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ON SPRING TOUR, SC AG COUNCIL EXPLORES LOWCOUNTRY FARMING AND AG HERITAGE

BY ERIN ALBERS, SCDA

The South Carolina Agricultural Council is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting South Carolina agriculture and forestry and educating citizens. Each fall and spring, the Ag Council holds tours of innovative and engaging agribusinesses in various regions of South Carolina to further its mission. The June 7 tour included The Green Heart Project, Hickory Bluff Berry Farm, and the Elloree Heritage Museum.



Green Heart Project, Charleston, SC

The first stop, the Green Heart Project, is an urban garden located amidst rows of historic brick homes off bustling King Street in Charleston. Executive Director Jesse Blom, Farm to School Program Director Nicole Kleins, and farmer Sean Murray led the group around the garden while explaining how a small school garden at Mitchell Elementary blossomed into this organization connecting students, educators, and community members with agriculture through hands-on



Hickory Bluff Berry Farm, Berkeley, SC

learning at this garden as well as smaller gardens at area schools.

Murray explained how he grows a variety of produce, from basil to bananas, while working with the help of volunteers to ensure that the beds properly align with curriculum and are organized to achieve the largest possible output. Kleins explained how she works alongside educators to implement this hands-on

learning at this garden as well as smaller gardens at area schools. The group learned about the integral role of agriculture in the town's rural history through exhibits such as one on the cotton gin.

Although an urban garden, family farm, and town museum may appear unsimilar, they worked to demonstrate different components of South Carolina agriculture for guests of the Ag Council tour.

To learn more about SC Ag Council, including membership and future events, visit the group's Facebook page at facebook.com/scagcouncil or email scagriculturalcouncil@gmail.com.

learning to show students the origin of their food with lessons ranging from colors to soil composition.

The next stop was Hickory Bluff Berry Farm, in Berkeley, South Carolina. Owner Walter Early spoke on how he started the U-pick berry farm and how he is guiding his daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Michael Parker, as they simultaneously sustain his legacy and pursue the farm's future.

The group toured the farm on a trailer, as Karen and Michael explained the organization of their U-pick strawberry and blueberry operations. The couple spoke on their experiences trying new varieties as they strive to listen to the community. They also explained their efforts to connect the farm to the community through field trips and agritourism efforts including farm tours, a growing play structure, and tractor rides.

The final stop was the Elloree Heritage Museum. An animatronic William J. Snider, the town



COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

HUGH E. WEATHERS

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

CELEBRATE BEEF AND DAIRY MONTH

Cows, whether raised for beef or as part of a dairy herd, are crucial to South Carolina's economy and culture. Each June, we honor those industries and the farmers who make them possible in our state.

Beef contributes \$133 million to the state's economy annually.

Historically, South Carolina has been a cow/calf state, where producers raise calves up to 400–600 pounds and then sell them out of state as stockers for finishing and processing. They come back to us as steak or hamburger. Recently, however, our department has been focusing on expanding local processing opportunities, as many farmers would like to raise more of their cattle to slaughter size of 1100–1200 pounds. Recently we have awarded matching funding to several beef processing projects that will increase capacity and create jobs in the state.

The state's cattle operations are more numerous in the Upstate and upper Midlands areas of the state, with the top producing counties being Anderson, Saluda, Newberry, Laurens, York, Chester, and Abbeville.

As for dairy, I'm proud of our dairy farmers. As most of you know, my family was in the dairy business for over 80 years, so

I know what a tough industry it is. We have about 8,000 milk cows in South Carolina, and dairy/milk production is about a \$34 million industry. That's appropriate for a state whose state beverage is milk.

You can celebrate Beef and Dairy Month by thanking a farmer, and by choosing South Carolina beef and dairy products at the store, restaurant, or market. It's pretty easy; have ice cream for dessert after a hamburger.

It's a very busy time right now at the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. In just a few weeks, we'll welcome roughly 120 new employees to the agency as we take on oversight of retail food safety, milk safety, and some additional food manufacturing. This is a result of the General Assembly splitting up DHEC, legislation that takes effect July 1.

For some of you, the change will mean your business is dealing with a new regulatory agency; for others, it simply means you'll see a new agency name on the letter grade decal at your favorite restaurant. I'm committed to protecting the public and being a good partner to businesses as we take on these important new roles.

UPCOMING EVENTS

South Carolina Sunflower Festival

June 21 – 23 & 28 – 30

Friday • 5 – 9 pm

Saturday & Sunday • 10 am – 5 pm

Kick off your summer here at Denver Downs Farm with the South Carolina Sunflower Festival! Join us for 10 acres of U-Pick Sunflowers, live music, vendors, photo ops, and more! You won't want to miss out on the hottest event of the season!

Denver Downs Farm

1515 Denver Road, Anderson

denverdownsfarm.com/sunflower-festival

Newton Blueberry Festival

June 29 • 8 am – 1 pm

The berries will be at their peak sweetness, and the farm will be bustling with fun activities, vendors, and food trucks. Come and stay awhile! \$5 cash parking.

Newton Blueberry Farm

7834 Hwy 162, Hollywood

NewtonBlueberryFarm1968@gmail.com

843-889-2358

facebook.com/NewtonBlueberryFarm

Blooms & Brews Pop-up

June 29 • 10 am – 2 pm

Grab your friends and family and come out to The Peach Tree Orchard to get your SC peaches and other products, locally grown fresh cut flowers brought to you by Five Blossoms Farm and your favorite Parkin' Latte drinks! Can't wait to see you all!

