

Central VCE Ag

2018 VA - NC Wool



Producers in VA and NC interested in marketing their wool through local wool pools will have the opportunity to do so through Mid-States Wool Growers Cooperative Association based in Canal Winchester, Ohio. Producers are encouraged to package, their wool by type and grade (ewe vs. lamb, long staple vs. short, fine vs. medium) in plastic bags, and be clean, dry, and have foreign material (straw, mud, manure) removed prior to packaging. Following is a list of local pool delivery dates and locations for wool pick up:

Date & Time	Location
July 10- 2:30 to 3:30 PM	Ag Center, Albemarle, NC
July 11- 8:00 to 10:00 AM	WNC Regional Livestock Center, Asheville, NC
July 11- 2:00 to 4:00 PM	Alleghany Fairgrounds, Sparta, NC
July 12- 8:00 to 10:00 AM	Farmers Milling, Wytheville, VA
July 12- 1:00 to 4:00 PM	Southern States, Christiansburg, VA
July 19- 8:00 AM	Farm Bureau, Tazewell, VA
July 19- 1:00 PM	Pride Arrington Farm, Glade Spring, VA
July 20- 7:00 AM to 12:00 noon	Government Building, Verona, VA
July 26- 1:30 to 3:30 PM	Clarke Co. Fairgrounds, Berryville, VA
July 27- 8:00 to 10:30 AM	Deep Root Home Garden, Orange, VA

[2018 Virginia/NC Wool Prices](#)

July 2018

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Area Red Imported Fire Ant Information Meeting

In Conjunction with the Virginia Cooperative Extension and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

"Information on How to Identify, learn to live with, and control Red Imported Fire Ants"

When: Tuesday, July 17, 2018

Where: South Brunswick Hunt Club
782 Matthews Chapel Road
Lawrenceville, VA 23868

Time: 2:00 pm to 5:15 pm

Cost: FREE



RSVP by July 10, 2018 to the Brunswick County Extension Office at 434-848-2151

* Light refreshments and water will be provided *

This Program is open to all Brunswick, Greensville/Emporia, and Mecklenburg County homeowners, agriculture producers, businesses, and anyone else interested in learning more about RIFA

Topics will include: How to identify Red Imported Fire Ants (RIFA), Control Methods, some Pointers on How to Learn to Co-exist with RIFA, and More

FLYERS CAN ALWAYS BE FOUND ONLINE AT:

[HTTPS://
DRIVE.GOOGLE.
COM/OPEN?
ID=0B7GNS3MLN
4JVMTRIVS1ZUH
DQBHC](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B7GNS3MLN4JVMTRIVS1ZUH_DQBHC)

Summer Pasture Walk



July 19, 2018

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Lund Angus Farm
Dick and Mary Lund's Farm
1107 Narrow Passage Road,
Spout Spring, VA 24593

All farmers and landowners are invited to attend and learn how Dick and Mary Lund have successfully developed a forage based beef production system to provide grass fed and finished Black Angus beef to their clients in the region.

Specific topics include:

- Overview of the forage and livestock production system
 - using conservation in the grazing system development
 - balancing farm work with quality of life
- How soil fertility and recordkeeping made a substantial difference
- Managing for shade in a rotational grazing system
- Practical tools that make managed grazing easy
- Using alternative forages to meet seasonal livestock needs
 - summer and winter annual forages
 - transitioning to novel endophyte fescue
- Forage identification and weed management
- Conservation program update from USDA-NRCS and the local SWCD

Register today for \$10 at www.vaforges.org or complete the form on the sheet and return with your payment before the deadline July 12, 2018.

Featured Speakers:

Dr. John Fike, Va Tech Forage Extension Specialist
Dr. Gabe Pent, Va Tech Ruminant Livestock System Specialist
JB Daniel, USDA-NRCS Grassland Agronomist

Industrial Hemp Open Forum

JULY 9, 2018

6-8 pm

THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER
AT LANCER PARK

Join us in a discussion of:

FREE TO THE
PUBLIC

LAWS AND REGULATIONS
FARMER'S PERSPECTIVE
USES

REFRESHMENTS
PROVIDED

Question and Answer Session



Program Registration Includes a lite Dinner

REGISTRATION DEADLINE RECEIVED BY: July 12, 2018

Register now for \$10 per attendee payable to VFGC.

