Agricultural Review returns to 12 issues a year

The Agricultural Review is returning to a monthly publication, meaning subscribers will once again receive 12 issues of the newspaper every year. For a number of years and because of budgetary reasons, we have printed a combined November and December issue of the paper.

Because of this change, advertisers will need to be aware of new deadlines for the November and December issues. The deadline for submitting ads for the November issue is Oct. 1, while the deadline for the December issue will be Nov. 3.

You can also find reminders about upcoming deadlines on page 4 at the beginning of the ads.

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EDITOR’S NOTE:

We wanted to correct a mistake in the August issue of the newspaper.

The Richmond County Agricultural Fair will be held Oct. 7-11 in Hamlet.

The event is held by the Hamlet Lion’s Club.

Mountain State Fair fun slated Sept. 5-14

The N.C. Mountain State Fair returns to the Western N.C. Ag Center in Fletcher Sept. 5-14 with fun activities for the whole family. Fairgoers will find many of their favorite tried-and-true fair traditions along with several new grounds entertainers. Fairgoers will need to look up to see two of the new acts at the Mountain State Fair – Stilt Puppets and K9s in Flight. The Stilt Puppets are brightly colored, intricately designed animals and mythical creatures moving and dancing through the crowd. The performers make the animal puppets move independently, while balancing the puppets and themselves on stilts.

(See Mountain Fair, pg. 3)

New fees set for NC Forest Service woodland plans

Budget approved by General Assembly mandated change

The state budget approved by the state General Assembly directed the N.C. Forest Service to start charging for woodland plans, which are commonly referred to as forest management plans. The budget bill allowed the N.C. Board of Agriculture to review and approve the fees, which it did in August.

With the budget and fee schedule in place, the N.C. Forest Service is once again preparing woodland plans. The agency had put a moratorium in place to allow time for the fee system to be developed and for training of agency staff to occur.

“The North Carolina Forest Service has been helping protect, manage and promote North Carolina’s forests for nearly 100 years,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “They have a lot of experience assisting woodland owners with valuable and tax-saving management advice. I believe the Board of Agriculture approved reasonable fees that will allow the N.C. Forest Service to continue delivering the professional services its customers have come to expect.”

Landowners who have requested a woodland plan can expect to be contacted by N.C. Forest Service staff to discuss their objectives and how the agency can be of assistance. This will likely include a discussion about the types of woodland plans, their benefits and the related fee.

Woodland plans will have a base charge of $45. In addition to that base charge, there will be a fee of $3 per acre for forest management plans and forest stewardship plans, both of which are comprehensive plans. Practice (See Woodland plan fee, pg. 8)

From the tractor

by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

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North Carolina sees first cases of EEE in horses

Three horses were confirmed as having died after contracting Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis within the past few weeks. EEE is a mosquito-borne disease that is preventable by equine vaccination.

The unvaccinated horses, an 18-month-old Paint from Carteret County, an 11-year-old Quarter horse from Bladen County, and a 21-year-old Quarter horse from New Hanover County, exhibited signs of generalized weakness, stumbling, depression and inability to stand or eat. The Carteret County horse was euthanized July 21, and the Bladen County horse died Aug. 2. The New Hanover County horse was euthanized on Aug. 5.

The New Hanover County horse was reported to have been bitten by an infected mosquito, whereas the Bladen County horse was confirmed by a mosquito carrying the disease. The state recorded 15 EEE cases in horses in 2013. In 2014, the state has reported two cases of EEE in horses.

"If your horses exhibit any symptoms of EEE, contact your veterinarian immediately," said State Veterinarian David Marshall. "Several serious contagious diseases, such as West Nile virus, equine herpesvirus and rabies, have similar symptoms and should be ruled out."

EEE causes inflammation or swelling of the brain and spinal cord and is usually fatal. Symptoms include impaired vision, aimless wandering, head pressing, circling, inability to swallow, irregular staggering gait, paralysis, convulsions and death. Once a horse has been bitten by an infected mosquito, it may take up to 10 days for signs of the disease to appear.

