Cattle Chat: Role of composite si

By Lisa Moser, K-State Research and Extension

news service Many commercial cattle producers wanting to leverage genetic diversity incorporate sires of different breeds as a way to get the benefit of heterosis, said the Kansas State University Beef Cattle Experts on a recent Cattle Chat podcast.

bination that gives some vigor in areas of the genetic profile that are not highly heritable specifically in reproduction and health," K-State veterinarian Brad White said.

Instead of rotating the breeds of sires, some producers are now using composite sires to accomplish the goal of a genetic advantage, according to K-State veterinarian Bob Larson.

"A composite bull has a specific combination of breeds," Phillip Lancaster, K-State beef cattle nutritionist, explained. "Because it is a crossbred animal, it has heterosis advantages that can be passed through

Additionally, composite sires have Expected Progeny Difference data much like purebred cattle to help predict the offspring per-

the cows to the offspring

in a consistent manner."

formance, Larson said. "Composites with EPDs available can be an appealing option to a producer who wants

breeding system," he said. "While we don't get maximum heterosis from the composites, there is some genetic benefit."

Along with that, genomic testing allows producers to learn in greater detail what the performance of that particular animal will be, according to Lancaster.

"Producers can select the individual that has a high level of heterosis within its genome to improve the hybrid vigor.'

he said. To hear the full discussion, listen to the Cattle Chat podcast online or through your preferred streaming plat-

an option for beef cattle

By Heather Smith Thomas

Cottonseed has been fed to cattle a long time. Yet, in recent years, there's been renewed interest in this highly nutritious byproduct of the cotton industry. According to Alisa Ogden, a member of the Cotton Board who farms and ranches in southeastern New Mexico,

that's no accident. "Some of us on the Cotton Board realized beef cattle were not being targeted as consumers of whole cottonseed, so the Cottonseed Beef Advisory Council was formed," she explains. "Whole cottonseed had been fed to dairy cattle for years because it increases production of butterfat and has other benefits, but beef cattle had never been targeted."

A rancher and cotton farmer, Ogden's family has utilized whole cottonseed to feed weaped calves and yearlings for decades.

"I knew the benefits of

cottonseed — the oil (fat) and protein," she says.

One of the goals of the council was to educate nutritionists who work with feedyards and dispel misconceptions about use of whole cottonseed with beef cattle.

Blake Wilson, another council member and associate professor at Oklahoma State University (OSU), specializes in beef cattle nutrition. Recently, Wilson has conducted several research projects with whole cottonseed in feedlot and cow-calf operations.

There are many potential benefits as a supplement or in a ration for beef cattle, he says. The seed, left over after cotton has been harvested for fiber contains some residual lint or fiber, which helps give whole cottonseed its unique composition as a feedstuff for livestock.

"Old-school terminology described whole cottonseed as a 'triple-20 feed,' meaning it was approximately 20% fat, 20% protein and 20% fiber," Wilson explains, noting all three are important to a beef cow or feedlot animal. "Cottonseed is unique compared to other feeds in that it is very high in those three characteristics: no other feed has that

same nutritional profile." There was a lot of research on cottonseed early on, but not much new has been conducted in the past 25 years. Interest picked up again about the same time the Cottonseed Beef Advisory Council was formed. This renewed interest is fueled as dynamics within the feed industry have changed, partly due to COVID, but also with fluctuations in supply of other feedstuffs, says

An ingredient in feedlot diets

Wilson.

When feeding a total mixed ration (TMR) in a feedlot, whole cottonseed can be included as 15%- 20% of that mix, he says. "It can replace protein, fat and fiber from other ingredients in a ration, with no detriment to performance or, in some cases, improved performance compared to the ingredients it replaces."

In situations where standard ingredients become too expensive or harder to come by, whole cottonseed might be a viable alternative, he notes. "It may not make sense in every ration or for every feedlot operation, but it gives another option for those valuable nutrients.'

Supplementing cattle on pasture

It can also be an effective supplement for beef cattle on pasture, says Wilson. "Here at OSU we've been comparing whole cottonseed to what would be a traditional winter supplement for cattle — a 20% breeder cube."

For ranchers who use a supplement on weathered mature pasture or

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feed medium- or low-quality hav, whole cottonseed may be a great alternative. Wilson is comparing differences in animal performance and rebreeding between various supplements and whole cottonseed to find out how well it substitutes.

Ogden's family usually fed cottonseed to calves being backgrounded, so it could be fed in bunks. Feeding cottonseed to cows on range pastures creates waste as they can't pick all of it up off the

"The old-style cottonseed cake can be eaten off the ground. The cows flourished on that product, because the mill ground up whole cottonseed and put it in with the oil to make the cake pellets," she explains. "When we had to change to a different style pellet that was grain-based, rather than cottonseed-based, cows would not eat it. If a person needs to feed cake

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(something that can be spread on the ground for cattle), if you can, get the old style with cottonseed in it. Cows do much better on that. It's easier for a processor to make the other kind of pellets, however."

Wilson says whole cottonseed makes an ideal receiving diet for young or stressed calves, partly because it does contain a little roughage. It's also a good source of energy, but where that energy is coming from is different (fat and fiber) compared to a cereal grain (starch).

"You can provide the nutrients and energy the animal needs, but the mechanism for delivering it is different. This influences what's happening in the rumen," he says. "Acidosis can be an issue when adapting cattle to high-grain feedlot diets. If you can get more energy into cattle while feeding less starch, you have a lot of benefits."





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For our sale held on Friday, September 1st, steer and heifer calves sold fully steady with the over all quality not as attractive as our last sale of August 18th. Yearling steers and heifers sold at fully steady to stronger prices. Several unweaned Fall calves were offered and were selling accordingly. Weigh cows and bulls sold \$2-\$4 higher. Steers and heifers listed below are a partial listing due to Labor day holiday deadlines.

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Compared to the last report, demand and trade activity remains slow, prices were steady. With extreme temperatures recently, producers report that some soybeans are failing, leading folks to bale fields in addition to current hay harvest. Conditions remain dry with no rain in the forecast for most, yet no change reported in the drought monitor. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for August 22nd, the categorical percent area for abnormally dry conditions (D0) remained near 18%, moderate drought (D1) remained near 24%, severe drought (D2) remained at 23%, extreme drought (D3) remained at 17%, and exceptional drought (D4) remained at 1%.

