

# Ohio County Farm & Home News

April 5 – 8:00 a.m. till Noon –  
Kentuckiana Livestock Market  
The course cost \$400. To register, contact Tara Groves at [tara.groves@kctcs.edu](mailto:tara.groves@kctcs.edu), include your first & last name and your phone number.

## NATIONAL AG DAY – MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>



“American farms remind us of the beauty and generosity of our Nation. They feed the country and the world, and with each new planting season, they embody that most American of things—possibilities. On National Agriculture Day, we celebrate all the farmers, farmworkers, ranchers, fishers, foresters, and other agricultural workers who do so much to make our Nation strong, fuel our economy, and steward our lands. America owes them.”

The American Presidency Project, [Proclamation 10532—National Agriculture Day, 2023](#)

As we celebrate National Ag Day, be sure to thank a farmer for their hard work in planting, growing, and harvesting the food and fiber we need to survive.

## BEEF AI SCHOOLS SCHEDULED

Are you interested in learning how to AI (artificially inseminate) your cows? AI is an excellent way to interject high quality genetics into your herd quickly. There are two AI Schools scheduled in April:

- AI Certification Course – April 3, 4, & 5. This program is being offered thru the Owensboro Community & Technical College and is being taught by Ben Lloyd, with Kentucky Beef Network. Times: April 3 – 4:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. – OCTC campus  
April 4 – 2:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. – OCTC campus

- U.K. AI Course – April 22 & 23. This course will be held at the Woodford County Research Farm in Versailles. Dr. Les Anderson will lead the instruction on proper AI procedures and how to pregnancy diagnosis your cows. Classes will be held from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. ET each day. Lunch will be provided. They have 10 spots open for the course, on a first come, first served basis. Cost of the course is \$400. To register, contact Tyler Purvis at 859-257-7512 or by email at [tapu228@uky.edu](mailto:tapu228@uky.edu).

## FORAGE MEETING RESCHEDULED – APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>

I have rescheduled our forage meeting for April 7<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:00 p.m. with dinner. We will have Dr. Chris Teutsch, U.K. Forage Specialist, who will discuss strategies for managing spring grass flush in pastures. We will also be discussing the 2025 CAIP (cost-share) Program at this meeting.

Remember, to participate in the CAIP program, you must attend one educational session each year. This is one of the programs that meet this requirement.

## ITALIAN RYEGRASS CONTROL FIELD TOUR – MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>

For a second consecutive year, the University of Kentucky will host the Italian Ryegrass Control Field Tour. Presented by Dr. Travis Legleiter, UK Extension Associate Professor - Weed Science, this year's tour will take place Thursday, March 27, 2025. The day will begin at 9 a.m. CDT with introductory remarks at the Caldwell County Extension Office, located at 1025 U.S. Hwy. 62 W. in Princeton. A caravan will

then proceed to the University of Kentucky Research and Education Center in Princeton to tour ryegrass research plots. Topics will cover ryegrass control in the fall and spring prior to no-till corn and soybean planting as well as continued research on ryegrass control in wheat. The field tour will conclude by 11:30 a.m.

Once categorized as solely a problem in wheat, Italian ryegrass has increasingly become problematic in all of Kentucky's major agronomic crops, now affecting no-till corn and soybean acres.

## DRONE SPRAYER TRAINING – MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>

There is still time to register for the “Drone Sprayer Training” on March 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Lyon Co.



Extension Office in Eddyville. The program will run from 8:30 a.m. till noon CT.

This program will be in-class training designed for ag professionals and

producers to learn about the latest information on drone spray application, efficiency, and safety.

Topics to be covered include:

- Results of Drone Sprayer Applications
- Application Accuracy with Drones
- UK Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) Overview & Updates
- Category 11 Aerial Application

Refreshments and lunch are included. If you have questions or to register, please contact Lori Rogers (lori.rogers@uky.edu 270-365-7541 ext 21317)

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

- 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.
- April 3,4 &5 – AI Certification Course, Owensboro Community & Technical College, Owensboro
- April 7 – Forage Meeting; Ohio Co. Extension Center; Hartford; 6:00 p.m.
- April 22 &23 – U.K. AI Course; Woodford County Research Farm, Versailles

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