



# Douglas County Livestock Association

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## Newsletter

March 2020

If it relates to livestock, it's news to us.

**The Douglas County Livestock Association is now on Facebook**

### Upcoming Events-At a Glance

|            |                          |
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| 2-18-2020  | Stockmen's Breakfast     |
| 3-11-2020  | Spring Conference        |
| 3-12 -2020 | Ultrasound Clinic        |
| 3-17-2020  | Stockmen's Breakfast     |
| 3-18-2020  | Wool Pool contracts due  |
| 4-18-2020  | Umpqua Valley JR Classic |
| 4-21-2020  | Stockmen's Breakfast     |
| 5-19-2020  | Stockmen's Breakfast     |
| 6-6-2020   | Lamb Show                |

For more detailed info, read on.

### Announcements

To include your advertisement in this Newsletter, please send the information to Kathy at [katpau4@msn.com](mailto:katpau4@msn.com) or call 541-440-3791. Advertisements for AG related products and services are free to all DCLA members.

### Spring Conference

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Location: Winston Community Center

Time: 2:00 to 8:00 PM

SEE ENCLOSED FLIER FOR DETAILS

### Ultrasound Clinic

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Location: Sandberg Ranch, 2840 Sunshine Rd

Time: Call Lee Sandberg at 541-580-5154

### Stockman's Breakfast

Third Tuesday of each month.

Location: Elmer's Restaurant

Time: 8:00 to 9:00 AM

Next Date: March 17, 2020

Presenter: Chris Vest, OHSA

See committee reports for further details.

### Committee Report

#### Spring Livestock Conference.... S. Hendy DVM

The 2020 Spring livestock Conference will be held on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at Winston Community Center from 2pm to 8pm.

MEMBERS PLEASE e-mail or call by March 9 to guarantee your **FREE** dinner reservation.

Douglas County Farmers Coop

(ask for Tony Brumbach)

541-673-0601

Parkway Animal Hospital

541-672-1621

Kristina Haug.

[haugkm@gmail.com](mailto:haugkm@gmail.com)

See flier for presentation times. A Tri-Tip dinner will be served at 5:30 PM and we will conclude with an evening presentation. Non-Members meals are \$15.00, or join the Association at the door.

### **Purebred Breeders - Ultrasound...Lee Sandberg**

An annual ultrasound clinic is held most years. This year's event is scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Sandberg Ranch at 2840 Sunshine Road. There will be a presentation on the process at the Spring Conference held in Winston the day before.

Live animal carcass ultrasound is used to estimate carcass retail yield and meat quality. The common traits estimated include ribeye area (REA), backfat (BF), rump fat (RF) & percent intramuscular fat (IMF). This allows better accuracy and data which can help improve herd performance.

This program is assisted by the OSU Extension Service. For information on this or future Clinics, please contact Shelby Filley at 541-672-4461 or Lee Sandberg at 541-580-5154.

### **Stockman's Breakfast..... Marwood Hallett**

Managing weeds and brush in pasture and rangelands, was the theme of the Stockmen's Breakfast in Feb. Clark Smith from Corteva, a new Ag chemical company formed from the merger of Dow and DuPont, shared info on new products, their mode of action, and effectiveness on plants. Mark Christensen, of our local Farmers Co-op is the local go to guy for all these products and more.

Future Stockmen's breakfasts

**March 17:** Chris Vest, OSHA, highlighting what this gov agency looks for when they do random ranch audits and how to avoid big fines and headaches!

**April 21:** District Attorney Rick Wesenberg and Sheriff John Hanlin.

**May 19:** Mycorrhizal Applications. Understanding microbes and how they impact soil health, our pastures and livestock.

### **Ranch Tour..... Kristina Haug**

Several locations have been suggested for the 2020 Ranch tour. A tour of northern California is a possibility, or we might stick closer to home, touring ranches or other locations in Douglas and Lane counties. Please e-mail Kristina Haug with your preferences.

