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November, 2015 Newsletter

Harvest season is always somewhat stressful, but this year has been calmer than most for our area. Granted, there are always breakdowns and logistical hurdles to manage, but our crops matured 'normally' and we've had relatively good harvest windows. Taking advantage of these last weeks to do appropriate tillage, manure spreading, and final harvest operations is obviously highly important. Be safe while you do all of your winter preparation activities, and consider taking advantage of some of the opportunities listed in this newsletter and that will be coming up over the course of the winter. On that note, one thing that will be in the next newsletter is the Pesticide Applicator Training schedule for our area.

Scott Reuss

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Calendar of Events (contact us if you want info on an event)

Nov. 4-7	Madison	Dairy Sheep Association Symposium
Nov. 6	Chase	Dairy Margin Protection Program workshop 10:15 a.m. start time (pg. 8)
Nov. 12	Harmony	6:30 p.m. Astronomy at the Arboretum
Nov. 12/13	Madison	Planning New & Remodeling Existing Dairy Cattle Housing Course (a Dairyland Initiative workshop)
Nov. 17	Kimberly	Pest Management Update workshop (pg. 7)
Nov. 20	FSA	Dairy MPP signup deadline
Dec. 2	Chase	Farm Rent Options workshop (pg. 8)
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Dec. 3	Coleman	Farm Rent Options workshop (pg. 8)
Dec. 9	Cecil	Soil, Water, & Nutrient meetings (pg. 5)
Dec. 9	Kimberly	Dairy Hoof Care Seminar (pgs. 3/4)



2016
Cow College
 FVTC Regional Center
 Clintonville, Wisconsin



January 5 (1-3 PM) - Feeding Dairy Cows for Profit

*Dr. Dave Combs, UW-Madison Dairy Nutrition Specialist
 & Local Dairy Nutrition Panel Discussion*

Learn how a new forage/fee test can help your dairy herd be more productive and more profitable. Dr. Combs will explain how his new total tract digestible fiber analysis can help dairy farms get the most out of their homegrown feed, especially during times like this when profit margins are tight. In addition, a panel of local dairy feed consultants will also discuss how they use the new test, as well as other strategies they've seen help improve both production and profitability on area dairy farms. Mayra Pasayes, FVTC Office of Diversity, will also share tips to improve multi-cultural awareness of Hispanic and Latino employees.

January 12 (1-3 PM) – Achieving Excellence

*Dr. Gordie Jones, DVM / Dairy Consultant &
 Managing Partner, Central Sands Dairy LLC*

Dairy farms of all sizes have bottlenecks which keep them from achieving their potential. Dr. Jones will discuss his experiences helping dairy farms identify and manage these bottlenecks, helping achieve excellence by unleashing the herds true potential. Zen Miller, and his summer intern Bethany Marks, will also hare results of their recent evaluation of dehorning practices on dairy farms in NE Wisconsin.

January 19 Farm Tour (south-central Waupaca County)

10:00 AM Breezy Hill Farms LLC, E4399 Bartel Rd, Weyauwega WI

11:00 AM Jonely Farms LLC, N1921 Co. Rd X, Weyauwega WI

12:30 PM Lunch (Waupaca VFW, 244 Industrial Drive, Waupaca, WI)

Register for the sessions you plan to attend: **January 5** **January 12** **January 19 (Tour)**

Name(s) _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Cost is \$5.00/day or \$10.00 total for all three = \$ _____ **(Call or send check to UW-Extension by Dec. 31)**

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 715 258-6230

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 Shawano WI 54166
 715 526-6136

Outagamie County UWEX
 3365 W Brewster Street
 Appleton WI 54914
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Dairy Cattle Hoof Care Seminar



Wednesday, December 9, 2015

9:30 am - 2:45 pm

Liberty Hall, Kimberly

800 Eisenhower Drive
Kimberly, Wisconsin
(920) 731-0164



Dairy Cattle Hoof Care Seminar
Wednesday, December 9, 2015
Liberty Hall, Kimberly

