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CERTIFIED SC PRODUCE IS BOUNTIFUL IN JUNE

BY SAMANTHA DAY

June is an abundant month for South Carolina produce. Farmers are hard at work harvesting fruits and vegetables - but some of the most important work was done back in April and May. It takes significant meteorological skills and perfect timing to beat the last frost of the season and produce the fresh and tasty harvest that makes Certified South Carolina produce so delicious.

There are countless reasons to seek out Certified South Carolina fruits and vegetables. Not only are you supporting local farmers and the local economy, you are also minimizing your carbon footprint with the minimized miles your food travels to your table.

And then there's the matter of flavor.

"Nothing tastes better," says Ansley Turnblad, marketing coordinator for the Certified South Carolina program at the South Carolina Department of Agriculture.



If you're like Turnblad, most of her favorite South Carolina produce is harvested in the month of June, including sweet corn, watermelon, cantaloupe, tomatoes, squash, peaches, and

The Certified South Carolina program was created by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture in 2006 to help consumers identify and purchase local fruits and vegetables, while supporting local farms.

Since it was launched, the Certified South Carolina Program has grown by "pulling in members, signing up new members, and also pushing out Certified commercials, and retail signage," Turnblad says. Members of the program can use the logo on their products and in their marketing. SCDA promotes Certified South Carolina through a variety of means, including social media, advertising, events, and sponsorships.



Today, the program has 1,629 members. According to one study, the Certified South Carolina program enjoys 80 percent brand awareness among in-state consumers.

Turnblad is a member of a fifth-generation row crop farming family. After five o'clock during the week and on the weekends, Turnblad labels herself as a "glorified farmhand" because of the work she puts in helping her family's strawberry and blueberry patches grow. She says her agricultural background helps her build meaningful relationships with the Certified South Carolina produce farmers.

"Farming is in my blood and always will be," she says. "Even if I didn't work for the Department of Agriculture, I would still promote South Carolina agriculture, and I still will for the rest of my life."

COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

June 17, 2021

HUGH E. WEATHERS

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE



BACK AT IT

ast week, senior staff of the **■**Department and I traveled to Little Rock, Arkansas, for the 2021 conference of the Southern Association of State Departments of Agriculture, or SASDA. This is an important annual gathering because other Southern states have a lot in common with South Carolina when it comes to agriculture. All three assistant commissioners joined me in conversations with government officials and industry - and some interesting tours. Did you know that half of the rice grown in the United States comes from **Arkansas?**

We heard about some important ways to ensure the future of farming, like mental health resources for farmers, and of course some of the biggest topics nationwide right now: pandemic recovery, and industry solutions to climate change.

We also got to connect with some members of Congress who represent other Southern states. We have a great relationship with our South Carolina congressional delegation, but it can be helpful to hear from folks who serve on key committees like natural resources and banking and have unique perspectives on agriculture across the country.

I enjoyed my travels. And it seems lots of my fellow South Carolinians are enjoying traveling again, too. The summer travel

season is well underway as we move toward higher vaccination rates and lower COVID numbers. AAA reported that Memorial Day weekend of 2021 had the highest reported demand for fuel since early March 2020. It seems like most of the increased travel is on Interstate 26 where I spend a good bit of my time driving.

The South Carolina Department of Agriculture's Consumer Services inspectors work year-round to inspect every gas pump in the state so that consumers - summer travelers as well as agricultural customers - can trust that they're getting the among of fuel they paid for. Our laboratory also tests samples of gasoline to ensure they aren't contaminated with water or other things that shouldn't be there.

While you're out there on rural roads, don't forget to watch out for farm equipment. Many farmers have to move machinery between different parts of their farm along public roads. If you see the slow-moving vehicle emblem, slow your vehicle in plenty of time - the equipment will probably be moving at 25 mph or less. Make sure the driver can see you behind them. And wait until it's safe to pass, doing so cautiously as equipment may be extra-wide. Let's all work together to stay safe this

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CERTIFIED SOUTH CAROLINA What's In Season JUNE BASIL, BEANS (SNAP/POLE/VARIETY), BLACKBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES, BOK CHOY, BROCCOLI, CABBAGE, CANTALOUPE, CILANTRO, COLLARDS, CUCUMBERS, EDAMAME, EGGPLANT, FENNEL, GARLIC, HERBS, KALE, KOHLRABI, MICROGREENS, MUSHROOMS, OKRA, ONIONS, PARSLEY, PEACHES, PEAS (SNAP/SUGAR), PEPPERS (VARIETY), PLUMS, RADISHES, STRAWBERRIES, SUMMER SQUASH, SWEET CORN, SWISS CHARD, TOMATOES, WATERMELON, ZUCCHINI

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cheraw Market on Market

June 19 • 9 am – 12 pm

Cheraw's Market on Market is a family-friendly monthly event featuring art, produce, food and entertainment on the third Saturday of each month from May through October. Local farmers will bring their produce to the downtown area for purchase. A variety of food items will be available for purchase from restaurants.

Downtown Cheraw

Contact: Cheraw Arts Commission 843-537-8420 x 12

FARM FUN

Family Farm Day at Fox Hideaway

June 19 • 9 am - 5 pm

Play with baby goats, pet horses, meet some baby pigs... we mean, 18 little pigs & Leroy, cuddle with kittens, meet our awesome livestock guardian dogs... enjoy being outside & letting the kids run/play! We have a Goat Yoga class scheduled with our babies. We will have the baby goat play pen open & have pony rides, too! Our Kid Zone will have games and toys for kids of all ages! We do accept donations to help feed all of our animals and make farm repairs, but giving is 100% up to you! Admission: FREE! All event parking will be in our front pasture, \$5/ vehicle per day.

