



Ohio County Farm & Home News

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KY GRAZING CONFERENCE VIDEOS AVAILABLE



There was outstanding attendance at the “KY Grazing Conference” a couple of weeks ago, with close to 300 attending the two locations. If you didn’t get a chance to attend and want to view the presentations, recordings of each speaker’s presentation is available at the KYForages YouTube Channel. Proceedings of the conference are also available on the UK Forage Extension website. Simply google “KY Forages YouTube” to reach the site or use the direct link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/KYForages/videos>

2022 CORN & SOYBEAN VARIETY PERFORMANCE TEST AVAILABLE ONLINE

The 2022 Kentucky Corn Hybrid Performance Tests are available online at:

<http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/PR/PR815/PR815.pdf>

The 2022 Kentucky Soybean Variety Performance Tests are available online at:

<https://pss.ca.uky.edu/extension/soybean-variety-trials>



Both the corn and soybean performance test reports are also linked to the Grain Crops Website at:

<https://graincrops.ca.uky.edu/>

Remember, the summary or all locations averages for each maturity group, is by far

the best yield numbers to use for this season, due to rainfall and weather variability Do not look at a single location and try to compare maturity groups. Differences in yield among maturity groups is most likely to be from timing of rainfall and water than from anything else.

U.K. 2022 CROP PEST MANAGEMENT WEBINAR SERIES STARTS IN NOVEMBER

This years “Crop Pest Management Webinar Series” will be offered again by the U.K. Pest Management group, starting in November.

The series will offer five webinars covering various pest management issues. The programs will be offered on Tuesday mornings starting at 9:00 a.m. CT. You must register for each webinar to receive the webinar address – these are included in the information below.

- Nov. 15 – Managing Important Soilborne Diseases in Soybeans – Dr. Carl Bradley, Plant Pathology Specialist; Registration URL: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_t6D6toO8Sh2BhyoD3iw1HQ
- Nov. 22 – Implementing Defensive Shifts Against Problematic Weeds; Dr. Travis Legleiter, Weed Control Specialist; Registration URL: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QnugWPJJQUynBXDf4io9zg
- Dec. 6 – Corn disease Management Questions Asked in 2022; Dr. Kiersten Wise, Plant Pathology Specialist; Registration URL: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KwibLTsHQY6oJjKzURCEQ
- Dec. 13 – Entomological Studies in Corn & Soybeans Under Difficult Weather; Dr. Raul Villanueva; Entomology Specialist; Registration URL: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3KVwBMYKQYKnxzW1K-AO-g

These webinars will be an excellent way for grain producers to prepare for the 2023 crop season, which hopefully “Mother Nature” will provide more favorable weather.

PUB OF THE WEEK: LICHENS IN LANDSCAPE PLANTINGS

Lichens are fascinating and complex living organisms that are composed of multiple organisms



growing together for the mutual benefit of one another. Lichens can grow in colonies on pretty much any substrate anywhere on earth, including the Tropics and Polar Regions. Frequently

found on rocks, fences, tombstones, and soil, lichens cause the most concern when present on living trees and shrubs. While often found on woody plants in poor or declining health, they are not causing the decline; lichens are neither pathogenic nor parasitic.

The publication, “Lichens in Landscape Plantings – PPFS_GEN-20”, discusses the biological components in lichens, where they grow, concerns related to lichens, types of growth habits, and what should (and should not) be done when found on landscape plants.

This publication is available online at:

<https://plantpathology.ca.uky.edu/files/ppfs-gen-20.pdf>

TIMELY FORAGE TIPS

- Apply 30 lb. nitrogen per acre to strengthen cool-season grass pastures and grass hay fields.
- If not already done, inventory hay supplies and assess hay quality. Hay prices are increasing.
- Using a grazing stick or rising plate meter, estimate stockpile forage available for winter grazing.
- Adjust animal numbers or purchase additional hay to balance forage-feed supply to livestock needs.
- Graze crop residues and cover crops that are 6-8 inches tall and are well anchored. Do NOT graze closer to 4 inches.
- Graze winter annuals that will not overwinter such as brassicas and spring oats.

- Alkaloid content in tall fescue can also be high in the fall some years, but will begin decline after a hard freeze (low 20's).
- Talk to local NRCS conservationists about a grazing plan and cost-share opportunities.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov. 10 – WKY Grower Buyer Meetup; Daviess Co. Extension Office, Owensboro; 9:30 a.m. till noon
- Nov. 15 - U.K. Crop Pest Management Webinar Series; **Managing Important Soilborne Diseases in Soybeans**; offered over Zoom; 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. CT
Registration
URL: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_t6D6toO8Sh2BhyoD3iw1HQ
- Nov. 22 – U.K. Crop pest Management Webinar Series; **Implementing Defensive Shifts Against Problematic Weeds**; offered over Zoom 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m.
- Nov. 30 – Dec. 3 – Ky Farm Bureau Convention, Louisville
Registration URL:
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QnuqWPJJQUynBXDf4io9zg
- Dec. 6 – U.K. Crop Pest Management Webinar Series; **Corn disease Management Questions Asked in 2022**;
Registration URL:
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KwibLTsHQY6oJjKzURCEQ
- Dec. 13 – U.K. Beef Management Webinar Series: **Packer and Consumer Trends with Some Holiday Beef Ideas** – Gregg Rentfrow, Extension Professor, University of Kentucky and Alison Smith, Kentucky Beef Council Retail and Foodservice