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NWOC SS LEGACY shown here at 4 years of age & weighing 1800 lbs. We have been using Legacy successfully for 3 years. He has given us moderate size calves with good muscle expression. We will have sons & daughters from him for sale this summer.



Announcing our junior herd sire, Cat Creek Sizemore, pictured here at 14 months. He will be assigned to breed our heifer replacements this January. We purchased "Sizemore" as Lot 62 at the National Sale in September at Murray State College where he was bred and consigned by Carson Farms of Statesville, NC.

Wiese Farms purchased their first Red Polls in 1927 and they have been a part of our lives and our farming and ranching success ever since. Red Polls have many fine qualities to contribute to the beef business.

Our hope for the future of the Association is that more people come to recognize the mothering ability, the docility, the ability to do well under adverse conditions, and the quality of the finished product for the consumer that is inherent in our Red Poll breed.

Wiese Farms encourages all breeders to register their females and bulls kept for breeding, and transfer all they sell. We support Complete Herd Reporting to advance the quality of our herd and the breed, and encourage everyone to send in all carcass information that you are able to obtain.



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I would like to say "Our breed is beginning to grow up." Those words are what we at American Red Poll Association are trying to do is "Grow" the breed. There are many changes coming to the Red Poll Breed and I look forward to these.

As the breed continues to grow, I hope everyone comes to be involved in turning the walk into a run in moving forward in the breed growing. I look forward to your thoughts, your ideas, and your help on this going forward.

I feel so fortunate to have grown up learning the important values of raising cattle for consumers all over the states. Cattle farming has been in my blood for generations, and oh my has the way we raise cattle changed! It is so important to me to spread this message and promote the beef industry for what it is today. I am glad to be a part of such an amazing industry and I'm grateful to be your President representing the Red Poll Breed.

I look forward to all the upcoming events this year and hope to see everyone there.

Mike Reed, President



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Released at the beginning of each month, it is ARPA's way to keep in communication with you on a monthly basis.

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April 15
Spring Journal Deadline

Mid May
Spring Journal Released

August 15
Fall Journal Deadline
National Sale Entry Deadline

First of October
Fall Journal Released
National Sale Catalog Mailed

December 15
Winter Journal Deadline

Mid January
Winter Journal Released

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

May 15-31 Spring Issue of the Red Poll Beef Journal will start to arrive in mailboxes

June

June 21-23 Junior Preview Show

July

July 27 OH State Fair Open AOB Show

July 28 OH State Fair Junior AOB Show

August

August 7 IN State Fair Red Poll Show, 9:00 A.M

August 15 Fall Journal Deadline
National Sale Deadline

August 25 Ky State Fair Red Poll Show, 8:00 A.M

September

September 8 TN State Fair Open & Junior AOB Show

September 30 Fall Journal and National Sale Catalog Mailed

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A Message from the Secretary

Building the Breed and Staying in Touch with Customers



As breeders we spend as much time and effort gathering new and helping existing customers as we do on anything else. It is also one of the best functions of doing business. So, it is important to make sure you do not lose the customers you have spent so much energy to acquire. The alternative is to continue with the time-consuming process of finding new customers from an ever-shrinking pool of prospects. Since it costs much less to keep existing customers instead of constantly replacing them, it makes good business sense to do what it takes to keep customers coming back. Regular communication with your customers lets them know how much you value them and their business. And by showing them that you care by offering valuable information on cattle and services more effectively, event announcements, information on the breed itself. If I can ever help you with anything or sending you the information you need please feel free to contact the office anytime.

Kara

MEMBER SERVICES UPDATE

Transfer and Registrations

Customers look forward to getting their certificates in the mail after purchase. Don't forget to complete the transfer(s) completely within 30 days of sale date to avoid extra fees. New customers also receive one free year of the ARPA Journal.

Note: Always remember to fill out those transfers and registrations completely for accuracy.