Fox Hideaway

1822 Saint Matthew Church Road, Eastover

803-567-3046 fox-hideaway-farm.square.site

facebook.com/FoxHideawaySC



South Carolina Sunflower Festival

June 19, 20, 25, & 26 • 10 am – 8 pm Acres of sunflowers! Shrimp & grits, juicy burgers, street tacos and more! Visit the Silo Bar for Flower Frozé Slushees! Lots and lots of farm fun!

Denver Downs Farm

1515 Denver Road, Anderson

864-515-4554 • catherine@denverdownsfarm.com denverdownsfarm.com

SC Ag+Art Tour

June 19 & 20 – Fairfield County
June 26 & 27 – Chesterfield County
Saturday 10 am – 4 pm | Sunday 1 – 5 pm
June 26 – Chester County

Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

The South Carolina Ag + Art Tour is a free, self-guided tour of farms featuring local artisans at every stop. Visit the website to plan your tour of some of our state's best homegrown and handmade experiences! clemson.edu/extension/agandarttour

Veteran's Coffee And Chores

June 21 • 8 – 10 am

Join other Vets as we tackle a few farm chores and then sit down and have a cup of coffee, a cinnamon roll, and a chat! Open to any Veteran or current Servicemember and their spouse. There is a job for anyone, no experience necessary! Free goat cuddles!

Project Victory Gardens 414 Wire Road, Aiken

315-236-0349 • projectvictorygardens@gmail.com projectvictorygardens.org

Newton Blueberry Festival

June 26 • 8 am – 1 pm

Newton Blueberry Farm is a family owned and operated blueberry farm that has been around for over 50 years. Agricultural goods, homemade household goods, food service vendors.

Newton Blueberry Farm 7834 Hwy 162, Hollywood

843-889-2358

newtonblueberryfarm1968@gmail.com facebook.com/NewtonBlueberryFarm



Canning Class @ BGAMSC

June 26 • 10 am – 2 pm

Learn about the wonderful world of canning. Ages: 16 and over. Price: \$30. Registration required.

Bart Garrison Agricultural Museum of South Carolina 120 History Lane, Pendleton

Contact: Zach Sahms

864-646-7271 • zsahms@bgamsc.org facebook.com/BGAMSC



Wash Day at the L.W. Paul Living History Farm

June 29 • 9 am – 12 pm

Have you ever wondered how laundry was done before modern washing machines? Visit the L.W. Paul Living History Farm to try your hand at doing laundry the old fashioned way and see how clothes would have been cleaned using a scrub board and wash pot.

LW Paul Living History Farm 2279 Harris Short Cut Road, Conway 843-915-5320

horrycountymuseum.org/farm.asp



SALES & AUCTIONS

Claxton's Auction

June 19 & 26 • 11 am

Every Saturday. Equine, cows, sheep, goats, pigs, camelots, ratites, poultry, and small animals.

18627 Lowcountry Hwy, Ruffin

Contact: William Claxton

843-909-4285 • wlcjr@yahoo.com facebook.com/ClaxtonAuctionCo

SCDA State Farmers Markets

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FARMERS MARKET

3483 Charleston Highway West Columbia, SC 29172 803-737-4664 GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET

1354 Rutherford Road Greenville, SC 29609 864-244-4023 PEE DEE STATE FARMERS MARKET

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50¢; Bass, \$2; Catfish, 75¢; Grass Carp, \$10; Minnows, \$20; Crappie, \$2; Hybrid, \$2; del Derek Long Newberry 803-276-2070

STER CARP

\$12 ea; 3-5" Tilapia, \$195/100; 1-3" BG/SC, \$55/100; LM Bass, \$75/50; Chan Cat, \$60/100; Gambusia, \$40/100 Clay Chappell Richland 803-776-4923

3-6" KOI FISH

\$3-5 Tommy Sherman Laurens 864-546-2778

CATTLE

2 BALDY BLK ANG BULLS

\$800 & \$1000; 2 Blk Ang hefrs, \$600 each Suzanne Reed Anderson 864-293-0363

HOLSTEIN CALVES

bull & hefr, 5 m/o, \$900/ both or \$500 each Curlie Lawson Saluda 803-505-8813

WHT FACED COW

ready to breed, \$250 Jimmy Knight Pickens 864-630-6775

REG ANG BULLS

2 y/o, Al Tahoe, Hoover Dam, hefrs & prs, \$1500-3500 **Bobby Baker** Lancaster 803-804-2230

BLK ANG BULLS

yrlgs & 2 y/o, exc b'lines, good calving ease, \$1500+ Wesley Miller Lexington 803-917-1793

REG CHAR COW

B-11/28/15, w/calf B-5/29/21, from Venture, \$1800 for pr Tony Ashe York 803-366-7647

2 HRFRD BULLS

6 m/o, drk red, \$750 each Cindy Leitzsey Newberry 803-924-3635

4 REG ANG BULLS

14-22 m/o, sired by Alliance, \$1200-1500 Wade Parnell Anderson 864-338-5678

BROWN SWISS

cows, \$1500; hefrs, \$1000; Holstein/Jersey/Brown Swiss bull, \$1000 Jacqueline Sequoia Oconee 864-985-3686