For the 2021 tour, Florida or New Zealand have been suggested. If you would be interested in traveling to either of these locations e-mail Kristina. haugkm@gmail.com

### **Umpqua Valley JR. Classic.....Tony Brumbach**

The U.V.J.C. is a junior livestock show designed for youth to exhibit their projects in a competitive environment. It's a one-day show held at the Douglas

County Fairground. This year's show is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>. The show includes competitions for both sheep and cattle and typically attracts lambs, steers and heifers from all over Oregon and Northern California. For more information contact: Tony Brumbach 541-643-8533

### **Legislative Update ..... Bill Hoyt**

legislative update Week 3. 2020 Short Session

The major development of this session is the speed at which the majority party has pushed its ill-conceived concepts toward passage.

The revival of "Cap and Trade" has taken shape as identical bills in both the House and Senate. SB 1530 and HB 4167. The minority party is prepared to walk out of the capitol to possibly prevent passage. The future of these bills and the 2020 session itself is very much uncertain.

These twin bills would:

Separate the State east and west. Fuel prices are expected to jump at least 22 cents per gallon in the affected areas. Some analysts expect higher. Fuels distributed in the Portland Metro counties (Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington) Are taxed in 2022. Fuels distributed in Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Douglas, Hood River, Jackson, Lane, Lincoln Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook and Yamhill counties are taxed in 2025. Fuels distributed in Coos and Curry counties, the City's of Bend and Klamath Falls are taxed in 2028. Fuel taxes will be State wide after 23 counties opt-in to the program. (There are 18 in automatically after 2028.) These bills will only allow certain regulated businesses to use off-sets. Poor air quality areas such as Portland, Eugene, Medford and Klamath Falls won't be allowed to use lower cost "off-sets".

Natural Gas

These bills give un-elected bureaucrats the ability to determine the rate relief farmers will receive, they are no longer guaranteed a 100% rate relief. No rate relieve for increases in propane costs. HB 4009 makes adjustments to the Commercial activities tax passed in 2019, allows agriculture to deduct 35% of their expenses. Passed out of committee. HB 4109 Bans Chlorpyrifos Ariel application by forestry and expands restriction on application. Passed the House headed for the Senate. Wildfire suppression bills SB 1536 SB 1516 and HB 4054 would add new permanent taxes on farmers, ranchers and forest land owners. The movement on the bills has slowed. SB 1513A would change the CAFO application process. (referred to Ways and Means)

HB 4152 Authorizes the ODA do develop a State inspection program for processing Beef and Lamb for retail sale in State. Passed the House awaiting assignment in the senate.

There are bills on Hemp growing and marketing regulations HB4072A. Guns storage requirements HB4005A. Coyote hunting contests HB4075A. Property management issues for: Dog trainers, emergency shelters on farms and ranches and Urban Growth Boundaries. These are HB 4001, HB 4014A AND HB 4095A respectively. Movement of all the above bills has been very very rapid and we may have many become law before the public can be alerted. Please contact your legislator for questions and comments !!

**Lamb Show & BBQ.....** Denny Quinby

This year's event will be held on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. The Douglas County Lamb Show has a long history of being an exhibition of the products of the sheep. Today, the DCLA is the organizing body behind this event which includes the Junior Livestock Auction, Lamb barbecue, and other events.

**Heifer Replacement Program.....**Veril Nelson

Each year the DCLA presents up to two heifers to youth who are selected by a committee appointed by the board of DCLA.

To be considered, students must complete an application and submit it to the extension office by September 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year

Eligible students must be between 5<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade at time of application and can be 4-H or FFA members and they must have exhibited a livestock project at the Douglas County Fair prior to time of application. This program requires that the student have adequate facilities or a suitable location to keep the heifer and provide the feed for the animal.

More information on this program is available at our website. <http://www.dclivestock.org>. (Look under the youth tab). For more info call Veril Nelson at 541-643-9759

**Annual Banquet .....** Walt Gayner

The DCLA Annual Meeting is a yearly fall social event that includes a dinner and meeting for all members of the association. This event is always held in October and everyone is encouraged to not only attend but to bring interested new members as well.

At the meeting officers and board members are elected for two-year terms, awards are presented to recognize significant contributions and the youth who received replacement heifers tell us about their year. It is also a great time to socialize with others.

