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2.22.2024 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

A partnership between [Cornell University](#) and the Cornell Cooperative Extension Associations in these five counties:
[Allegany](#), [Cattaraugus](#), [Chautauqua](#), [Erie](#), and [Steuben](#).

Thank you Amelia Parseghian from NY FarmNet and Bradley Griffith from Growmark FS, LLC for sponsoring this Weekly Update.

Don't Skip This – You May Be Required to File An Ownership Report

Have you heard of the Corporate Transparency Act? We didn't either until a few days ago. Farmers who operate as a corporation, LLC, or limited partnership may be affected by this new reporting requirement. Katelyn Walley will be putting together more information soon!

Do Not Let Cow Comfort Stand Between You And Extra Milk Pounds - By Camila Lage

Respecting the daily time budget of a cow is an essential part of cow comfort, and for maximum productivity, facility planning, and herd management should focus on allowing cows to express their natural behavior as much as possible. [Read more](#)

Brix: The Panacea to Grass-Based Finishing? By Amy Barkley

Theories abound that the Brix concentration in forages can be used to determine the relative energy value of forages, and that increasing Brix can put pounds on grass-finished animals faster. This article explores the relationship between plant sugars, pasture conditions, and finishing timelines for grass-based systems.

Webinar: Benchmarking Soil Health for Production Environments

Join Joseph Amsili, Debbie Aller, and Harold van Es for an in-depth webinar discussing the research and policy brief, "Soil Health Benchmarks for New York State Farms." Explore insights into benchmarks and policy considerations, shaping the future of sustainable agriculture in New York.

Save your spot and be part of the discussion on March 6th!

Upcoming Events

For more information and to register, click on the title hyperlinks.

Title	Date(s)	Location	Time
<u>Repurposing This Ol' Barn For Amall Ruminants</u>	February 22	Webinar	7pm
	February 28,		

<u>DEC License CORE Training Series*</u>	March 6, 13, 27 & April 3	Belmont	1:15pm
<u>DEC License CORE Training Series*</u>	February 28, March 6, 13, 27 & April 3	Randolph	8:30am
<u>Grasstravaganza 2024: PLANT GRAZE – Growing Resilient Grazing Systems</u>	March 9	Morrisville	8am-4:30pm
<u>Value-Added Dairy Tour*</u>	March 13 & 14	Various	8:30am
<u>Hands-On Animal Care Dairy Training Program*</u>	March 20	Randolph	9:30am – 3pm
<u>Hands-On Animal Care Dairy Training Program*</u>	March 21	Alfred Station	10am – 3pm
<u>NY Pork Producers 2024 Annual Meeting</u>	March 23	Waterloo	8am
<u>Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) Training Program for Meat & Poultry Processors</u>	April 17 & 18	Ithaca	8:30am

*Denotes that the event is hosted by, or includes speakers from, SWNYDLFC.

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