Five Blossoms Farm

1121 Crossland Road, Clover

info@fiveblossomsfarm.com • 803-610-5809

<https://www.facebook.com/fiveblossomsfarm>

Ag and Art Tour

June 29 & 30 • 9 am – 4 pm

Chester County

As we grow, we are dedicated to being a vibrant, diverse community, with numerous opportunities for unmatched quality of life, one that blends innovation with respect for our history.

Participating Sites: agandarttour.com/chester

Laurens County

It's our FIRST year on the South Carolina Ag + Art Tour! We invite you to come and experience our great farms, artisans, and of course hospitality that is second to none!

Participating Sites: agandarttour.com/laurens

Watermelon Field Day and Trade Show

July 11 • 8 am

The field day will begin with registration and CU CAT Trade Show at the EREC office complex.

At 8:30 a.m. an indoor session will be held in the EREC auditorium. Indoor Program Topics: Rind Worm Complex—Tom Bilbo, SC Governor's School for Ag at John De La Howe—Tim Keown & Stacie Smith; Organic Watermelon Research—Bhupinder Jatana. The field research/demonstration tours: Drone Application of Herbicides—Joe Maja, Tyler Campbell, Watermelon Research Grafted Plants & Cover Crops—Bhupinder Jatana, Field Day Melon Trials (97 varieties)—Gilbert Miller. Pesticide License credits will be offered. Lunch—Dr. Greg Yarrow, Acting Dean of CAFLS, Speaking at Lunch, CU CAT Trade Show following lunch, door prizes drawn at conclusion.

Edisto Research and Education Center

64 Research Road, Blackville

Contact: Kendall Kirk

803-284-3343

clemson.edu/cafls/research/edisto

2024 Palmetto Palate

July 18 • 6 pm

SCFB's annual fund-raising event is back for 2024. The Palmetto Palate will bring in chefs from local restaurants and pair them with farmers from across South Carolina to create tasty tapas that brings the farm-to-table movement to life. The Palmetto Palate will also have a silent auction with local products donated by Farm Bureau members and County Farm Bureau offices.

SC State Museum

301 Gervais Street, Columbia

scfb.org

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NEXT AD DEADLINE

JUNE 25 • 12:00 PM

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**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**

2513 W. Lucas Street
Florence, SC 29501
843-665-5154

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AGRICULTURE.SC.GOV**

Click on the State Farmers Markets
button for more information about
each location

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AQUACULTURE

BLUEGILL
50¢; Catfish, 75¢; Carp, \$12;
Bass, \$2; Minnows, \$20/lb
Derek Long
Newberry
803-944-3058

KOI FISH
3-4", \$3 ea; 6-8", \$10 ea, all
colors
Tommy Sherman
Laurens
864-546-2778

SEED

ADS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CURRENT SEED LAB TEST.

SOYBEANS
cleaned & bagged, P-99.96%,
G-98%, D/HD SD&G-98%,
IM-0.04%, \$20/50 lb bag
Kevin Anderson
Barnwell
803-259-6888

BROWN TOP MILLET
cleaned & bagged, P-99.19%,
G-88%, D/H SD&G-88%,
IM-0.29%, WS-0.52%, \$46/bag
Joshua Waters
Lexington
803-429-6114

REMINDER TO ADVERTISERS

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noon (12 pm) on the
Tuesday after the
latest published issue.

Any ads received
after the deadline will
be considered for a
subsequent issue.

CATTLE

WEANED BEEF CALVES

3-5 m/o, vac/wormed, \$450+
Casey McCarty
Newberry
803-924-5239

2 REG BLK ANG BULLS

9 m/o, \$2000 ea
Shane Whitaker
York
803-925-1478

6 BLK HEFRS

bred & open, \$1600+
Debbie Wade
Chester
803-581-5050

3 MATURE BISON COWS

fairly gentle, (1) 4 y/o,
(2) 7 y/o, \$6000 for all
Jimmy Wells
Anderson
864-437-9608

BUCKING BULLS

& calves, Code Blue &
Panhandle Slim b'lines,
\$800-6500
Phillip Hutchins
Lexington
803-422-1329

REG BLK DEXTER BULL CALF

B-10/23, \$750
Stephan Vernet
Spartanburg
864-363-5800

2 BLK ANG BULLS

18 m/o, \$1700 ea or \$3200
both; 2 SG hefrs, \$750 ea
David Grooms
Dorchester
843-345-5608

REG BLK ANG COW

low input, exc feet & udders,
bred cows, hefrs & prs, \$4500+
Walter Shealy
Newberry
803-924-1000

REG ANG BULLS

Niagara & Hoover Dam b'lines,
exc EPD, gentle, \$2500+
Bobby Baker
Lancaster
803-804-2230

BFMSTR REG BULLS

& PB bulls, yrlegs, \$1300+
John Steele
Lancaster
803-283-7720

SMALL JERSEY COW

halter broke, milking now,
poss bred to Hfrd bull, \$1400
Robert Turner
Orangeburg
803-596-6463