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa steady; grinding alfalfa and ground and delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Dairy, 1.40-1.50/point RFV. Good, Stock or Dry Cow 220.00-280.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large rounds, new crop 240.00-255.00, fair/weedy/grassy large rounds 185.00-195.00, large square 3x4's and 4x4's new crop 250.00-255.00. Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies, new crop 270.00-280.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem: none reported. The week of 8/20-8/26, 6,136T of grinding alfalfa and 0T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or sold.

South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa steady; ground and delivered steady to 5.00 lower; grinding alfalfa, alfalfa pellets mostly steady

and movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 12.00/ bale; Dairy 1.40-1.50/point RFV. Good, Stock cow, 295.00-305.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large rounds new crop 235.00-245.00 delivered, 3x4 and 4x4's new crop 245.00-255.00 delivered, rained on large square 3x4 and 4x4 140.00-150.00. Alfalfa ground and delivered 265.00-275.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein 320.00-330.00, 17 pct protein 340.00-350.00, Dehydrated 17 pct protein 410.00-420.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, large rounds 135.00-145.00, large squares, new crop 150.00-160.00, small squares 195.00-205.00; Brome, old crop large rounds 150.00-160.00, large square 3x4's and 4x4's 175.00-185.00, small squares 11.50-12.50/bale. Oat hay, large square 3x4's 190.00-200.00 delivered; oat straw, large rounds, 100.00 FOB. Mixed grass CRP large rounds, 115.00-125.00. Wheat straw, large rounds 125.00-135.00, small squares 5.00-6.00/bale. The week of 8/20-8/26, 6,241.5T of grinding alfalfa and 0T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa steady; grinding alfalfa, grass hay mostly steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, none reported. Dairy 1.40-1.50/point RFV. Good, stock cow 265.00-275.00 delivered. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large square 3x4 260.00-270.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares, 180.00-200.00, large square 3x4 175.00-185.00, large round 145.00-155.00. Brome, large square 175.00-185.00. The week of 8/20-8/26, 1,135.5T of grass hay was reported bought or sold.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa and grinding alfalfa steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or goat, small squares none reported, 3x3 squares 300.00 new crop 1st cutting. Dairy, Premium/Supreme 1.40-1.50/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 295.00-300.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large square 3x4's 250.00-255.00. Alfalfa ground and delivered 270.00-

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground and delivered, grass mostly steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Dairy 1.40-1.50/point RFV; Horse hay, premium small squares, 12.00-13.00/bale. Stock Cow 3x4's 230.00-240.00; Fair/good, grinding alfalfa, large rounds 240.00-255.00, large square 3x4's 240.00-255.00, Alfalfa ground and delivered 275.00-300.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares new crop 9.00-10.00/bale, large 3x4 squares 165.00-175.00, good large rounds 155.00-205.00. Brome: small squares 10.00-11.00/bale, large rounds, 130.00-140.00. Wheat straw: large rounds 110.00-125.00 delivered, small squares 5.00-6.00 per bale. Corn stalks: large squares 100.00-125.00 FOB. The week of 8/20-8/26, 1,942T of grinding alfalfa and 275T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or sold.

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Marshall-Feinstein Bill would improve local water districts' access to USDA grants

shall and Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) have announced the EQIP Water

Senators Roger Mar- Conservation Act to allow local water agencies to access larger U.S. Department of Agriculture grants

for water efficiency and conservation projects that benefit multiple farmers.

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Since water agencies can represent hundreds of farmers, the bill would re-

move that \$900,000 cap and allow water agencies to receive EQIP grants proportional to the number of farmers they serve.

"While in recent weeks we have got some much-needed rain at home, 70 percent of Kansas still remains in drought conditions. Even though I can't change the weather, I am looking to the Farm Bill to help mitigate future droughts. Having flexibility in programs is key to helping farmers diminish the impacts of adverse weather. This bipartisan legislation would ensure that irrigation districts and groundwater management districts have meaningful access to EQIP dollars when they are undertaking a project that will benefit multiple farms,"

Marshall said. "Climate change is making drought a persistent threat to agriculture in the United States and our farmers need more tools to adapt. EQIP grants are crucial to that effort," Feinstein said. "Unfortunately, sufficient funds aren't being made available to water agencies to complete larger-scale projects that benefit multiple farmers. Our bill would fix that, by allowing water agencies greater access to USDA grants to invest in water efficiency and conservation projects."

Drought cost California's agricultural sector \$1.1 billion in direct costs and nearly 9,000 jobs in 2021, while farmers were forced to leave 400,000 acres of land unplanted.

In addition to Marshall and Feinstein, the bill is cosponsored by senators Ben Ray Lujan (N.M.), Alex Padilla (Calif.), Mark Kelly (Ariz.), Michael Bennett (Colo.) and Martin Heinrich (N.M). It was introduced on July 27.

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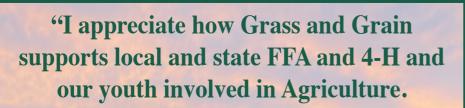
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All Around winners:

- HS Cowboy-Jhett Vander Hamm
- HS Cowgirl-Madison Scott
- JH Cowboy-Cole Vernon JH Cowgirl-Reagan Weatherred

Foxtail showing up in hay

By David Hallauer, **Meadowlark District** Extension agent. crops and soils

One of the more troublesome weeds, particularly of hay fields, showing up this time of year is foxtail. There are three warm season annual species of foxtails we can see in northeast Kansas: green. yellow, and giant.

Our best bet for combating foxtail infestations is a healthy stand of our desired forage. It often starts with an appropriate fertility/grazing/haying program for cool season forage systems to help

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them compete against the foxtail that must get a start from seed each season (well after the brome or fescue has already started growing). Unfortunately, too many years of late season heat or drought or armyworm infestation - or all three - have thinned stands, allowing the warm season foxtails to germinate and grow with plenty of space to get a foothold.

Mowing can help, but it will likely have to be done multiple times. Foxtail plants thrive in our warm summer weather and even when cut off will likely try to put up a head again. often lower in height than it was the first time. Even if we could cut low enough to get the lowest of the seed heads, we could be doing damage to the recovering cool season grass as we did so.

