

# Casey County Ag News

## June 2025

### Happy Dairy Month!

We've got several field days lined up for you this summer, so if you get the chance, come out and join us! Enjoy some good food, great company, and maybe even learn something new.

The May showers sure put a kink in plans around here, but I am reminded of just how fortunate we are when I see the damage that has occurred in our neighboring counties. Remember those affected in the days ahead, they need our help.

It looks like everyone is finally getting into their full blown summer production. Whether you're planting, constructing, fertilizing, spraying, baling, fencing, weaning, breeding, or whatever you're doing it is now go time. As you go about your work stay safe, take care of yourself, drink water, and eat some ice cream (it's dairy month after all)!



Kelsey Marcum

Casey County Agriculture & Natural Resources Agent



**Martin-Gatton**  
College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment

## CASEY COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE



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Liberty, KY 42539



606-787-7384



[casey.ca.uky.edu](http://casey.ca.uky.edu)

## June Herbicide Weed Control

Pigweed	Jimsonweed
Wild Carrot	Marshelder
Cocklebur	Perilla Mint
Hemp Dogbane	Multiflora Rose
Maypop Passionflower	Pokeweed
Arrowleaf Sida	Ragweed
Bitter Sneezeweed	Tall Ironweed

Refer to AGR-207 for herbicide recommendations or call us for more information.



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# Upcoming Events

Call 606-787-7384 to register.



**Casey County Farmers Market**  
Every Thursday, 4:30-7:00pm  
Casey County Food Pantry  
Interested in becoming a vendor?  
Apply at the extension office!

## **Building a Raised Garden Bed**

June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

Casey Co. Public Library

Join us as we construct a new raised  
bed for the library!

## **Garden Bites: A Crop-Focused Gardening Series**

June 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

Casey Co. Extension Office

This month we'll be planting sweet potatoes and  
discussing all considerations for growing them.  
Participants will take home their own sweet potato slips.

## **Green River Beekeepers Meeting**

June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Casey Co. Extension Office

## **Garden Maintenance Considerations**

June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm

Casey Co. Public Library



## **Vegetable Production Twilight Tour**

July 7<sup>th</sup>

Location: host farms to be announced.

Registration at 5:30pm

Program starts at 6:00pm

A meal will be provided, please call to register.



## **Latest Safe Planting Dates:**

June 10:

sweet potatoes

June 15:

eggplant, onions (seed), parsnips, pumpkins, tomatoes

June 20:

lima beans

July 1:

celery, muskmelons, onions (plants), peppers (plants), irish potatoes,  
southern peas, watermelons, winter squash



# PASTURE WALK & FORAGE TALK

**GUEST SPEAKER: RACHEL WALKER**

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JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 PM ET

TODD FARMS

837 SALYERS CEMETARY RD

YOSEMITE, KY 42566

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**Join us for a hands-on program learning about weed control and forage management considerations to improve your pastures. Call 606-787-7384 to register.**

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# Casey County Dairy Show



## Fitting & Showmanship Contest

June 20, 2025 | Central KY Ag Expo Center

**SCHEDULE: MUST PRE-REGISTER!!**

### 11 AM - 2 PM Showmanship Clinic

- For any 4-H age youth
- Lunch provided!
- Can earn 3 credit hours!

\$100 cash  
to contest  
winner!

### 3:30 PM Fitting Contest

- Participants will use their own animal; may pre-clip head, neck, and legs
- Scored on the following:
  - Ease of handling equipment
  - Clipping technique
  - Topline hair grooming
  - Proper use of sprays
  - Finish within time

BIG  
PRIZES!!

### 5:30 PM Showmanship Contest

- Starting with Pee-Wee showmanship
- Classes: 9-11, 12-14, 14-16, 17+, and Supreme Showman
- PDCA's newest rule revisions will be emphasized
- There will be an overall Ultimate Showperson
- No showmanship contest on Saturday morning

\$100 cash  
to class  
winners!



Pre-register by sending name and age of participant(s) to Megan (mtaylor@cpfeeds.com or via text)

\*All times are Eastern | 678 S Wallace Wilkinson Blvd. Liberty, KY

Questions contact:

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# STALK TALK: A CORN SILAGE PLOT WALK

**JULY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT 6:00PM EST**

## **SPEAKERS:**

**SILAGE TRIAL PLOT OVERVIEW:  
CAM KENIMER**

**CORN SILAGE NUTRITION:  
DR. JEFF LEHMKUHLER**

**CORN SILAGE PRODUCTION  
CONSIDERATIONS:  
NICK ROY**

**WOODRUM FARMS**

**GUM LICK RD LIBERTY, KY**

A MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED,  
PLEASE CALL TO REGISTER,  
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# How do you select your bulls?

Darrh Bullock, University of Kentucky and Matt Spangler, University of Nebraska

Bull selection is one of the most important decisions that a beef producer makes and can have a lasting impact on profitability. Factors such as the market endpoint of calves (e.g., newly weaned or finished cattle), whether replacements will be retained, and the level of nutritional management provided to the cow herd all impact which traits should be selected for and at what level. Understanding this complex relationship can be the difference between buying a “good” bull and buying the right bull.

