat wave”. Registration link: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_AqvCh08TQGCAJXvKxqdwFA](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AqvCh08TQGCAJXvKxqdwFA)

Program organizers have applied for continuing education credits for pesticide applicators and Certified Crop Advisers.

## BEEF SEEDSTOCK SYMPOSIUM WILL FOCUS ON GENETICS AND MORE



Kentucky and Tennessee beef cattle seedstock producers have three opportunities to learn about key beef topics in October. The University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, with the University of Tennessee Cooperative Extension Service, will host the 2023 Beef Seedstock Symposium.

The opportunities will take place on Oct. 17 at Fayette County Cooperative Extension office in Lexington, Oct. 18 at the Barren County Cooperative Extension office in Glasgow and Oct. 19 at the Middle Tennessee Ag Research and Education Center in Spring Hill Tennessee.

The program is designed to assist beef cattle seedstock producers who market bulls to commercial and/or other seedstock producers. Most of the beef programming focuses on commercial cow/calf producers and backgrounders, so this is an opportunity for seedstock producers to attend a symposium that is totally dedicated to their needs.

The symposiums focus heavily on beef genetics, including expected progeny differences, genomics and indexes with featured speaker Matt Spangler, Beef Genetics Specialist for the University of Nebraska. Additional speakers from U.K. and U.T. will discuss nutrition, health, bull fertility and marketing strategies.

Each event runs 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. local time. All locations have limited space. The cost is \$25 per person for educational materials and lunch. Participants should preregister with the following links:

- Fayette County, Kentucky - <https://tinyurl.com/SSSLex>
- Caldwell County, Kentucky - <https://tinyurl.com/SSSglasgow>

- Spring Hill, Tennessee --  
<https://tinyurl.com/SSSSpringHill>

For more information or to register offline, contact Maggie Ginn at [Maggie.ginn@uky.edu](mailto:Maggie.ginn@uky.edu).



- Oct. 31 – Ky Grazing Conference: Low Stress Livestock Handling; Hardin Co. Extension Office; 7:30 a.m. till 3:30 p.m. CT
- Nov. 1 – U.K. Fall Crop Protection Webinar: Do Multiple Corn Fungicide Applications Pay? Over Zoom at 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. CT; Registration :  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_CfQFt0dQSnq5ifdnaSre7A](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CfQFt0dQSnq5ifdnaSre7A)
- Nov. 9 – Ky Fencing School; Ky Soybean Office; Princeton
- Nov. 9 - U.K. Fall Crop Protection Webinar: What Have We Learned From Research on Soybeans With Foliar Fungicides? : Over Zoom at 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. CT Registration:  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_3SvKPhEDSSWcYhnUnLrvsQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3SvKPhEDSSWcYhnUnLrvsQ)
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More information about these programs is available by contacting the Ohio Co. Extension Office at (270)298-7441.