- 9:30 am **Registration, milk, coffee, juice, and rolls**
- 10:00 am **“Footbaths: A problem solution or a solution to your problem”**
An overview of footbath design on dairy cattle facilities
- Roger Olson, Zinpro Midwest Dairy Specialist
- 11:00 am **“Digital dermatitis in dairy cattle”**
A focus on treatments and how treatments could be affected by changes by the Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD)
- Dorte Dopfer, PhD, Associate Professor at UW-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine, Food Animal Production Medicine Section
- 12:00 pm **Lunch**
- 12:45 pm **“Hoof trimming 101”**
An overview of hoof trimming techniques
- Aaron LaVoy, Midwestern Hoof Care
- Roger Olson, Zinpro Midwest Dairy Specialist
- 1:30 pm **“Hoof trimming records”**
A summary of record keeping tips and techniques
- Sarah Mills-Lloyd, DVM, Ag. Agent, UW-Extension Oconto County
- Eric Ronk, Ag. Agent, UW-Extension Calumet County
- 1:50 pm **Break**
- 2:00 pm **“Blocking and wrapping demonstration”**
- Aaron LaVoy, Midwestern Hoof Care
- 2:45 pm **Adjourn**

Dairy Cattle
Hoof Care Seminar

Name(s): _____

E-Mail(s): _____

Business: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Registration Fee: \$35 per person

Make check payable to: **UW-Extension**

Mail this registration form and check to:
UW-Extension Calumet County
206 Court Street
Chilton, WI 53014

Registration Deadline: December 2, 2015

2015 SOIL, WATER AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT MEETING

The Department of Soil Science, in conjunction with University of Wisconsin-Cooperative Extension, will conduct a Soil, Water, and Nutrient Management Meeting at The Main Event, 206 N Lemke St, Cecil, WI on December 9th, 2015. The meeting will begin at 10 am and end at 3 pm. The \$40 registration fee includes lunch from 12 noon to 1 pm and informational materials. A total of 4 CEUs will be provided (2 CEUs in Soil & Water Management and 2 CEUs in Nutrient Management). Payment must be received by December 2nd, 2015 to Shawano County UW-Extension Office.

2015 Discussion Topics

- (1) Importance of K for crop production in Wisconsin; (2) Wheat N management research update; (3) Starter fertilizer and high yield management impacts on corn production (Carrie Laboski)
- ÿ Wisconsin soil nutrient testing level trends and summary from 2010 to 2014 (Robert Florence)
- ÿ (1) Nitrogen credits from green manures; (2) Grass covers after corn tillage; (3) Cover crops in soybean production systems (Matt Ruark)
- (1) Tillage, soil organic matter, and nutrient stratification; (2) Soil and tillage management medley (Francisco Arriaga)
- ÿ Nutrient management update: Farmland preservation and SnapPlus15 (Wis. DATCP Staff)

This event will be held at The Main Event, 206 North Lemke Street, Cecil, WI. Please send in your meeting reservation (use clip sheet below) with payment of \$40 per person by December 2nd to Shawano County University Extension, Room 101 Courthouse, 311 North Main Street. Please plan to arrive by 9:30 am for registration. The meeting will start promptly at 10 am. Lunch will be a chicken buffet with all the trimmings (potatoes, dressing, vegetable, dinner rolls, coffee, milk or water). For more information contact Jamie Patton, Shawano County UW-Extension at 715-526-6136 or jamie.patton@ces.uwex.edu.

REGISTRATION FORM

2015 SOIL, WATER AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT UPDATE MEETING

The Main Event, 206 N Lemke Street, Cecil - December 9TH

PREPAYMENT IS REQUIRED BY December 2nd, 2015

Name(s) _____

Business Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number attending _____ @ \$40.00 each = \$ _____

Make checks payable to "Shawano County UW-Extension" and send to Shawano County UWEX, Room 101 Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166.