One of the more common questions centers around herbicide control programs. A cross reference of labels for control of foxtail in brome (www. cdms.net - Advanced Search option) yielded three active ingredients: Glyphosate. Pendimethalin, and Quinclorac. Glyphosate is non-selective, meaning it's going to indiscriminately control anything green it's applied to and is not a great option in most pastures or hay fields unless you can manage spot treatments well.

Meadowlark District

Extension Agent, livestock

and natural resources

weeks have been an ex-

treme tough in northeast

Kansas and much of the

county! The record heat

wave, with dangerous-

ly high heat indexes, has

taken a toll on plants, live-

stock and humans alike. It

is with a heavy heart that I

write this because I know

so many have experienced

animal death loss, which

has some serious effects

on the operational and

human sides of operations.

My intent is to help direct

producers to resources

available, hopefully some

that you are already well

aware of. I get the desire

to not ask for help - I'm

a stubborn, independent,

proud producer myself;

but I encourage everyone

These last couple of

Pendimethalin has received some testing attention in Kansas by former NE Area Extension Agronomist Dr. Stu Duncan. He tested three different products, with the Pendimethalin product Prowl H2O (applied in early spring) showing the best combination of control with minimal crop injury. Unfortunately, even those applications did not reduce late-summer foxtail pressure even after showing apparent suppression well into the growing sea-

Herbicide applications for foxtail control aren't without issues. In addition to the potential for crop injury noted in his study (see the entire study results online at: https://eupdate.agronomy. ksu.edu/eu_article_prep. php?article_id=2773), be sure and read product labels closely before doing applications. Seedling grass injury could occur if seeding were to occur in these areas too close to the time of herbicide application. When these pre-emergence products do work, they could leave 'open space' where foxtail has been prevalent in previous years until desirable forages can fill in. Other broadleaf weeds could fill in as well. Careful management will be needed to prevent new plants from getting a start next year.

There is no silver bullet - but there are options. For the best results, implement a good prevention program whenever possible. If that isn't enough, and foxtail continues to be an issue, other options like mowing or maybe even herbicide control programs may need to be considered.

weather may be eligible for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP). LIP offers payments to eligible livestock producers for deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by eligible loss conditions, of which extreme heat qualifies. Eligible livestock includes: bison, cattle, equine, goats, poultry, sheep, swine and a long list of other animals. An owner or contract grower must file a notice of loss within 30 calendar days of when the loss of livestock is first apparent as well as file an application for payment within 60 calendar days after the end of the calendar year in which

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to reach out for assistance

through channels avail-

able to help in tough times.

good tools that can help

us to prepare, monitor and

reference weather events

and related heat stress.

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that can help managers

monitor potential heat

stress are: The U.S. Meat

Animal Research Center's

seven-day forecast tool

which looks at; tempera-

ture, humidity and solar

radiation. The second is

the Kansas Mesonet ani-

mal comfort index that

undates climate informa-

tion hourly. In terms of the

next topic of discussion,

the historical weather

data of Kansas Mesonet

should prove to be use-

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impacted by the recent

Livestock producers

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There are some very

occurred. It is recommended that producers document loss and provide a statement from a veterinarian verifying loss due to heat. Documentation of temperature, humidity and heat stress leading up to and through the loss event will likely need to be provided. The LIP national payment rate for eligible livestock owners is based on 75 percent

the eligible loss condition

value of the livestock. More information on USDA disaster assistance can be found at your local Farm Service Agency office or: https://www.fsa.usda.gov/ programs-and-services/disaster-assistance-program/

Kansas farmers, ranchers and their families are the backbone of this state, providing high-quality crops, livestock and dairy products. The stress that comes with this occupation can be overwhelming. Unpredictable weather, heavy workloads and financial worries can sometimes take their toll on farm families and lead to mental and emotional distress. Caring for your own health and wellness is often overlooked but is just as critical as caring for the business of your farm. There are resources available to help, notably the Kansas Ag Stress resources https://www.kansasagstress.org/ If you need to talk to someone, call for free 24/7 support at 1-800-447-1985.

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The Kansas State Fair welcomes Tyson Foods, Inc., as a new multi-year sponsor and partner! The renowned food processor is supporting the brand new "Grand Size" high-definition LED media screen on the west side of the Nex-Tech Grandstand.

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"We would like to thank our new sponsor, Tyson Foods, Inc.," stated Kansas State Fair Manager, Bryan Schulz. "This new, colorful and captivating media screen is just perfect to welcome our fairgoers arriving at the Kansas State Fair. The screen can be active all year long and we are excited to plan future non-Fair special events to include the new Grand Size screen."

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"Tyson Food's welcomes the opportunity to be a committed partner at the Kansas State Fair," stated Rob Hanson, Complex Manager, South Hutchinson, Ks. facility. "As a major livestock producer and agriculture commodities provider in the world; Kansas is indeed an important part of Tyson's continued market success.'

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Steve Hunt honored with the 2023 Industry Achievement Award

When the cattle indus-

try needed a leader, Steve Hunt stepped up.

Sure, it was a group effort to launch U.S. Premium Beef (USPB) - ranchers, cattle feeders and allied industry – but they all say one man made the difference between success and failure.

USPB board member Jerry Bohn calls Hunt "a leader, an innovator, an entrepreneur, an idea guy and an executer." All of that and more made Hunt shine. He was honored on August 22 with the Certified Angus Beef (CAB) 2023 Industry Achievement Award, presented at the Feeding Quality Forum

The beef industry was in trouble in the 1980sand '90s when more than 400,000 ranchers exited. Choice and Prime were no more than 55% of fed cattle production, so "It was a coin toss whether a steak was going to be good or bad," says Randy Blach, CattleFax CEO. "Beef demand was cut in half from 1979 to 1998. The industry was like a buoy in the ocean, directionless."

Fear of irrelevance had sparked conversations among a group of 21 cowcalf producers in 1995. Always with economics in mind, Hunt says he saw an



Pictured from left are John Stika, Certified Angus Beef; Steve Hunt, 2023 Industry Achievement Award honoree; Mark Gardiner, Gardiner Angus Ranch) "USPB has pressed me in every single way-mentally and physically and intellectually-just to accomplish this," Steve says. But every person he met was a learning opportunity, from producers at the ranch to the people on Wall Street.

opportunity to integrate from the bottom up.

