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Gardening in Small Spaces

6:30p pn Tuesday, March 28th at the Jessamine County Public Library 600 South Main Street, Nicholasville

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Interested in growing your own vegetables but your space is limited? Join Stave Musen, Jessamine County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources, for an evening of hands-on learning. Take home educational resources, planting materials and free soil tests will be available for participants. This program is being jointly presented by, and hosted at the Jessamine County Public Library in Nicholasville.

Space is limited and preregistration is required by contacting: Amy Bessin (859) 885-3523 ABessin@jesspublib.org

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Upcoming Events in Agriculture

March 3	Ag. Lenders Conference
	@ Fayette Extension
March 9	Jessamine County Goat Producers
	6:00p @ Jessamine Extension
March 20	Jessamine County Cattlemen
	6:30p @ Jessamine Extension
March 28	Gardening in Small Spaces
	@ Jessamine County Library
March 29	2023 Drone Sprayer Workshop
	@ Fayette Extension

March 30	Jessamine County Beekeepers
	6:00p @ Jessamine Extension
April II, I3	2023 KY Fencing School
-	Scottsville and Richmond, KY
April 20	Small Fruit Production Workshop
-	6:00p @ Jessamine Extension
April 25-26	2023 KY Beginning Grazing Schoo
•	@ Princeton, KY

For more information on any of these programs, please contact the Jessamine County Extension Office



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Upcoming Opportunities:

Jessamine County Winter/Spring Training Series

Join the Jessamine County Extension Ag. And Natural Resources program for a series of training opportunities this winter. In-person training sessions will start at 6:00p and will include a light dinner. Preregistration is required.

- March 28 "Gardening in Small Spaces"
 6:00p @ Jessamine County Library
- April 20 "Small Fruit Production" With Dr. Shawn Wright, U.K. Horticulture Specialist

Agricultural Lenders' Conference

10:00a-1:30p—March 3rd @ Fayette County Extension Office See flyer for registration information

2023 Drone Sprayer Workshop

March 29, 8:15a-3:30p @ Fayette County Extension Office This Program is designed for agriculture professionals and producers to learn the newest way to disperse chemicals with drone sprayers. This will be a combination of classroom and hands-on learning. See the attached flyer for registration information.

2023 Kentucky Fencing School

April 11—Scottsville, KY and April 13—Richmond, KY This program is designed for producers and agriculture professionals through a combination of classroom and hands-on learning. See attached flyer for registration details.

2023 Kentucky Beginning Grazing School

April 25-25 @ Kentucky Soybean Board Office, Princeton KY Helping livestock producers improve profitability with classroom and hands-on learning. See attached flyer for registration information

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Problems and Pests of Popular Garden Vegetables

Many Kentucky gardeners grow tomatoes, peppers, eggplant and potatoes for their own use or for sale in local farmer's markets. Pests are sometimes challenging to identify and even more challenging to manage.

The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment advocates for a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical and chemical tools in a way that minimizes economic, health and environmental risks. A key part of that is to continually scout and monitor your garden to identify problems before they result in a significant loss.

The UK Cooperative Extension publication ID172—An IPM Scouting Guide for Common Pests of Solanaceous Crops in Kentucky—may help you identify common pests. The publication has a variety of photographs that show exactly what to look for in your crop.

Some of the items the publication covers include:

1. Physiological and nutrient disorders such as vivipary, gold fleck, catfacing,

zippering, sunscald, blossom end rot, blotchy ripening, yellow shoulder, white core.

- Insect pests such as aphids, leafminer, greenhouse whitefly, silverleaf whitefly, tobacco flea beetle, potato flea beetle, margined blister beetle, stink bugs, leaf-footed bugs, western flower thrips, two-spotted spider mite, Colorado potato beetle, tobacco hornworm, pepper maggot, beet armyworm, yellow-stripped armyworm, tomato fruitworm, European corn borer.
- 3. Tomato, pepper, eggplant and potato diseases and management.
- 4. Herbicide injury.
- 5. A list of resources for further study.

To view the publication, visit <u>http://</u> www2.ca.uky.edu/agc/pubs/id/id172/ id172.pdf.

Dr. Ric Bessin, UK Extension Entomologist, Dr. Nicole Gauthier, UK Extension Plant Pathologist



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Top 10 Routine Tractor Maintenance Tasks

Tractor maintenance tends to fall by the wayside when you get busy. Don't put these tasks off until spring and summer. Performing a simple front-to-back routine every week can help you remember key maintenance points. The manufacturer will have suggested intervals for most of the maintenance tasks, so you won't have to do everything every week. But the routine will prompt you to ask if it is time to do specific tasks.