REG ANG BULLS

sired by Basin Payweight, 17-18 m/o, good dispo & muscling, \$2000+ **Bruce Stuart** Aiken 803-645-0378

3 Y/O RG ANG BULL

proven calving ease, Fescue resistant, mother w/ longevity, gentle, \$2100 Eddie Martin Anderson 864-296-0454

LIMO & LIMO-FLEX BULLS

reg, red & blk, B-1/1-4/1/20, out of high% cows & FB bull, \$1000+, can del for fee James Langston Pickens 864-859-6794

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grass & grain fed, 500 lbs+, \$2-2.25/lb, live weight, call Kevin Vassar Greenville 706-961-1862

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16 m/o, \$1400; 1 y/o, \$1200, both tame; 7 m/o blk Ang bull, \$750 L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394

REG BLK ANG BULLS

proven genetics, 16-27 m/o, low BW, exc ft & muscle, BSE, comp EPDs, perf info, \$3000+ Dixon Shealy Newberry 803-629-1174

RED POLL YRLG BULLS

& hefrs, FB, sired by '17 NAILE Reserve Grand Champion, \$1800-2500 J Wyatt Marlboro 803-651-3086

(2) 21 M/O BULLS

Basin Payweight, low BW, thick muscle, \$2000 each Paul Kicidis Union 864-429-6112

15 M/O PB BULLS

Blk Brangus & Ultra Blk, calving ease, \$1850+ Daniel Chassereau Bamberg 803-267-4880

REG ANG BULL

Famoda C3 Journey, B-9/20/15, BW +1.9, selling to prevent inbreeding, gentle, \$2250 Jim Blackwell Greenville 864-617-3344

BFMSTR BULLS

1 reg blk, 12 m/o, \$1700; PB red bull, 24 m/o, \$1500; 12 m/o, \$1300+ Iohn Steele Lancaster 803-283-7720

FARM EQUIPMENT

ADS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED BY COMMERCIAL DEALERS. A CURRENT FARM TAG ISSUED BY THE SCDMV IS REQUIRED ON ALL FARM VEHICLES.

BUSH N BOG

& Howse 6' bush hog, old, GWC, \$500 each Jim Rathwell Pickens 864-637-8131

850 MF COMBINE

6r corn, 18' grain, all shed kept, w/all manuals, 2 row crop hdrs, \$8000 obo David Earley Orangeburg 803-534-3689

3PT CAT 16' MWR

has shear pin on PTO, Dirt Dog mod 106, 1 y/o, LN, \$1000 Alan South Laurens 864-994-4831

55 GAL METAL BARRELS

w/tops that seal, used for food only, good for grain storage, \$20 each Barbara Staphens Spartanburg 864-680-3748

NH 1412 DISCBINE 10' cut, LN, \$9500

M Clemons Georgetown 843-344-3833 **IMPLEMENTS** hyd hay spear, 3ph, \$250;

7' cult, \$175; 2 turn plows, \$200 each James Elder Spartanburg 864-909-4125 **CASE IH 685**

one remote, 4800 hrs, good tires, mech sound, \$8000 obo John Miller Edgefield 803-480-6389

CAT D6C

\$22,000; JD 110 backhoe, \$20,000; JD 730, \$9500; JD 630 & JD 530, both \$7200; Kaufman GN, \$8500 Ronald McGraw Lancaster 704-547-1832

4 BASKET HAY TEDDER

Sitrex ST520, FR, GC, \$3500 Benjamin Holmes Saluda 864-344-1478

LEWIS BROS HOUSEKEEPER

LNC, used 30x, photos avail, \$15,000 obo Fletcher Arant Saluda 803-206-3989

MORRA DISC MWR

\$3500; Morra rake, \$1400; Morra tedder, \$800; all '16 models & in EC, dry storage Bob Morgan Dillon 843-845-7914

7' SCRAPE BLADE

3ph, \$450 obo Barney Smith Fairfield 803-635-7878

JD 336 BALER

VGC, FR, as is, \$3500 Howard Steele York 803-230-2627

FINISHING MWR

Woods Heritage RD60, \$1650; 4 whl hay rake, 3pt, 13'+, \$550; both in GC Kent Jewell Lancaster 803-320-3708

HD 3 BTM PLOW

Super Chief X-series, \$500 R Adams Darlington 843-393-7280

965 JD SWITCH PLOW

GC, \$3000 Christopher Derrick Edgefield 803-480-0465

7' GRABBLE BUCKET

GC, \$2200; 2r 3ph cultiv, \$400; 4'×8' Tandem axle trl, all metal, \$3500 D L Dimery Lexington 803-730-8478

TONUTTI HAY TEDDER

mod GT310, 2 basket, 3ph, GC, FR, \$975 Danny Leitner Fairfield 843-200-0887

CASE IH 1020 30' HDR

\$2500; module builder, \$2000 Danny McAlhaney Bamberg 803-793-7095

SPIKE HARROW MOD **STH84**

80"W×40"D, 3ph mntd, \$400 Dennis Fraley Beaufort 843-598-1150

FORD 2810

dsl, 825 hrs, 36hp, \$6500; 7' sickle mwr, \$750; 2 bush hogs, 6'/\$750, 5'/\$500; 6' box scrape, \$300; all VCG Bill Caughman Lexington 803-687-0280

CASE DISC CUTTER

mod 3206, partially disassembled, gearbox is good, \$300 Jerry Comeaux Saluda

864-992-3869

(2) 52 MOLINE TRACTORS driven to shed, 18+ yrs, not used, \$2200 Vance Clinkscales Anderson 864-225-6084