Name _____
Name _____
Name _____
Address _____
Daytime Phone _____
Email _____

Registration Deadlines and Fees:
Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

For questions or more information, contact:
JB Daniel at 434-392-4171 x115, j.b.daniel@va.usda.gov

Please make check payable to **"VFGC"**
Mail **Check** AND **Completed Registration Form** to:
Summer Pasture Walk
Attention: Margaret Kenny
3599 Indian Oak Road
Crewe, VA 23930

Natural Resources

Family Forestland Short Course: Focusing on Land Transfer to Generation "NEXT"

Are you concerned about passing your family land to your heirs?

You probably value your land for many reasons, including wildlife, privacy, recreation, timber, hunting, beauty, and family memories. Are you prepared to pass these values to the next generation without breaking up ownership of the land? To successfully transfer your land and your values, planning is necessary. The cost of inadequate planning can be high, as future tax burdens may put the ownership of your land in jeopardy. If you don't plan for the future of your family land, the government will plan for you.

Researching and choosing what you want ahead of time can help you ensure that your wishes are met and can minimize the cost of professional advisors. To help you with this process, we are offering a hands-on workshop with free legal guidance from professionals experienced in intergenerational land transfer and landowners sharing their estate planning steps & strategies. **This workshop is suitable for owners of both forest AND farmland.**

Land may be your biggest asset. Learn how to protect it and your family's values.

Speakers include legal and financial experts experienced in estate planning as well as natural resource professionals who work with landowners to conserve land and plan the future.

Dates and Times: Thursday July 19, 12:30 – 5:30 and Friday July 20, 9 – 4:00
Location: SW Virginia Higher Education Center, 1 Partnership Circle, Abingdon

\$70 for up to two people from the same family
\$35 for each additional family member
Registration fees include lunches both days and breakfast on Friday, as well as a copy of the award winning *Ties to the Land: Your Family Forest Heritage*.



Family Forestland Short-course: Focusing on Land Transfer to Generation "NEXT"

Are you concerned about passing your family land to your heirs?
Do you know your options to pass on your family woodlands or farm?
Do you know where to start?

INTact - IN Forest - IN Family ownership

You value your forest and/or farmland for multiple reasons. Are you prepared to pass the environmental and heirloom values rooted in your forest to the next generation? Without breaking it up?

The cost of not planning is "priceless" and future tax burdens may put your land's ownership in jeopardy. If you don't plan, the State will plan for you. By researching and choosing what you want ahead of time, you can ensure your wishes are met and minimize the cost of professional advisors! Please join us for a hands-on workshop with free legal guidance from professionals experienced in intergenerational land transfer and landowner testimonials of estate planning steps & strategies they have used.

Land may be your biggest asset. Make sure your actions support the family's values.

Speakers include legal and financial experts experienced in estate planning as well as natural resource professionals who work with landowners to

Date & Time: Two-part workshop (attend both) –
July 27 (5:30pm – 8:30pm) and July 28 (8:30am – 3:30pm)

Location: Liberty University Mountain Conference Center, 3700 Candler's Mountain Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Buy one get one free...
\$50 for up to two people from the same family
\$25 for each additional family member

Dinner Friday night, light breakfast and Saturday lunch included. Also, a copy of the award winning "Ties to the Land: Your Family Forest Heritage" is included in the registration fee. For more information, contact the Jason Fisher at 434-476-2147 x3389 or jasonf@vt.edu

More information and online application at: www.ext.vt.edu/generationnext-va

Generation NEXT Mini-workshops

Focusing on Families and their Woods

Are you concerned about passing your family land to your heirs?
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Do you know where to start?



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4 dates, 4 locations

July 24, 2018 – Alberta 1 – 5:00	August 2, 2018 – Halifax 2:30 – 7:00
August 9, 2018 – Farmville 1 – 5:00	August 21, 2018 – Surry 1 – 5:00

\$10/person (+\$5 for each additional family member) includes materials & refreshments

For more information, contact Jennifer Gagnon at (540) 231-6391 or jgagnon@vt.edu

Online registration at: www.ext.vt.edu/generationnext-va Mail-in registration reverse side

Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

Summer 2018

Volume 32 No. 3

Featured Events

Preparing for Generation NEXT 2- Day Workshops

- July 19-20, Abingdon
- July 27-28, Lynchburg
- Apply on-line
- Apply by mail
 - Abingdon
 - Lynchburg

Preparing for Generation NEXT Mini-Workshops

- July 24, Brunswick County
- Aug. 2, Halifax County
- Aug. 9, Prince Edward County
- Aug. 21, Surry County
- Register on-line
- Register by mail

Tree Farm Dinners

- July 24, Freeman
- Aug. 23, Critz

Good morning Forest e-Update Subscribers,

I know summer is here because I have been eating blueberries by the bucketful for a couple of weeks now! So, even though I hate the heat, the unlimited blueberries make it tolerable.