- 1. Be ready for the growing season before it starts with these 10 routine maintenance tasks.
- Inspect the front axles and steering. Is it time to grease the bearings and steering components? Make sure nothing is loose.
- Check the coolant system. Make sure the coolant levels are adequate. Ensure the radiator is not plugged up with debris.
- 4. Look at those belts. Check to see they have the right tension and that they are not cracked. This will prompt you to have a spare on hand.
- 5. The air filter is next. Make sure it is not clogged and robbing power from your engine by not allowing air to get through.
- Check engine oil. You should check this daily, but if you haven't, a good time to do it is during your weekly inspection. Also, check the fluid itself to ensure it doesn't have any contam-

inants or water in it.

- Pay attention to the battery. If your battery is not a maintenance-free battery, check the liquid levels. Examine the cables for corrosion and make sure they aren't rubbing against the frame components.
- Check clutch and brake linkages. With everyday use, you may not notice linkage getting out of adjustment. Specifically check for free play and other linkage adjustments.
- Look at the hydraulic reservoir. Make sure the fluid is at the correct level and change the fluid when needed. The system provides fluids for remote cylinders, and it the critical lubricating force in your tractor's transmission.
- 10. Test those tires Make sure they are properly inflated.
- 11. Check the back of the tractor. Is it clean? Make sure the hydraulic hose connections are clean to keep dirt out of the system.

These simple procedures can extend the life of your tractors and protect your critical investment. For more information on equipment maintenance, contact the Jessamine County Cooperative Extension Service.

Dr. Tim Stombaugh, U.K. Extension Agricultural Engineer "Tractor maintenance tends to fall by the wayside when you get busy. Don't put these tasks off until spring and summer."





Organized by the Biosystems and Ag. Engineering, and the Kentucky Agriculture Training School (KATS)

2023 Drone Sprayer Workshop

This program is designed for agricultural professionals and producers to learn the newest way to dispense chemicals with drone sprayers and will be a combination of classroom and hands-on learning

March 29 8:15 am-3:30 pm (sign in begins at 8:00) Fayette County Cooperative Extension Office 1140 Harry Sykes Way Lexington, KY 40504



Register at this link!!

https://ukdronesprayerlexington2023.eventbrite.com

Registrations are limited and will close on March 22, 2023 \$105 fee includes workshop materials, refreshments and lunch

If you have questions please contact: Josh Jackson (joshjackson@uky.edu 859-218-4339) or Lori Rogers (lori.rogers@uky.edu 270-625-2143 ext 21317)

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2023 Drone Sprayer Workshop Agenda

- 8:00 **Registration and Refreshments**
- 8:15 Welcome and Overview of the Day
- 8:30 Sprayer Drone Cost – Josh Jackson/Karla Ladino, UK
- Decision aid for costanalysis
- Sizing (Over 55 lb or under 55 lb)
- Cost per acre and cost per hour
- 9:15 UK Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP)– Ric Bessin, UK
- **Overview & updates**
- Certified commercial / non-com. & private applicator
- Category 11 aerial applicator
- 9:45 Break-Visit with Sponsors and Presenters
- 10:15 Federal Rules and Regulations Clint Quarles, KDA
- FAA Part 107 & Part 137
- Exemptions & waivers
- Under 55 lbs vs Over 55 lbs
- State laws

11:00 Fungicide Application in Corn-Dr. Kirsten Wise, UK

Results of drone sprayer application

11:30 Nozzles Selection & Droplet Size – Tim Stombaugh, UK

- Spray patterns and uniformity

12:15 Lunch-Visit with Sponsors and Presenters

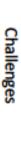
1:00 Outdoor Flights – Caleb Canter, Aero Ag, LLC

- Mission planning
- Maintenance

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- Approx. 3:30 Questions, Survey and Wrap-up













2023 Kentucky Beginning Grazing School

Helping livestock producers improve profitability with classroom and hands-on learning

When: April 25-26, 2023

Where: Kentucky Soybean Board Office 1000 Highway 62 West, Princeton, KY 42445

\$60/Participant - includes all materials, grazing manual, Cost: grazing stick, fencing kit, morning refreshments, morning refreshment, and lunch both days

Program Registration: DEADLINE is April 10, 2023

Online Registration with CREDIT CARD AT: https://2023 Spring KY Grazing School.eventbrite.com

Registration by U.S. Mail with CHECK:

Christi Forsythe UK Research and Education Center	Registration is
348 University Drive, Princeton, KY 42445	limited to 35 participants!!!
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Number of participants x \$60 per participant =	Total Amount
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2023 Kentucky Beginning Grazing School

Helping livestock producers improve profitability with classroom and hands-on learning

