

# Agricultural REVIEW

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## County Fair season is wrapping up

There are a few more county fair dates before the end of fair season in North Carolina.

The following are upcoming date and locations:

- Wayne Regional Agricultural Fair, Goldsboro – Runs through -Oct. 7
- Carolina Classic Fair in Winston-Salem – Runs through Oct. 8
- Lenoir County Fair in Kinston – Oct. 3-7
- Wilkes County Agricultural Fair in North Wilkesboro – Oct. 4-7
- Moore County Agricultural Fair in Carthage – Oct. 10-14

## Family fun on tap at the N.C. State Fair Oct. 12-22

N.C. State Fair visitors should bring an appetite for fun with four new amusement rides, two new grounds entertainers and over 30 new food items being part of the stellar lineup planned Oct. 12-22 in Raleigh.

### Rides

New rides range from the elegantly beautiful two-tiered Venetian Carousel to the high voltage thrills of Tesla AC, which is capped offed with six brightly lit lightning bolts hovering above two-person cars that attach to spinning and dipping arms.

Techno Jump and the surf-themed Wipeout round out the new ride offerings. On Techno Jump, riders spin in a circle while the arms of the ride rise and fall in different rhythmic sequences – up and down on alternating arms, up and down for all arms, a wave like upward and downward motion where one car follows the lead of the

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The Venetian Carousel, a double decker, is coming to the N.C. State Fair Oct. 12-22.

## N.C. State Fair Farm Family of the Day announced

Eleven North Carolina farm families from across the state have been selected for the 2023 N.C. State Fair Farm Families of the Day, sponsored by Tractor Supply Co.

Each day of the fair, a different farm family will be honored for all the work that they contribute to our state's \$103.2 billion agriculture and agribusiness industry.

The following families will be recognized:

- Thursday, Oct. 12: The Scoop at Willow Oak Farms in Fuquay-Varina
- Friday, Oct. 13: Rudd Farm in Greensboro
- Saturday, Oct. 14: S&L Riverside Dairy in Vale
- Sunday, Oct. 15: J and J Martins Farm Produce in Mount Olive
- Monday, Oct. 16: L&S Family Farms in Nashville

- Tuesday, Oct. 17: Lee's Produce NC in Benson
- Wednesday, Oct. 18: Windmill Acres Farm- Locally Grown Beef in Kernersville
- Thursday, Oct. 19: Gabor Farms in Rockingham
- Friday, Oct. 20: Hidden Acres Farm in Louisburg
- Saturday, Oct. 21: Andrews Family Farm in Trenton
- Sunday, Oct. 22: BrightBranch Farms in Hendersonville

Recognized families will be awarded an N.C. State Fair gift basket including fair tickets to use on any day of their choice during the 2023 N.C. State Fair, ride passes and additional swag from Tractor Supply Company and the N.C. State Fair.

## From the tractor



Commissioner Troxler

It's October so that means it's time for the N.C. State Fair. This year's theme is Best.Day.EVER! and I'd say a day at the State Fair ranks right up there. I am looking forward to the fair and I hope you are, too.

If you read through this newspaper, you will can learn about what's new at the fair this year and you will read about one of the featured chefs on the Got to Be NC Cooking Stage. You can find the stage at the fair in the Got to Be NC Pavilion in Dorton Arena..

### by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

The Pavilion will host North Carolina food companies who will be sampling and selling their products. It's a great way to see AND TASTE some of the delicious products made right here in our state. Please be sure to stop in Dorton Arena and see these vendors and products and learn more about North Carolina's \$103.2 billion agriculture industry and our agricultural commodities.

No matter what is written about the State Fair or how well it is written, it is an event that has to be experienced in person to fully understand it. Words just don't capture the essence of being at the State Fair. Maybe it's because there are so many sights, sounds and smells that come with a fair.

Even with this being my 18th fair as Commissioner of Agriculture, I never get tired of seeing the excitement on kids' faces as they look at farm animals, watch the Military Day parade, spin around and squeal on a ride or share a deep-fried treat. It makes me happy

to see grandparents and grandkids participate in the tobacco tying contest; and seeing the older generation showing the young ones how tobacco was tied onto a stick for curing.

It's encouraging to see the young people in the ring showing the livestock they have raised and prepared for the State Fair. I know they are learning skills that will stay with them for a lifetime.

I know North Carolina agriculture has a bright future ahead because of them.

I also love seeing the pride that people have for this state and in our traditions. The State Fair showcases the best of the best in North Carolina.

But the very best thing about State Fairs is the memories that are made with families and friends. To me, that's what makes a day at the State Fair, the Best.Day.EVER!

Come see us at the State Fair and make your own memories!

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The department recently wrapped up a successful Mountain State Fair run that saw 147,278 people come through the gates. The Mountain State Fair has become a great tradition in Western North Carolina, showcasing mountain heritage, crafts, music and dancing and the best of Western NC.

This year, the Mountain State Fair presented scholarships to the first recipients of the N.C. Mountain State Fair Youth Livestock Endowment Honoring Edith Vanderbilt- Regan Mitchem and Haley Hargus.

I had the distinct honor of meeting both of these young ladies and presenting them with their scholarship certificate.

Both of them have been active in livestock shows at the Mountain State Fair and the State Fair in Raleigh and both are interested in pursuing veterinary careers.

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## WHAT'S NEW

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other ones or something different all together. Riders on the Wipeout face outward around the center orb as the ride churns in different directions, rocking and rolling like ocean waves.

### Free grounds acts

The Birdman: World Class Bird Shows will perform daily near Gate 7 in the State Fair Conservation Forest behind Heritage Circle. These educational and conservation minded shows seek to highlight the relationship between humans and animals and showcase the natural abilities of the bird stars.

Also new in 2023 is the Melody Farm Follies an animatronic theater show featuring Rocky Broccoli and his veggie friends plus a singing and dancing scarecrow. Catch at daily show in the breezeway between the Agri Supply Expo Center and the Graham Building.

Fair favorites Rock-It the Robot and Dale Jones, the one-handed juggler return to the fairgrounds for daily appearances. Look for Rock-It roaming around Kiddleland and check out Jones' show at North Dorton Area Patio.

### New Food

The State Fair is well known for some pretty creative deep-fried delicacies plus a range of global cuisines offered. Every year, fair vendors try to outdo themselves hoping to connect with fairgoer's taste buds and this year may top all other years in terms of new foods. Over 30 new foods will be offered running the gamut from sweet to savory and including world-wide flavors from Africa, South America, Hungary, Jamaica, Mexico, the Mediterranean region, Korea and New Orleans.



Rock-It the Robot returns to the State Fair.

We'll keep you in suspense a little longer on the specifics, but several new dishes involve mac and cheese, BBQ pork, egg rolls, dill pickles, waffles, spiciness and bacon (of course).