First need: value-based pricing to pay on individual carcass merit. Second, information back to producers from the packer to guide changes at the ranch and feedyard. Third, they needed to gain a direct influence on processing. The group embarked on what they called the "Blue Sky Tour" to share their vision with potential stakehold-

Linville, current CEO of "As you can imagine, USPB. "He broke down a lot of eyes fogged over barriers and effectively when we mentioned that communicated with each we wanted to become a partner what they had to processor," Hunt says. do to make this idea work."

Trust was a major chal-Hesitancy often met the campaign to find nearly "Steve would tell you 500 cattlemen to purchase he's the worst salesman, at least 100 shares at \$55 but he's very good at exapiece. That would secure plaining the big concept 100 carcass hooks and payand relating it to proment on their individual ducers, too," merit. Perseverance paid. savs Stan

"His confidence gave the rest of us confidence to buy in," says Mark Gardiner, partner at Gardiner Angus Ranch and founding USPB member.

With nearly a million cattle lined up, Hunt and this rogue group of cattlemen negotiated an opportunity to buy up to 50% ownership of the fourth largest beef processor in the U.S.

Naturally, Hunt was named CEO.

"Steve was a bridge builder," says Tracy Thomas, vice president of marketing for USPB. "He built relationships so that all segments would talk to each other. Everybody involved learned the quality of their cattle, what we were doing well and what we needed to improve."

"The biggest thing Steve did for producers was say, 'Do what you do best: produce," says Linville. "And he let National Beef do what they do best, which was run the beef processing side.

It was a journey to grow pounds efficiently while marbling also increased. While USPB members received feedback from the packer first, Hunt realized improvements in quality

and opportunity for value-based marketing were important for the whole industry.

"I like to say it was synergistic: when we incentivized quality cattle, the other processors did, too," Gardiner says. "We egged them on to do the same thing to compete. That is what has changed the demand equation for beef cattle today."

For 15 years, Hunt led USPB with its shareholders in mind as the company continued to grow and succeed. He oversaw USPB becoming a majority owner and parent company of the packer and renamed it National Beef Packing Company in 2003. Then in 2004, he restructured USPB into a limited liability company to allow for more market opportunities.

Hunt's last mark as CEO was leading negotiations for USPB to sell the majority interest in the packing company to Leucadia National Corporation. This gave USPB members liquidity to pass along to the next generation while maintaining the value-based pricing and information transfer.



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Isabel Wright drove the Reserve Champion Market Hog. Also pictured are judge Jett Eder and Elizabeth pictured with judge Scott Sutton. Wright



The Champion Lamb was shown by Sarah Wendland,



Korah Wendland led the Reserve Champion Lamb.



Showing the Supreme Champion Ewe was Jacob Wendland.



Macy Lyons, Leonardville Hustlers 4-H, showed the Grand Champion Market Goat.



The Reserve Champion Market Goat was led by Reese Grady, Cico Shamrocks 4-H.



Showing the Supreme Champion Meat Goat Doe was Sawyer Grady, Cico Shamrocks 4-H.



The Champion Bred and Owned Dairy Goat Doe was shown by Bryce Beckman, Wildcat 4-H.

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Does were both owned by Bryce Beckman, pictured with judge Bill Toews and Tyler Beckman.



Does were both owned by Mavrick Winter of the Leonardville Hustlers, shown with Brenda Jordan and judge Bill Toews. Mavrick was also named the Reserve Senior Meat Goat Showman.



went to Anna Larson, CiCo Shamrocks 4-H, above left. Anna was also awarded Champion Junior Poultry Showman, above right.



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The Supreme Champion Heifer was the Champion Commercial entry shown by Murphy Duggan, Bonfire 4-H.



Brock Burgman showed the Reserve Champion Steer.



The Reserve Supreme Champion Heifer was shown by Mason Mullinix, pictured above with his mom and judge



Champion Bred and Owned Heifer (Reserve Hereford and 4th Overall) was exhibited by Mason Mullinix, Cico Shamrocks 4-H.



Lakyn Huncovsky, Wildcat 4-H, showed the Grand Champion Steer



Lakyn Huncovsky, Wildcat 4-H, was at the halter of the Reserve Champion Bred and Owned Heifer.

Beef on dairy brings new value to the marketplace

reached its lowest level in decades this summer as prolonged drought conditions in major cattle producing regions led producers to aggressively cull their herds. The sharp reduction in beef cow numbers will tighten supplies for years to come, while consumer demand for beef has remained remarkably consistent despite elevated retail prices.

The contracting beef herd has led to higher dairy bull calf prices and may compel more dairy producers to leverage beef breed genetics in their reproduction programs and capture an additional revenue stream in the process, according to a new report from CoBank's Knowledge Exchange.

"We expect the adoption of beef genetics in dairy breeding programs will accelerate as producers capitalize on the opportunity for improved particularly margins, given the reduction in beef calf availability," said Brian Earnest, lead animal protein economist for CoBank. "And while the impact on the overall beef supply will be relatively small, an increase in beef and dairy crossbred calves entering the beef supply chain is something cattle feeders and packers will want to keep an eye on.

The practice of leveraging beef genetics in dairy reproductive programs, commonly referred to as "beef on dairy" within the industry, has steadily increased in recent years. On average, day-old beef and dairy crossbred calves entering the beef supply chain sell for \$100-\$300 more than their 100%dairy-bred counterparts.

Increased adoption of beef on dairy crossbreeding will primarily benefit dairy producers, but other

The U.S. beef cow herd sectors of the beef sup- bred cattle can garner an ply chain stand to benefit as well. Animal genetics companies that provide beef semen for artificial insemination of dairy cows can expect continued sales growth.

> According to the National Association of Animal Breeders' Semen Sales Report, U.S. beef semen sales from 2017 to 2022 increased at a rate nearly equal to the rate that U.S. dairy semen sales decreased. The data suggests rising beef semen sales are largely attributable to increased purchases by dairy operators.

> The benefits from beef on dairy crossbreeding become more complex as calves enter the feedlot. Cattle feeders that are currently set up to handle 100% dairy cattle may see increased feed efficiencies for crossbred calves and would likely be more willing to pay the premium price for beef on dairy genetics.