Emphasis on ruminants - beef, dairy, sheep, & goats

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

MEET AT KENTUCKY SOYBEAN BOARD OFFICE EACH MORNING

- 7:30 Registration and refreshments
- 8:00 Introduction of staff and participants
- 8:15 Benefits of Rotational Grazing Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 8:35 Meeting Nutritional Needs on Pasture Dr. Donna Amaral-Phillips, UK
- 9:05 Grazing Math Concepts/Introduce Field Exercise - Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler, UK
- 9:45 Break & Travel to Field Demonstration Area
- 10:15 Portable/Seasonal Water Systems Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler, UK
- 10:30 Methods to Assess Pasture Production and Determine Stocking Rate - Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 11:00 Hands-on: Setting up Small Paddocks for Grazing Demonstrations - All Instructors
- 12:00 Lunch at farm
- 1:00 Using Electric Fencing to Control Grazing Jeremy McGill, Gallagher
- 1:45 Hands on: Offsets, soil, and hay sampling
- 3:00 Travel to teaching facility
- 3:30 Hands-on: Forage Plant Growth and Grazing Management - Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 4:15 Forage Species for a Comprehensive Grazing System - Dr. Chris Teutsch, UK
- 5:00 Discussion and adjourn

- 7:30 Refreshments
- 8:00 Grazing Myths that Reduce Profitability Dr. Greg Halich, UK
- 8:40 General Management Considerations for Grazing Livestock - Dr. Donna Amaral-Phillips, UK
- 9:20 NRCS GRAZE Model Dr. Chris Teutsch, UK
- 10:00 Break
- 10:30 Fundamentals of Laying out a Grazing System - Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler, UK
- 11:00 Case Study: Grazing System Design (Class Exercise) - Adam Jones, NRCS
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 How I made grazing work on the farm-Producer Speaker - TBD
- 1:30 Rejuvenating Run-down Pastures Dr. Chris Teutsch UK
- 2:00 Fencing Types and Costs Dr. Morgan Hayes, UK
- 2:45 Complete Grazing School Evaluation
- 3:00 Travel to Field Demo Area
- 3:15 Field Exercise: Observe grazed paddocks and hear reports from each group
- 4:00 Hands-on:
 - GPS for grazing operations
 - Grain Drill Calibration and Setup
 - Forage related disorders
- 5:00 Final comments and adjourn



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Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.

Organized and Sponsored by the Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council, UK Cooperative Extension Service, and the Master Grazer Program

This program is designed for producers and agricultural professionals to learn the newest fencing methods and sound fencing construction through a combination of classroom and hands-on learning

WHEN:	April 11-Scottsville, KY April 13-Richmond, KY			2	
WHERE:	Allen County Extension Office 200 E Main St Scottsville, KY 42164			02	
	SMK Agricultural Venue 401 Brookstown Rd Richmond, KY 40475	A		2023 Kentucky Fencing Scho	
COST: \$35	j/participant includes notebook,	refreshments,	safety	1	
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Registration DEADLINE: 2 weeks prior to workshop fixed knot woven wire fencing!!!					
ONLINE R	egistration with Credit Card:				
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2023 Kentucky Fencing School Agenda

7:30 Registration and Refreshments 8:15 Welcome and Overview of the Day – Chris Teutsch, UK 8:30 Fencing Types and Costs - Morgan Hayes, UK Fence Construction Basics - Eric Miller and Payton Rushing, 9:00 Stay-Tuff Perimeter fences vs. cross fences Fencing options on rented farms Proper brace construction Line posts and fence construction 9:45 Break – visit with sponsors and presenters 10:15 Electric Fencing Basics - Jeremy McGill, Gallagher Proper energizer selection and grounding Proper high tensile fence construction and wire insulation Electric offset wires for non-electric fences Underground wires and jumper wires 11:00 Innovations in Fencing Technologies - Josh Jackson, UK Wireless fences, fence monitoring, fence mapping 11:30 Overview of Kentucky Fence Law - Clint Quarles, KDA 12:15 Catered Lunch - visit with sponsors and presenters 1:00 Hands-on Fence Building Safety, fence layout, and post driving demo - Jody Watson and Tucker LaForce, ACI H-brace construction - Jeremy McGill, Gallagher & Eric Miller and Payton Rushing, Stay-Tuff Knot tying, splices, and insulator installation - Jeremy McGill, Gallagher & Eric Miller and Payton Rushing, Stay-Tuff Installation of Stay-Tuff Fixed Knot Fence - Eric Miller and Payton Rushing, Stay-Tuff Installation of High Tensile Fencing - Jeremy McGill, Gallagher Questions, Survey and Wrap-up 4:30











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