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We want to share the news about the growing Red Poll Breed all year long. If there is anyone who could benefit from receiving the ARPA Journal or any informative materials, please let us know so we can make that contact.

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Membership

Need to renew your Membership? You can renew your membership online at americanredpolls.com

Annual Meeting Booth & Sponsor Opportunities

The 2019 National Meeting & Sale will be held Bowling Green, Kentucky October 24th – 26th 2019. There will be lots of available booth space at this 3-day event. If you would like to display your Farm / Ranch or your local Association this would be a Great way to do this or If you would like more information regarding sponsorships, contact Greg Fairchild at 501-406-5010.

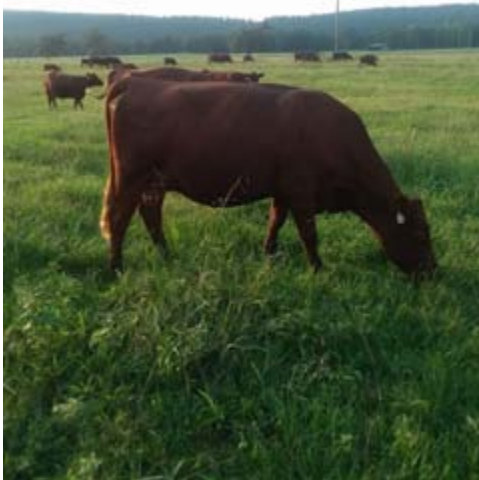
How to Identify Your Best Cows Sooner

By Harlan Hughes

It has always been easy to look back and say what one should have done. What is needed, however, is a trigger signal before the fact.

My study rancher recently raised an important question: Should he be adjusting his beef cow numbers as he goes through the cattle cycle? In the past, he had not been doing so.

In the 1980s, I observed some Wyoming cattle producers starting beef cow herds that became very successful businesses. I also observed some startup beef cow businesses that failed. Some cows were high lifetime net income-generators, and other cows were not.



I became suspicious that a key determinant of survival was the startup year in the cattle cycle. This suggested, at least to me, that during a beef price cycle, the year a cow starts calving has a major impact on the lifetime net income she generates.

Later, my Integrated Resource Management work in North Dakota with individual ranchers during the 1990s convinced me that the cattle cycle startup year was all-critical for a cow generating high lifetime net

incomes during a cattle cycle.

Finding the best ones:

So, how do you identify high net income-generating cows in advance? This seems to me to be a key cattle cycle question.

I would like to share with you a couple of rancher conversations I have had through the years on this subject. These two conversations planted the seeds for my current work on cattle cycles.

My first conversation goes back to the mid-1980s, when a rancher came up to me after one of my University of Wyoming Extension meeting presentations. He indicated that he bought cows every seven years or so. The purchase years were very specific and very specifically planned. This rancher shared with me the specific years that he purchased cows.

I dug out historical cattle prices and sure enough, these cows typically produced calves during the years of higher-priced calves. I concluded that these cows tended to be high net income-generators.

In the early 1990s, a Minnesota rancher came up to me again after one of my university Extension presentations and said that in a certain year, he bought 100 young cows. He also sold all calves born and did not add replacements. Now his cow herd was gone.

I immediately pulled out my overhead of calf prices, looked at it, and said, "And you made money, didn't you?" I will never forget his reply. "I did not come up here to tell you if I made money or not. I came here to ask you when I should buy

my next 100 cows."

Computer connections

After retiring in 2000, I ran a consulting firm where I spent eight years evaluating individual ranchers' beef cow herds, one herd at a time. I spent my spare time building computer simulation models generating detailed economic analyses of these individual beef cow herds. I created a database of all these herds, looking for profit indicators across these herds.

I closed down my consulting business in 2009, and since then have been expanding my computer models to further analyze beef cow herds and cattle cycles.