Earlier this month, I shared a Facebook post about giant hogweed being found in Virginia. This, along with similar posts by partner organizations, spread rapidly, perhaps creating a bit of a panic and even more confusion. At this time, the only official report is from Clarke County where about 30 planted individuals were positively identified. Virginia Cooperative Extension and our partners are still trying to sort through all of the other information. So stay calm and stay tuned. Once we have verifiable information, I'll share that in this newsletter.

In the summer edition of the *Virginia Forest Landowner Update*, we have articles on good critters (birds) and not so good critters (ticks). We also have many educational programs scheduled. Please join us for all that interest you!

In this issue:

- **Forest Management Practices for Birds**
By Ellen R. Powell, Virginia Department of Forestry

Forest landowners often have a financial need to

Check out the Virginia Forest Landowner Update here: https://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu/content/dam/forestupdate_frec_vt_edu/newsletter/archives/2018/July.pdf

MORE PROGRAMS FROM VSU

2018 FISH SCHOOL

Local Sustainable Aquaculture Production

Fish School

JULY 9 & 10

BEGINNING AT 8AM DAILY

VSU Randolph Farm

4415 River Road • Petersburg, VA

\$25 per person, lunch included. Payable by cash or check to "Virginia State University" upon arrival.



High Tunnel Management, Maintenance & Production

HIGH TUNNEL MANAGEMENT, MAINTENANCE & PRODUCTION

JULY 11, 2018

6PM - 8PM

Virginia State University

Randolph Farm

4415 River Road • Petersburg, VA



2018 Marketing Workshop Series

Exploring Cut Flower Sales

EXPLORING CUT FLOWER SALES

JULY 17, 2018

1PM - 3PM

Vogue Flowers & Flora Max

1114 N. Boulevard • Richmond, VA

SPACE IS LIMITED.



Southside Sustainable Ag Bus Tour

SOUTHSIDE SUSTAINABLE AG BUS TOUR

JULY 17, 2018

9AM - 5PM

Depart from Southside Produce Auction
137 Vincent Store Road • Charlotte CH, VA

FARM STOPS TO BE DETERMINED.

Join us for a one-day bus tour of Southside area farms. Get a close look at farm operations and talk with farm owners and ag agents about of planting, growing and harvesting techniques, successful marketing strategies, and other production methods that farmers are using in Virginia's Southside.

Introduction to QuickBooks®



INTRODUCTION TO QUICKBOOKS

JULY 12, 2018

9AM - 12PM

Virginia State University

Singleton Hall, Room 304

[VISITOR INFORMATION AT THIS LINK](#)

2018 Virginia Ag Expo

2018 Virginia Ag Expo Comes to Cloverfield Farm in Essex County

The Virginia Ag Expo is the largest agricultural field day held in the Commonwealth of Virginia. As an educational, marketing and social event farmers and agribusiness look forward to the Virginia Ag Expo each year. This year the AG EXPO will be held in Essex County on August 2nd. The location, Cloverfield Farm, owned and operated by The Hundley Family. Cloverfield Farm is a large diversified farming operation producing over 7,500 acres of crops a year; consisting of corn, soybeans and small grains; along with a herd of beef cattle.

The field tour will have the Virginia on farm corn and soybean variety test. **More details on the field tour coming soon - following small grain harvest**

Breakfast and lunch will be provided by Virginia food vendors. Attendees will be able to eat any time from 6:30 AM to 2:00 PM.

Over 150 exhibitors and sponsors will have on display all of the most up to date equipment, goods and services for agricultural producers and property owners no matter how large or small. Field tours will also be presented by many of Virginia's top agricultural researchers and Cooperative Extension Agents

Cloverfield Farm
694 Cloverfield Lane
Champlain, VA 22438

Virginia Ag Expo

Thursday, August 2, 2018
Event Opens at 7:30am
Field Plot Tours Start at 8am

**The Hundley Family's
Cloverfield Farm**
694 Cloverfield Lane
Champlain, VA 22438

VT CALS Alumni—come early for the social and program!



CALS ALUMNI ORGANIZATION SUMMER SOCIAL AND PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018, 6:00PM - 9:00PM
JAMES RIVER EQUIPMENT, TAPPAHANNOCK, VA

Wednesday, August 1

6 – 9 p.m.

James River Equipment
Tappahannock, VA

Catered by Berry's Catering

CALS ALUMNI ORGANIZATION

Summer Social and Program

All Virginia Tech alumni and friends welcome!