INTL 674 DSL TRACTOR

working, LN, 16.9-38 rear tires, hard top, 6' bush hog, \$8000 obo Pat Blue York 803-242-0095

ENROSSI 8 WHL V-RAKE

hyd fold, under shed, GC, \$2800 cash; oak trl w/side, hvy axle, good tires, needs work, \$145 Randy Orr Anderson 864-295-3736

RANCHWORX AERATOR used on 100A, \$8500

Charles Swain Aiken 803-295-2467

'03 4×4 F250 reg cab, gas, auto, 112k mi,

\$7750 obo Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628

FA 230

GRC, I new rear tire, foam in frt tires, will not reverse, \$1500 obo William Timmerman Aiken 803-640-6265

8N FORD

lights, 3ph, GRC, \$2500 obo; JD old pull type disc, \$350; 3pt 5' Gill box blade, \$500 Rickie Evans Chester

803-209-2714 **GRAIN AUGER**

41'×6", GWC, \$2000 Victor Smith Berkeley 843-688-5353

6' BOX BLADE

new, \$600; 6" & 9" 3pt augers, \$100 & \$125; more David Oser Dorchester 843-557-5200

IH 1440 COMBINE

GC, \$9000 Charles Nichols Saluda 864-445-8350

16' PONDEROSA GN TRL

horse/stock, torsion axles, elec brake, orig cond, \$4200 Robert Hurley Laurens 864-981-5352

HAY RAKE

Vermeer WR20, \$4500; Hay lift, rolls out hay, \$250 Joyce Clack Chester 803-385-6134

FELLER BUNCHER

Hydro Ax 611EX, 7500 hrs, starts/runs well, newer saw head, \$14,000 Dakota Hollman Lexington 803-687-6382

BUSH HOG MWR

5' Grass King, pull type, \$525 Claude Lindler Lexington 803-606-9657 WOODS 6' MWR

used 75 hrs, \$2175; Simca/ Belco 6' tiller, used 10 hrs, \$1325; both Cat, 1 & 3 y/o, shed kept; more Tom Kirkley Lancaster 803-246-8195

INTL 140 TRACTOR

w/cult & dist, 3pt, \$7000; 53'×8" grain auger, \$3000 Jeffrey Gilmore Chesterfield 843-517-0315

BARE ROOT TRNSPLNTR

or plug, w/barrel, Mechanical Transplanter Co mod 1000, light use, \$2500 obo John Mahon Chesterfield 843-910-7352

2000 FLD 120 DAY CAB

10 spd air ride, wet kit, GC, \$18,000; 24' Stoll GN 6 bale mover, GC, \$2500; more Don Bowman Abbeville 864-617-7253

HAY SPEAR

King Kutter II, \$150; hay fork, 3pt attach, \$200 Richard Eaton Laurens 864-923-2796

'57 FA CUB TRACTOR

restored, rebuilt eng, 12v, radiator, new tires, w/cult & dist, \$3200 Robert Withers Charleston 843-768-0743

FA SUPER A

frt cults, new tires, battery, \$2900; 10/12 disc harrow, \$2500; scrape blade, \$400; sprdr, \$300; more Ted Adams Greenville 864-292-5001

'51 FORD 8N

GC, orig paint, \$3100 Lynn Shealy Lexington 803-513-5818

COVINGTON TP-46

single row seed plntr, on 4 shank cult, 5 seed plates, 3ph, nvr used, \$1800 obo Joe Harrell Richland 803-786-4841

MF 10PT CHISEL PLOW

\$1500; MF or Intl 4r cult, \$700 each; Ford 2r or 4r cult, \$700 Plato Kneece Aiken 803-582-8665

VERMEER RND BALER

504 Super I, shed kept, FR, GC, \$6500 Dwayne Blackwell Spartanburg 864-680-4712

6" ELEC AUGER

50', \$600 Manning Bair Dorchester 843-563-4114 **'75 MF 235 TRACTOR**

803-543-8715

Lexington

GC, PS, dsl, \$4500

Barney Williams

GRAIN DRILL 12 disc, GC, \$700 Frank Hill Anderson 864-617-5413

FARM LABOR

NOTICES ARE ACCEPTED FOR AGRICULTURAL WORK ONLY AND NOT FOR HOUSEWORK, NURSING, OR COMPANIONSHIP NEEDS.

TRACTOR WORK

frt end ldr, dirt blade, bush hog, chain saw trees, also backhoe work w/in 20 mi David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117

STUMP GRINDING

tree work, tractor work, hauling w/dump trl, Aiken area Jamey Bledsoe Aiken 803-645-4298

LEXCO TACK CLEANING leather bridles, saddles,

harnesses & accessories, your place or mine Laurie Knapp Lexington 803-317-7613

LIGHT TRACTOR WORK

to incl bush hogging, tree removal, fence work, hauling w/dump trl Jason Straub York 803-417-5200

DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK

build & repair ponds, demo, tree removal, land clearing, roads, free est **James Hughes** Greenwood 864-227-8257

HONEY BEE REMOVAL

swarms wanted, Richland, Calhoun, Sumter Co's Jim Christmas Richland 803-920-6440

PASTURE MOWING

fence line spraying, call for pricing Austin Cathcart Fairfield 803-603-7346

LIGHT TRACTOR WORK

to incl bush hogging, discing, cut up & removal of downed trees, light landscaping John Tanner Lexington 803-422-4714

LIME SPREADING

specialize in bulk TN lime, call for est Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628