Marshall recommends that equine owners talk to their veterinarians about an effective vaccination protocol to protect horses from EEE and another mosquito-borne disease, West Nile virus. The vaccinations initially require two shots, 30 days apart, for horses, mules and donkeys that have no prior vaccination history. Marshall recommends a booster shot every six months.

"Mosquitoes can breed in any puddle that lasts for more than four days, so removing any source of standing water can reduce the chance of exposing animals to WNV or EEE," Keeping horses in stalls at night, using insect screens and fans and turning off lights after dusk can also help reduce exposure to mosquitoes. Insect repellants can be effective if used according to manufacturers' instructions. People, horses and birds can be protected from WNV by a mosquito carrying the disease, but there is no evidence that horses can transmit the virus to other horses, birds or people through direct contact.

Horse Events

Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. Horse Complex, State Fairgrounds, Raleigh 919.733.4845

Sept. 1-Sept. 4  NCDCD Spring Dressage Show. Contact Martie Healy, 336-783-0083.
Oct. 31-Nov.2 NCHA “C” Indoors. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.
Western N.C. Agricultural Center, Fletcher 828-672-8144

Sept. 20 ............. WDNR, University Hospital. Contact Denise Blankenship, 828-254-8681.
Sept. 20-21....... EHA Hunter Horse Show. Contact Wendy Willson, 252-916-3685.
Oct. 18 & 19 ... Festive Fall Indoor Hunter Horse Show. Contact Marlo King, 252-268-4144.
Oct. 31-Nov. 2 The Carolina Fall Classic & AHA Futurity. Contact Mike Hancock, 252-937-2800, ext. 1264.
Nov. 7 & 8 .... Stamped on the Park Rodeo. Contact Robert Bonner, 252-789-0295.
Nov. 21-25 .... NBHA Coastal Region Super Show. Contact Diane Roper, 904-896-9472.
Nov. 20-30 .... Color on the Court Cardinal Classic Paint Horse Show. Contact Grant Williams, 704-241-5591.
Southeastern N.C. Agricultural Events Center, Lumberton 910.618.5899


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The N.C. Simmental Association Fall Harvest Sale will be held Sept. 6 at noon at the Shufie Farm Facility in Union Grove. Sale will include bulls, cows, pairs and heifers. For information, contact Jennie Rucker at 336-668-1679 or email at ncsusa@ Yadex.net. The sale catalog is available online at www.ncsusimmental.com.

The 73rd Annual N.C. Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival and the Annual Gourd Festival 2nd World Show will be held Sept. 6 & 7 at the Holthouser Building, State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The event features vendors from around the world, special gourd workshops, competitions and vendors selling dried gourds, gourd crafts, gourd art, books and crafting supplies. There is a live auction on Saturday at noon and also a free gourd crafting table for kids. Details about the festival, the competitions and workshops information on how to enter the competitions can be found at www.nccougdirectory.org/festival. Admission is $2 for adults, and free for children under 16. Scholarships for students and N.C. Gourd Society members; For more contact, Kate Mahoney, festival chair, at tolecat@nc.rr.com or 910-639-4577.

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Two Johnston County horse show series, one an open class and the second a hunter class, have been announced. The hunter show dates are Sept. 6 and Nov. 8. Following are open show horse dates: Sept. 20, Oct. 25 and Nov. 22. Events are held at the Johnston County Livestock Arena in Smithfield. For more, go to www.blaine-mcclaughin-stables.com or call Michele McLaughlin at 919-934-1344.

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As a way to help farmers and agricultural workers stay safe at work, the N.C. Department of Labor offers safety videos on a variety of topics through its YouTube channel. The videos include: preventing green tobacco sickness, hazard communication, tobacco harvest safety, heat stress, migrant housing requirements, forklift safety, and information about the NCDOL’s Gold Star Growers program. For more information, contact the NCDOL’s Gold Star Growers program. The videos are in English and Spanish to increase understanding of safety hazards and preventing accidents. To learn more about the NCDOL and the Agricultural Safety and Health (ASH) Unit, go to www.nclabor.com or call 1-800-N.C.-LABOR (800-625- 2267). NCDOL is also on Facebook and Twitter (@NCDOL). ***
NCDA&CS to host food tasting event for NC food entrepreneurs

Deadline to register is Sept. 9

The Taste of Something Good event, aimed at helping individuals or businesses that have been selling a food product for at least 12 months, will take place in Charlotte and Burlington to offer October.