In the next decade following my retirement, (2000-08) we had BSE in 2003; two droughts — one in 2003 and another in 2006; and the ethanol era beginning in 2007, bringing on record corn prices. These events clearly upset any resemblance of a cattle cycle in the 2000-to-2008 time period. Those eight years were a time of just surviving in the beef cow business. Nobody was thinking "cattle cycles." Years 2009 to present brought the cattle cycle back, regenerating my renewed emphasis on the cattle cycle. Thank goodness I had my cattle cycle experience of the 1980s and 1990s to fall back on.

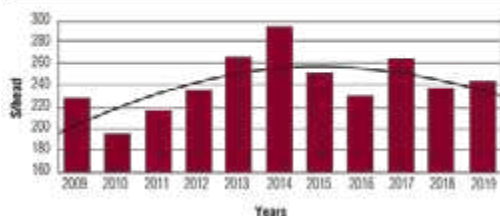
The biggest problem with suggesting a strategy for taking advantage of a cattle cycle has been identifying a "management trigger signal" before the fact. It has always been easy to look back and say what one should have done. What is needed, however, is a trigger signal before the fact. I have spent considerable time researching that trigger signal.

My eastern Wyoming-western

Nebraska study rancher has now asked me to help him identify that trigger signal. As background for this study, I am going to first share with my readers some of the management data compiled and presented to my study herd manager.

Winter feed costs. Figure 1 presents the calculated historical winter feed costs per cow for the study herd over the current cattle cycle (2009 through a 2019 projection).

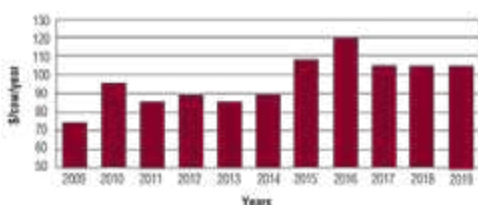
Figure 1. Study herd winter feed costs per cow, 2009 through 2019 projection



Winter feed costs trended upward in the first half of the cattle cycle, peaking in 2014. From 2014 through the 2019 projection, winter feed costs averaged \$243 per cow. Winter feed costs hit a high in 2014 and went down in 2016, but are now slowly working back upward due to both hay and corn price increases.

Summer pasture costs. Figure 2 presents the summer pasture costs per cow for the study herd over the current cattle cycle (2009 through a 2019 projection). Pasture costs tend to be somewhat fixed but did certainly go up after the high calf prices in 2014. Pasture costs since 2016 have leveled off slightly, as calf prices have weakened in the last years of this cattle cycle.

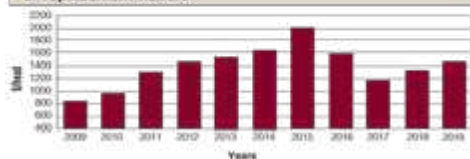
Figure 2. Study herd calculated pasture costs



Pasture costs are very slow to adjust downward.

Cost of developing heifers. A significant cost of a perpetual beef cow herd is the cost of replacement animals. My study rancher raised his own replacement heifers annually during the last cattle cycle.

Figure 4. Study herd calculated total cost of replacement heifers

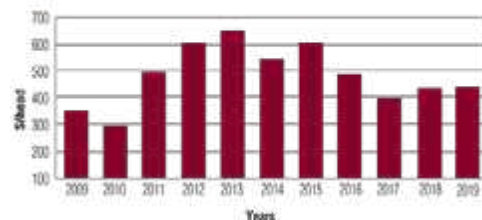


The actual cost of developing his weaned replacement heifers varied somewhat from year to year, depending primarily on the market price of feeds fed. Figure 3 presents the estimated postweaning cost of developing replacement heifers on my study ranch. The variation in annual development costs reflects the changing annual market value of feeds fed and changing annual grazing costs.

The cost of raised replacement heifers also has a second component — the market value of his raised replacement-type heifers valued on their weaning date. This is the opportunity cost of not selling the replacement-type heifers at weaning. The accumulated capital investment in this static herd is calculated annually by the rolling seven-year average of his annual total cost of all developed heifers. The cost of raised replacement-type heifers varied considerably over the current cattle cycle. Figure 4 presents the calculated total cost of replacement heifers (value of replacement-type heifers at weaning plus cost of development that next year). Figure 4 illustrates the year-to-year variation in the calculated

cost of replacement heifers for the study ranch. Yes, it does make a difference when replacement heifers are developed.