PASTURE MGMT SERV

spray weeds, treat fire ants, fert & lime; plant Bermuda & Bahia Kenny Mullis Richland 803-331-6612

NEED PERSON

occasional & dependable, tending 40 pet bantams, some in hutches, AM & PM care, \$40/day, Kershaw area Kim Hagen Lancaster 803-475-1125

TRACTOR WORK light bush hogging Glenn Goins Lexington 803-381-8287

FARM LAND

FARM LAND MUST BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY THE OWNER, NOT AN AGENT. TRACTS MUST BE AT LEAST 5 ACRES UNDER CULTIVATION, TIMBER, OR PASTURE. OUT-OF-STATE OWNERS - NOT REAL ESTATE AGENTS - MAY NOW SUBMIT ADS FOR LAND IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

PASTURE ON 10+A

for rent, vet records reqd, shed avail, good riding location, \$225/mo Patty Jackson Cherokee 864-316-0741

WANT 5+A FARM LAND

to rent/buy, for gardening, w/elec, water, septic, 50 mi of Greenville/Spartanburg Melanie Forguson Spartanburg 864-380-9546

WANT 100-500A

for '22 Spring turkey lease, for family only Ron Smith Greenville 864-908-1109

20+A WARE PLACE

Hwy 25, prev cult in corn/ planted, w/25 yr solar lease starting in 2022, \$200,000 Stephen Gedosch Greenville 864-982-4490

WANT 5+A FARM LAND

w/water & elect, Fairfield Co & surrounding areas Mason Motley Richland 803-600-2053

36A OF PULPWOOD TIMBER

good deer hunting, above Winnsboro, \$86,000 Carl Gulledge Fairfield 803-530-8885

18.4A TIMBER

Borden/Rembert area, deer/ turkeys/hogs/food plots/ homesite, good hunting, \$48,000 Kim Carter Sumter 843-206-1680

41+/- A SALLEY

mostly wooded, w/wet branch, poss sm pond site, fronts 2 rds, \$130,000 Barney Williams Lexington 803-543-8715

190A 17 Y/O PINE

21A Hdwd, near I-77 mm 38, new survey, \$546,000, finance poss, no leases Terry Mills York 803-322-4560

FRESH PRODUCE

PRODUCE MUST BE RAW AND NON-PROCESSED. RAW MILK, BUTTER, AND CHEESE PRODUCTS MUST BE PERMITTED BY THE SC DEPT. OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL. AN EGG LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ON-FARM POINTS OF SALE.

SHELLED PECANS

\$10/lb shelled & cleaned, p-up in Newberry or Irmo Russell Shealy Newberry 803-944-7316

BLUEBERRIES

fresh picked, \$16/gal Darnell Miller Aiken 803-507-1926

QUAIL EGGS

\$4/dozen Melvin Gaulden 803-324-0071

GARDEN

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

ARUNDO DONAX BULBS

aka Peppermint Stick, lrg, \$10+ Helen Mertz Kershaw 803-427-4536

SWEET POTATO SLIPS

Hernandez & Burgundy, \$20/100 A J Logan Calhoun 803-874-3793

FIGS & ELDERBERRY TREES

\$15; Grape vines, \$10; Mulberry, Pomegranate, Camellias, & Loquat, \$20 FC Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066

BLKBERRY PLANTS

lrg early bearing, gal pot, \$10 each Melvin Gaulden York 803-324-0071

GOATS / LLAMAS / SHEEP

NDG BLUE EYED BILLY

\$175-225, will trade for polled, blue eyed reg billy David Oser Dorchester 843-557-5200

ANGORA GOATS

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KATAHDIN SHEEP

ewes, rams & lambs, \$100+; lrg rams, \$225 Francis Black Barnwell 803-259-8428

GOATS

3+ m/o Boer, Boer Mix; 4 m/o 100% Kikos, \$150+, text or call William Bennett Clarendon 843-409-1974

SHEEP

4 rams & 1 ewe, \$350 obo Jan Shumpert Orangeburg 803-247-5991

3 Y/O ST CROIX RAM

rotation & wire trained, reg, is a triplet, wht & polled, low maint, gentle, \$300 Guy Rockey York 704-995-1243

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B-11/27-28/20, billies/\$150 each; nannies/\$200 each Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589

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Katahdin/Dorper, photos avail, \$200 Dennis Hurley Sumter 843-659-8775

KATAHDIN/WHT DORPER

4 m/o, \$165 each; reg wht Dorper ram, 1½ y/o, \$300; 11/2 y/o Dorper/Katahdin F, w/M lamb, \$220 Barney Gause Williamsburg 843-356-1671

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HOGS

WHT SOW

300 lbs, \$50 Jimmy Knight Pickens 864-630-6775

HOGS & PIGS

\$50+ Earl Watts Lexington 803-794-9049

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100 lbs, unreg/reg, \$100-150 David Oser Dorchester 843-557-5200

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\$10: Liriope, red Honeysuckle, Virginia creeper, yellow Jessamine, Obedient plant, \$5 SR Pound Lexington 803-466-2051

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\$6; Gardenias, Yel Bells, Holly, Privet, \$5 each Maxie Bullock Greenwood 864-992-2575

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1 y/o, in 3 gal pots, \$15 each D L Dimery Lexington 803-796-2995

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'21 FESCUE & RYE GRASS

\$40/in barn; '20 in barn hay, \$30; '20 outside hay, \$20 Terry Blakely Greenville 864-483-1920