### Revamped Kiddleland Area-Coastal Credit Union Family Fun Zone at Cotton Park

Finally, the Coastal Credit Union Family Fun Zone at Cotton Park has been updated since the 2022 fair. New seating options, lights in the trees and four new food vendors will be in the area that will host Casey's Clubhouse and daily visits by the fair mascot Casey Cardinal, plus daily fire safety

shows for kids.

For more information, visit the State Fair website at [www.ncstatefair.org](http://www.ncstatefair.org). The 2023 N.C. State Fair will run Oct. 12-22 at the N.C. State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. The fair offers an experience unique to North Carolina and is an unparalleled value with free entertainment, thrilling rides and games, thousands of animals, endless family activities, competitions, vendors and creative deep-fried delights. For more information, visit [www.ncstatefair.org](http://www.ncstatefair.org) or connect on Facebook, X and Instagram at [@ncstatefair.org](https://www.instagram.com/ncstatefair.org).

## Horse Events

### Southeastern Ag Center, Lumberton 910-618-5699

Oct. 2..... Horse & Tack Auction. Contact Brad Stephens, 828-390-0878.  
 Oct. 7..... NCBHA Barrel Show. Contact Justin Hill, 910-705-6900.  
 Oct. 13-15..... Carolina Cutting Horse Association show. Contact Nic Johnson, 919-625-1677.  
 Oct. 21 ..... BBHA Fun Show. Contact Jerry King, 910-237-4525.  
 Nov. 4 & 5 ..... Carolina Paint Horse show. Contact Elizabeth Goodale, 843-318-1735.  
 Nov. 6 ..... Horse & Tack Auction. Contact Brad Stephens, 828-390-0878.

### Sen. Bob Martin Agricultural Center, Williamston, 252-792-5111

Oct. 14 & 15 .... NCHJA "C" Horse Show. Contact Emily Bates, 252-378-4474.  
 Oct. 19-22..... SERHA Fall Spooktacular. Contact [info@serha.org](mailto:info@serha.org) or Ag Center, 252-792-5111.  
 Nov. 3 & 4 ..... Williamston Pro Rodeo -Revenge Roughstock Co. Contact Martin Towery, 540-521-3959.  
 Nov. 17 & 18 ... N.C. Barrel Bonanza. Contact Fred Smith, 252-883-1641.  
 Dec. 2 & 3 ..... NCHJA "C" Horse Show. Contact Emily Bates, 252-378-4474.  
 Dec. 7-10 ..... Da Bomb Barrel Racing Finale. Contact Josh Smith, 910-639-6387.

### WNC Ag Center, Fletcher 828-687-1414

Oct. 5-7..... North Carolina Walking Horse Show. Contact Myra Helton, 704-718-4152.  
 Nov. 17-19 ..... Good Times Barrel Racing. Contact Stacey Warner, 864-992-8664.

### Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. Horse Complex, State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, 919-821-7400

Oct. 5-9..... N.C. State Fair Hunter/Jumper Show. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.  
 Oct. 12-15..... N.C. State Fair Saddlebred Horse Show. Contact Liz Holmes, 919-672-3741.  
 Oct. 16..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Miniatures. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 17..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Draft and Light Draft. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 18..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Welsh Breed/Open. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 19..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – NASMDA Mules/Donkeys/Ranch Riding. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 20..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Non-Trotting Breed of Color Show AmHC/PHBA/APHA Riding. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 21 ..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Breed of Color Show AmHC/PHBA/APHA Open/Youth Show. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Oct. 22 ..... N.C. State Fair Horse Show – Open/Youth Show/Mini Horse Pull. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Nov. 3-5..... Triangle Farms Indoors C Finale. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.  
 Nov. 8-12..... Jump for the Children Duke II Benefit Hunter Jumper Classic. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.  
 Nov. 15-19..... Jump for the Children Duke II Benefit Hunter Jumper Classic. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.  
 Dec. 1-3 ..... Holiday Classic Open Horse Show. Contact Richard Isley, 336-908-3302.  
 Dec. 8 & 9 ..... Carousel Farms Bulls, Bells and Barrels. Contact Jeff Mullen, 919-872-6898.  
 Dec. 28-31 ..... Raleigh Indoor Holiday Classic. Contact Joan Petty, 919-669-9877.

\*Show dates are subject to change. Call ahead to confirm.

## Winners announced in the N.C. Specialty Foods contest

The N.C. Specialty Foods Association recently announced winners of its 2023 Best in Taste product competition during the final virtual Summer of Learning event. The Durham Toffee Company earned grand champion honors for its Espresso Crunch, beating out a total of 163 entries across 12 categories in this year's competition.

"These winners plus other North Carolina food and beverage artisans in the association offer plenty of tasty options to add to your pantry," said Sherry Barefoot, marketing coordinator for the NCSFA. "These products make great gifts, whether they be for a significant other, parent, boss, teacher or your kid's coach. These products are sure to make a good impression."

Following are the Best in Taste winners and runners up in each category:

**Grand Champion** - The Durham Toffee Company, Durham, Espresso Crunch,

### Baked Goods

- First place: Boozie Bakes, Raleigh, French Vanilla Bliss Cupcakes
- Second place: Sweater Box Confections, Nags Head, Chai Shortbread Cookies

### BBQ Sauces

- First place: Kitcheneez, Burlington, Kitcheneez BBQ Sauce Seasoning Mix
- Second place: Queen's Jollof Sauce, Apex, Queen's Honey Jerk BBQ Sauce

### Beverages/Beverage Mixes

- First place: Sweet's Elderberry, Charlotte, Sweet's Elderberry Shrub
- Second place: Alley Twenty Six, Durham, Alley Twenty Six Raspberry Syrup

### Condiments

- First place: Queen's Jollof Sauce, Apex, Queen's Jollof Sauce
- Second place: Kitcheneez, Burlington, Kitcheneez House Dressing Mix

### Confections

- First place: The Durham Toffee Company, Durham, Durham Toffee
- Second place: America's Best Nut Company, Rocky Mount, Carolina Cluster

### Deli Meats, Cheese, Dairy

- First place: Nana's Porch Pimento Cheese, Charlotte, Nana's Porch Smoked Jalapeno Pimento Cheese
- Second place: Nana's Porch Pimento Cheese, Charlotte, Nana's Porch Original Pimento Cheese

### Fruit Spreads, Jams and Jellies

- First place: Berry Best Jams, Four Oaks, Reduced Sugar Strawberry Fruit Spread
- Second place: Heaven's Gate Orchard, Asheville, Nana's Apple Butter

### Hot Sauces

- First place: Rising Smoke Sauceworks, Efland, Synergy
- Second place: Oak City Hot Sauce, Raleigh, Reaper Madness

### Pantry

- First place: Big Spoon Roasters, Durham, Lemon Coconut Cashew Butter
- Second place: Big Spoon Roasters, Durham, Pistachio Crunch Almond Butter

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# Miller is new Mountain Research Station superintendent

“I’ve always loved agriculture. I’ve always just wanted to farm my whole life,” Miller said. “When it’s in your blood, it’s more than just a job or profession. You feel like you’ve got a moral responsibility and you owe it to the rest of society.”