14 M/O HRFRD HEFRS

\$1200; 8 m/o Hfrd bull, \$800
Billy Gallman
Newberry
803-276-7171

JERSEY HEFR

2 y/o, \$1500
Summer Edwards
Calhoun
803-308-4529

FARM EQUIPMENT

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

HD DRAG HARROW

7'W & 4'L, 4 rows w/12 tines
on each, \$800 obo; 24" Dirt
Coop, King Kutter D3-24-
Xb-Z, \$500 obo
James Howle
Darlington
843-639-2954

14' ROLLIN S TRL

w/divider gate, new paint/
tires/lights/wiring & jack,
\$4000
Jimmy Wells
Anderson
864-437-9608

2R MECHANICAL TRNSPLNTR

2 water tanks, LN, \$8500
Charles Clunan
Anderson
864-245-3803

VERMEER BALER 504 SUPER I

4x5 bales, FR, \$5500; 8 whl hay
rake, \$3000; both shed kept
John C Tribble
Anderson
864-369-1645

FORD 530 SQ BALER

\$950; Heston haybine PT-7
for parts/repair, \$750; 10'
Dozer HD root rake, \$2700
F Rowe
Newberry
803-271-7768

NH TN 65 W/LDR

\$14,800; JD 28 disc offset
harrow w/9" spacings, \$3500;
new boom pole, \$250; more
Robert Hurley
Laurens
864-981-5352

JOHN BLUE NITRO APPL

\$1000 obo; (2) 90"x24 pt
cotton trls, \$300 obo
Gary Bryant
Darlington
843-858-3865

(7) 54" FLUSH MOUNT FANS

sq, used in chicken house,
comp w/motors & cones,
VGC, \$350 ea
Debo Jacks
Laurens
864-923-0522

3PT HOLE DIGGERS

LN, \$800; 5' bush hog, HD,
\$950; 300 gal Scorpion
spryr, \$3000; ipt plntr, \$400
Jack Hurst
Chesterfield
843-921-8574

TOBACCO BALER

w/scales, \$2500; Powell
tobacco stripper, \$1800
Ronnie Johnston
Horry
843-397-5932

BHB GROOMING MWR

antiq/vintage '60-64, 5',
cuts good, lrg 18 3/4" spoke
whl on deck, more, photos
avail, \$400
Bob White
Spartanburg
864-457-2293

966 INTL HRVSTR

FC, GRC, photo avail,
\$10,000 obo
Jamie Bowman
Chester
803-242-2712

'14 KUBOTA M 110GX TRACTOR

4x4, firt end ldr, 5400 hrs,
dual remote, power rev,
90% tries, \$42,500 obo
Louis Tumbleston
Charleston
843-813-8383

JD 4020 TRACTOR

still running & being used,
needs some work, \$8000
Stacey Tisdale
Williamsburg
843-687-6474

20'x7' ENCL TRL

Tandem axles, loading
ramp, new tires, EC, \$11,750
Jerry Comeaux
Spartanburg
864-992-3869

'21 JD 5090E

EC, 74 hrs, pass door entry,
side view mirrors, ldr prep,
LN, \$65,000
Phillip Hutchins
Lexington
803-422-1329

WOODS 750 3PH BACKHOE

16" & 24" buckets, bucket
cyl, rebuilt last of '23, \$3300
cash only
Randy Orr
Anderson
864-295-3736

JD 4020

\$13,500; MF 1105, \$15,000;
Cat D7E, \$27,000; Ford
3930, \$13,500
Ronald McGraw
Lancaster
980-255-8584

'08 JD 3320 W/CAB

heat/ac, 4 wd, 459 hrs, used
to mow, firt ldr LN, \$28,500
Gordon Bowers
Beaufort
843-521-7064

JD 1700 6R MAX EMERGE PLNTR

row cleaner, fert tanks &
spray, \$16,500; JD 6500 60'
firt fold boom, \$25,000
Joe Phillips Jr
Lexington
803-600-2928

JD 1590 NO TILL DRILL

10' w/sm seed box, FR,
\$29,000 obo
Drake Kinley
Abbeville
864-353-9628

'48 C FA

w/new 12.4x36 bkt tires,
firt & rear cults, new seat
cover, no oil use, good sheet
metal, \$3200
Harold Wright
Cherokee
864-838-4763

BIG TEX 10PI TRL

LN, nvr used, 7'x20', 7600
lb cap, dual brakes, more,
\$5450; 5' bush hog, \$600
James Burns
Laurens
864-918-6308

'22 JD MX6 MWR

9 hrs, 3ph w/chains on firt &
rear, EC, \$3300
Bobby Baker
Lancaster
803-804-2230

FORD 3000

dsl, \$6500; 3ph 16 disc
harrow, \$1200; 3ph posthole
digger, \$400; JD 3020 dsl,
\$12,000, obo
Lecil Hembree
Spartanburg
864-316-1222

JOHN BLUE 300 GAL APPL

set up on 30" rows, rebuilt
L4000 pump, set up to lay
by, \$1850
John Eaddy
Clarendon
803-460-8375

JD 348 SQ BALER

EC, FR, shed kept, 1 owner,
\$15,000
Victor Smith
Berkeley
843-870-8522

ADAM 20' STOCK GN TRL

w/tack room, \$5500; 2 NH
256 hay rakes, \$650 ea
Matt McGinn
Lancaster
704-363-1099