'21 4×5 FESCUE

HQ, shed kept, \$35 Wesley Boland Newberry 803-768-2010

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4×5 rnd, lime/fert, GQ, \$25/bale Wayne Crandell Greenville 864-420-2589

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HQ, sq, fert, sprayed & cut mid-end May, in shed, \$5/ bale, min 25 bale Will Kraft Greenville 864-979-7910

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net wrap, shed stored, \$50; outside stored, \$45, del avail w/in 50 mi Bobby Zimmerman Lexington 803-317-8681

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'20 CB

\$25/field; \$45/barn; Bahia, \$10, all 900 lbs Tom Thorton Lexington 803-960-4068

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\$5/bale, del avail at extra cost & min load Jim Wells York 704-533-4022

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'21 4×5 RND FESCUE

\$30; '20 4×5 rnd Mixed Grass, \$20; Oats, \$40/barrel, in your barrel Mike Armstrong Greenville 864-630-6174

BAHIA TIFTON 9

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tight bales, \$8/bale, can del Victor Smith Berkeley 843-688-5353

'21 SQ FESCUE

NR, in barn, \$5 each Jerry Butler Laurens 864-697-6343

SQ RYE STRAW

shed kept, \$4.50 each Howard McCartha Lexington 803-312-3316

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\$30; Fescue, \$25; grass mix, \$25; all 4×5 & net wrap Charles Nichols Saluda 864-445-8350

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in barn, \$40 each, del avail for extra chg Stephen Gedosch Greenville 864-982-4490

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Crabgrass, Bermuda & Clover Buffet, CQ, '20 1st & 2nd cuttings, net wrap, \$30 each Andrew Criswell Darlington 843-229-6395

'21 HQ FESCUE

4×5 net wrap, shed stored on pallets, NR, \$50, disc for volume, del for fee George Bryant Pickens 864-630-4934

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\$40 & \$50; sq Rye straw, \$4.50; all shed kept Larry McCartha Lexington 803-606-2499

SQ ALFALFA BALES

\$10; Alfalfa/grass mix, \$8; rnd Alfalfa bales, \$80 Jackie Rogers Spartanburg 864-381-5971

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\$20/bale; '21 4×5 mixed grass, \$30/bale Barry Hossler Saluda 803-622-3906

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\$6; Copper Maran chick, \$4 James Roach Richland 803-542-8275

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BIRMINGHAM ROLLERS var of colors, & many bald birds, \$10 each Earl Owens Laurens 864-684-6993

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Rio Grande breed, 1½ y/o, \$100 L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394

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NITROGEN APPLICATOR

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HOOD

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Laurens

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syrup kettle, anvils, old lighting rod w/balls & weathervane, lrg coffee grinder, more Perry Masters Greenville 864-561-4792

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any size wash pots & farm bells R Long Abbeville 803-924-9039

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AVOID SCAMS WHEN BUYING OR SELLING

BY EVA MOORE

From time to time, we hear from Market Bulletin advertisers who've received suspicious offers to buy items they've listed for sale. Often these buyers are located in another state or country and refuse to meet in person, and may offer to pay with an easily falsifiable payment method like a money order.

Market Bulletin sales are usually "farmer-to-farmer," but advertising products for sale does open you up to potential scams.

Buyers, too, should be cautious. While our staff takes steps to ensure sellers are local and legitimate, and to investigate complaints, some bad-faith sellers may occasionally slip through.

Here are some ways to protect yourself.

BUY AND SELL IN PERSON. Most scams rely on distance. Whether you're selling hay, honey or a harvester, you can avoid being duped by exchanging items and money in person.

VERIFY THE PAYMENT. Avoid wire transfers, cashier's checks and money orders, which can be fake. If accepting a personal check, ask your bank to verify it before handing anything over.

DON'T GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION. Never give out your bank account numbers, Social Security number or other private information.

TRUST YOUR GUT. If a transaction is moving too fast or something doesn't feel right, slow down. And don't hesitate to ask a trusted friend or family member for their opinion.

Don't be ashamed if you do fall victim to a scam; scammers have developed methods that work on the wisest of us. Contact the police to file a report.

USDA FORECASTS RECORD FARM **EXPORTS IN FY 2021**

BY USDA FAS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's quarterly agricultural trade forecast projects fiscal year 2021 U.S. farm exports at \$164 billion – the highest total on record. This represents an increase of \$28 billion, or 21 percent, from last fiscal year's total, and a \$7-billion increase from USDA's previous FY 2021 forecast published in February. The annual export record of \$152.3 billion was set in FY 2014.

"U.S. agricultural trade has proven extraordinarily resilient in the face of a global pandemic and economic contraction. This strength is reflected in today's USDA export forecast," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "As we conclude World Trade Month, it's clear that trade remains a critical engine powering the agricultural economy and the U.S. economy as a whole. Today's estimate shows that our agricultural trading partners are responding to a return to certainty and reliability from the United States. Yesterday's action regarding the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement also made it clear that our trading partners must play by the rules. Ensuring that all U.S. producers and exporters have access to global markets is a key to building back better and ensuring the continued strength and resiliency of rural America."

Key drivers of the surge in exports include a record outlook for China, record export volumes and values for a number of key products, sharply higher commodity prices, and reduced foreign competition.

China is poised to be back on top as the United States' number one customer, with U.S. exports forecast at \$35 billion, eclipsing the previous record of \$29.6 billion set in FY 2014. This growth is led by Chinese demand for soybeans and corn. Other top markets, in order, are Canada, Mexico, Japan, the European Union, and South Korea, with demand remaining strong across the board.