Miller has been able to live out his desire to farm at the Mountain Research Station in Waynesville for several years, and that work recently advanced to another level. This summer, N.C. Department of Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler and Research Stations Division Director Teresa Lambert chose Miller to be the new superintendent of the station in Waynesville.

Miller grew up in Haywood County on a small farm with beef cattle, some burley tobacco and hay. In addition, he grew some pumpkins and a few other vegetables. He started working at the Mountain Research Station while in high school in 1999, as part of a job shadowing program. That transitioned into an internship at the station through the Department of Labor and later into part-time employment during his summers in high school and college.

When he graduated from N.C. State University in 2006 with a degree in Agricultural Extension and Education, there weren’t any full-time jobs available at the Mountain Research Station. It wasn’t until 2011 that he got a chance to return to the research station. He began working as a research specialist working with tobacco, organic vegetables and specialty crops. In 2017, he moved to the livestock and forage manager position, where he remained until the promotion to station superintendent.

Along the way, he married his wife Maria, and they had twin boys – Jack and Walker who are now nine years old. Working on the station gives Miller a chance to be involved in many different aspects of agriculture, including research that benefits farmers and consumers.

“The research projects that really stand out are the ones that help keep agriculture profitable,” Miller said. “As far as the consumer goes, the work that we do here ensures that they have the safest and most abundant food supply anywhere in the world.

“We are in the top five in the United States for loosing farmland. So as that dwindles and the population grows we’re charged with growing more food – becoming more efficient with less and less resources.”

In the effort to help farmers and consumers, the research ranges broadly. There’s work to develop new plant varieties such as new tomatoes that are resistant to ever-evolving diseases and pests or wheat with better yields that’s still cold-tolerant. Feed trials help with raising livestock, while breeding trials have improved the quality and value of North Carolina’s beef cattle. Some research even aims to figure out ways to upcycle products from other industries and convert the byproduct that would normally go into a landfill into food and fiber instead. For example, a recent trial explored the possible benefits of using the leftover plant material from cotton gins in feed for livestock.

“Again, when you’re involved in agriculture it sort of comes down to the moral responsibility of doing what we do here. As land declines and the population



Kyle Miller at the Mountain Research Station in Waynesville.

rises, the work that we do here on the research station becomes more and more important every day,” Miller said.

# Chef explores shared culinary tastes of homeland and NC

On a map, North Carolina and the small, West African country of Benin appear very far apart.

The capital cities of Raleigh and Porto Novo are separated by about 8,800 miles as the crow flies.

Chef Adé Carrena is on a mission to help you realize that maybe the cultures aren’t so different, culinarily.

Carrena, the superstar behind Raleigh-based spice company iLéwa Foods and Dounou Foods, was recently crowned the North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association’s Chef of the Year, for helping to bridge the gap between southern cuisine and West African cuisine.

She blends the recipes she grew up with in Benin with the staple ingredients we have abundantly available here in North Carolina to help the two styles meet in the middle.

Take, for example, sodabi, an appetizer drink of sorts. In Benin, it’s made with distilled palm wine and served before meals. Carrena wanted to serve something that gives you the same feeling of warmth in your stomach, but palm wine is tough to source locally. To solve this problem, Carrena makes a spiced watermelon gazpacho that stands in for sodabi.

“(My sodabi) opens up your appetite,” Carrena said. “That’s the way we like to describe it. And while I could not infuse alcohol in it, what I could do was give you the feeling that sodabi gives you when you drink it. It’s warm to the touch and when it goes into your belly, you know that feeling when you have had nothing to eat and then you take a shot of gin or tequila or something, and that burning sensation you feel in your belly that makes you instantly hungry, that’s what sodabi does to you. I wanted to give you that same feeling.”

Carrena cites the way she grew up in Benin as the “ultimate example of farm to table eating.” She describes a place where you go to the market and pick the specific chicken you want and describe how you want the butcher to prepare it. Those principles guide her cooking today.

“It’s this idea that we should be eating what the earth naturally gives us at the time it gives it to us is something that’s always been like very much instilled in me ever since I was a little kid,” Carrena said. “And so when I’m here in North Carolina, I don’t have access to all those same ingredients, but what I have access to are the amazing farmers in North Carolina who grow high quality ingredients.”

Put on the spot, Carrena can rattle off a list of North Carolina-Benin fusion foods she uses to illustrate the areas where the cuisines overlap. North Carolina has grits. Carrena uses garri (granulated cassava) to make West African grits. North Carolina has Hoppin’ John. Carrena uses black-eyed peas for a stew that hits the same notes in a different way.

“The two cuisines are so similar to each other,” Carrena said. “When people say, ‘We don’t know what West African food is,’ I say, ‘You probably are familiar with it. You just didn’t



**Raleigh Chef Ade Carrena is the N.C. Restaurant and Lodging Association’s Chef of the Year and is serving as a 2023 Got to Be NC Culinary Ambassador. She will be one of the featured chefs on the Got to Be NC Cooking Stage during the N.C. State Fair.**

**Carrena, who grew up in Benin, West Africa, sees similarities between the food of her homeland and Southern cuisine.**

know. You’ve had it before, you just didn’t see the similarities.”

Carrena will bring her talents to the North Carolina State Fair next month, both as a vendor with her iLéwa Foods spices and as a chef in on-stage demonstrations to show visitors that West Africa really isn’t so far away. Her cooking demonstrations will be in the Got to Be NC Pavilion in Dorton Arena. More info is available here.

“Not only am I excited to be there representing my spice brand, but I’m exceptionally excited to be doing some demos and showing folks how they can use these North Carolina ingredients in their day-to-day lives to create these beautiful West African dishes that may not seem familiar, but once you start making it and you understand the flavors, you’re like, ‘Oh, this I know what this is,’” she said. “I’m really excited to shift the narrative of what West African food is like and how it’s just as versatile, versatile as any other cuisine and how it can be just as simple as well to implement into your diet.”



# Winners announced in the MSF livestock competitions

Following is a list of winners in the livestock shows held during the first weekend of the N.C. Mountain State Fair, Sept. 8-10:

## ARBA Youth Rabbit Show

Best Rabbit in Show

- Show A – Everitt Steiner, Henderson County
- Show B – Paisley Shumate, Hawkins County, Tenn.

Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit in Show

- Show A – McKinley Breeding, Wilkes County
- Show B – McKinley Breeding, Wilkes County

Showmanship Champions

- Non-Competitive Youth 8 and under: Aubree Coggins, Henderson County
- Junior Youth 8 and under: Kylee Steiner, Henderson County
- Intermediate Youth 9 – 13 years old: Zane Capps, Henderson County
- Senior Youth 14 – 18 years old: Anna Cooke, Wayne County

## Youth Poultry Show

- Overall Champion - Poultry Standard, Commercial Egg Layer, and Guinea Show: Carlton Schetter, McDowell County
- Overall Reserve Champion – Poultry Standard, Commercial Egg Layer, and Guinea Show: Gabriella Baldwin, Buncombe County
- Youth Standard Poultry Champion: Bentley Buckner, Buncombe County
- Youth Standard Poultry Reserve Champion: Hannah-Grace Buckner, Buncombe County
- Youth Commercial Class Egg Layers Champion: Carlton Schetter, McDowell County
- Youth Commercial Class Egg Layers Reserve Champion: Gabriella Baldwin, Buncombe County

## ADGA Dairy Goat Show

Showmanship Champions

- Junior Fitting and Showing, 9-12 years old: Abigail Whitney, Oglethorpe County, Ga.
- Senior Fitting and Showing, 13-18 years old: Kaitlyn Seitz, Union County

## Open Junior Doe Show Champions

- Nigerian Dwarf – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Erica Noble, Rowan County
- Nigerian Dwarf – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Dillon Buckner, Buncombe County
- Oberhasli – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Roslyn Noar, Johnston County
- Recorded Grades – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Jessica Bell, Anderson County, SC
- Recorded Grades – Junior Doe Reserve Grand

Champion: Linda Giles, Union County

- Saanens – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Tenn.
- Saanens – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Jessica Bell, Anderson County, SC
- Toggenburgs – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Noah Johnson, Rowan County
- Toggenburgs – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Sandra Coffman, Oconee County, SC
- Alpines – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- Alpines – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Jessica Bell, Anderson County, SC
- LaManchas – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Linda Giles, Union County
- LaManchas – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Genevieve Cranford, Randolph County
- Nubians – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- Nubians – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Jackson Noble, Rowan County

## Open Senior Doe Show Champions

- Nigerian Dwarf – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Erica Noble, Rowan County
- Nigerian Dwarf – Champion Challenge: Erica Noble, Rowan County
- Nigerian Dwarf – Premier Exhibitor: Erica Noble, Rowan County
- Oberhasli – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Roslyn Noar, Johnston County
- Oberhasli – Champion Challenge: Roslyn Noar, Johnston County
- Oberhasli – Premier Exhibitor: Roslyn Noar, Johnston County
- Recorded Grades – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Sandra Coffman, Oconee County, SC
- Recorded Grades – Premier Exhibitor: Sandra Coffman, Oconee County, SC
- Saanens – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Saanens – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Christine Owen, Madison County
- Saanens – Champion Challenge: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Saanens – Premier Exhibitor: Christine Owen, Madison County
- Toggenburgs – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Toggenburgs – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion:

Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky/

- Toggenburgs – Champion Challenge: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Toggenburgs – Premier Exhibitor: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Alpines – Senior Doe Grand Champions: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- Alpines – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Alpines – Champion Challenge: Cullen Owen, Madison County
- Alpines – Premier Exhibitor: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- LaManchas – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Linda Giles, Union County
- LaManchas – Champion Challenge: Linda Giles, Union County
- LaManchas – Premier Exhibitor: Linda Giles, Union County
- Nubians – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Madison Noble Johnson, Rowan County
- Nubians – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Jackson Noble, Rowan County
- Nubians – Champion Challenge: Madison Noble Johnson, Rowan County
- Nubians – Premier Exhibitor: Jackson Noble, Rowan County
- Best Doe in Show Overall: Christine Owen, Madison County
- Best Udder in Show Overall: Erica Noble, Rowan County
- Best Dairy Herd in Show Overall: Christine Owen, Madison County
- Best of Show Overall: Christine Owen, Madison County

## Youth Junior Doe Show

- Nigerian Dwarf – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Abigail Whitney, Oglethorpe County, Ga.
- Nigerian Dwarf – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Morgan Lynn Buckner, Buncombe County
- Oberhasli – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Griffin Trafford, Johnston County
- Recorded Grades – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Saanens – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Anna

(See Livestock results, pg. 5)

## Specialty foods

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### Plant Based

First place: Darë Vegan Cheese, Asheville, Original Plant Based Cheesecake  
Second place: Darë Vegan Cheese, Asheville, Pepperjack Plant-Based

Cheese Wedge

### Snacks

- First place: The Durham Toffee Company, Durham, Espresso Crunch,
- Second place: JOY Filled Foods, Goldsboro, Sweet & Spicy Pecans

### Sweets & Syrups

- First place: Happy Heart Elderberry, Faison, Elderberry Syrup
- Second place: Nurture By Nature, Clemmons, Elderberry Extract

The NCSFA serves more than 150 specialty food and beverage artisans. Its mission is to actively encourage and support the promotion and appreciation of the state's specialty foods and beverages. Learn more and access the Dish This! catalog to find local, artisan, small-batch products made in N.C. at [ncspecialtyfoods.org](https://ncspecialtyfoods.org).

## Troxler

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Regan is from Lincoln County and is a recent graduate of N.C. State University with double majors in Animal Science and Nutrition Science. She is currently attending N.C. State University College of Veterinary Medicine as a Food Animal Scholar with plans to become a Food Animal Veterinarian.

Haley is from Henderson County and is attending Mars Hill University where she is studying zoology with plans to attend vet school after graduation. Her goal is to join her mother's veterinary practice after college.

We are very proud of these young ladies and are grateful to everyone who has donated to make these scholarships possible.

## Bucolic briefs

The 39th Annual Apple Country Antique Engine and Tractor WNC Fall Harvest Days show will be held Oct. 13 and 14 at the WNC Ag Center in Fletcher. The event features International Harvester brands, antique tractors, hit n' miss engines, crafters, antiques, toys, parts, tractor pull, tractor parade, food and more. For more information, contact J. Holbrook at 828-435-0413.

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The Southeastern Animal Fiber Fair will be held Oct. 20-22 at the WNC Ag Center in Fletcher, with some workshops being held Oct. 19 only. This comprehensive show includes a Fiber Arts Competition, a Fleece Show and Sale, Livestock Shows, workshops, sheep shearing demonstrations, herding demonstrations, weaving opportunities and spinning, knitting, weaving and crocheting demonstrations. Hours are Oct. 20 & 21, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Oct. 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person per day or \$10 for 3-day pass. Youth 13 years old and under are free. Bring cash. Only at gate. No early ticket sales. Check online schedule at <https://saffregistration.org/secure/grouplistpublic.asp> for workshop dates, times and costs. For more information contact

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The 81st N.C. Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Nov. 4 and 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Holshouser Building, State Fairgrounds, Raleigh. The festival features displays of gourds from around the world, special gourd workshops, and vendors of dried gourds, gourd seeds, gourd crafts, gourd art, books, t-shirts, and crafting supplies. A variety of competitive categories are awarded ribbons and prizes. There is a raffle and a free gourd crafting table for kids. Details about the festival, a listing of gourd crafting workshops, and information on how to enter the competitions are on the website at [www.ncgourdsociety.org](http://www.ncgourdsociety.org). For more information, call 919-696-0744. Admission is \$5 for adults age 13 and up; children 12 and under are free.