> Industry experts suggest feed efficiency gains in beef and dairy crossbred calves can be highly variable. A University of Wisconsin Extension report notes that is why some feedlots are taking a direct approach with dairies to acquire more consistent crossbred calves by offering purchase programs for beef on dairy calves. These programs typically require dairy producers use genetics selected or provided by the feedlot, as well as follow specific animal health protocols.

> The investment in those feedlot programs can ultimately pay off. Data from the USDA-Cattle Contracts library shows beef on dairy cattle are worth increasingly more at harvest compared to straightbred dairy cattle. And in addition to facing fewer discounts than straightbred dairy cattle, cross

average premium of \$5.44/ cwt. if they meet the ten requirements for Certified Angus Beef.

Like feedlots, packers already processing dairy cattle or lower quality 100% beef cattle will see a benefit in processing beef and dairy crossbreds, which generally have a better dressing percentage. However, for packers that process high-quality, 100% beef cattle, the benefits are less clear. Standard grading mechanisms may not be sufficiently sophisticated to properly value beef on dairy cattle.



Round Robin Showmanship winners were: Senior Champion - Jacob Wendland; Senior Reserve Champion - Avery Eckhoff; Intermediate Champion - Maryn Grady; Intermediate Reserve Champion - Katherine Bormann; Junior Champion - Parker Kennedy; Junior Reserve Champion - Carly Rombeck.

West Nile virus confirmed in horses in Kansas

The Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of symptoms that range from depression, loss of appetite Animal Health has received notification of multiple confirmed cases of West Nile virus (WNV) in horses across the state over the past few weeks. Confirmed cases have been reported in Barber, Butler, Douglas and Pratt counties.

WNV is a preventable disease, with annual vaccinations that have proven highly effective. All of the confirmed cases of WNV in Kansas were in unvaccinated horses or horses with an unknown vaccination history so were assumed to be unvaccinated. All horse owners should consult with their local veterinarians and make a vaccination plan for their horses.

WNV is a virus that can infect humans, horses, birds

and fever to severe neurologic signs such as incoordination, weakness, inability to rise, and hypersensitivity to touch or sound. WNV can be fatal in horses. If you see symptoms of WNV in your horse, contact your veterinarian immediately.

The virus is carried and transmitted by mosquitoes; it is not directly contagious from horse to horse or from horse to human. WNV is a reportable disease in Kansas, which means veterinarians are required by law to report any confirmed cases to the state veterinarian.

For more information about West Nile virus or other animal disease issues in Kansas, go to the KDA Division of Animal Health website at agriculture.ks.gov/Animal-

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Colvin Scholarship Fund awards future beef leaders

By Courtney Weekley The Colvin Scholarship Fund supports the next generation of leaders in agriculture who are devoting their studies and careers to making the beef industry better. This year, 23 students were awarded \$81,500 through the Colvin Scholarship Fund.

Each recipient strives for a career in production agriculture, industry research or an agricultural pursuit that influences the beef business. The students recognized for this scholarship are carrying the legacy of the Certified Angus Beef ® (CAB) brand's co-founder and executive director for 22 years, Louis "Mick" Col-

The 24-year-old fund has now reached 144 students with \$500,000 in scholarships.

The recipients recognized are impact leaders who have a strong commitment and passion for the

"We are so impressed by them because they have shown a true, servant leadership heart," Danielle Matter says, CAB director of brand experience and education. "They will be the industry's next movers and shakers by impacting on many tiers from agricultural communication to meat science to production agriculture. And we get to support it all."

The top recipients in each category were awarded \$7,500 with additional scholarships recognizing educational merit and community involvement for production agriculture, undergraduate and graduate students. The 2023 recipients include:

Production Agriculture

- awards: \$7,500 - Lizzie Schafer - Butler Community College
- \$5,000 Karlee Sailer - Dickinson State University

Huseman - West Texas A&M University

\$3,000 - Justina Slim - Colorado State University

\$2.000 - Tanner Mickey - University of Illinois

\$2,000 - Audrey Tarochione – Kansas State University

\$2,000 - Will Hau-

erland - West Texas A&M University

Graduate awards: \$7,500 - Lindsey

Decker -Kansas State University

\$5,000 - Keayla Harr - Oklahoma State University

\$4,000 - Megan Eckhardt - West Texas A&M University

\$3,000 - Anna Scott - Oklahoma State University

\$2,000 - Anna Kobza - University of Nebraska Lincoln

\$2.000 - Jade Edwards - Oklahoma State

Undergraduate awards: \$7,500 - Ava Perrier - Kansas State Uni-

versity \$5.000 - Bailee Schiefelbein - Oklahoma

State University \$4,000 - Madison Bemisderfer - The Penn-

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\$2,500 - Alexis Lake - Oklahoma State University

\$2,500 - Nikki Keeton - Texas Tech University

\$2,000 - Amelia Miller - Texas A&M University

\$2,000 - Katelyn Engel - University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign \$2.000 - Chloe Ha-

maker - West Texas A&M University

\$2,000 - James Ulmer - Clemson University

applicants were All asked how they would strive to better serve the beef industry. They each expressed their desired role to grow the brand's reputation through their education and studies.

Influenced by 15 years in the beef industry is top graduate scholarship winner, Lindsey Decker. The Kansas State University student focuses on thawing methods in meat science research. She wanted to see the effect on the eating quality of steaks after various thawing methods.

"This study vides information to allow purchasers of frozen beef products to obtain the best overall eating experience, in turn continuing to create a high demand for beef," Decker says.

Dec. 2023 to then further her education in obtaining a Ph.D. at Texas Tech University. Her goal? To educate students through her research in meat science and the beef indus-

Ava Perrier, top undergraduate scholarship winner and student at Kansas State University, also shares a similar passion. She expressed how relating with beef production is an important communication and marketing tool.

"I truly believe the Certified Angus Beef program and its producers are on says. "Sharing feature stories and videos of families who raise Certified Angus Beef is a very important part of building beef demand. Consumers want to be able to relate to the people raising their food, so showing parts of ranchers' real lives is one of the best things to share on social media.'

Lizzie Schafer, top production agriculture recipient, was three years old when she took her very first steps in the livestock industry. After that, she's had immense involvement and a life passion for the production agriculture in-

After studying animal science and agricultural communication at Butler Community College, Schafer has big plans to take her family farm to the next level.

