



Douglas County Livestock Association

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Newsletter

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

The Douglas County Livestock Association is now on Facebook

Upcoming Events-At a Glance

Due to Covid 19, many scheduled 2020 events have been canceled or delayed until further notice

**Douglas County Lamb Show
Virtual Auction June 6th**
See details under Announcements below

For more detailed info, read on.

Announcements

Because of the inability to hold the traditional show and sale, the Douglas County Youth Market Auction Committee has evaluated alternatives and developed a virtual show and premium sale in order to provide an outlet and market for the youth who have already begun the market lamb project. Donations are now being accepted through the Rotary. Please visit the following website for more information on how to donate. <https://www.dclivestock.org/youth/lamb-show>

Several programs are now available from the Farm Service Agency to financially assist ranchers with issues related to drought and markets affected by the pandemic etc. Find Information on LFP, CFAP and LDP programs under Informational Reports on page 3.

Distaff Thistles have been reported in Douglas County. To assist you in identifying this weed, a brochure is included in this Newsletter. Please report all sightings to Carrie Pirosko at ODA. 541-291-2680 Find out more under Informational Reports on page 4.

Committee Reports

Ranch Tour..... Kristina Haug

The 2020 Ranch tour has been canceled. For the 2021 tour, New Zealand was the preferred choice of those who responded to a questionnaire at the Spring Conference. There is still hope that a 2021 trip to New Zealand could be a possibility. Please e-mail Kristina with questions. haugkm@gmail.com

Stockman's Breakfast..... Marwood Hallett

Next Date: Unknown

Normally held at Elmers's restaurant from 8:00 to 9:00 AM on the third Tuesday of each month, the Stockman's breakfast is now on hold. There were some excellent speakers set up for March through May and hopefully they will be rescheduled when things return to the new normal.

Chris Vest from OSHA was to speak in March, highlighting what this gov agency looks for when they do random ranch audits. In April we were scheduled to hear from District Attorney Rick Wesenberg, and in May we would have heard about microbes and how they impact soil health, our pastures and livestock.

Spring Livestock Conference.... S. Hendy DVM

The 2020 Spring livestock Conference was held on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at the Winston Community Center. Attendance was down due to the threat of Covid 19 and most other events in the state were shut down a few days later.

Those who attended listened to interesting talks on the value of ultrasound, treating parasites and dealing with resistance, respiratory diseases and innate immunity, non-lethal wolf control, and cutting-edge technologies, such as DNA testing. The speakers were followed by a delicious free meal for members consisting of tri-tip and all the fixings plus cake for dessert.

A special thanks to Simplot for donating the tri-tip, Don Santos for preparing it, Linda Sherman for all of her work planning and preparing the tables and in the kitchen, and all of the others that pitched in to plan, set up, serve, cut meat and clean up afterwards, including the Glide FFA. We also thank our sponsors Oregon Cattlemen Assoc., Bayer, Zoetis, MWI, Northwest Farm Credit and the Sherman Ranch for their cash donations that helped pay for the free meal. A big thanks to Scott Hendy DVM who plans and arranges the speakers for this wonderful event every year.

Purebred Breeders - Ultrasound...Lee Sandberg

This year's event was held on March 12th at the Sandberg Ranch. Bob Patacini did a presentation on the ultrasound 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. There were plans to include a carcass contest that involved ultrasound for the animals displayed at the 2020 Douglas County Fair, but Covid 19 put an end to those plans.

The ultrasound 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.

Membership Kathy Love

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

Umpqua Valley JR. Classic.....Tony Brumbach

The 2020 Junior Classic, originally scheduled for April 18th, was canceled Due to Covid 19. Plans for an exciting show next year have already begun.

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. 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

An unprecedented special legislative session is a real possibility.

Alex Skarlotos wins the republican Primary in District 4

Corona Virus dominates in Salem and DC

Lamb Show & BBQ..... Denny Quinby

The 2020 Lamb show, originally scheduled for Saturday June 6th at the Douglas County Fairgrounds, has been canceled. An alternative virtual show is being held for market lambs. Visit the DCLA website for details. <https://www.dclivestock.org/youth/lamb-show>

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, a shearing contest 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 15th of the current year

Eligible students must be between 5th and 11th 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 on the DCLA website.