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The Veteran's Farm of NC, Inc. is seeking donations of farm equipment to use with programs to teach veterans how to start a farm. The organization offers access to farm equipment through its usage and grant programs and help network the farmer veteran community with each other and new opportunities in agriculture. This is a 501c (3) nonprofit organization is seeking donations of trucks, tractors, 3-point attachments, and any farm related supplies that we will then make available to the farmer veteran community. Donations are 100% tax deductible and a receipt is provided for tax purposes. Contact Robert Elliott, Executive Director, at [vetfarmofnc@gmail.com](mailto:vetfarmofnc@gmail.com) with questions.

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As a way to help farmers and agricultural workers stay safe at work, the N.C. Department of Labor offers safety videos on a variety of topics through its YouTube channel. Video topics include: preventing green tobacco sickness, hazard communication, tobacco harvester safety, heat stress, migrant housing requirements, forklift safety, and information about the NCDOL's Gold Star Growers program. The videos are in English and Spanish to increase understanding of safety hazards and preventing accidents. To learn more about the NCDOL and the Agricultural Safety and Health Bureau, go to [www.nclabor.com](http://www.nclabor.com) or call 1-800-NC-LABOR (800-625-2267). NCDOL is also on Facebook and Twitter (@NCDOL).

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## Livestock results

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- Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Saanens – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Austin Seitz, Union County
- Toggenburgs – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Alpines – Junior Doe Grand Champion: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- Alpines – Junior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Andi Setser, Macon County

LaManchas – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Genevieve Cranford, Randolph County

Nubians – Junior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Madison Seitz, Union County

### Youth Senior Doe Show Champions

- Nigerian Dwarf – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Abigail Whitney, Oglethorpe County, Ga.
- Nigerian Dwarf – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Morgan Lynn Buckner, Buncombe County
- Oberhasli – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Griffin Trafford, Johnston County
- Recorded Grades – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Genevieve Cranford, Randolph County
- Recorded Grades – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Saanens – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Genevieve Cranford, Randolph County
- Saanens – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Toggenburgs – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Anna Grace Stoltman, Lincoln County, Ky.
- Toggenburgs – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Rachel Glass, Lee County, Va.
- Alpines – Senior Doe Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champion: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- LaManchas – Senior Doe Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Genevieve Cranford, Randolph County
- Nubians – Senior Doe Grand Champion: Madison Seitz, Union County
- Nubians – Senior Doe Reserve Grand Champion: Kaitlyn Seitz, Union County
- Best Doe in Show Overall: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County
- Youth Herd: Devin Stillwell, Harnett County

### Junior Meat Breed Sheep Shows

Junior Meat Breed Sheep Showmanship Champions

- Novice Youth 8 years old and under: Abilene Armstrong, Stokes County
- Junior Youth 9 – 13 years old: Elizabeth Sanner, Iredell County
- Senior Youth 14 - 18 years old: Jacob Meads, Pasquotank County
- Senior Plus Youth 19 - 21 years old: Anna Hill, Stokes County

### Junior Market Lamb Show Champions

- Grand Champion: Lydia Wilson, Rowan County
- Reserve Grand Champion: Harrison Ford, Caldwell County
- Got to Be NC Grand Champion: Lydia Wilson, Rowan County
- Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Champion: Harrison Ford, Caldwell County

### Junior Meat Breed Ewe Show Champions

- Dorset Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Meredith Poole, Franklin County
- Dorset Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe:

Sarah Waller, Rowan County

- Dorset Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Meredith Poole, Franklin County
- Dorset – Got to Be NC Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Sarah Waller, Rowan County
- Hampshire Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Lydia Wilson, Rowan County
- Hampshire Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: AnnaMarie Overcash, Iredell County
- Hampshire Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Lydia Wilson, Rowan County
- Hampshire Got to Be NC Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Cynthia Connolly, Rowan County
- Southdown Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Charleigh Settle, Iredell County
- Southdown Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Addison Hendrix, Davie County
- Katahdin Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Clinton Mills, Anson County
- Katahdin Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Mason Mills, Anson County
- Katahdin Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Clinton Mills, Anson County
- Katahdin Got to Be NC Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Mason Mills, Anson County
- Dorper Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Caleb Shaw, Davie County
- Dorper Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Rayne Atkinson, Davie County
- Dorper Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Rayne Atkinson, Davie County
- Other Purebreds Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Emry Starnes, Rowan County
- Other Purebreds Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Lauren Hayes, Rowan County
- Other Purebreds Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Emry Starnes, Rowan County
- Other Purebreds Got to Be NC Reserve Champion: Abigail Stephens, Gaston County
- Commercial Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Brantley Meadows, Buncombe County
- Commercial Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Ellen Simmons, Caldwell County
- Commercial Got to Be NC Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Cynthia Connolly, Rowan County
- Commercial Got to Be NC Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Brantley Meadows, Buncombe County
- Commercial Hair Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Cayleigh Shaw, Davie County
- Commercial Hair Reserve Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe: Haylee Ledford, Macon County
- Commercial Hair Got to Be Champion Meat Breed Ewe: Mason Mills, Anson County
- Commercial Hair Got to Be Reserve Champion Meat Breed Ewe: Luke Bame, Rowan County
- Grand Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe (Overall): Brantley Meadows, Buncombe County
- Reserve Grand Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe (Overall): Ellen Simmons, Caldwell County
- Got to Be NC Grand Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe (Overall): Lydia Wilson, Rowan County
- Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Champion Junior Meat Breed Ewe Overall: Cynthia Connolly, Rowan County

### Junior Beef Cattle Show

- Junior Beef Cattle Showmanship Champions
- Novice Showmanship – ages 8 and under: Barrett Devine, Lincoln County