3PH DIRT PAN

\$300; 12' Ponderosa GN trl,
\$2200
Russell Goings
Union
864-426-2309

NH 258 ROLLER BAR RAKE

GWC, needs new tires &
tines, \$3500 obo
Lauren Ray-McCarley
Aiken
803-508-2581

JD 350 HAY RAKE

\$700; 2r cult, \$650
R Adams
Darlington
843-393-7280

JD 2955 TRACTOR

w/JD 265 ldr for parts or
repair, eng stuck, \$9000;
Ford 600 tractor, \$2400
Furman Mahon
Laurens
864-684-9525

G AC

w/cults, \$4500; FA M w/PS,
\$1500
Wendell Whelchel
Cherokee
864-490-8705

NISSAN 3-TIER FORKLIFT

propane, GWC, \$10,500;
Lex 3ph 2 btm plow, \$375
D Dimery
Lexington
803-796-2995

2R 3PH BTM PLOW

\$450; 1r cult, \$250; 6' scrape
blade, \$200
Bill Heard
Greenwood
864-223-1606

JD 535 RND BALER

\$5000; Morra hay tedder,
\$2000; NI mwr & Vermeer
hay rake, \$3000 ea;
McCormick Intl 400, \$2500
Mike Crot
Lancaster
803-289-8002

CASE IH 2555 COTTON PKR

rebuilt motor <60 hrs,
\$14,000; module bldr, \$2500
Hayne Cullen
Orangeburg
803-534-4293

MF 29 2R PLNTR

for parts, \$200; Grass
worker weed wiper, 12' tow
behind unit, \$1000
Brice Stephenson
York
803-684-3418

JD BAT WING

12' rotary cutter, \$14,500
Stephen Gedosch
Greenville
864-982-4490

150 BU CREEP FEEDER

jacks, rain guard, agitator,
16" tires, \$5000
Robert Ivey
Spartanburg
864-505-5330

5' RAZORBACK BUSH HOG

GC; & JD 4 whl wagon,
w/16" steel bed, \$800 ea
Terry Blakely
Greenville
864-483-1920

'10 MF 1540 TRACTOR

auto, 4wd, firt end ldr &
canopy, 620 hrs, \$17,500
Justin Clamp
Saluda
864-554-3023

504 F VERMEER 4x5 BALER

\$4500; Class 360 baler, FR,
\$11,000
Edward Chavis
Barnwell
803-671-3108

NH 849 BALER

GC, \$2500; IH 820 combine
hdr auger, 15', \$400; 3pt
scoop pan, \$125
Charles Nichols
Saluda
864-445-8350

JD 494A ROW CROP HEAD

EC, \$4000; 6x12 dual axle
trl, 2" ball hitch, \$1000
Jeffrey Gilmore
Chesterfield
843-517-0315

6 JD TRACTORS

for parts, 2 A's, 4 B's, photos
avail, \$1000 cash
Carroll Shealy
Laurens
864-872-4184

2 TRANSPORT AUGERS

both w/motors & in GC,
8"x50", \$3900; 8"x30", \$1700
Charles Horger
Calhoun
803-707-1493

FARM LABOR

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

WILDLIFE MGMT

nuisance wildlife control & removal
Jarod Goins
Lexington
803-381-8917

LIGHT BUSH HOGGING

tractor work, lawn maint
Glenn Goins
Lexington
803-381-8287

PASTURE MGMT SERV

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

LAND CLEARING

mulching, dirtwork, etc
Austin Braddock
Sumter
803-900-0691

DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK

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

LAWN CUTTING

leaf blowing, edging, trimming, planting, Kershaw & Lancaster cos, call/text
Michael Shelton
Kershaw
864-457-6813

HERBICIDE APPLICATIONS

by ground & drone, licensed & insured, Ag, forestry & aquatic certified
Joel Cox
Spartanburg
864-706-1495

FORESTRY MULCHING

land clearing, wildlife mgmt, ditches, grading, pond digging
Jay Lowder
Clarendon
803-473-0646

MOBILE SAWMILLING

up to 30" dia & 21'L, drop off up to 52" dia & 16'L
John Smith
Pickens
864-982-2249

LIGHT TRACTOR WORK

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

DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK

land clearing, ditching, ponds, roads, trackhoe bush hog, bldg pads
Fred Morris
Florence
843-621-8647

LIME SPREADING

specialize in TN, call for prices
Drake Kinley
Anderson
864-353-9628

HAY HAULING

your location to POD, call for est; also fence installed, per your specs, both statewide
Bruce Thomas
Dorchester
843-636-1699

EXCAVATOR MOWING

landscaping, grading, clearing/brush clean up, drains, sprinklers, sod, etc, all surrounding cos
Derek Drafts
Saluda
803-429-3291

WILDLIFE MGMT

nest raiders, coyotes, beaver, hogs, Aiken & surrounding cos
Joe Leonard
Aiken
803-507-4940

FORESTRY MULCHING

& mini X brush cutting up to 8" clearing/dozer/Deere work, pond maint, bldg pads, etc
Phillip Hutchins
Lexington
803-422-1329

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 SUBMIT ADS FOR LAND IN SC.

WANT LAND TO LEASE

for turkey hunting, have equip to help w/road repair or exchange for hunting
Ray Sealey
Darlington
843-409-1717

10A HORSE/HOBBY FARM

3 bldgs 60x23, 42x43, 32x38, garden, part woods, hunting, 3br/2bt house, \$349,000
Danny Norris
Horry
843-385-7238

WANT TO LEASE PASTURE

for Ang cows or hay fields to cut & bale
Britton Mccarter
York
704-913-6083

WANT 10-20A

w/water, for for sm farm w/ crops & animals, w/in 30 mis of Grvl, text/msg
Greg Hayes
Greenville
864-630-9223

74.8A CALHOUN CO

wooded, 3 creeks, exc hunting, sites for home/pond, map# 044-00-00-016, \$7250/A
Rodney Saylor
Calhoun
803-260-4153

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.

