

# Ohio County Farm & Home News

## PESTICIDE SAFETY EDUCATION TRAINING



The next “**Pesticide Safety Education Trainings**”, at the Ohio Co. Extension Center, for this year will be held:

- **Thursday, Feb. 20 - 8:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.**

Check your cards to be sure you have a valid certification for 2025 or we can check when your card expires, by calling the Extension Office. Cards expire on December 31 of the year of expiration. The “Pesticide Safety Education” is free and open to anyone wanting to attend, whether you are renewing your certification or need to receive your certification for the first time.

## BEEF/FORAGE MEETING – FEB. 18<sup>TH</sup>

We will hold our annual “**Beef/Forage Meeting**” scheduled for **Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** at the Ohio Co. Extension Center, has been **CANCELLED**, due to the rising water levels and expected snow fall this evening.

## KY MASTER LOGGER PROGRAM

There is still time to register for the “Logger Web TV” program on February 25<sup>th</sup>. The program allows Master Loggers to get enough continuing education (CE) hours to renew their certification for the next three years.

The U.K. Forestry Specialist, host the “**Logger Web TV**” to assist Master Loggers in fulfilling their CE. This program covers information important to Master Loggers, such as updates on regulations, best logger practices and highlights various timber industries across the state.

This years’ program will be held on next **Tuesday, February 25, 2025** at multiple locations across the state, one of these being the **Ohio County Extension Office**. The program will run from **8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. CT**, with lunch on your own from 11:00 a.m. till noon. This program allows you to get 6 hours for your CE’s to renew your certification, in one location, on one day!!!

You can register by using by contacting Beth Williams, with U.K., at 859-257-6230 or visit the Master Logger website at: [MasterLogger.org](http://MasterLogger.org)

## NOVEL ENDOPHYTE TALL FESCUE RENOVATION WORKSHOP – MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>

The U.K. Martin /Gatton College of Agriculture and the Alliance for Grassland Renewal will host a “Novel Endophyte Tall Fescue Renovation Workshop” on March 6<sup>th</sup> at the Grayson Co. Extension Office near Leitchfield.

The event will feature comprehensive management strategies to get the most from your existing fescue stands and to determine if your pastures and hayfields should



be renovated with novel endophyte tall fescue. The program will discuss the symptoms/causes of fescue toxicosis, how to manage endophyte issues, establishments and first year management of novel endophyte tall fescue, economics of seeding novel endophyte, and incentives available for seeding novel endophyte fescue.

The Grayson Co. Extension Office is located at 64 Quarry Rd. near Leitchfield. The program will run from 8:45 a.m. till 4:30 p.m., with lunch provided.

Advanced registration is required. Registration is \$40, which includes lunch and educational materials. You can register at <https://NETFWorkshopKY25.eventbrite.com>

## NOXIOUS WEED SPRAY PROGRAM

Each year, the Ky Department of Agriculture offers the “Noxious Weed Spray Program” to farmers across Kentucky.



The guidelines are the same as the last few years:

- KDA furnishes the chemical for demonstrations on seven (7) farms per county
- Chemical will be supplied for 10 acres, to be sprayed with 2,4-D
- Application is performed with a two-wheeled trailer type sprayer equipped with boomless nozzles
- If additional 2,4-D chemical is provided by the participant, an additional 10 acres can be treated
- The participant must provide water source
- The participant must provide tractor and operator
- All chemical products must be labeled and the product label will be strictly followed

- Any farm or farm owner that has participated in the last 3 years is ineligible to participate

This program is designed to target weeds that have a negative impact on the participant's agricultural production, such as thistles, buttercup, etc... There will be an annual online application period to participate in this program. You may submit an application using the on-line services until February 28<sup>th</sup>. The application is located at:

<https://www.kyagr.com/consumer/nuisance-weed-spraying-program-application.aspx>

## BULL SALES UPCOMING



We are coming up on one of the most important times for cow/calf producers – bull sales!!!

The right decisions in bull selection will determine the success of your herd for many years – short term in quality feeder calves and long term in the replacement females.

Here are a couple of upcoming bull sales to consider:

- Kentucky-Tennessee Cowman's Kind Bull Sale – March 15<sup>th</sup> at the Ky-TN Livestock Market in Guthrie. The sale starts at Noon.
- Pleasant Hills Farms/Early March Madness Bull & Heifer Sale – February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Pleasant Hill Farms sale facility on the farm, at 9039 Russellville Rd. in Rockfield. The sale starts at 12:30 p.m. The sale includes 87 bulls of Angus,

Simmental, Sim/Angus and Charolais breeding. Also, they will have 14 lots of open yearling heifers for sale.

These are just some of the many bull sales occurring this spring. If you need more information, contact the Ohio Co. Extension Office.



- February 20 – Pesticide Safety education Training; Ohio Co. Extension Center; 8:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.
- February 22 – Pleasant Hill Farms Spring Production Sale; Pleasant Hill Farms sale Facility; sale starts at 12:30 p.m.
- February 25 – Master Logger Web TV; Ohio Co. Extension Center, Hartford; 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. CT
- March 6 – Pesticide Safety Education Training; Ohio Co. Extension Center; 6:00 till 9:00 p.m.
- March 6 – Novel Endophyte Fescue Renovation Workshop; Grayson Co. Extension office; 8:45 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.
- March 11 – Beef Quality & Care Assurance Training; Ohio Co. Extension Center; 6:00 p.m.
- March 15 – Ky-Tenn Cowman’s Kind Bull Sale; KY-TN Livestock Market in Guthrie
- March 20 – Drone Sprayer School; U.K. Research & Education Center, Princeton  
For information and registration for KATS Workshops visit [kats.ca.uky.edu](http://kats.ca.uky.edu) or contact Lori Rogers [lori.rogers@uky.edu](mailto:lori.rogers@uky.edu) 270-365-7541 ext 21317.
- March 27 – Italian Ryegrass Control Field Tour; Caldwell Co. Extension office, Princeton; 8:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m.

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