The eBEEF.org team, a group of beef cattle geneticists from across the US, is trying to determine how beef producers are currently selecting their bulls and will use this information to develop educational materials to help improve this process. Knowing which traits to select for is often not the problem, it is the degree to which each should be emphasized that can be highly variable from producer to producer and can often be challenging to determine. Too often this process is more ‘seat of the pants’ rather than by factors affecting profitability. For example, trying to find the optimal level of calving ease without sacrificing profit by not emphasizing traits like sale weight of the calves enough.

To assess how beef producers are selecting bulls, within their level of management, we are asking you to fill out a brief survey. This should take approximately 10 minutes of your time and provide a wealth of information for the beef industry! This information will be used to compare the survey results to values generated by iGENDEC, a software package that determines the most profitable level of emphasis that should be placed on each trait within a specific production system.

Several incentives are being offered to encourage participation in this survey. The first is a random drawing for five \$100 gift cards generously donated by the Beef Improvement Federation ([beefimprovement.org](http://beefimprovement.org)). The second is a special webinar that will be offered to everyone that completes a survey, and provides their email address, to discuss the findings of the survey and resulting bull selection strategies. Lastly, and possibly most importantly, knowledge gained by beef producers by going through this process and the entire beef industry through better bull selection decisions.

Scan the QR  
code to take  
the survey!





# Herbicide Resistance Screening Program

The University of Kentucky is initiating an herbicide resistance screening program (HRS) to assist crop producers in Kentucky. We hope that growers use this program to determine if the lack of efficacy in herbicides is due to resistance developing in a weed species or possibly caused by an environmental event or application issue. Spraying herbicides when resistance is present can be a waste of valuable time and money. Additionally, while specific information on farms will be kept private, obtaining herbicide resistant samples will allow for researchers at the University of Kentucky to determine the causes of herbicide resistance and begin to develop long-term solutions for growers.

## Instructions:

1. Identify plants that were not killed/suppressed by an herbicide but should have been, based on the product label and/or Weed Control Recommendations for Kentucky Grain Crops (AGR-6). Consult with your County Extension Agent and State Extension Weed Specialist to determine the likelihood of resistance event versus a failed application. Weed species of interest include Italian Ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum*), Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halepense*), Horseweed (*Conyza canadensis*), Water-hemp (*Amaranthus tuberculatus*), Palmer Amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*) and Giant Ragweed (*Ambrosia trifida*). Consult your county extension agent before submitting other species.
2. Cut off 10 seed heads with at least 10 mature seeds on each of them from separate plants (we will also take rhizomes of johnsongrass plants) and place them in the pre-stamped envelope. Pre-stamped envelopes can be obtained from your local county extension agent. If you cannot fit all ten seed heads in the envelopes, place as many as you can fit into the envelope.
3. Although it is best that you provide all of the information requested below, we require that you indicate the herbicide(s) that were ineffective and the email address you would like the results sent to.
4. Return the pre-stamped envelope to your local county extension office.
5. It will require a few months to process the samples in a greenhouse environment. Contact Samuel Revolinski at the University of Kentucky (SR.Revolinski@uky.edu) for a status update if you need to know when to expect results.

Grower: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitter: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe below what herbicide was sprayed and what weed species it was intended to control:**



# Sauteed Vegetables & Crappie



**Servings: 4**

**Serving Size: 4 ounces crappie  
and 1 cup veggies**

1 pound crappie fillets  
1 teaspoon Cajun seasoning  
blend  
2 teaspoons olive oil  
2 medium yellow summer  
squash, sliced  
1 medium onion, sliced  
1/2 teaspoon ground pepper  
2 cups broccoli florets  
1 lemon

Wash hands with warm water and soap, scrubbing for at least 20 seconds, especially after handling raw fish. Sprinkle fish with Cajun seasoning and set aside. In a large skillet, heat olive oil on medium heat. Add squash, onion, and pepper. Sauté for 10 minutes, or until vegetables are just starting to get tender. Place fish fillets on top of sautéed vegetables. Cover skillet and cook on medium heat for 10 more minutes. Add broccoli florets. Cover and cook for 5 minutes. Use a thermometer to check that fish has reached 145 degrees in the center of the thickest part and flakes easily with a fork. Cut lemon in half and squeeze juice over fish and vegetables. Serve immediately. Refrigerate any leftovers within 2 hours.

Nutrition Facts per Serving: 230 calories; 9g total fat; 1.5g saturated fat; 0g trans fat; 70mg cholesterol; 200mg sodium; 13g total carbohydrate; 3g dietary fiber; 5g sugars; 0g added sugars; 26g protein; 0% Daily Value of vitamin D; 4% Daily Value of calcium; 6% Daily Value of iron; 15% Daily Value of potassium.