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9.10.2021 Updates from the SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

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New York HERO Act in Effect Now: Employers Required to Activate Plans and Prevention Measures

From [Rich Stup at Cornell Ag Workforce Development](#): All NY employers, including farms, are required to activate their airborne infectious disease plans. Employers should immediately: review and update their plans, provide a verbal review of the plan with all employees, provide written copies to employees, and post a copy of the plan in the workplace. For help with your plan, contact [Katelyn Walley-Stoll](#).

Are you Mastering your Colostrum Management?

Mastering your colostrum management is key to a successful replacement heifer raising program. Recently, a group of calf experts revisited the goals for optimal antibody blood levels to improve calf health. Find more information [here](#).

Watch Out for the Asian Longhorned Tick!

This invasive species is most active April – October and lives in grassy areas near forests and meadows. They spread bacteria and viruses that cause illness and have quick population growth. You can prevent infestations by avoiding overgrown pasture, keeping wildlife away, and regularly checking livestock for ticks. [Learn more here](#).

Foot Rot in Small Ruminants

While foot rot is sometimes considered a disease of cattle, it too affects sheep and goats in NYS, though goats show fewer classic symptoms than sheep. This article by [Dr. Tatiana Stanton of Cornell University](#) details how to identify and eliminate foot rots from herds and flocks.

The Links You Need:

- [Cornell PRO-DAIRY Corn Silage Toolkit for 2021 Season](#)
- [NY HERO ACT Model Airborne Infectious Disease Exposure Prevention Plan for Agriculture](#)
- [All of our past SWNYDLFC Weekly Updates, Newsletters, and more!](#)
- [NY FarmNet – Always Free, Always Confidential. Call 1-800-547-3276.](#)

EVENTS (More On Our Website)

Empire Livestock 2021 Yearly Board Sale, Saturday, September 11th, Bath NY

This sale will consist of 9 lots consisting of 300 head of USDA graded beef cattle as well as a set of exposed Angus Heifers. Cattle have been vaccinated using modified live vaccines for IBR, BRSV, PI3,

BVD, and clostridia, and Pasteurella, and have been de-wormed. More details are available here.

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Hybrid FAMACHA Training on September 15th 7pm-9pm and 21st (2pm-4pm or 6:30pm-8:30pm)

This hybrid trainings includes a virtual lecture on September 15th and an in-person hands-on lab on September 21st. You must attend both sessions to receive certification and your FAMACHA card. Please register in advance by contacting Lynn Bliven at 585-268-7644 ext. 18 or lao3@cornell.edu.

Healthy, Hardy Heifers! Virtual Series – Fall 2021

Join CCE Regional Dairy Specialists for a free virtual 8-week series on heifer management topics from post-weaning to calving! Happening every Friday starting October 1st through November 19th. Topics include Transition after Weaning, Pre-Breeding Comfort and Nutrition, hoof Health, Repro Strategies, Bred Heifers, Pre-Calving Nutrition, Pre-Calving Comfort and Facilities. [Register here.](#)



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