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2.05.2026 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock & Field Crops Program

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Boots in the Barn Webinar YouTube Playlist

Have you missed our Boots in the Barn Webinar series? Don't worry, it is still ongoing every Tuesday from 12-1pm until the end of February. If you want to watch the past webinars they are uploaded to this YouTube playlist every week.

New York Pork Producer's Annual Summit Scheduled for March 13-14, 2026 in Hamilton, NY

All pork producers are welcome to explore topics around marketing, branding, selling pork, and current consumer trends. The sessions have a practical focus designed to help build demand, connect with customers, and add value to your operation. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

Framing the Discussions on BMR Corn

In the spring of 2025, Corteva announced they would discontinue the development of brown midrib (BMR) corn products. This article from Joe Lawrence highlights some considerations for guiding discussions around managing the shift from BMR in feeding programs.

6 New(ish) Year's Resolutions for Farmers Who Want to Strengthen Their Finances

We may be in February but it's not too late to set intentions for the new year, including for your finances. This short article from NY FarmNet's Andy Gilbert and Lori Shipman has great tips for management of your farm business—from setting aside time for recordkeeping, to thinking early about transition planning.

Upcoming Events			
For more information and to register, click on the title hyperlinks.			
Title	Date(s)	Location	Time
BOOTS IN THE BARN Forecasting Performance: How Clues From Blood, Milk and	February 10	Zoom	12pm-1pm

<u>Sensors Can Predict Unfortunate Outcomes in Multiparous Cows</u>			
<u>Piglet Health 101</u>	February 13 & 14	Several	Varies
<u>BOOTS IN THE BARN Advancing Milk Quality: Integrating Workforce Development and Artificial Intelligence in QMPS Research</u>	February 17	Zoom	12pm-1pm
<u>2026 No-Till & Cover Crop Conference</u>	February 19	Vermont	9am-4pm
<u>BOOTS IN THE BARN Sensor Technologies in Calf Health Monitoring</u>	February 24	Zoom	12pm-1pm
<u>Deerworm & Flukes in Small Ruminants Webinar</u>	February 25	Zoom	6pm
<u>NYSDEC How To Get Certified Course*</u>	March 3	Ellicottville (Cattaraugus County)	10am-12pm
<u>Cornell Organic Field Crops & Dairy Conference</u>	March 6	Waterloo (Ontario County)	8am-4:30pm
<u>NY Pork Producers – 2026 Producer Summit & Annual Meeting</u>	March 13 & 14	Hamilton (Madison County)	All Day
<i>*Denotes that the event is hosted by, or includes speakers from, SWNYDLFC.</i>			

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