The cost of the event is $20, which covers lunch and handout materials. Space is limited to the first 16 people registered, and all food products must be branded and processed under all applicable regulations.

The events are sponsored by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

The Charlotte workshop will be held Thursday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Charlotte/Mecklenburg Cooperative Extension office. The Burlington workshop will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Alamance County Cooperative Extension office.

“These workshops will offer a new opportunity for food processors to learn ways to market their products,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “Consumers are very interested in buying local, and through workshops like these we hope to support more entrepreneurs who want to build their food product businesses.”

Workshop attendees can expect to share their food products with other food producers and receive feedback in the areas of appearance, odor, taste, texture, packaging, branding and overall perception. An afternoon session will discuss ways to get more customers and communicate your brand more effectively. This session will also include recommendations on increasing brand awareness and how to improve profitability.

Registration runs through Sept. 9. A registration form is available at www.ncagrr.org/markets/agribiz. A completed marketing plan must be submitted with your registration and payment. For more information contact Annette Dunlap, NCDA&CS food business specialist, at 919-707-3117 or ncagrr@ncsu.edu.

Organizers offer several special promotions and count days during the fair. On Friday, Sept. 5, students K-12 get in for free until 6 p.m. Later, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m., admission and unlimited rides are $20. On Monday, Sept. 8, and Tuesday, Sept. 9, rideholders can ride all day for $20.

Tickets are $8 for adults, $4 for kids 6 to 12 years old and seniors 65 and older. Later, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., admission and unlimited rides are $20.

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• N.C. State Fairgrounds, Thursday Road, Raleigh (sales will also be open Sept. 20 & 27)
• N.C. Museum of History, Downtown Raleigh, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
• State Farmers Market, 1201 Agriculture St., Raleigh, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
• Triangle Town Center, Raleigh, check for times
• Holly Hill Mall, Burlington, check for times
• Lynn’s Hallmark Shop, Eastgate Shopping Center, Chapel Hill; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., M-S; noon to 6 p.m. Sundays
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Keep up with the latest on the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services through the department’s “My NC State Fair” blog at www.ncagrr.org/blog.

Classified Ads

SUBMITTING ADS: Ads are free to NC residents & can be submitted by mail to 1001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1001; online at www.agreview.org; or by fax to 919-733-5047. Ads must include name, address including zip code, phone number including area code, and price or price range. Every item is sold. Deadline for each issue is midnight on the first working day of the month prior to publication.
FARM EQUIPMENT
Hay wrapper: 3 pt. hitch, round-bale, about, shed, 6 ft., 3000 lb., no motor, runs well, $1200. Sam Owens, Cotswold 704-856-2371.


Hay bale: 2: $300 each, 4; $250 each. Winkler, Hillsboro 704-682-4232.


Hay gear: 10 ft. 3000 lb., $100 each. Rasa, Albemarle 704-538-9307.


Hay tedder: 10 ft. 3000 lb., $100 each. Rasa, Albemarle 704-538-9307.


Hedge trimmer: 10 ft., electric, GC. R.J. Davis, Newton 704-249-9109.


Hose: 1 in., 2 in., 3 in., 4 in. x 50 ft., new, all GC. Chris Faust, McLeansville 336-392-2564.

Hot plates: 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 in., $100 each. B. Ross, Reidsville 336-421-9833.

HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT


Imperial, 8 row, 30 ft., all GC. B. Ross, Reidsville 336-421-9833.


JD 480: 1987, rense, corv. to 12 ft., GC, Woods mower, rotow roller, disc, box, hay rake, 2 row, 12 ft., bottom plow, dump cart, carry-all, boom, brilliant condition same year, $6000. Sacramento, 916-724-0760.