- Junior Showmanship – ages 9 – 13: Kaylee Revis, Buncombe County
- Senior Showmanship – ages 14 – 18: Shelby Candler, Buncombe County
- Senior Plus Showmanship – ages 19 – 21: Emma Vanhoy, Catawba County
- WNC Dairy Steer Project – ages 8-13: Janie Kay, Polk County
- WNC Dairy Steer Project – 14-18: Addison Sprinkle, Buncombe County
- Open Junior Beef Steer Show Champions
- Open Feeder Steer Grand Champion: Cheyanne Gillespie, Buncombe County
- Open Feeder Steer Reserve Grand Champion: Caleigh Albert, Anderson County, SC
- Open Feeder Steer Got to Be NC Grand Champion: Karissa Collins, Macon County
- Open Feeder Steer Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Champion: Kenleigh Deal, Macon County
- Open Market Steer Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Karissa Collins, Macon County
- Open Market Steer Got to Be NC Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion: Karissa Collins, Macon County
- Open Junior Beef Heifer Show Champions
- Angus Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Maci Newton, Oconee County, SC
- Angus Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Emma Vanhoy, Catawba County
- Angus Got to Be NC Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Kaylee Revis, Buncombe County
- Angus Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Junior Heifer: Nate Bowman, Stokes County
- Brahman Grand Champion Junior Heifer and Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Jade Young, Anderson County, SC
- Charolais Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Zoey Clary, Saluda County, SC
- Charolais Reserve Grand Champion Heifer: Hannah Vanhoy, Catawba County
- Charolais Got to Be NC Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Hannah Vanhoy, Catawba County
- Charolais Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Cayte Mitchell, Alexander County
- Gelbvieh Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Maci Newton, Oconee County, SC
- Gelbvieh Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Bailee Worley, Buncombe County
- Gelbvieh Got to Be NC Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Bailee Worley, Buncombe County
- Hereford Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Jordan Mitchem, Lincoln County
- Hereford Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer and Got to Be NC Grand Champion: Shelby Candler, Buncombe County
- Hereford Got to Be NC Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Ellen Simmons, Caldwell County
- Percentage Simmental Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Shelby Candler, Buncombe County
- Percentage Simmental Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Martina Alley, Madison County
- Red Angus Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Rex Howard, Cleveland County
- Red Angus Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Ellie Shuping, Burke County: Shorthorn Grand Champion Junior Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Junior Heifer: Rylea Suddreth, Catawba County

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**Supplies  
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**Old empty propane tank,** 1,000-gal, for non-pressure application. Jared Yates, Hickory 828-308-1543, call or text.



**Trucks &  
Trailers  
For Sale**

**Utility trailer,** 6x10, metal sides, treated wood floor, hvy duty, EC, \$1,500. Bruce Gragg, Newton 828-465-3715.

**Track Pro wgt distr hitch,** model BXW0850, 2 5/16 ball, 9-hole receiver mount, \$500 obo. Gerald Broderick, Hickory 864-561-5908.

**4-horse trailer,** 3-door, elect. brake, good floor, storage, mat, needs exterior paint, \$1,750 cash. Gary Formisano, Shallotte 910-540-1962.

**4-wheel trailer,** 13x6x6.5, 2-axle, tilt bed, GC, \$3,500. Lloyd Mabe, Danbury 336-703-8232.

**Truck bed mat** for 2011-19 Chevy Silverado 2500/3500, 6 ft. x 6 in., LN, \$40. Don Belsma, Sanford 919-721-2587.

**Calico stock trailer,** 25 ft., gooseneck, fold up ramps, dove tail, \$9,750. H.O. Davis, Elon 336-260-7606.

**(2) truck frame rails,** used for vehicle grease rack, 16 1/2 ft. long, 9 in. wide, \$100. James Holland, Olin 704-876-1600.

**Hurst trailer,** 16 ft., 10,000 GVWR, fenders, elect. brakes, lights, spare tire, \$2,150. Judson Edeburn, Durham 919-880-4418.

**Flat head V8 motor w/ truck,** from \$750. David Lomax, Denton 336-688-5313.

**1963 Dodge M37 runs,** drives; 1953 M37 parts truck, \$4,850. Al Moore, Hamlet 910-417-1756.

**Stock trailer,** 6x12, bumper pull, dual axle, 3,500 lb. load, GC, \$2,000. Jim Chamblee, Zebulon 919-556-6474.

**Utility trailer,** 4x8, GC, \$265. Caleb Yoder, Union Grove 336-468-2530.

**1976 Chevy Scottsdale,** 4x2, new shocks, door panels, window molding; needs heater core & carb work, some rust, fair-good cond, \$1,500 firm. Lance Bass, Spring Hope 252-478-3169.

**1984 Chevy C60,** 5-spd trans, 2-spd high/low 366 eng, 20 ft. flatbed, \$2,000. Ronnie Brogden, Creedmoor 919-528-1767.

**'23 Calico stock trailer,** bumper pull, \$6,850. Y.D. Saul, Elon 336-213-6292.



**Seeds & Plants  
Wanted**

**Doorknob pepper seeds.** Elaine Hicks, Thomasville 336-687-5288.

**Small Animals  
For Sale**

**Bunnies,** 3 m/o, Rex, \$20; California mix, \$15; mix female rabbits, 1 y/o, \$20; male & female Rex, 1 1/2 y/o, \$25. Beverly Shelton, Westfield 336-415-1522.

**Tennessee Redback rabbits,** sold out of cage, \$12 ea. Mark Hinson, Goldsboro 919-734-7800.



**Supplies  
For Sale**

**Sprinkler heads,** approx. 400 Rainbird, Optima, others; also, fittings & controller, \$150. Duane Kirschenman, Winston-Salem 336-765-0968.

**Oak log house,** 18 1/2 x 28 1/2, white oak logs, from the 1790s, walnut doors & mantel, 2-story, down & numbered, \$10,000 obo. Bill Parish, Sugar Grove 828-297-5388.

**Water pumps,** new & used, GC, \$300. Lloyd Mabe, Danbury 336-703-8232.

**Metal & plastic barrels,** \$10; feed barrels, 25 & 55-gal., \$20; 275-gal. totes, \$60; metal cages for wood, etc., \$25; old sawmill blade, \$100. Jeff Brittain, Hickory 828-327-4782.

**Old gas pump,** \$165. Roger Phillips, Westfield 743-999-1465.

**Cedar fence posts,** \$6 ea. Ryan Luthy, Union Grove 336-468-6597.

**Fuel oil barrel,** 280-gal., in primer, \$775. R. Hanes, Glendale Springs 828-406-6365.

**Old block & tackle,** w/1 in. rope, approx. 80 ft. long, \$90. Thomas Joyce, Stokesdale 336-427-4733.



**Poultry &  
Supplies  
For Sale**

**Rhode Island Red rooster,** 1 y/o, \$20. Beckie Yates, Denton 704-603-7309, [farmerswife12@hotmail.com](mailto:farmerswife12@hotmail.com).

**California, silver California,** bluescales, Gambels, 8 breeds of bobwhite; partridge, Philby, chukar, Hungarians, \$3 & up. Jimmy Furr, Stanfield 704-888-0213.

**Fully grown peacocks,** white males, \$50 ea; blue males, \$50 ea; blue male paired w/brown peafowl, \$100 ea. Jim Burrier, Monroe 704-787-0344.

**100 white homing pigeons,** \$20 each. Denise McKee, Madison 336-279-0518, call or text.

**(2) Khaki Campbell female ducks,** about 1 1/2 y/o, currently laying eggs, \$25. Robert Johnson, Kernersville 336-788-8402.

