



Livestock Field Days & Events

These field days are **FREE**, open to everyone and most events have a meal. **Please RSVP** to Debra Boekholder, debra@practicalfarmers.org or (515) 232-5661. **Visit** practicalfarmers.org for more details.

GRASSFED EXCHANGE CONFERENCE IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Wednesday – Saturday, June 20 – 23

DETAILS: This annual event promotes the grass-fed industry and grass-fed genetics through education and displays.

TRANSPORTATION IS FREE FOR PFI MEMBERS

You are responsible for your conference registration and lodging arrangements.

FOR EVENT QUESTIONS OR TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

Meghan Filbert – meghan@practicalfarmers.org or (515) 232-5661.

CONSERVATION INFRASTRUCTURE ON A DIVERSE LIVESTOCK FARM

Thursday, June 28 • 2 – 5 p.m.

HOSTS: William and Stacey Borrenpohl • Woven Strong Farm

LOCATION: 23078 Centerville Road • La Motte • 52054

TOPICS: Multi-species grazing • On-farm conservation plan using EQIP funding • Direct meat marketing and increasing customers

NEW BEGINNINGS: ORGANIC TRANSITION AT A DIVERSIFIED DAIRY FARM

Saturday, July 14 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

HOSTS: Gary and Scott Wedemeier • Grassway Farm

LOCATION: 18663 110th St. • Maynard • 50655

TOPICS: Grazing management for dairy production • Transition of both crop and livestock systems to organic • On-farm research feeding apple cider vinegar to cattle • Pig production • Marketing systems

EXPANDING CONSERVATION WITH COVER COVER CROPS, LIVESTOCK AND SMALL GRAINS

Tuesday, July 17 • 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

HOSTS: Kellie and A.J. Blair

LOCATION: 3531 Paragon Ave. • Dayton • 50530

TOPICS: Cover crops and reduced tillage • Cover crops and livestock • Raising your own cereal rye cover crop seed

DIY WATERING AND CORRAL SYSTEMS FOR CATTLE AND PIGS

Friday, August 24 • 2 – 4 p.m.

HOSTS: Jake and Crystal Bigelow • Bigelow Family Farm, LLC

LOCATION: 1854 275th St. • Winterset • 50273

TOPICS: Watering systems in pastures and lots • Cattle corral set-up • DIY infrastructure



LIVESTOCK INTEGRATION ON A SMALL-SCALE VEGETABLE FARM

Monday, August 27 • 2 – 6 p.m.

HOST: Kelly Clime • Hoof Beet Farm

LOCATION: 23423 R Ave. • Dallas Center • 50063

TOPICS: On-farm poultry processing • Direct-marketing poultry • Small-scale vegetable production • Draft power • Beekeeping

GRASS-FED BEEF: FROM PRODUCTION TO MARKET

Saturday, September 8 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

HOST: Dave and Meg Schmidt • Troublesome Creek Cattle Co.

LOCATION: 2858 Quail Ave. • Exira • 50076

TOPICS: Summer & winter grazing • Grass-finishing • Meat quality • Direct-marketing

HANDS-ON LIVESTOCK CARE WITH A VETERINARIAN

Friday, September 14 • 2 – 5 p.m.

HOSTS: Julie and Ryan Wheelock • Wheelock Farm

LOCATION: 3381 230th St. • Sac City • 50583

TOPICS: Livestock health and treatment • Physical exam, injections, castration • Necropsy • Telemedicine • Photos and recordkeeping • Q&A with veterinarians

FROM ROTATIONAL GRAZING TO REGENERATIVE GRAZING

Saturday, September 22 • Noon – 4 p.m.

HOST: Andy Welch • Welch Family Farms

LOCATION: 16796 160th St. • Grant City, MO • 64456

TOPICS: Transitioning row-crop acres into pasture • Grazing stockers on summer and winter annuals • Stockpiling • Creating shade in pasture • Camels for brush control • PastureMap app

CHEESE AND ICE CREAM PRODUCTION AT KALONA CREAMERY

Friday, October 5 • 1 – 4 p.m.

HOSTS: Kalona Creamery

LOCATION: 2206 540th St. SW • Kalona • 52247

TOPICS: Production of various dairy products • Future production plans • Dairy farmer profiles • Milk receiving bay technology

FORAGE CHAINS AND FORAGE-FINISHING – 3 DAYS WITH ANIBAL PORDOMINGO

Thursday – Saturday, November 1 – 3 • 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Daily)

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO PFI MEMBERS ONLY, AND IS LIMITED TO 24 ATTENDEES.

HOST: Greg and Katie Lipes • Lipes Family Farm

LOCATION: 1342 Plato Road • West Branch • 52358

COST AND REGISTRATION: The cost is \$150 per person. To register, please contact Meghan Filbert, meghan@practicalfarmers.org or (515) 232-5661. **You must register by Sunday, September 30.**

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