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This month I have enjoyed getting out and meeting with more people. I have been working on getting all my trainings and certifications to offer Beef Quality Assurance Certifications and Private Pesticide Applicator License in the upcoming months. I hope to start offering programming and workshops after the first of the year!

I know these past few months have been difficult for all Kentucky farmers because of the lack of rain. 45% of the state is considered to be in a moderate drought. Livestock producers are having to feed hay earlier and monitor water supply in pastures. Crop farmers are having to be more conscientious during harvest because the potential for field fires has gone up, along with having difficulty getting wheat planted because of the hardness of the soil. The majority of the U.S. is experiencing some drought like conditions. Water levels have declined so much that there have been navigation issues on the Mississippi River. I hope to help prepare farmers to head into winter after receiving such little rain.

Feel free to reach out to me here at the Extension Office by phone at (502) 863-0984 or by email at brittany.brewer@uky.edu





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Tips for the Winter Season - The winter is a time of adaptation for farmers in Kentucky. We have to change the way we manage our livestock in order to sustain the animals as well as preserve our pastures for the coming spring. As forage becomes less available throughout the months of December, January, and February supplemental feed is the main alternative for most farmers. Some pastures become unavailable for grazing and careful thought should be put into how to efficiently maintain livestock. Here are just a few things to keep in mind as you prepare for the winter.

Winter Reminders

- University of Kentucky Master Grazer Program

Click HERE to read the full article

Extension Office Closed

The Scott County Extension Office will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th

Wishing you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving!

Do You want to...

Manage your cattle herd with a click of a button? Connect with other local producers in your area? Access to Extension publications and resources from the middle of your field?

> Get... **X10D**

Manage. Connect. Learn.

Get it for FREE when you use promo code SCOCOKY22

Questions? Call the Scott County Extension Office at 502-863-0984 or email brittany.brewer@uky.edu

Mississippi River Low Levels

Despite rainfall in the Arkansas Delta during the weekend, the Mississippi River is getting close to all-time, historic lows and it is having an impact on farmers in the Natural State. Closures stopped a reported 2,000 barges and about 100 towboats.

Click <u>HERE</u> to read the full article

November Tips & Tidbits

Preparing for Winter

- Horses that are kept outside require protection from wind and the elements. This can be done with a wind break of trees, a run-in shed or a high porosity wind fence.
- Check all water systems and put away all parts that are not permanent and cannot withstand freezing temperatures.
- Clean and store temporary fencing systems that have been used for rotational grazing.
- Check living quarters in the horse trailer to ensure all systems are ready for winter.

Feeding Horses During the Winter

- Be sure all horses have adequate access to feed and clean water.
- Feed hay in a suitable feeder to reduce waste.
- Horses can be wintered on hay alone if its quality is high enough to meet their nutritional needs.
- If they are at the optimal BCS, horses should be provided 1.5 to 2 percent of their body weight in highquality forage per day.
- Cold temperatures can increase a horse's hay requirement by one-third.

- Compensate for low-quality forage or a lack of hay by adding a grain ration.
- Assess your horse's body condition score once a month to evaluate your feeding program.

Winterizing Horse Tack

- Most horse owners are not as actively riding in the winter months, thinking about winterizing your tack can help to prolong your equipment.
- Place all saddles, bridles, general tack, etc. in a dry place for the winter away from the elements.
- Oiling any leather before storing away will help to prolong the longevity of your more valuable pieces of tack.
- One idea would be to store away in some rubber totes and cover with a lid; this will provide you with winter care protection and keep everything all in one place.



Wildlife Information

DEER	Early Season	Late Season
Archery	September 3, 2022 - January 16, 2023	
Youth/Senior Crossbow		
Crossbow	September 17, 2022- January 16, 2023	
Youth-only Gun	October 8-9, 2022	
Muzzleloader	Oct. 15-16, 2022	Dec. 10-18, 2022
Modern Gun	November 12-27, 2022	
Free Youth Weekend	December 31, 2022 - January 1, 2023	

Chronic Wasting Disease

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a fatal, neurological disease of white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, caribou and moose. The disease was first recognized as a "wasting syndrome" in mule deer in a research facility in Northern Colorado in 1967 and has since spread to free-ranging and captive populations in 30 U.S. states and four Canadian Provinces. The disease is currently present in six of seven Kentucky-bordering states (Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee).