DUCK EGGS

\$6/dz
Candice Reble
Aiken
303-210-0325

FARM CHICKEN EGGS

\$3/dz
Ron Handley
Georgetown
843-896-0829

CHICKEN EGGS

\$2.50/dz
Ernie Redmond
Orangeburg
803-535-8038

FRESH BLUEBERRIES

\$15/gal bag
Darnell Miller
Aiken
803-507-1926

GARDEN

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

BLUEBERRY BUSHES

3/\$20; Blkberry plants, 3/\$25; Figs, Pomegranate, Elderberry plants, \$20
FC Noles
Barnwell
803-383-4066

MUSCADINE PLANTS

purple, lrg fruit & hvy bearing, \$5 ea or 5 for \$20
Brian Gray
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GOATS / LLAMAS / SHEEP

ND REG DOE

B-12/21/23; doe & buck, B-3/6/24, can be reg, \$400/does, \$300/buck
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2 ewes; Hair x Southdown, 2 ewes, 1 wither, brdng age, \$100-300
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803-320-0393

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4x5 CB

\$70; sq CB, \$8/bale
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'24 RND HQ CB

net wrap, in shed, \$70/bale, in field, \$60/bale
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803-917-0467

'24 FESCUE/MIXED GRASS

GQ, barn stored, some w/ no herbicides applied, 4x5 net wrap, \$50/roll
Justin Howe
Newberry
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4x5 FESCUE & RYE

net wrap, no weeds, 200 bales avail, \$45/bale
Rogers Fowler
Union
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'23 HQ 4x5 CB

string wrap, stored under cover, 15 bales, \$60 ea, 10+, \$50 ea
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Barnwell
803-266-3757

HQ FESCUE

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Fairfield
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'24 CQ 4x5 RND

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Quinton Whitener
Union
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HQ SM SQ CB

recently baled in Anderson, \$8 ea, del avail on lrg quant
Wallace Wood
McCormick
864-993-5012

'24 SQ HQ FESCUE

fert, NR, in barn, \$6
Don Hall
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ready to p-up in field, 300+ sq bales, \$6/bale
Johnny Roscoe
Kershaw
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'23 4x5 FESCUE MIXED

shed kept, 50+, \$50;
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York
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'23 4x5 OATS HAY

net wrap, shed kept, \$60/bale
Sam Rikard
Lexington
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SQ HQ

in barn, hvy bales, no litter used, \$8.50; 4x5 rnd CQ, net wrap, 14 left from '23, \$40
George Mccoy
Chesterfield
843-307-8866

'24 SQ FESCUE

NR, in barn, \$7 ea
Jerry Butler
Laurens
864-697-6343

RND BALES

\$65/shed kept, \$60/outside
Bobby Zimmerman
Lexington
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'24 OATS & RYE GRASS HAY

sq, \$7.50/bale
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net wrap, \$40 ea
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\$4; Oats, \$40 & Wheat, \$60; both in your 55 gal drum
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Chesterfield
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'24 4x5 FESCUE

net wrap, outside, fert, \$60/bale
Roger Snyder
Spartanburg
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4x5 CB & 4x5 1/2 TIFTON

both '24, over edge net wrap & \$50 ea
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Orangeburg
803-707-4826

ALFALFA

4x5 rolls, \$125; sq Orchard grass, \$8
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Spartanburg
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4x5 CB

\$70; 4x5 CQ CB, \$50; sq CB, \$9; sq Rye straw, \$6/bale, shed kept
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Lexington
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'24 HQ CB

\$8/sq; 5x6, 1400 lb rnd, net wrap, \$90/bale
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\$5+; Pharaoh quail eggs, \$2; Coturnix quail chicks, \$2+
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MALLARD DUCKS

flight cond; & Cayuga ducks, \$20 ea, lrg qty disc
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DON'T MISS JULY-AUGUST 2024 SPECIAL EDITION OF SCW MAGAZINE EDITION, THEMED "A SENSE OF PLACE."

BY SCDNR

COLUMBIA, S.C. — SCDNR Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) and Heritage Preserves (HP) are protected lands that play a critical role in safeguarding native plants and wildlife and our state's natural resources. In this special summer edition, *South Carolina Wildlife* magazine celebrates the conservation of public lands and explores avenues to assist private landowners through conservation easements.

South Carolina Wildlife is the flagship publication of SCDNR. If you are not already receiving SCW magazine, or if you would like to purchase a gift subscription, visit scwildlife.com or gooutdoorsouthcarolina.com to receive the special July August edition, themed "A Sense of Place."

A MESSAGE FROM SCDNR DIRECTOR ROBERT H. BOYLES JR.

"2024 is a noteworthy year in the life of SCDNR. In addition to celebrating seventy years of *South Carolina Wildlife*, this year we also mark fifty years of the South Carolina Heritage Trust program. Since its birth in 1974, the South Carolina Heritage Trust Program has worked to identify, evaluate, and protect the natural and cultural resources considered to be the most outstanding representatives of the State's natural and cultural heritage. Here in 2024, as we march towards summer and anticipate spending more time outdoors with friends and family, I'm thinking of our forebears' inspired vision to set aside our most special places under the ground-breaking Heritage Trust program. SCDNR is pleased to provide long-term stewardship and protection in perpetuity for nearly 106,000 acres in 81 Heritage Trust properties across the Palmetto State."