FEATURED SPEAKER

Sean O'Keefe

Professor of Food Science and Technology

"Fermentation Science at Virginia Tech"

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
BY JULY 27

Virginia Ag Expo
Cloverfield Farm, Essex County



AUG 2 The Young Farmers Summer Expo
Public · Hosted by VAFB Young Farmers

✓ Going ▾

➦ Share ▾ ⋮

🕒 August 2 – August 4
Aug 2 at 8 AM to Aug 4 at 4 PM

📍 Tappahannock & Richmond

Show Map

🎟 Tickets
www.youngfarmersexpo.org

Find Tickets

This year, the Farm Bureau Young Farmer's Summer Expo will be held following the Virginia Ag Expo to allow young agriculturalists across the state the chance to enjoy a long weekend of Virginia Agriculture in eastern Virginia. Registration should soon be open for the Young Farmer's Summer Expo, so stay tuned! Until then, follow the event on

Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/226375524788180/>

Upcoming Field Days



JULY 26, 2018
9AM - 3PM

VSU Randolph Farm
4415 River Road • Petersburg, VA

The 2018 Industrial Hemp Field Day will provide a forum for potential growers, researchers, marketing experts and industrial hemp product users to discuss the future of the crop in Virginia and neighboring states. Learn about the variety of products from industrial hemp, the challenges and opportunities for cultivating this crop, and an update on the legislation governing industrial hemp production in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

\$10 PER PERSON, includes continental breakfast and boxed lunch.

[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Space is limited and confirmed by receipt of payment.

For more information, contact the Agricultural Research Station at (804) 524-5151.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact the Agricultural Research Station office manager, Laverne Morris at lmorris@vsu.edu or call (804) 524-5151 / TDD (800) 828-1120 during business hours of 8 am. and 5 p.m. to discuss accommodations five days prior to the event.

Posted in Ag Research Station, Small Farm Program

2018 Annual Tobacco Research and Extension Field Day

Virginia Tech
Southern Piedmont Agricultural Research & Extension Center
2375 Darvills Road, Blackstone, VA

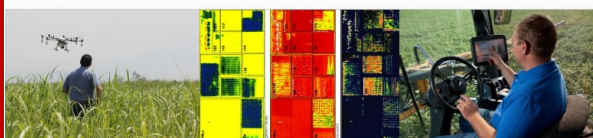
July 26, 2018

- ⇒ Registration begins at 5:00 p.m.
- ⇒ Dinner: 5:30 p.m.
- ⇒ Field research tour to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Field Tour Topics

- Flue, burley, and dark-fired tobacco variety evaluations
- Black shank fungicide and resistance trials
- Tobacco nematode control
- Tobacco leaf spot fungicide evaluation
- Agronomic management studies including comparison of harvest management practices, de-lugging treatments, transplant starter fertilizers and growth promoters, foliar fertilizers, and sidedress fertilizer sources
- Drip irrigation and tobacco fertigation
- Use of UAS or an Ag drone in tobacco research and production
- Tobacco sucker control and MH residue management
- Organic tobacco fertilization
- Insect pest management
- Tobacco curing efficiency research

Please RSVP by emailing
makenny@vt.edu or
call 434-292-5331
Margaret Kenny



Precision Ag Day

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Virginia Public Safety Training Center:

7093 Broad Neck Rd, Hanover, VA 23069

Time: 9am- 3pm

\$10 Registration

Check Payable to **Treasurer, Virginia Tech**

Please mail check to:
13015 Taylor Complex Lane
Ashland, VA 23005

Lunch Included

Must pre-register by Wednesday, August 8th

Registration form can be found at www.hanover.ext.vt.edu

For more info: email: lmaxe@nav@vt.edu or phone: 804-752-4310

Topics: Climate field view Technology, Planter and sprayer technology, Drones, and precision Ag mapping based on yields and soil samples.

Family & Farm Day

September 8, 2018

9AM - 2PM

Rain or Shine

Virginia Tech Southern Piedmont Center near Blackstone

Cost - Free



Location: 2.5 miles from Blackstone on 40 East one half mile past Ft. Pickett's main gate, on the left



Come and join us in a day of fun hands-on activities to learn about Virginia agriculture and natural resources!



Visit... *Alpacas, Chicks, Cattle, Goats, Horses, Snakes and more!*



Food and beverages will be available for purchase



Activities... *Backyard Bass, Butter Making, Seed Art, Bird Feeders, Corn Maze*



Learn about ... *Wind Energy, Aquaculture, Soil Conservation, Bees, Local Honey, Fruit and Veggies*

Later This Year

2018 Virginia Pesticide Collection Program

COLLECTION TIMES: 9 A.M.—1 P.M.