JD 1000 tractor: runs good, steers, needs repair, good for repairs, 4 pt. hitch, $800. William Hunt, Jasper 310-916-7289.


JD 450 cultivator: 4000, hrs. 3500, 15 ft. cab, a/c, $1500. Taylor-Way digging tool, 12 ft., JD 450, JD 445 tool box, $150. Steve Greene, 11 yds. 1100, 3228-7650.


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HAY & GRAIN

For Sale


Feed cows, good forage, sugarcane, straw, corn. Daniel McMasters, Ramseur 336-302-6853.

Sheep straw, bales, $4/bale. 128,500 bales at $4/bale. 801-672-4837.

Hay for sale, baled, $6/bale. Tiffanie, 570-800-4634.


Hay wanted. Eric Hutchinson, Carthage 910-862-7181.

Hay wanted. Leo Thomas, Johnston 919-933-9813.


Hay wanted. Margaret Hicks, 910-623-7587.


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FARM LAND WANTED


Land in eastern NC to lease for dog/goose hunting. Ben Gibson, Crimсastle 251-9734.


Pasture land to sell in Carteret Co., 20 ac in Canal, 20 ac near New Bern, 10 ac of similar age & size, $100-300. Gerald White, Youngsville 919-623-0883.

Feed bins w/clear roof, 12 ft, 30 ft, 60 ft, 90 ft, & 120 ft. 50, 100, 150, 200, & 260 lbs. $500, $750, $5,500; $16-18 lbs. in. $2,500; 500. L. White heifers, $200; 500. Cydex feeders & curtain machines from 2-400 ft high. Contact Mike Martin, Salisbury 704-909-6660.

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Nashville 336-244-4529.

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Seeds & Plants Wanted

Yellow Jovis corn seed. Ann "Jovis" Jowett, Wake County. $3 each or any number. Old English boxwood, any size. Bruce Baldwin, Huntsville 828-284-9386 or 675-4232.

Fields of green giants & hollows, all ages, others, to be dug, box & bale. Lowgap 336-325-4048 or 325-0269. Eastern white pine & red cedar, 

Small Animals for Sale

Heritage breed rabbits, purebred w/ 

Supplies For Sale

Irrigation system w/17500 Detroit diesel eng, Barkley model 16BEY08B83, 211514-1, 16 hp, 30 p. c. y. & cbs, 130, 88 pumps, spec, buen pipe like gun, 2, 30 gal. pipe trailers, 1, 300 ft., 2 drop down, in good cond. 336-394-7223. Portable generator 17,500w, 25,000 surge in 15 hp, man transfer switch, power inlet box, 15 gal. tank, runs nice, $200. David Freeman, Monroe Station Rd., Advance, 336-749-8010.

Roanoke barn rehab, used 2013, GC, 12 ft x 16 ft steel tobacco trailers, $3,000. Jerry Segrell, Henderson, 336-212-3736.

Plastic barrels wide & rings in, 15ca., barrels, solid & open top, 5.5 gal., 130ca., water/fruit containers 275 gal. 100ca., metal barrels, 75ca., Iron & Steel Britton, Hickory 828-327-4872.

Generator, 4000w, 8.75hp, 275a., $1,800. 350ca., new, $900. 90ca., $220. David Fox, 336-625-2313.


Steel I-beams, 15ft, 8-26 in. 1973, great for apple cider & other juice, 3000# each 2, Rogers, 336-343-2902 from frame.


Aluminum, 1,000 gal., 2x10 ft trailer, pinted, runs nice, 3000# each, $6,000. Mike Boshears, Mocksville 336-690-8889.

For Sale

Utility trailer, HD, 6x14, 1x4 ply, $3,000, 3x500, $1,000 & up. Randy Davis, Burlington 336-263-8163. 1969 GMC passenger van, 260 cu. ft. frame kerosene barn lanterns; old lanterns, available. Jeff Jiriyim, Greerha 336-786-3914.