(Read the column in full in the upcoming July-August 2024 edition of *South Carolina Wildlife*.)

SCDNR PUBLIC LANDS

Each Wildlife Management Area and Heritage Preserve in the SCDNR public lands program is special in its own way. Some properties are known for their vistas and views, others for their unique habitats. There are uplands and wetlands, marshes and forests, mountains and beaches. And every property offers one-of-a-kind experiences for those who visit. Public lands conserved under the SCDNR umbrella include the state's highest point (Sassafras Mountain), Carolina Bays that support rare insectivorous plants (Lewis Ocean Bay HP/WMA), former rice fields with water control structures that are beautiful and functional for creating attractive habitat for waterfowl (Samworth WMA), ruins of historical houses and a rice mill (Bonneau Ferry WMA), and there is so much more to see and do from the mountains to the sea.

An important goal for the agency is to provide public access for recreation to these lands in a way that also protects natural and cultural resources. So, whether you are looking for a place to hunt or fish, or you prefer photographing or merely observing nature, SCDNR public lands are protected for plants, wildlife and you, too.



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CLEMSON VET MED FAQ

BY STACIA HARRIS, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Clemson's College of Veterinary Medicine continues to take shape. The support and enthusiasm we've received from stakeholders across the state has been amazing. We've also received many questions. Below are some of your frequently asked questions along with our answers.



WHY DOES SOUTH CAROLINA NEED A COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE (CVM)?

There is a critical shortage of both large and small animal veterinarians in the state and beyond. Currently, all South Carolina students go out-of-state for veterinary college. While some return to SC to practice medicine, some do not. South Carolina's first College of Veterinary Medicine will train highly qualified professionals to help the people and animals in South Carolina.

HOW LONG IS THE PROGRAM?

The CVM program will be a 4-year, cohort-based professional graduate degree. The first 3 years will be spent in an on-campus environment; the remaining 4th year will be spent off-site in a real-world, clinical environment.

WHAT ARE CVMS ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

The Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) Degree is a professional graduate degree. Pending accreditation, we will be looking for good, well-rounded students with a Bachelor's degree or certain prerequisite classes. CVM is currently in the accreditation process through the American Veterinary Medical Association, so we are unable to release many details. However, for students currently enrolled in undergraduate courses intending to apply to our DVM program in 2025 or beyond, please note that the proposed requirements for admission will not differ greatly from the requirements of other regional DVM programs.

HOW BIG WILL EACH COHORT BE?

Pending accreditation, CVM's first cohort who will arrive on campus in Fall of 2026 will be no more than 80 students.

CVM IS A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM. GENERALLY, HOW WILL CLASSES AND THE EXPERIENCE BE STRUCTURED?

The first three years will be a mixture of traditional classroom learning as well as in-depth experience with various diagnostic and surgical experiences. Utilizing Clemson's existing resources, students will also gain experience treating cattle, horses, poultry, sheep, and swine.

CVM WILL UTILIZE A HYBRID DISTRIBUTIVE STYLE OF TEACHING. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

Students will build core veterinary skills the first three years. Their fourth year will be spent in clerkship positions with partnering veterinarians around the state. Students will gain real world experience in general practice, specialty, small and large animal, and zoo and exotic medicine.

WHAT FACILITIES AND RESOURCES DOES THE COLLEGE OFFER FOR VETERINARY STUDENTS?

The brand new, state-of-the-art campus will consist of several buildings that will include clinical, farm animal, research, and equine teaching. Students will also experience traveling to patients, typically farm animals, in the ambulatory unit.

HOW WILL CVM SUPPORT THE WHOLE STUDENT DURING THEIR EXPERIENCE?

The CVM curriculum will be rigorous and challenging. Students will have ample academic and emotional support resources to guide them through the process. The campus itself is serene and designed to blend with the surrounding Experimental Forest. Students will have time during their day to take breaks and enjoy the woodland environment. There will be opportunities for students to collaborate on projects with students and faculty.

Please note: Clemson CVM is not able to accept any student applications for the program pending AVMA Council on Education accreditation.

For more information, visit clemson.edu/veterinary-medicine.

AGRICULTURE AND INTERIOR DEPARTMENTS INVEST \$2.8 BILLION TO PROTECT PUBLIC LANDS, SUPPORT CONSERVATION EFFORTS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES

BY USDA

WASHINGTON, June 4, 2024 — The Departments of Agriculture and the Interior announced a proposed investment of \$2.8 billion in fiscal year 2025 through the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) to protect and sustain our public lands and Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)-funded schools. Proposed projects will occur in all 50 U.S. states, Washington D.C., and multiple U.S. territories.

In August 2020, GAOA established the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), authorizing up to \$1.9 billion per year from fiscal year 2021 through 2025. GAOA LRF funding addresses overdue maintenance needs for critical facilities and infrastructure in our national parks and forests, national wildlife refuges, recreation areas, and BIE-funded schools. GAOA also provides permanent, full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) at \$900 million annually to secure public access and improve recreation opportunities on public lands, protect watersheds and wildlife, and preserve ecosystem benefits for local communities.