For information or to volunteer to help with the 2020 event, contact Walt Gayner at 541-580-7100

**Membership .....** Kathy Love

Our membership year runs from October 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>. If you know of potential members, encourage them to call Kathy at 541-440-3791 or visit our website for an application.

**Membership Directory .....** Scott Hendy DVM

This Directory is printed each year after the end of the fiscal year, which is September 30<sup>th</sup>. The last Directory should have arrived in your mailbox in early January. If you need any extra copies, talk to Scott. If you would like your ad to appear in the next issue, please contact Scott Hendy or Kathy Love 541-440-3791

**Wool Pool.....** Troy Michaels

The Wool Pool is a marketing effort organized by DCLA in order to help sheep producers maximize return on their wool each year. The Pool sells all wool submitted as one load and organizes the pick-up date. If you are not on the list and would like to be included, call Troy at 541-825-3760.

## Informational Reports

### Farm Service Agency

General signup for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) 2020 ended on February 28th. This program is available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and was for farmers and private landowners who were either enrolling for the first time or re-enrolling for another 10- to 15-year term. For information on future CRP or other programs call Cindy, Tyree or Phil at FSA. 541-673-6071

### Oregon State Extension .....Shelby Filley Phd

Shelby Filley is the regional Livestock and Forage specialist for Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Linn and Benton counties. If you would like to receive educational and informational content to help keep you updated, you can send her an email and ask to be added to the Regional Livestock & Forages E-newsletter and you can Friend her (Avatar, Orst LnF) on Facebook.  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/orst.lnf>  
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Phone: 541-236-3016  
OSU Extension livestock website  
(<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/animals-livestock>)  
OSU Extension forages website  
(<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/crop-production/pastures-forages>)

### Predator Control .....Dan Dawson

In 2017 a predator control district was formed in Douglas county by cattle and sheep ranchers with the support of county commissioners. Members pay a fee based on acreage to support county trappers and have access to their services when livestock are preyed on by predators.

Wolf activity continues in Douglas County and a map showing where that activity has been recorded was passed around at the February board meeting. We were informed that one of three county trappers left in January and a replacement is needed. A trapper from Harney county might be able to come in for short time until the position is filled.

For information on joining the program:  
Call Dan Dawson at 541-953-3892

To report a predator issue contact Paul Wolf, the southwest district supervisor for Wildlife Services. 503-593-1719

### Prescribed Burning .....George Sandberg

To hear an up-to-date recording on current restrictions, call the Douglas Forest Protective Association at 541-672-0379

### Newsletter & ADs..... Kathy Love

If you have a photo you would be willing to share of a DCLA event or Livestock related activity, please send an electronic copy to: [katpau4@msn.com](mailto:katpau4@msn.com)

### Website..... Wes Crawford

Check out our website at [www.dclivestock.org](http://www.dclivestock.org). It is a great way to find out what is happening through the Association

### Watershed Council (Partnership for the Umpqua Rivers - PURS) .....Paul Heberling

The Watershed council is a Non-Profit voluntary corporation charged with restoring and enhancing water quality and fish habitat within the Umpqua basin. PURS board has representatives from timber, agriculture, recreation and environmental groups. If you would like information on the Council, please call Paul at 541-440-3791. [www.umpquarivers.org](http://www.umpquarivers.org)

### Water Resources ..... Paul Heberling

The following information is from the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Medford OR. Measurements are taken in Roseburg.

#### Monthly Rainfall

| Month/Year | Precip. | Comp. to Avg. |
|------------|---------|---------------|
| DEC        | 4.09"   | -2.43"        |
| JAN        | 7.20"   | +2.11"        |
| FEB        | 1.43"   | -2.52"        |

#### Monthly Downpours

| Month/Year | Downpour | Date |
|------------|----------|------|
| DEC        | 0.85"    | 13th |
| JAN        | 0.80"    | 15th |
| FEB        | 0.35"    | 29th |

#### Temperature

| Month/Year | Low/High | Avg. | Dev. |
|------------|----------|------|------|
| DEC        | 31/64    | 44.8 | +2.7 |
| JAN        | 29/67    | 47.1 | +4.0 |
| FEB        | 28/65    | 44.5 | -0.8 |