(Your Farm Name Here)

Professional Development Plan - 2016

Every farm should have one.

One of the old adages in business is that if you're not moving forward, you're falling behind. Agriculture changes more dramatically now than it ever has, and we all need to be exposing ourselves and our employees to new ideas and ways of doing things. It may be straightforward concepts such as researching different deep tillage implements to make a purchase decision or trickier things such as gaining understanding of how to transfer the farm from one generation to another. Often, the hardest part is seeing what you need.

What is on your list for 2016?

Every farm will have different priorities, based on their ownership status, employee experience and ability, management challenges faced in previous years, and dozens of other factors. Larger farms will have one list for owners, one for managers, and one for employees. This will be especially true for any farm for which OSHA requirements come into play.

The first step is identifying your topics, then you need to find out what opportunities you have to gain information on those topics. Various entities sponsor seminars, workshops, courses, etc... that can help you meet your goals. Professional organizations are a great place to either attend opportunities or look for ideas: Dairy Business Association, Professional Dairy Producers' of WI, Dairy Calf & Heifer Growers' Association, WI Fruit & Vegetable Growers', and there are all types of individual species or breed associations, as well.

Co-ops, suppliers, and educational & financial entities may sponsor worthwhile events that can either be stand-alone pieces, or help you get started in the right direction. Often, these are low-cost opportunities, but may or may not be as individualized as your operation may need.

How can UW-Extension assist you?

We offer local, regional, and state-wide opportunities, some of which you see elsewhere in this newsletter. We try to find and list all types of opportunities in this newsletter, so watch the events calendar and the pages of the newsletter. We listen to your input for local workshops, so get us your ideas, or offer to host an on-farm training for a particular topic that is of importance.

Also, we can help you on an individual basis. What can this look like? It could be helping set up and facilitate a farm management team. It could be offering skid steer safety training for your employees, or other types of necessary training topics. It can certainly be helping to analyze your operation and find areas to work through, such as protocol development; risk management; employee management; and lots of other possibilities.

2015 Wisconsin Pest Management Update Meeting

Tuesday, November 17

Registration 9:30 AM
Meeting 10 AM – 3 PM



Liberty Hall

800 Eisenhower Dr.
Kimberly, WI 54136
(Hwy 441, College Ave Exit, East 1 Block)



UW-Extension Outagamie County
3365 W Brewster St.
Appleton, WI 54914
Phone: 920-832-5121
Fax: 920-832-4783
<http://outagamie.uwex.edu/>

Topics for the 2015 Pest Management Update Meeting are listed inside. UW-Extension will present the latest information on weed, insect, and disease management and biology in Wisconsin field crops.

Pest Management Update Meeting sites and dates this Fall are:

- ◆ November 9, Marshfield – Contact Richard Halopka at 715-743-5121
- ◆ November 10, Chippewa Falls – Contact Jerry Clark at 715-726-7950
- ◆ November 11, Sparta – Contact Bill Halfman at 608-269-8722
- ◆ November 16, Fond du Lac – Contact Tina Kohlman at 920-929-3170
- ◆ **November 17, Kimberly – Contact Kevin Jarek at 920-832-5128**
- ◆ November 18, Janesville – Contact Nick Baker at 608-757-5698
- ◆ November 19, Belmont – Contact Ted Bay at 608-723-2125

If you need more information on the 2015 Wisconsin Pest Management Update Meeting on November 17 at Liberty Hall in Kimberly, call Kevin at 920-832-5128.

Date: Tuesday, November 17
Time: Registration – 9:30 AM
Meeting – 10 AM to 3 PM

Place: Liberty Hall
800 Eisenhower Dr., Kimberly

Cost: \$40/person – meeting & meal
\$20 – extra packet of materials

Packets include the 2015 Pest Management in Wisconsin Field Crops bulletin (A3646) and other pest management references.