"I hope to come back to the family farm and continue my family legacy, continue creating food for the growing population and expand Farm Family Meats into a corporation,' "While Schafer says. farming and running my business, I plan to showcase what I do on a daily basis through promotional videos, encouraging articles and daily social media posts. By becoming a writer and broadcaster within the agriculture industry, I hope to promote the dedicated farmers and ranchers who work hard to feed families around the globe."

Top award winners receive an all-expense-paid

Conference. Recipients get the opportunity to network with leaders in the beef industry and share their story.

The largest fundraisers for this fund are auctions and a golf tournament held at the brand's Annual Conference in September. Generous donation efforts from partners help the brand's growing contributions to the Colvin Scholarship Fund.

"This is all credited to our partners and committee members," Matter says. "It's humbling to see how everyone involved chose this to be near and dear to their hearts."

Tim Hussman, a Colvin Scholarship Fund committee member, was the first full time employee that Colvin hired at the brand. After retiring in 2018 as president of the specialty meat division for Sysco, he now serves on the Colvin Scholarship Fund selection committee.

Hussman shares his excitement for the positive influence this fund has on the next generation of beef industry leaders.

"In the spirit of Mick Colvin, I hope this scholarship continues to grow,' he says. "I think this is just the beginning and we were really excited to see the level of talent and interest. The more we can grow, the more interested students can benefit from the scholarship. I'm happy to give back and bring more young people into the industry.'

Purina Animal Nutrition launches scholarship eef," Decker says. Decker graduates in program for college students involved in animal agriculture

Purina Animal Nutrition, along with the Land O'Lakes Foundation, is announcing its new scholarship program designed to assist students involved in agriculture and livestock production in pursuing their passions and further their educations.

Current undergraduate students who have experience raising and caring for small or large livestock, equine and/or poultry, are eligible to apply for four \$5,000 scholarships. Along with the impact animal agriculture has had on their lives, desired applicants will be able to demonstrate academic excellence, leadership skills and community involvement, and have a clear vision for their

Scholarship applications will be accepted through October 12. Awardees will receive their scholarship funds for the Spring 2024 semester at their current educational institution. The scholarship is open to all undergraduate students enrolled in an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

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Report from August 30th, 2023

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6 blk	597@242.50		676@260.50
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6 blk	668@245.00	6 blk	723@256.00
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9 mix	652@241.00	20 bkbwf	794@252.50
9 mix	624@240.00	6 blk	765@252.00
15 blk	657@240.00	19 blk	767@250.50
21 blk	709@251.00	16 bkbwf	753@249.00
3 blk	723@244.00	53 blk	767@248.00
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7 blk	771@232.50	6 mix	738@227.00
66 mix	780@230.00	11 blk	819@252.75
34 mix	784@230.00	6 blk	816@248.00
17 blk	812@236.00	6 bkbwf	833@248.00
13 blk	844@236.00	31 mix	810@246.00
10 mix	837@229.75		843@244.75
10 blk	853@229.00	32 mix	847@243.50
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	STEERS	17 mix	889@237.00
6 bkbwf	381@325.00		872@236.00
11 mix	440@301.00		912@240.00
6 mix	498@280.00		950@239.00
16 blk	501@305.00		909@238.00
46 mix	546@295.00		913@234.00
16 blk	585@276.00		966@234.00
7 mix	510@261.00		912@233.00
9 Cross	548@245.00		983@228.00
7 mix	564@235.00	7 blk	921@211.00
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New Hereford magazine champions heterosis The American Hereford Association (AHA) launched of straightbred parents. Among them: increased survive extra production efficiency and added market leverage extra production efficiency and extra production efficiency and extra production efficiency and extra production efficiency extra production extra production extra production extra production extra produc

a new publication in August — Baldy Advantage — highlighting the experiences and insights of commercial cow-calf producers using Hereford-sired baldy cattle to their benefit.

"Heterosis is tough to beat and harder to ignore in commercial cow-calf production," says Bill Goehring, AHA president. "Commercial producers' firsthand experience across decades backs up the research documenting the many production and economic benefits of hybrid vigor. The same can be said of research and experience verifying the added value of using Hereford genetics to optimize direct and maternal heterosis." Goehring and his family raise Hereford seedstock, run commercial cows and operate a sale barn near Libertyville, Iowa.

Direct heterosis in first-generation (F1) crossbred cattle offers multiple advantages compared to the average ability to weaning, increased feed efficiency, weaning weight and yearling weight.

Maternal heterosis benefits shine even brighter when comparing F1 breeding females to the average of straight-bred parents. Among them: increased longevity, calving rate, number of calves and cumulative weaning weight of calves weaned.

Breed choice in complementary crossbreeding can extend the advantage of maternal and direct heterosis even more. Besides its unique genetic strengths, Hereford is the least related of the Bos Taurus breeds, according to the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center. This offers added hybrid punch, another reason why commercial cow-calf producers commonly tout the virtues of venerable Hereford-sired F1 baldies.

"The commercial producers we serve recognize the

extra production efficiency and added market leverage that come with Hereford-sired baldy calves," explains Wyatt Agar, AHA vice president. "Baldy Advantage furthers AHA's commitment to the commercial producer. It's an opportunity to share more information about baldy cattle, be they black baldies, red baldies or tiger stripes." Agar and his family raise Hereford seedstock, run commercial cows and operate a backgrounding operation near Thermopolis, Wyo.

Each issue of Baldy Advantage includes news, industry analysis and market information of interest to commercial cattle producers. It will be published four times each year. AHA invites commercial producers to request a free copy of Baldy Advantage with the opportunity to sign up for a free three-year subscription. Call 816-842-3757 or email hworld@hereford.org.

K-State veterinarians to develop vaccines for cattle and swine diseases with new grants

Two new grants at Kansas State University will be utilized to help protect global food supplies through the development of vaccines to protect swine and cattle from infectious diseases.

Combined, the grants exceed \$1.2 million and are funded for a threeyear period by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture through its Agriculture and Food Research Initiative, or AFRI. They will be used to conduct two research projects in K-State's College of Veterinary Medicine.