Investments from GAOA work in concert with President Biden's Investing in America agenda to strengthen our nation's infrastructure and prepare it to meet future needs. These investments are an important part of enabling equitable access to the outdoors and meeting the commitments outlined in the America the Beautiful initiative, which is supporting locally led efforts to restore and conserve at least 30 percent of U.S. lands and waters by 2030.

"The Great American Outdoors Act has enabled the Forest Service to begin to address our \$8.6 billion deferred maintenance backlog, and we're motivated by the impact these funded projects are having across urban and rural communities near our national forests and grasslands," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "These investments in Forest Service infrastructure – including wildland firefighter and employee housing, recreation facilities, roads and trails – demonstrate the agency's commitment to caring for the land and serving people."

"Addressing the long-delayed maintenance needs of the nation's aging infrastructure allows safe and equitable access to our outdoor spaces, creates new jobs, and preserves our natural heritage. I was a proud champion of this proposal when I

served in Congress, and it has been my honor to see the value it has created through the law's implementation," said Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland. "Working together with state, local and Tribal governments, we are committed to ensuring that every child, family and community has access to nature and its benefits."

NATIONAL PARKS AND PUBLIC LAND LEGACY RESTORATION FUND (LRF)

For fiscal year 2025, the Department of the Interior has proposed 83 GAOA LRF projects and the Department of Agriculture has proposed 89 bundled GAOA LRF projects across all 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, and four U.S. territories to improve recreation facilities, water and utility infrastructure, BIE-funded schools, historic structures and other essential infrastructure. For the first time, the Interior Department will invest in all 50 states in a single funding year, helping ensure that the impact of GAOA LRF is felt across the country.

In total, these projects will support more than 20,000 jobs and contribute more than \$2.5 billion to the economy. Economic contributions from GAOA LRF are far-reaching, as projects take place in urban, suburban, and rural areas across the U.S. and its territories.

GAOA LRF continues to serve as a critical funding source to make major investments that are normally out of reach with annual funding. GAOA's LRF funding sunsets after fiscal year 2025 and would need to be reauthorized by Congress to continue the efforts underway to address significant infrastructure needs across public lands and BIE-funded schools.

Interior's GAOA project page and Agriculture's GAOA story map demonstrate the difference these projects are having on local communities by improving access and outdoor recreation opportunities across public lands.

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF)

The fiscal year 2025 budget allocates \$900 million for LWCF projects and programs managed by the Departments of the Interior and USDA Forest

Service. This includes \$437 million for federal land acquisition programs and projects, \$455 million for state and local grants, and \$8 million for a first-ever Tribal LWCF program.

The Department of the Interior will allocate \$681.9 million for its mandatory funded LWCF programs, which includes \$313 million for land acquisition. Land acquisition projects acquire critical lands or easements from willing sellers to protect at-risk natural, cultural, or historic resources including critical habitats and migration corridors, and increase access to outdoor recreation. The Interior Department will also invest more than \$160 million to fund 48 projects in as many as 30 states across the country, in addition to smaller recreation access projects.

An additional \$360.8 million for Interior's LWCF grant programs will support locally driven state and local conservation and outdoor recreation, including through National Park Service formula grants and Outdoor Recreation Legacy Program (ORLP) grants. The ORLP enables urban communities to create new outdoor recreation spaces, reinvigorate existing parks, and form connections between people and the outdoors in disadvantaged communities.

In 2025, the Interior Department proposes \$8 million to establish a new Tribal LWCF Land Acquisition program. The program will enable Tribes to directly participate in the LWCF for the first time to acquire lands for natural and cultural resource conservation and recreation access. The program will award funds for Tribal land acquisition projects consistent with the purposes of the LWCF and other program criteria.

In Fiscal Year 2025, the USDA Forest Service proposes \$94.2 million to fund 13 Forest Legacy Program projects and \$124 million to fund 16 Land Acquisition Program projects for recreation access and other needs.

These efforts advance President Biden's Justice40 Initiative, which sets a goal that 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain federal climate, clean energy, affordable and sustainable housing, and other investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized by underinvestment and overburdened by pollution.

SOUTH CAROLINA SHRIMP SEASON OPENED JUNE 4

BY SCDNR

COLUMBIA, S.C. — South Carolina's favorite seafood will soon be more widely available at docks and markets along the coast. Commercial shrimp trawling opened in all legal South Carolina waters at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

In an average year, shrimp season opens in full by late May, typically after the opening of eight smaller provisional areas in the state's outer waters. This year those provisional areas opened on April 19, allowing shrimpers to begin harvesting some larger white shrimp from farther offshore while still protecting most of the spawning population closer to shore.

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) officials set the opening date for shrimp season each year based on the conditions of the shrimp themselves. Aboard both commercial and agency vessels, biologists sample and study white

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shrimp frequently in late spring. One of the things they're looking for is evidence that a majority of female white shrimp have already spawned at least once.

"We've been conducting weekly sampling along our coast since late April to document that spawning activity," said biologist Jeff Brunson, who leads the agency's crustacean management.

Opening the season too soon – and allowing trawlers to catch females that have not had an opportunity to spawn – could reduce the size of the fall white shrimp crop, which are the offspring of the spring white shrimp.

"Given the lack of extreme cold weather over the winter, the abundance of white shrimp in the estuaries throughout the state and the advanced ovarian development of shrimp, we feel good about the timing of the season opener," said Brunson.