Sept. 17 **Burkeville Southern States**
105 N. Agnew St.
Burkeville, VA 23922

Sept. 18 **Martinsville Southern States**
3200 Virginia Ave.
Collinsville, VA 24078

Sept. 19 **Farmville Southern States**
182 Smi Way
Farmville, VA 23901

Sept. 20 **Lynchburg Livestock Market**
243 Livestock Rd.
Rustburg, VA 24588

Sept. 24 **Meherrin Ag & Chemical**
1409 Vincent Store Rd.
Charlotte Courthouse, VA

Sept. 25 **Crop Production Service**
501 W. Danville St.
South Hill, VA 23970

Sept. 26 **Ag Development Center**
1001 Farm Way La.
Scottsburg, VA 24589

Sept. 27 **Chatham Southern States**
968 Halifax Rd.
Chatham, VA 24531

Choose the location most convenient for you

ASSISTANCE WITH DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED AND OUTDATED PESTICIDES



This program is for the disposal of unwanted and outdated pesticides currently stored by agricultural producers, licensed pesticide businesses, certified applicators, golf courses and homeowners.

ACCEPTABLE

- Agricultural pesticides
- Commercial pesticides
- Homeowner pesticides
- Weed and Feed
- Pesticide dilutions

NOT ACCEPTABLE

- Medical waste
- Radioactive waste
- Ammunition
- Tires
- Biological waste
- Contaminated waste
- Paint
- Oil
- Fertilizer
- Batteries

CONTACT VDACS FOR:

- Clarification on acceptable products for disposal
- Instructions on handling unknown pesticides of 50 pounds solid or 5 gallon liquid in one container
- Instructions on handling unknown containers that cannot be moved safely

Office of Pesticide Services
102 Governor St., Richmond, VA 23219 • 804.371.6561
<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/pesticide-collection.shtml>

Tri-State Beef Conference

August 9, 2018
Ron Ramsey Regional Ag Center
Blountville, TN

A conference for both cow-calf producers and stocker operators



Presented by:

UT EXTENSION
INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
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Virginia Cooperative Extension

Payment Information:
Enclose a check payable to:
Abingdon Feeder Cattle Association

Registration Fee
\$20 — Before July 27
\$23 — After July 27

Mail to:
Tri-State Beef Conference
c/o Phil Blevins
Abingdon Feeder Cattle Association
234 W. Valley Street, Suite B

NATIONAL GINGER & TURMERIC CONFERENCE



OCTOBER 17 - 19, 2018
RICHMOND, VA

The conference will showcase the latest science and technology related to production, product development and health benefits. It will also feature information on effective marketing strategies.

This conference will bring together farmers, horticulture and health researchers, and industry experts to cultivate ideas and share new information. The 3-day meeting will consist of technical sessions, abstract presentations, keynote speakers and a "Ginger and Turmeric 101 Workshop" giving participants the latest scientific information and practical knowledge.

CURRENTLY ACCEPTING ABSTRACTS THROUGH JUNE 15, 2018.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CONFERENCE](#)

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

About Us

THIS NEWSLETTER

This agriculture newsletter is created by Virginia Cooperative Extension—Central District Extension Agents as part of our outreach and public efforts. If you have questions, comments, or information for the newsletter, please contact Lindy Fimon via email at tucker07@vt.edu or via cell at (434) 321-2009.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

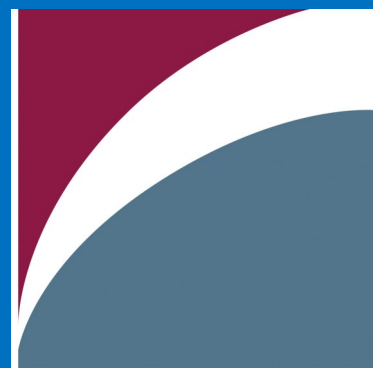
Want to know more about local farms? Follow the **Ag Spotlight** blog to learn about farms and ag in south central Virginia! <http://blogs.ext.vt.edu/central-virginia-ag-spotlight/>.



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Many offices also have Twitter or Instagram accounts to keep you up to date. Please contact your local office to get on mail or email lists.



Virginia Cooperative Extension

Virginia Tech
Virginia State University

VIRGINIA TECH & VIRGINIA STATE

VSU College of Agriculture offers many educational programs, workshops, and field days. To find out more, visit: <https://www.ext.vsu.edu/calendar/> or follow the **VSU College of Agriculture Facebook page** and check out their **Events** section: <https://www.facebook.com/VsuCollegeOfAgriculture/>.

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