The first project is led by Waithaka Mwangi, professor of diagnostic medicine and pathobiology in the College of Veterinary Medicine, whose research team has developed a contemporary multi-component live vaccine capable of inducing broad protection against multiple Bovine Parainfluenza 3 Virus, or BPI3V, and Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus or BVDV, strains following mucosal immunization

According to Mwangi, the current BPI3Va vaccine is effective against some, but not all, BPI3V strains; similarly, BVDV vaccines aren't entirely effective due in part to immunosuppressive traits and failure of the vaccine virus to confer broad protection.

"These pathogens play significant roles in causing Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex, which leads to severe pneumonia and death of calves," Mwangi said. "There is a need to develop better vaccines capable of conferring broad protection against diverse BPI3V and BVDV strains to improve and sustain cattle produc-

Juergen Richt, regents distinguished professor and university distinguished professor in diagnostic medicine and

tivity."

pathobiology, is leading the second project, which focuses on the African swine fever virus, or ASFV, a lethal disease in both wild and domestic

According to Richt, all attempts to develop safe vaccines capable of protecting against the infection and the disease have been largely unsuccessful.

"African swine fever virus is characterized by a wide variety of severe clinical signs in affected animals," Richt said. "In this project, we will test our hypothesis that it is possible to protect against ASFV infection and disease with rationally designed and engineered virus-vectored subunit vaccine candidates. Our vaccine approaches are based on a better understanding of the pig's immune response to ASFV infection, and the virus-vectored vaccine candidates are DIVA, or differentiate infected from vaccinated animals, compatible."

David Rosowsky, vice president for research at K-State, said the development of these vaccines is of global significance.

"K-State researchers are committed to domestic and international collabo-

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rations to find solutions to these aggressive diseases, and the university continues to be an international leader in animal health and biosecurity," Rosows-

The National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative was established by Congress in the 2008 Farm Bill and re-authorized in the 2018 Farm Bill. AFRI programs help develop new technologies and a workforce that will advance national security, energy self-sufficiency and the health of Americans.

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More than 100 livestock producers gather at Logan County Field Day

The Carpenter family hosted more than 100 livestock producers and industry stakeholders at their Logan County ranch for the August 17 KLA/Kansas State University Ranch Management Field Day. Carpenter Cattle Company is owned by the Wayne Carpenter family and consists of an Angus-based cow-calf herd, stocker operation, feedyard and farming enterprise

The Carpenters finish all their own cattle in their feedyard and market them through U.S. Premium Beef (USPB), of which they have been a member since its inception in 1996. According to Wayne Carpenter, this partnership has helped them further diversify and made them better cattle feeders due to the carcass data they have been able to receive on all their cattle.

"It's been a game-changer," he said.

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Brian Bertelsen, vice president of field operations for USPB, explained to those in attendance what drives premiums, which were record-high in 2022, on the company's value-based grid. Quality grade is number one, he said, representing more than 70% of the average grid premium received. Last year, more than 85% of the cattle marketed through USPB graded Choice or Prime.

This is good news for consumers as they continue to enjoy high-quality beef. According to Terrain Chief Research and Analytics Officer Don Close, beef

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62 blk@924# \$247.00

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demand is solid. In fact, he said it currently is "head and shoulders" above other proteins. Strong demand plus tight supplies will keep the market bullish for the foreseeable future, Close predicts. He estimates by the end of the year, prices will be around \$300 to \$325/ cwt. for calves, \$250 to \$255/cwt. for feeder cattle and \$190 to \$200/cwt. for fed cattle.

These lower supply numbers are due to lingering drought concerns in many cattle producing states. Kansas alone still has more than 80% of the state at some level of drought. Grasses need to recover and hay stocks need to be replenished. K-State Range Scientist Keith Harmoney told field day attendees that stocking rate can have the greatest impact on pasture recovery after drought. He said heavy utilization before a drought will cause grass plants to come back even weaker and more sparse. This provides a broader opening for less desirable plants to grow and potentially take over the pasture. More coverage of this topic will appear in the October Kansas Stockman.

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17 blk red Corning 779@232.25

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Market Report - Sale Date 8-31-23. 2,438 head 300-400 lb. steers, \$290-\$325; heifers, \$281-\$315; 400-500 lb. steers, \$281-\$317; heifers, \$267-\$293.50; 500-600 lb. steers, \$269-\$299; heifers, \$250-\$270; 600-700 lb. steers, \$257.50-\$288.50; heifers, \$235-\$251; 700-800 lb. steers, \$245-\$265.75; heifers, \$232-\$248.50; 800-900 lb. steers, \$238-\$250.25; heifers, \$215-\$237.50; 900-1,000 lb. steers, \$221-\$246. Trend on Calves: Steady-\$6 higher. Trend on Feeder Cattle: Mostly steady on hfrs, steady-\$5 higher on strs. Butcher Cows: High dressing cows \$112-\$128; Avg. dressing cows \$95-\$110; Low dressing cows \$70-\$90. Butcher Bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls \$111.50-\$133. Trend on Cows & Bulls: Steady to slightly weaker. Some Highlights Include: **HEIFERS** 306@301.00 5 blk 8 mix 10 blk 412@285.00 30 blk 463@276.00 12 blk 31 blk 36 blk 478@293.50 12 mix 540@270.00 30 blk 88 blk 23 blk 598@252.50 56 mix 24 blk 667@248.75 124 mix 10 blk 704@248.50 118 blk 768@237.50 39 blk 120 blk 130 blk 814@229.75 93 char 11 blk 820@237.50 111 blk **STEERS** 54 mix 305@325.00 **Next Sale: Thursday, September 7, 11 AM** 65 black/bwf steers & heifers, home raised, weaned, 700-800lbs 1 load mostly black heifers, 700-750lbs 70 blk/bwf/char-x, steers & heifers, HR, LTW, 650-750lbs 200 mostly black steers & heifers, HR, LTW, 750-900lbs • 140 mostly black steers & heifers, HR, LTW, 750-900lbs GO TO OUR WEBSITE FOR DAILY CONSIGNMENT UPDATES

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to manage winter-feeding areas and external parasites, ahead of the fly cycle. weed control is to apply May 2023. While commisthe time

By Elizabeth Cronin, North **Dakota State University**

Whether farms have cattle, horses, sheep or goats, summer management of the winter-feeding area is important.