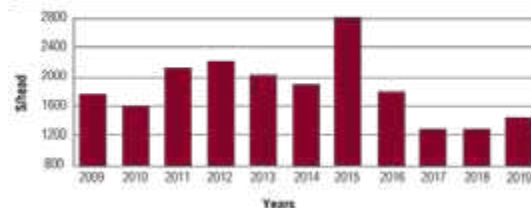
Figure 3. Study herd postweaning cost of developing replacement heifers



After seeing Figure 4, my study herd manager's immediate question was, "How does my cost of raising replacement heifers compare to the cost of purchased replacement heifers?"

It was a real challenge to find good data on the purchase cost of replacement heifers over the current cattle cycle. Figure 5 presents my best effort to compile the localized purchase price of replacement heifers for my study rancher.

Figure 5. Market price of bred replacement heifers for study herd



These two charts suggest that raising replacement heifers on this ranch appears to be a lower-cost approach to obtaining replacement heifers. How these replacement strategies and pattern actually affect the overall profitability of the ranch in a given cattle cycle will be addressed in a future article.



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BEEF EXPO

Show Results



Grand Champion Heifer
JF Sierra, Exhibited by Jackson Farms



Grand Champion Bull
MMF King, Exhibited by Miller Family Farms



Reserve Champion Heifer
DFM Emma Lee 18, Exhibited by McCall Show Cattle



Reserve Champion Bull
DT Ferdinand DT 101, Exhibited by Double T Farms

Sale Results

17 Lots sold for \$20,650 Average was \$1,215

Grand Champion Heifer JF Sierra
Consigned by Jackson Farms
Purchased by Miller Family Farms for \$1,500

Grand Champion Bull MMF King
Consigned by Miller Family Farms
Purchased by Esquire Cattle Company for \$2,080

Other Top Sellers

Lot 14 Consigned by Jackson Farms of Greens Fork IN, Purchased by Double T Farms for \$1,450
Lot 16 Consigned by Doll's Red Polls of Unionville KY, Purchased by Double T Farms for \$1,050
Lot 4 Consigned by Jackson Farms of Greens Fork IN, Purchased by Spegals Farms for \$1,100

What does it take to get started showing cattle?

by the University of Kentucky - Online

Showing cattle is a large commitment. You need to make sure your family is ready for it. Since cattle are large animals it takes more room, more equipment and more time to successfully complete the project.

Now let's find you a calf...

You can raise your own calves or you can go buy a calf from a breeder. This is probably the most important part. Make sure "wherever" you get

learning how to feed your calf and clip and fit your calf. If you are willing to invest in their livestock, then they should be willing to invest in you as a youth. Your breeder will most likely do check ins along the way and help you to make your project better.

Finally, you will need equipment. Unfortunately, you have chosen a project that is large and requires large equipment, but it is also the most fun!

Check list of equipment:

- Grooming chute
- Blower
- Scotch Comb
- Rice brush
- Nylon halter
- Leather Halter
- Show stick
- Fan for barn to keep calf cool

Now, you are ready for the show season to begin. Remember to have fun along the way and make this a family project.

First you need to look at your facilities. Make sure you have a barn or shed that will work for how many cattle you want to show. Adequate waters that can be heated for winter months. You will need a place to tie your calf in the barn, one ring up high for tying their head up and one lower to tie when they lay down. Unlike other animals you can buy just one calf to show. If it is your first year we recommend that you start with one and keep it simple. The goal should be to have fun!