USDA projects that total exports of bulk commodities and meat will reach record levels for both volume and value in FY 2021. On the bulk commodity side, this is true for both corn and soybeans exports, with sorghum export value also at a record. On the meat side, beef and pork export values and volumes are projected at an all-time high, as is broiler meat volume.

The full USDA export forecast is available at: fas.usda.gov/data/quarterlyagricultural-export-forecast.

CLEMSON RESEARCHERS AND OTHERS MEET TO DISCUSS S.C. MARICULTURE INDUSTRY

BY CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

GEORGETOWN, S.C. – Seafood consumption is increasing and Clemson University researchers are collaborating with researchers from other entities to determine how to help the seafood market grow in South Carolina.

Recently, the researchers held a webinar to explain how producers can benefit from the shellfish mariculture industry in South Carolina.

Marzieh Motallebi, an environmental economist and assistant professor at Clemson's Baruch Institute of Coastal Ecology and Forest Science, said the National Restaurant Association's annual survey of chefs placed locally sourced meats and seafood as a top food trend in the United States. This is good news for South Carolina seafood producers, but it is uncertain if they are in a position to take advantage of this trend. Challenges include production issues such as lack of oyster seed, current producer licensing system, finance options, as well as weather and disease.

"When we talked with oyster growers, we were told the lengthy permitting process and costly licensing for growers in South Carolina, as well as the lack of guidance for these processes were main issues," Motallebi said. "Financial issues also came up frequently. Growers said raising enough money to invest in new equipment would be difficult and there aren't many options for federal crop insurance for aquaculture."

Other challenges include post-harvest barriers such as lack of processing facilities, transportation and storage logistics; market access and buying points also are hindrances. The researchers believe setting up cold storage and distribution hubs would help put more local seafood on South Carolina consumers' plates.

"Our research has found South Carolinians are eager to purchase local seafood," Motallebi said.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Steve Richards, Extension associate with the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service

agribusiness team, discussed an oyster-focused consumer survey conducted to determine where and how oysters are consumed and consumers' willingness to pay for oysters. The survey found most consumers eat oysters at restaurants, about 76% of the time.

"One of the interesting things found was 40% of the respondents mentioned eating oysters at oyster roasts," Richards said. "So, (oyster roasts) could be a growing marketing outlet and, perhaps, has catering potential."

Richards and his team are looking at ways to expand the oyster market in South Carolina. They are launching a survey this summer to determine how to overcome barriers for getting local seafood into restaurants. The agribusiness team will use GIS mapping to determine where customers and potential customers live, as well as the best restaurants to target.

In a discussion on the economic impact of oyster growers in the state, Rob Carey of the Clemson Regional Economic Analysis Laboratory, said most of the oysters harvested in South Carolina are sold to restaurants in state. The estimated impact of oyster production in South Carolina is \$8.7 million.

To help meet consumer demands, graduate student Sam Cheplick said better interaction is needed between harvest fisheries and aquaculture production facilities. Cheplick referenced a survey he conducted that shows demand is high in South Carolina for locally and sustainably sourced aquaculture products such as clams, oysters and shrimp.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Graham Gaines of the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium discussed research he and his team are conducting, including: searching for opportunities for new seed sources, building shellfish Research and Development with educational institutions and collecting data to understand the direct-to-consumer marketing potential for South Carolina seafood. The Consortium is also working with a

local seafood organization to conduct a campaign to help ensure public perceptions of the shellfish industry are grounded in science.

"One project we plan to do in the immediate future is incorporate the clam industry into our research to paint a whole picture of the state's shellfish industry and its economic impact," Gaines said.

The researchers also plan to develop a Shellfish Disease State of Knowledge Report to help understand, predict and minimize shellfish diseases that could impact the industry. Also included in this report will be information on how climate impacts the shellfish industry.

Gary Spires of the South Carolina Farm Bureau discussed opportunities available for South Carolina shellfish growers. The S.C. Department of Agriculture's Certified South Carolina program is one area he acknowledged.

"We've been involved with this program since its inception," Spires said. "It's a great way to let people know that they are consuming locally grown foods."

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, aid provided by the CARES Act originally was not provided for the shellfish industry. Spires and others arranged a meeting with then-Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue to tell him about the plight of the state's shellfish industry.

Oyster mariculture is growing in South Carolina. Clemson researchers will continue to work with the S.C. Sea Grant Consortium, S.C. Farm Bureau, S.C. Center for Cooperative and Enterprise Development, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture to advance this industry.

"We are working with South Carolina shellfish growers and we are making a lot of progress, Motallebi said. "There's still work that needs to be done, but this is a market that can greatly benefit South Carolina and we will continue to conduct research and determine how we can help make this industry better."







Oyster cultivation is a growing industry in South Carolina.

Photos by Eva Moore

HOLLY HILL FARM TAKES A VARIED APPROACH

BY SAMANTHA DAY

The South Carolina Department of Agriculture's Agribusiness Center for Research and Entrepreneurship (ACRE) team and other SCDA employees recently traveled to Hickory Bluff Berry Farm in Holly Hill.

Hickory Bluff Berry Farms is a member of the South Carolina Specialty Crop Association and Certified South Carolina. Walter and Cathy Early created their business as a retirement hobby and family project. On their approximately 18 to 20 cultivated acres, this family-run farm produces blackberries, strawberries, okra, squash, cherry tomatoes, blueberries, and string beans. The produce that is harvested from their fields helps stock their own farm stand. Besides their fresh produce, the farm stand also sells cut flowers, bedding plants, garden plants, and hanging baskets.