CEUs: The meeting counts towards four hours of CEU credits in pest management for certified crop advisors

Featured Speakers:

- ◆ Mark Renz, UW-Madison/Extension Weed Scientist
- ◆ Damon Smith, UW-Madison/Extension Field Crop Plant Pathologist
- ◆ Dan Heider, IPM Outreach Specialist
- ◆ Bryan Jensen, Entomologist

Integrated Pest Management Updates:

- ◆ Corn, Soybeans, alfalfa, small grains
- ◆ New products and/or use of existing products
- ◆ Brief highlights of 2015 pest situations in each crop

Herbicide Resistance Update:

- ◆ Herbicide Resistance Update and Identification
- ◆ Status of Herbicide Resistant Weed Situation/Populations in Wisconsin

- ◆ How to identify and manage resistant populations/problematic situations

Entomology Update:

- ◆ Identifying Corn Rootworm Problems
- ◆ Managing Corn Rootworm for the Future

Diseases and Diagnostics:

- ◆ Soybean Stem Disease Identification
- ◆ Disease Pressure in 2015 Crop
- ◆ Long Term Management of Stem Diseases that are Problematic in Wisconsin

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2015 WI Pest Management Update Registration Form

Registration deadline:
Monday, November 9

Make check payable to:
UW-Extension

Mail this form & payment to:
UW-Extension Outagamie County
Attn: Agriculture Dept.
3365 Brewster St.
Appleton, WI 54914

Number attending:

Meeting & meal _____ x \$40 = _____
Extra packets _____ x \$20 = _____
Total enclosed = \$ _____

Please print:

Name(s) _____

Company _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone (_____) _____

Farmland Rental Options Workshops

This annual workshop is designed for both renters and landowners of agricultural land. It is a workshop that I recommend that you try to get owners of rented land to attend. The focus is on land rent realities and options that can make land rental situations better for both parties, and one of the things I emphasize is realities of crop production economics (I.e. we're not in Iowa, Dorothy).

There are two workshops scheduled that will cover essentially the same information, but with specific discussion according to the interests of those attending.

Wednesday, December 2, 10 a.m. to Noon

Chase Town Hall (8481 Cty. Hwy. S, Sobieski)

Thursday, December 3, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Pound Town Hall (East edge of Coleman on Cty. Hwy. B)

Discussion will focus on the details that you should consider when negotiating a farm rental contract. Such details certainly include price, but other factors such as length of lease, any limitations on the property, and many other aspects can all be negotiated into the contract. Many different leasing options are available and Reuss will detail some of the advantages and disadvantages of different annual or multi-year leasing contracts.

Contract templates of multiple types will be available as handouts, ranging from extremely simple to more complex arrangements. The discussion will focus on basic cropland rental situations, but can expand to building leases, grazing land, and other situations which attendees are interested in discussing.

There is no fee for attending this program, nor is pre-registration required. If you have questions about these topics, contact Scott Reuss in the Marinette County office at 715-732-7510 or via e-mail at scott.reuss@ces.uwex.edu or contact Sarah Mills-Lloyd in the Oconto office at 920-834-6845. Another good source of farmland leasing information is found at <http://www.aglease101.org/>

Dairy Margin Protection Program Making it work for your farm in 2016

Friday, November 6th @ 10:15 a.m. - Chase Town Hall

(8481 Oconto Cty. Hwy. S; Sobieski)

Program: + FSA deadlines and other news & notes - Zak Werner, Farm Services Agency
+ Understanding the Dairy Margin Protection Program - Scott Reuss, UW-Ext.
+ MPP as one part of your risk management protocol
+ 2016 economic projections and impacts on your farm's MPP decision

The MPP registration deadline for 2016 coverage is Nov. 20. Whether you were enrolled in 2015 or are considering it first for 2016, this workshop will give you the information you need to make an informed decision on your coverage options for 2016.

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