"Most of the management in vour winter-feeding area begins with manure," says Mary Keena, North Dakota State University (NDSU) Extension livestock environmental management specialist. "That is true whether your winter-feeding area is corrals or a specific area of a field that you now feed

While summer tasks and activities often take

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY

Mostly Sunny High: 89 Low: 63

THURSDAY

Mostly Sunny High: 88 Low: 64

FRIDAY

High: 89 Low: 62

SATURDAY

Mostly Sunny High: 90 Low: 65

SUNDAY

High: 92 Low: 66

MONDAY

Mostly Cloudy High: 93 Low: 68

TUESDAY

High: 91 Low: 64

Local UV Index

0-2 3 4 5 6 7 9 10 11+

0-2: Law, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposur

Grass & Grain Weather Report

precedence this time of year, Keena urges ranchers to look back on what went wrong last winter and take note of what needs maintenance this summer.

"An easy place to start is pushing up manure in the winter-feeding areas," says Keena. "Making stockpiles of manure allows the pen or field surface to dry. It also allows the manure to start heating, reducing total volume and, in turn, reducing total loads hauled when removed."

Composting livestock manure will increase the volume reduction compared to stockpiling, as well as reduce internal

In-Depth Local Forecast

of 89°, humidity of 46%. East wind 13

mph. The record high for today is 101° se in 1998. Expect mostly clear skies tonigh

Last Week's Almanac

89/58

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88/63

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Weather History

two others suffered injury, as three couples atte cross Mills Stone Creek at Echols Mill in their auto

with a slight chance of showers

pathogens and weed seeds. To compost manure. turn the piles every ten to 14 days while maintaining 50% moisture. Learn more about composting in the NDSU Extension publication, "Composting Animal Manures.'

When animals are still present in winter-feedings areas, fly control via manure management is also important. Flies lav their eggs in the top few inches of manure, and the eggs can hatch every seven days. By pushing the manure into a pile and turning the piles, you can compost manure and stay

Sept. 6, 2023

85/62

Wamego

Council Grove 90/64

Degree Days

Today's Local Outlook

86/62

Washington

90/66

88/62

3

Abilene

This Week's Sun & Moon Chart

7:48 p.m

7:46 p.m. 7:44 p.m.

7:43 p.m.

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Prev Day

12:37 a.m

1:31 a.m.

2:30 a.m.

Weed control

Often the nutrients from manure can help fertilize undesirable weeds in your feeding areas. If the weeds have already gotten away from you, several management strategies can help reduce weed population and spread.

"Repeated mowing reduces weeds' competitive ability, depletes carbohydrate reserves in their roots and reduces seed production," says Penny Nester, NDSU Extension agent in Bowman County. "Mowing can kill or suppress annual and biennial weeds. It also can suppress perennials and help restrict their spread."

A single mowing will not satisfactorily control most weeds. However, mowing three or four times per year for several years can greatly reduce and occasionally eliminate certain weeds. Mowing along fences and borders can help prevent the introduction of new weed seeds. Regular mowing helps prevent weeds from establishing, spreading and competing with desirable grasses and legumes.

herbicides, says Nester. It is best to apply herbicides to weeds that are still young because they will absorb the chemicals more effectively than their mature counterparts. Herbicide can also be effective in treating active-

Ideal temperatures for applying most herbicides are between 65° and 85° F. Avoid applying volatile herbicides such as 2,4-D ester. MCPA ester and dicamba during hot weather, especially near susceptible broadleaf crops, shelterbelts or farmsteads.

ly growing weeds in the

weeks following mowing.

What worked? What didn't?

Cleaning pen and field surfaces provides a great time for reflection of the past season. What worked? What didn't? What should be fixed, changed or maintained now to make the next winter-feeding season successful?

Keena and Nester offer some considerations for maintenance:

Notice and manage stress. The "winter" season started in October 2022 for some animal own-Another option for ers and lasted through

erating with family and friends will sometimes help, consider exploring NDSU Extension's "Coping with Stress" resources available online. Sometimes we need the help, and sometimes we are the help. Either way, a refresher is good practice.

How do the fences look? Are there any places that need fixing?

 Did the watering system work during the winter-feeding period? What changes or fixes can help prevent leaking or freeze-ups?

How level are pen surfaces? Are there holes to be filled? Are any areas holding water? Gravel and clay are commonly used to backfill these areas and regain proper slope and drainage in the pen.

If you are experiencing challenges in your livestock winter-feeding areas or need a list of for-hire custom manure applicators in your county, contact your county NDSU Extension agent for resources and help. Visit www.ndsu. edu/agriculture/ag-home/ directory to find their contact information.

KDWP offering new interactive mapping tool to locate fields for dove hunting

Geographic information system staff at the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks are proud to offer hunters a new tool this year designed to make locating fields managed specifically for dove easier than ever. Each year, KDWP's public land managers work diligently to provide quality wildlife habitat for public enjoyment - to include crops of sunflowers, milo and wheat stubble - that are sure to attract good numbers of

wildlife, including dove. To make locating these areas as seamless as possible, hunters should:

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Zoom in on the area they'd like to visit.

Adjust layers accordingly. (Layers allow the user to filter results, based on things such as handicap accessibility or youth-mentor fields. A table-view pop-out at the bottom of the map allows users to sort by different attributes, including wildlife area.)

Hunters PRO TIP: should note the tool's "Nearest Field Locator," which allows users to select a point on the map and then search within a distance radius of their choosing.

The 2023 Kansas dove hunting season will run September 1 through November 29, during which time hunters may take mourning, white-winged, Eurasian collared, and ringed turtle doves. After the season closes, only Eurasian collared and ringed turtle doves may be harvested.

Hunters may keep a daily bag limit of up to 15 doves total, which can be mourning and white-winged doves in any combination; There is no limit on Eurasian collared or ringed turtle doves, but any taken in addition to the mourning and white-winged dove daily bag limit must have a fully-feathered wing attached for identification while in transport. The possession limit for dove

is 45. Lastly, hunters should keep in mind that migratory doves may only be taken while in flight.

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1 sim cow

2 red cows

1 red cow

1 blk cow

Tuesdays

We sold 1871 cattle August 29. There was good 2 blk hfrs demand for steer and heifer calves at steady prices. Feeder steers and heifers sold \$5.00-8.00 higher.

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