South Carolina's commercial shrimp calendar has historically had three peak periods. In the spring, shrimpers typically capitalize on the influx of roe white shrimp, large, early-season shrimp that generally fetch higher prices and generate the most value for fishing effort. The summer months are defined by a peak in brown shrimp, which are similar to white shrimp in size and taste. In the fall and into winter, shrimpers bring in a second crop of white shrimp; the offspring of the spring roe shrimp.

Because white shrimp are a short-lived species that are sensitive to cold water temperatures and unusually wet or dry summers, their numbers can fluctuate dramatically from year to year. However, they're also prolific spawners – which means that the populations can quickly rebound even after a poor year or season.

CLEMSON EXTENSION WATERMELON FIELD DAY FEATURES RESEARCH, TECHNOLOGY AND TRADE SHOW

BY DENISE ATTAWAY, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

The 2024 Clemson University Watermelon Field Day features innovative technology, pest control tips, research updates, and a trade show to give watermelon growers an edge on growing this summer favorite.

This year's field day is July 11 at the Edisto Research and Education Center (EREC), 64 Research Road, Blackville, S.C. 29817. Registration and a trade show hosted by the Clemson University Center for Agricultural Technology (CU-CAT) begin at 8 a.m. The indoor program begins at 8:30 a.m.

INDOOR PROGRAM

Tom Bilbo, Clemson Cooperative Extension Service entomologist, kicks off the indoor program with tips for scouting, identifying and managing Rindworms.

"Rindworms are insects that damage cucurbits when they feed directly on the rinds," Bilbo said. "Because this group includes several insect species, the risks for invasion and damage, as well as control options, can vary by region."

Cucurbits include cucumbers, various melons, squashes and gourds.

Bhupinder Jatana, a researcher at the EREC and assistant professor of horticulture, follows with a presentation about a recently funded USDA-NIFA project for efficient and sustainable use of carbon-based organic materials for nutrient and pest management in organic production systems.

In addition, Jatana will discuss soil health and soil-borne pest management benefits of cover crops in rotation with watermelon in conventional production systems. He and his team will share information about adopting new technologies used in grower fields.

Tim Keown and Stacie Smith will give a report from the South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe. The South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture is a state-funded, public, residential high school that is the first of its kind in the nation. Students receive hands-on training in agriculture, agribusiness, forestry, land management, food science and more to help meet the needs of modern farms.

WATERMELON RESEARCH FIELD TOUR

Following the indoor program, participants go to the research fields to learn about drone application of herbicides from Tyler Campbell, a Clemson research technician, and Joe Mari Maja, senior researcher and director for the Center of Applied Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Agriculture at South Carolina State University.

The field tour also includes a discussion by Jatana about his watermelon research involving grafted plants and cover crops. Gilbert Miller, Clemson Extension vegetable specialist and field day coordinator, will give an update on 97 melon varieties planted in the field trial he is conducting.

Greg Yarrow, acting dean of the Clemson College of Agriculture, will give an update from the college during lunch at the EREC office complex.

South Carolina pesticide license credits will be offered.

For field day information, contact Gilbert Miller at 803-284-3343, ext 225.

CU-CAT TRADE SHOW

The trade show continues after lunch, with door prizes to be given away at the conclusion.

"This will be a great opportunity for people to meet with representatives, dealers and others who work in the agriculture industry," said Kendall Kirk, CU-CAT director.

Registered trade show participants include AgSquared, Clemson Agricultural Service Laboratory; the Toro Company; the United States Department of Agriculture – Natural Resources Conservation Service; W.P. Law; and WiseConn.

July 1 is the deadline for businesses to register for the trade show. For information, email Kendall Kirk at kirk2@clemson.edu or Mallory Douglass at mmdoug@clemson.edu.

Watermelon is produced in all 46 South Carolina counties, with the bulk of the crop coming from the Central Savannah River Area. The Clemson Cooperative Extension Service holds a free annual Watermelon Field Day to share research-based information with the public.

ACRE STAFF HELP VETS

BY HANNAH ARNDT

SCDA ACRE staff participated in packing fresh produce boxes for veterans through the Veterans Health Administration (VA) in Columbia. The CVAHCS Farmers Market is hosted quarterly by the Columbia VA Health Care System.

Staff and volunteers packaged and distributed over 200 produce boxes to participating veterans. They included items like corn, tomatoes, squash, sweet potatoes, and more. After picking up their produce, veterans had the opportunity to visit with the vendors present to learn more about fresh fruits

and vegetables, and how to start their own gardens. Attendees were provided with recipe cards, starter seed kits, and plants. Future events hope to include opportunities for local farmers to sell their goods and products to VA members and staff.

ACRE is a proud partner of the South Carolina Farmer Veteran Coalition (SCFVC) and Palmetto Veterans in Agribusiness Program, which help connect SCDA to great events like this and to veteran farmers. The SCFVC has over 1,200 members dedicated to cultivating a new generation

of farmers and food leaders and developing viable employment and meaningful careers through the collaboration of the farming and military communities. If you are interested in buying local products from South Carolina veterans, be sure to look for the Homegrown by Heroes label!

To learn more about upcoming events through the VA, please visit va.gov/columbia-south-carolina-health-care/events.

To find out more about the SC Farmer Veteran Coalition, please visit farmvetco.org