If you are more of a do-it-yourself type, Hickory Bluff Berry Farm also offers a u-pick option for their strawberries, blueberries, and blackberries. If you visit on a Friday evening, you'll be greeted by the Farmer's Daughter Food Truck and freshly picked produce for their Friday Night at the Farm event.

In light of the recent COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a switch to supporting and purchasing from local farmers and small business. Karen, the Earlys' daughter, says the shift has been positive for Hickory Bluff.

Hickory Bluff Berry Farm is located at 245 Hickory Bluff Lane, Holly Hill, SC 29059.









STATEWIDE DEER HARVEST INCREASES SLIGHTLY IN 2020

BY DAVE LUCAS, SC DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Results of the 2020 Deer Hunter survey conducted by the S.C. Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) indicate that the statewide harvest of deer increased by 2.4 percent last season. The harvest was comprised of an estimated 107,212 bucks and 90,681 does, which made up a total harvest of 197,893 deer, up slightly from the 193,073 estimated harvested in 2019, according to Charles Ruth, SCDNR Big Game Program coordinator.

Between 2002 and 2015, the deer population in the state trended down, with the overall reduction in harvest likely attributable to a number of factors, including habitat change, a long-term drought, two decades of aggressive antlerless deer harvest, and the complete colonization of the state by coyotes and their impact on fawn survival. Since 2016 the state's deer harvest has increased, possibly as a result of declining coyote densities.

The fall of 2020 was the fourth season of the "all deer" tagging system and statewide limit on antlered deer. Although the harvest has increased (15 percent) since 2016, this increase is primarily a result of an increase in doe harvest (25 percent) rather than an increase in the harvest of bucks (7 percent).

"Prior to the tagging program," Ruth said, "increases in harvest were normally the result of increases in the buck harvest or a more equal increase in buck and doe harvest. This disproportionate harvest may be indicative of the new buck limit having the desired effect of decreasing pressure on bucks and increasing the harvest of does. It will likely take a few years for this to become clearer."

Top counties for harvest in 2020 included Anderson, Spartanburg, and Saluda in the Piedmont, and Bamberg and Orangeburg in the coastal plain, with each of these counties exhibiting harvest rates of more than 13 deer per square mile, which Ruth said should be considered extraordinary. Although the harvest is lower now compared with its peak some years ago, South Carolina still ranks near the top among Southeastern states in harvest per unit area.

All areas of South Carolina have long and liberal firearms seasons, and most deer (161,085) were taken with centerfire rifles in 2020. Archery equipment (11,676 deer) and shotguns (15,040 deer) also contributed significantly to the overall deer harvest, whereas muzzleloaders, crossbows and handguns combined (10,092 deer) produced less than 5 percent of the total statewide harvest.

Although the annual Deer Hunter survey focuses on deer-hunting activities, there are also questions on the survey related to the harvest of wild hogs and coyotes in the state.

Results of this year's survey indicate an estimated 18,919 coyotes were taken incidental to deer hunting. This figure represents a 9 percent

decrease from 2019, continuing what seems to be a declining trend in coyote numbers in recent years. Additionally, approximately 28,043 wild hogs were killed by deer hunters statewide, representing an II percent decrease from 2019.

"Hog numbers, and thus harvest, can vary substantially from year to year due to bottomland flooding during the fall and winter farrowing season, which can cause mortality in piglets (and some adults), as well as increasing vulnerability to hunters as hogs move to higher ground," Ruth said. "The dramatic decrease in harvest the last two years is likely related to these factors as bottomland flooding has been relatively widespread the last few years, particularly in 2018, which resulted in a record hog harvest."

Other survey statistics indicate that about 134,675 South Carolina residents and 15,488 non-residents deer hunted in the state in 2020. Deer hunters reported an overall success rate of 69 percent, which Ruth said is outstanding. Overall hunting effort was estimated at just over 2.2 million days. The number of days devoted to deer hunting in South Carolina is very significant and points not only to the availability and popularity of deer as a game species, but to the obvious economic benefits related to this important natural resource. About \$200 million in direct retail sales is related to deer hunting in South Carolina annually.

FERAL HOG TRANSPORT BILL BECOMES LAW

BY SC FARM BUREAU

On May 17, 2021, Governor Henry McMaster signed House Bill 3539 – the Feral Hog Transportation Bill into law requiring hogs be properly identified when being transported. Feral hogs are responsible for an estimated \$115 million in damage statewide each year.

Introduced by Representative Sylleste Davis from Berkeley County, this bill gives law enforcement the tools they need to identify and prosecute individuals illegally transporting feral hogs. While it is currently illegal in South Carolina to transport feral hogs, there is no way of proving hogs to be wild. This legislation requires individuals to provide identification of the animals, and explicitly allows South Carolina Department of Natural Resources officers to seize and/or destroy feral hogs. Those found to be in violation of the law face fines of up to \$1,000 per hog and possible imprisonment.

"We are ecstatic we were able to get this legislation passed," said SCFB President Harry Ott. "While it is not the only solution to the feral hog problem, it's definitely a step in the right direction. I'm thankful that the General Assembly and their staff listened to our farmers and took action."

South Carolina Farm Bureau led the way for passage of the bill, and grassroots advocates communicated their concerns over the growing wild hog population. Many farmers around the state have suffered tremendous crop loss and fear disease spread among livestock as a result of this nuisance species.

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