> -Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife

Click <u>HERE</u> to read more!

Avian Influenza

Avian influenza viruses occur naturally in wild birds, especially waterfowl, and can be found globally. There are many different subtypes of avian influenza viruses. These viruses are classified as either "low pathogenic" or "highly pathogenic" (HPAI), based on their ability to produce disease in domestic poultry

> -Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife

Click<u>HERE</u> to read more!

Planting Wheat into Dry Soil

-Dennis Pennington, Michigan State University

Wheat seed should be planted into soils between 54 and 77 degrees Fahrenheit. Soil must have 35–45 percent water by weight in order for the seed to imbibe enough water to germinate, according to a 1975 publication in the journal "Crop Physiology" by L.T. Evans. Currently in Michigan, we are seeing some abnormally dry conditions, with little or no rain forecast for the next eight to 10 days. According to the Sept. 25, 2017, Michigan Crop Weather Report by the National Agriculture Statistics Service, reported topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions are 73 percent and 70 percent short or very short. When planting wheat into dry soil conditions, there are three potential scenarios to choose from as described below.

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Pumpkin Apple Muffins

1¼ cups all-purpose flour 1¼ cups whole-wheat flour 1¼ teaspoons baking soda ½ teaspoon salt 1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg 11/4 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 oil; 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

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

Scott County Conservation District Cover Crop Incentive Program 2022 Sign Up

The Conservation District is offering an incentive payment to growers who sow a live root winter cover crop. This practice will improve and protect soil quality, as well as protect our creeks and streams from potential excess nutrient run-off. As a best management practice, a winter cover crop will benefit the producer, the soil, and the environment.

\$30 per acre incentive up to Local Cost Share limit

Traditional Cover Crop

Radishes / Turnips seeded by September 15th

Timothy / Orchard grass seeded by September 15th

Wheat / Rye seeded by November 15th

Provide a copy of your aerial map to identify fields at time of application. Program is retroactive back to August 1, 2022. Incentive will be paid after inspection.

> To participate, applicants must be current on: Dead Stock Removal account KY Water Quality Plan

Apply at the Conservation District Office ~ 100 East Penn

Avenue

(offer valid until depletion of designated funds)

This is a local cost-share program funded by the Scott County Fiscal Court, through the Scott County Conservation District

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Kentucky Regional Fencing

Schools

Nov. 1, 2022 at Marion Cooperative Extension Office 7:30 - 4:30pm Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the Marion Fencing School. Nov. 3, 2022 at Clay Cooperative Extension Office 7:30 - 4:30pm Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the Manchester Fencing School.

Registration Fee: \$30

Scott County Beef Improvement

Annual Meeting!

Join the Scott County Beef Improvement Association for their Annual Meeting. Come mingle with members, enjoy a catered meal from Texas Roadhouse, and the chance to win door prizes!

Date: Thursday, December 1st

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Scott County Extension Office, 1130 Cincinnati Rd. Georgetown, KY 40324

RSVP to the Scott County Extension Office or a Scott County Beef Improvement Officer!

University of Kentucky Beef Update

Come have dinner with University of Kentucky Beef Specialist and their students in the Beef Production class. Talk with them about all things nutrition, health,

& genetics!

When: Wednesday, December 7th
Time: 6:30pm
Where: Scott County Extension Office,
1130 Cincinnati Rd., Georgetown, KY 40324
RSVP to 502-863-0984 or brittany.brewer@uky.edu

32nd Annual ELITE BRED HEIFER SALE®

Presented by Bourbon County Livestock Improvement Association WEBSITE: <u>www.eliteheifer.com</u> Virtual Sale Available (Download Form on Website)

Monday, November 7, 2022 Sale 6:00 PM E.D.T.

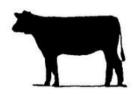
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ANR Extension Survey

I want to hear from you! Here in Scott County I want to be able to serve the needs of the public and provide programming that will fill those needs. I want to ensure that I am reaching all areas of the county, and all types of producers and consumers.

Please take the survey below by clicking on the link or scanning the QR Code!

Click <u>HERE</u> to take the survey!











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