

# Agriculture and Natural Resources Newsletter



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*~ Extension Office will be closed Monday, September 1st ~*

## A Word from the Agent . . .



I feel like August was a complete blur and can't believe September is almost here. I have always liked September primarily because that means fall is almost here. To me, fall means crop harvest and hunting season, and the cool weather is always welcomed after a hot summer. In this newsletter, you find information about numerous events coming up at the Clark County Extension Office. We are still taking forage samples if you would like to have your hay tested. Just be sure to contact me to schedule a time for me to come take the sample. As always, I am here to answer your agricultural questions, and always remember to give tractors and harvesters plenty of space while on the roads.

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## KEEPING YOU Informed

### Forage Management Tips for September

- If not already done, soil sample and apply fertilizer as needed.
- Plant perennial grasses and legumes. Consider using a novel endophyte tall fescue.
- Harvest hay as needed. Do not harvest alfalfa after mid-September.
- Scout pastures, identify perennial weeds and woody brush. Consult an agricultural professional to determine the control strategy.
- Closely monitor livestock and do not overgraze. Pasture plants accumulate energy reserves in the fall that help them overwinter and regrow in the spring.
- Feed hay to allow pastures to stockpile for winter grazing.

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# Fall Festival

October 4, 2025 • 5PM - 7PM

Pumpkins - Photo Booth - Food  
Crafts - Games - Give Aways

Free Fun for Everyone!



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1400 Fortune Drive, Winchester, KY

Watch our Facebook for updates and sneak peeks!

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# 2025 Horses & Horsemen: Farm & Facilities Expo



**Tuesday, September 16th**

**RSVP to Bourbon County Extension Office: 859-987-1895**

## **Schedule:**

**5:00: Registration and Trade Fair**

**6:00: Dinner**

**6:15: Welcome & Farm Overview**

**Arena footing and maintenance - Dr. Coleman, UK Equine Extension Specialist**

**Pasture Walk —Central KY ANR Agents**

**Heavy Use Areas & Farm Infrastructure— Dr. Bob Coleman**

**Horsemanship Demo - Mike & Chris Stokley**

**Location:  
Mike & Chris Stokley**

**Big Creek Livestock  
1310 Thatchers Mill Rd  
Paris, KY 40361**



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# UPCOMING TRAINING



## Beef Quality Care and Assurance

If your BQCA Card has expired or you need to get a card, then you **MUST** attend one of these trainings!

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

5:30 pm

Extension Office

**OR**


**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

9:00 am

Extension Office

**NO  
registration  
required!**

**This training is needed for cattle projects in CAIP!**

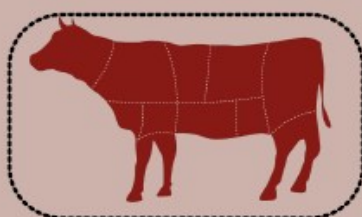
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## Basics of Beef: Cuts, Cost, and Cooking

Join us as we discover the different cuts of beef, learn how to choose the most cost-effective options, and explore various cooking methods. Enjoy tastings of select cuts prepared using a variety of techniques - come hungry and leave informed!

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025  
6:00pm**

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Get moo-ving and register today by calling 859-744-4682  
or emailing [cynthia.carr@uky.edu](mailto:cynthia.carr@uky.edu)

## 2025 CENTRAL KENTUCKY HAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Testing provides nutritional value of hay to assist in balancing rations, and can result in reduced feed cost, increased animal performance, and information to improve forage stands.

Free analysis to determine hay quality and livestock needs.

Call Clark County  
Extension Office at  
859-744-4682 to sign up.



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**DEADLINE TO REGISTER:  
September 29**

# FEEDER CALF GRADING SCHOOL

Join us for an engaging feeder calf program where you will gain experience in grading and evaluating feeder calves. Learn key strategies to improve your marketing success and maximize profits.

**REGISTER NOW**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 pm at Bluegrass Stockyards.  
Please RSVP by Friday, August 29th.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP.**



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Service at: **859-744-4682**



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**Event sponsor: CATTLE CO.**

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# Fall Soil Testing



Fall is a great time to take soil samples. Soil sampling is the only way to know exactly which nutrients your soils need. We don't charge for the soil analysis of soils in Clark County, and we also have soil probes to borrow if you need them. Current wait time on sample results is approximately two to three weeks.

If you need more information on what is soil testing and what it does and how to take a soil sample, click on one of the links below:

[Taking Soil Test Samples—AGR 16](#)

[Soil Testing: What It Is and What It Does—AGR 57](#)

## RECIPE



## Game Stuffed Peppers

Servings: 6 Serving Size: 1 stuffed

Source: [Cook Wild Kentucky Project](#)

### Ingredients:

- 6 medium bell peppers
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced, or 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 pound ground venison, elk, or beef
- 1 tablespoon salt-free herb blend
- 1 teaspoon ground pepper
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 15-ounce can no-salt- added tomato sauce
- 1 cup cooked rice
- 4 ounces Monterey Jack Cheese, shredded

### Directions:

1. Wash hands with warm water and soap, scrubbing for at least 20 seconds, especially after handling raw meat.
2. Preheat the oven to 350° F.
3. Gently scrub peppers with a clean vegetable brush under cool running water.
4. Cut off curved top of pepper. Remove stem only and throw away. Dice remaining part of pepper top.
5. Scoop out and discard seeds and pith from bottom part of each pepper. Preheat a 12-inch cast iron skillet over medium heat.
6. Add olive oil to the skillet. Sauté the diced pepper and Onion for 3 to 5 minutes, until they begin to soften. Add ground venison, garlic, salt-free herb blend, pepper, and oregano. Cook 3 to 5 minutes longer. Stir often.
7. Add the tomato sauce and rice to the skillet. Stir to combine.
8. Fill peppers with rice and meat mixture. Top with shredded cheese.
9. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes, or until peppers are soft and cheese is melted.
10. Serve immediately. Store leftovers in the refrigerator within 2 hours.

**Nutrition Facts per Serving:** 280 calories; 9g total fat; 3.5g saturated fat; 0g trans fat; 75mg cholesterol; 380mg sodium; 25g carbohydrate; 4g dietary fiber; 9g total sugars; 0g added sugar; 26g protein; 0% Daily Value of vitamin D; 15% Daily Value of calcium; 30% daily value of iron; 6% Daily Value of potassium.