<https://www.dclivestock.org/youth/heifer-program>.
For more info call Veril Nelson at 541-643-9759



Informational Reports

Farm Service Agency

(LFP). Livestock Forage Protection Program Extreme Drought (D3) was declared in Douglas County on May 4th. FSA is now accepting applications for LFP payments. The LFP offers payments to eligible livestock producers with eligible livestock. The payments help with grazing losses suffered on native or improved pastureland. This can be land with permanent or planted grazing cover.

(CFAP) Coronavirus Food Assistance Program CFAP assistance is available to livestock producers who have an ownership interest in eligible livestock that have suffered a five percent-or-greater price decline as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and face additional significant costs in marketing their inventories due to unexpected surplus and disrupted markets.

Livestock eligible for CFAP include cattle, lambs, yearlings and hogs. The total payment will be calculated using the sum of the producer's number of livestock sold between January 15 and April 15, 2020, multiplied by the payment rates per head, and the highest inventory number of livestock between April 16 and May 14, 2020, multiplied by the payment rate per head. More information and application AD-3114 is available online at the following address:

<https://www.farmers.gov/cfap/livestock>

(LDP) Loan Deficiency Payments

Producers can choose to forgo a Marketing Assistance Loan and receive an "on-the-spot" payment on their wool when global prices are lower than expected. Producers will need to complete CCC-633 EZ to apply.

(ELAP) Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-raised Fish

ELAP provides financial assistance to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees and farm-raised fish for losses due to disease, certain adverse weather events or loss conditions, including blizzards and wildfires, as determined by the Secretary. ELAP assistance is provided for losses not covered by other disaster assistance programs authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill and the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, such as losses not covered by the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) and the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)

For local information on these programs call Cindy, Tyree or Phil at FSA. 541-673-6071

Wool Pool..... Troy Michaels

Due to the negative effects of COVID-19 on the wool market the Wool Pool Committee has decided to delay selling the Pool. Normally we put the Pool up for bid, sell it in April and ship it in July. Our hope at this time is to be able to ship the wool in late summer/early fall. Producers are reminded to contact FSA regarding possible LDP payments.

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. For more information, call Troy at 541-825-3760. email: michaelranch@frontier

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 this time, it is still hoped that by October, Covid 19 will be under control and the event will be held as usual.

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 Directory Scott Hendy DVM

This Directory is printed each year after the end of the fiscal year, which is September 30th. It contains the contact information of DCLA members along with useful contact information for numerous ag related businesses and services. The last Directory 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

Oregon Department of Agriculture....Carrie Pirosko
(Weed Control)

Several property owners in Douglas County have reported the presence of distaff thistles. The ODA would like to identify and control this invasive weed in out county. To assist in the identification of this weed, a brochure has been included in the Newsletter. The brochure is full color and has lots of great photos; distaff thistle blooms late June through the summer and a bit into fall. Land-owners are most likely to notice distaff thistle mid-to late summer. If you see this weed, please contact Carrie at ODA. 541-291-2680

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.

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Email: shelby.filley@oregonstate.edu

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.

For information on joining the district:

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

Website..... Wes Crawford

Check out our website at www.dclivestock.org. It is a great way to find out what is happening through the Association

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

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. Agricultural representatives are needed on that board. If you would be willing to represent Ag or would like more information on the Council, please call Paul at 541-440-3791. 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.
MAR	2.13"	-1.37"
APR	1.05"	-1.77"
MAY	3.22"	+0.95"

Monthly Downpours

Month/Year	Downpour	Date
MAR	0.41"	31 st -1 st
APR	0.41"	31 st -1 st
MAY	1.19"	30 th -30 th

Temperature

Month/Year	Low/High	Avg.	Dev.
MAR	31/71.	48.0	-0.6
APR	32/80	56.3	+4.1
MAY	40/93	60.8	+2.3