Trucks & Trailers For Sale

Utility trailer, HD, 6x14, 1x4 ply, foamgl floor, Loyley Baldwin, Advance 336-740-2480 or 336-748-7643. 1973-79 Toyota truck parts, sheet metal, glass, doors, bumpers, etc, $200 & up. Donald Wood, Salisbury 704-425-4398 before 9 p.m.


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NCDA&CS agronomists help farmers with field issues

“Flavor, NC,” the popular local food program hosted by Lisa Prince, a marketing specialist with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, is set to air Season 4 later this month on UNC-TV.

Check UNC-TV’s website for more information or to follow Flavor, NC on Facebook to see behind-the-scenes shots and sneak-peeks of upcoming episodes.

To help viewers get excited about the start of the new season, we would revisist the last episode of Season 3 and share the Tomato Pie recipe featured in the episode, especially since tomatoes are still abundant. Enjoy the recipe, and be sure to tune into “Flavor, NC” on UNC-TV.

In this episode, Prince highlights pie recipes from PieBird in Raleigh that feature locally-sourced ingredients. In fact, they are often delivered on foot. That same year, he planned ahead and planted five acres of blueberries and an acre of asparagus, crops that take several years before they start producing.

When the economic downturn in 2009 caused him to close the nursery, Rhodes shifted his focus to growing produce for local market. By 2012, he was selling an assortment of tomatoes (San Marzano, heirloom, cherry, alapelo, habanero), squash, crowder peas, cucumbers, asparagus, garlic, cantaloupes, strawberries, blueberries, peaches and muscadine grapes.

Rhodes says crop diversity is important from a business perspective, even if that philosophy doesn’t always translate into dollars. “I’ve found that cucumbers are not an economical crop,” he said, “but we grow them to meet the customer demand at our roadside stand.”

Last year, Rhodes converted several greenhouses from his nursery so he and his wife, Shelley, could produce tomatoes year round. This was also his first year growing garlic. In the past two years, Rhodes has added milo and canola to his field crop rotation. He is already talking about wanting to try his hand at poppies. “I want to try something new. I’m afraid to try something new. I have been working with Jason for 12 to 14 years, and he is always coming up with new ideas, which is a great challenge for me,” Dillon said. “It’s exciting to hear his latest plan and then help him carry it out.”

The Field Services Section of the Agronomic Services Division has 13 regional agronomists throughout the state. They are available to visit or consult with growers who need help taking agronomic samples, advising on fertility, lime and fertilizer applications, or pointing nutrient deficiencies or toxicities, identifying nematode problems, or interpreting agronomic report.

For more information or for the name of the regional agronomist in your area, call Michelle McGinnis at 919-733-2655 or visit www.ncagr.gov/agronomi/rahome.htm.

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Tomato Pie

Butter Crust ingredients:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 pound chilled butter, cut into small pieces (lard can be substituted)
- 1/2 cup chilled shortening

Directions:

- Sift flour and salt into a medium bowl. Add butter and shortening, and cut into flour with a pastry blender or two knives until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in 4 to 5 tablespoons of ice water, until dough just holds together.
- Divide into two uneven balls: two-thirds for the bottom crust and one-third for the top. Pat each into a disk and wrap in plastic. Refrigerate for 1 hour to allow the dough to rest. Roll out on a floured surface to fit a 9-inch pie pan.

Filling ingredients:

- 6 ounces goat cheese
- 2-3 large, fresh tomatoes, sliced
- 1 small red onion, thinly sliced
- Fresh basil

Directions:

- Mix goat cheese, mayo, Gruyere, hot sauce, flour, salt and pepper to taste in a large bowl. Place one layer of red onions in unbaked pie crust. Top with one layer of sliced tomatoes and a layer of mayonnaise. Sprinkle with more Gruyere cheese. Remaining pie crust can be used to make meat lattice strips on top or decorative cutouts on the pie crust edges. (In the episode, small flower-shaped pieces were used.)

Bake 20 to 30 minutes at 350 degrees.