**Australian blk swans & Mute swans,** \$600 & up; Cape Barren geese, \$600 & up; Ruddy shelducks, \$150 & up. Jim Simpson, Indian Trail 704-361-6497.

**Reeves pheasant trio,** \$125; white & silver peacocks, \$100 ea. Posie Guthrie, Pfafftown 336-413-0038.

**Fantail pigeons,** \$30/pair; Rhode Island Red & barred rock laying hens, \$15. Ryan Luthy, Union Grove 336-468-6597.

**Bantams, OE silver duckwing,** BB red & Cochins, '21-'22 hatch, sm birds, \$10 ea & up. Wade Shelton, Mt. Airy 336-374-2254.



**Seeds & Plants  
For Sale**

**Sunflower seeds,** old timey type, huge 12-14 lb. flower, 15-18 in. diameter, SASE & \$3/25 seeds; \$5/50 seeds. N. Smoot, 6227 Welborn Rd, Trinity, NC 27370.

**Cockscomb seeds,** huge blossom head, rich crimson color, 18 in. stalk, about 200 seeds, SASE & \$3 cash. Barry Cox, 6225 Welborn Rd, Trinity, NC 27370.

**Little white cucumber seeds,** old timey type, SASE & \$1/tsp cash. Jim Bostian, 6235 River Bend Rd, Claremont, NC 28610, 828-459-9276.

**Fraser fir tabletop** Christmas trees, 3-4 ft., lrg quantities avail, \$16 ea. Bill Fairchild, West Jefferson 336-977-6276.

**Old Big Horn saddle,** off Texas King Ranch, needs repair, \$50. James McCarty, Parkton 910-858-3842.



**Horses &  
Supplies  
Wanted**

**Miniature donkeys,** reasonable price. Lewis Yoder, Union Grove 336-468-2530.



**Livestock  
For Sale**

**Reg miniature Hereford heifer,** dob 3/17/23, naturally polled, \$2,500. Cindy Tucker, Brown Summit 336-580-0984, call or text.

**ADGA reg Nigerian goats,** ready for breeding, 1 1/2 y/o does, some polled, some debudded, some blue eyes, moonspots, \$200-\$300. Tracy Hardin, Forest City 828-248-2125.

**Fainting goats,** \$150 & up. Joan Culberson, Snow Camp 919-259-6139.

**Wagyu bulls,** full blood, foundation bred, 16 m/o, avg wgt 1,100 lbs., \$4,500-\$6,000. Mark Greene, Thurmond 336-341-7009.

**Bred commercial cows & heifers,** bred to Charolais & Angus bulls, calving through November, up to 50 cows, \$2,400. Kevin Teague, Liberty 336-215-3544.

**Charolais bulls & heifers,** purebred, polled, gentle, reg sires, 7 mos & up, \$1,000 & up. Johnny Harrison, Salisbury 704-213-0857.

**Kiko bucklings,** 8 m/o, \$150; Kiko does, 2-3 y/o, \$250; Kiko doelings, 8 m/o, \$200; Beverly Shelton, Westfield 336-415-1522.

**Reg Santa Gertrudis,** calves, \$850 & up; bulls, \$1,200 & up; cow/calf pairs, \$2,500 & up. Charles O'Bryant III, Reidsville 336-908-0276.

**SimAngus herd bulls,** blk, polled, bred for calving ease, muscle, growth & disposition, \$2,750-\$3,500; select group of coming 2 y/o avail. William Pyle, Franklinton 919-215-5677.

**(2) belted Galloway cows,** 3 y/o, pasture exposed to Cross Creek Montana for spring '24 calves; blk & white w/dun in grand sire pedigree, reg, \$1,500 ea. Ann Furr, Rockwell 704-798-3460, text.

**Quality YON sired 3/4 Blk Angus x 1/4 Simmental** bred heifers, calving mid-October, bred to low bw full blood Wagyu bull, vaccs/dewormed, \$3,950 ea. Martha Mobley, Louisburg 919-495-1305.

**Reg Angus bulls,** bred for calving ease & efficiency, good feet & disposition, recent breeding soundness exam, \$3,000; bred cows, pairs & heifers avail. Steve McPherson Snow Camp 336-263-6042.

**Holstein cow,** due to calve in fall w/2nd calf, pics avail, \$2,250. Wayne Dickerson, Ruffin 336-552-6284.

**Coastal Bermuda hay,** horse quality, lrg sq bales, deliv avail, \$7/bale. Jim Newton, Rockingham 910-995-1223.

**'23 spring fescue,** horse quality, no rain, can deliv, \$6.75/bale; rnd bales, \$40 ea. Allen Moore, Summerfield 336-706-1157.

**Coastal hay,** sheltered, 4x5 rnd, horse quality, \$60/bale; cow hay, \$50/bale; sq bales, \$8 ea. Phil Hood, Goldsboro 919-689-9798.

**Fescue hay** 4x5 rnd, barn stored, \$40/bale. Roger Drum, Statesville 704-880-7006.

**Fescue hay,** rnd bales, good quality, stored inside, \$50 ea. Valerie Cockerham, Yadkinville 336-416-2240.

**Fescue/orchard grass mix,** sq bales, \$7; 4 ft. rnd bales, \$30. WD Wood, Denton 919-302-0549.

**Coastal Bermuda hay,** horse quality, 400 avail, out of field, \$8; out of barn, \$9. Gary White, Sanford 919-775-9769.

**Horse quality hay,** deliv avail, \$50/rl. H.O. Davis, Elon 336-260-7606.

**Fescue & crabgrass hay,** 4x5 rnd, \$45-\$60/rl; sq bales, \$6 ea. Ronnie Brogden, Creedmoor 919-528-1767.

**Fescue hay,** 4x5 rnd, \$40/bale. Joe Ferguson, Newell 704-201-4363.

**Orchard grass,** Timothy, fescue, clover, 1st & 2nd cut, horse quality, no rain or chemicals, 4x4 sq, \$6.25/bale; rnd, \$50/bale. R. Hanes, Glendale Springs 828-406-6365.

**Coastal hay,** good quality, 4x5 rnd, sheltered, \$50/bale. Jensen Barwick, Seven Springs 919-738-8493.

**Hay,** 4x5 rnd, can deliv, \$60/bale. David Lomax, Denton 336-688-5313.

**Peanut hay,** 4 x 4 1/2 rnd, net wrapped, can deliv 42 bales/load, \$35/bale. Larry Bullock, Greenville 252-883-4748.



**Horses &  
Supplies  
For Sale**

**PLEASE NOTE: All equine 6 mos. or older must have a current negative Coggins test. Advertisers must supply the accession number of test, the name of lab doing the test, the date of test and results for each equine advertised.**

**Doctor's buggy,** 2-seat, brakes, top, good wheels, upholstery & paint, \$1,000. Don Bennett, Pinnacle 336-351-2893.

**Open shelter for rent Stokes co,** 60x72 ft., water, elect., can add horse stalls & riding rink; turn out pasture & trail riding avail, \$300-\$500/mo. Ed Easley, Walnut Cove 336-591-5050.

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# Two couples inducted into the Livestock Hall of Fame

Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler recently inducted two couples into the N.C. Mountain State Fair Livestock Hall of Fame. Troxler recognized Buddy and Janice Cochran of Waynesville and Tim and Sonia Worley of Leicester for their longtime support to the fair and the livestock industry in Western North Carolina.

"These two families are a big part of what makes the livestock shows at the Mountain State Fair a success," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. "I am honored to present them with this award and thank them for their support of the N.C. Mountain State Fair livestock program."

Buddy and Janice Cochran have been a part of the Mountain State Fair Livestock Shows since the fair started in 1994. They were also part of the livestock shows that took place at the fairgrounds since the mid-1980's. Both their children, Karen and Scotty, grew up showing cattle and sheep. Courtney, their granddaughter, showed cattle, sheep and hogs from a baby until

she aged out. She became a high school ag teacher at Pisgah High School, with students involved in the fair since 2013.

The Cochrans are generous with their time and resources, especially with youth that may not be able to participate in shows without their help," said Troxler. "Buddy and Janice are always willing to help any youth in the area in any way they need to get them involved in livestock and showing."

They are both members of the Pisgah FFA Alumni, and Buddy transports all Pisgah FFA livestock to the fair. Since the dairy steer project began, the Cochrans have helped find buyers, market the steers, and haul them after they are sold.

Since 2006, he has worked for the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a market news reporter, recording cattle prices at Asheville, the old Canton yard, WNC Regional Livestock Center, North Wilkesboro and filling in at Shelby and Turnersburg. He is also a long-time horse and cattle trader. Janice retired from First Citizens Bank and



The 2023 Mountain State Fair Livestock Hall of Fame inductees are Buddy and Janice Cochran (pictured right of Commissioner Steve Troxler) and Tim and Sonia Worley (left of Troxler).

worked for Jackson County Schools Central Office.

Tim and Sonia Worley have been an essential part of the Mountain State Fair from the beginning, too. They are responsible for introducing dozens of youth to raising and showing animals. "The Worleys have provided countless livestock to young people without

access over the years," said Troxler. "Both of them stay in a camper at the fairgrounds each year and are always willing to pitch in and help no matter what is needed."

Tim and Sonia operate a cattle farm and also grow corn and hay. This year they planted a pick-your-own flower field for the first time. Their

son Tucker works at the Mountain Research Station as a horticulture research specialist.

Tim has worked for the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for more than 10 years as a livestock health technician. Sonia works as a tax preparer based in Leicester.

Tim's father, Larry Worley, was inducted into the N.C. Mountain State Fair Livestock Hall of Fame in 2017. "The Worley name has been associated with livestock shows in North Carolina for a very long time," said Troxler. "Their legacy and the impact on countless generations of young people is immeasurable."

The N.C. Mountain State Fair Livestock Hall of Fame was created by livestock show staff to recognize individual contributions to the livestock industry and livestock shows in Western North Carolina.

The N.C. Mountain State Fair runs through Sept. 17 at the WNC Agricultural Center in Fletcher. More information is available at [www.mountainfair.org](http://www.mountainfair.org).

## Aw Shucks Farm offering up a haunted good time

Are you looking for a scary good time this fall? Look no further than Aw Shucks Farms and The 13th Acre Haunt in Monroe.

In 2008, Bonnie Griffin started Aw Shucks Farm originally to focus on educational programming. "I had dreamed of owning and operating a farm for a few years," she said, "but coming from a teaching background, I wanted it to be somewhere that people could come and learn about agriculture, farming and more."

Field trips and farm tours were offered immediately once the doors were open at Aw Shucks Farm. Although they are still offered today, the farm has expanded to add many agritourism events since 2008.

"Our goal has been to add something new every year since we opened," Bonnie said. "We've connected with many other agritourism destinations around us to generate ideas and continue to keep our offerings unique to the community." Today, the farm offers a variety of events throughout the year, including day camps and a haunted attraction.

Agritourism is more like a way of life at Aw Shucks Farm. Each idea generated at the farm centers on providing unique experiences for the community to enjoy, including a train car from the 1800's where kids can learn about farming during the day and adults can enjoy casino games in the evening.

"This space is very unique because people can either learn about or remember what it was like to ride the train years ago," Bonnie said. "We make that space versatile so that it can be flipped to entertain both children and adults. We also have other older buildings and items on-site around the farm for people to visit and take a step back in time."

Perhaps one of their most-popular day time attractions, Camp Back to the Basics, centers on teaching children how to do things that aren't as commonly taught as they were in years past.

Camp Back to the Basics is offered on select days during the summer months at Aw Shucks Farm. Kids between the ages of 10 and 17 can attend a day on the farm and learn many valuable tasks, like fishing, construction and mechanic basics, skeet shooting, archery, fire safety, how to operate a lawn mower and more!

"This event is so popular for us because many of these life skills are not taught like they used to be," Bonnie said. "Kids from across the state and beyond sign up for the camps each year and I love to watch them grow and learn throughout the day. It's fun to see which activities they enjoy the most, although driving the gator around is always a top hit!" The eight-hour day camp costs \$125 per person with all food and drinks for the day included.

Fall on the farm is the most anticipated and attended



Aw Shucks Farm's agritourism offerings include educational opportunities like Camp Basics plus such entertainment as its 13th Acre Haunt, which runs through Halloween.



time at the farm because of their haunted attraction, the 13th Acre Haunt.

"We started the haunted attraction a few years ago and, honestly, it has outgrown everything else we've offered here as far as agritourism," Bonnie said.

The 13th Acre Haunt will feature three attractions this year: (1) Reapers Row, which is a haunted corn maze, (2) Coffin Creek and the (3) Forbidden Acre, which are both haunted buildings/houses.

"We have about 60 actors that dress up in a variety of scary costumes, including clowns, zombies and ghosts," Bonnie said. "Not only can they be found in the three attractions, but also wandering the grounds throughout the night."

The haunted attraction also features food, drinks, a soda



shop/farm store, cornhole and many photo op areas. The farm also acquired its beer and wine license this past year, so keep an eye out for that! The 13th Acre Haunt will cost \$25 per ticket this year and will be open on Friday and Saturday nights starting next weekend, September 22nd, and running through October 28th. It will also be open on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, Sunday, Oct. 29th and Halloween night.

The 13th Acre Haunt has become Bonnie's most favorite part of the year because of all the creativity she is able to launch through it. "I never grew up a haunted attraction type of person," she said, "but it has become the most creative outlet for me. I am also one of the few female haunt owners, so that's a big source of pride for me."