You should find a good feed supplier before you get the calf. One that you can trust and understands how to feed show calves. Depending on where you live this may take some time to find a feed dealer that will have fresh feed on hand all year. You will also need a good supply of hay. Small squares of nice grass hay will work great. You can feed alfalfa hay but this can lead to digestive upsets if the hay is very rich.

your calf from it is someone that you can trust. Don't hesitate asking questions. You can never know enough and you are never too old to stop learning. Work with a breeder that will also help you. You will need help





The Junior American Red Poll News Stop



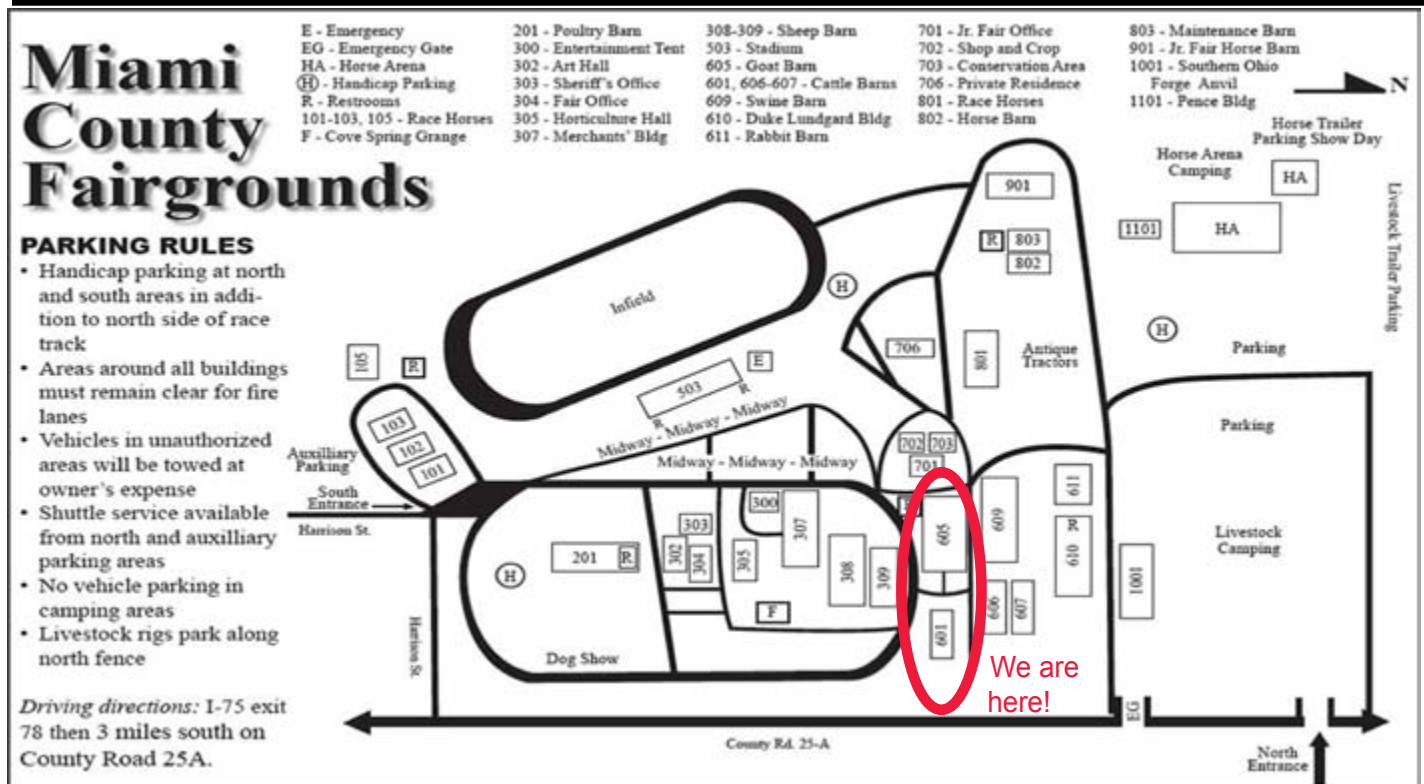
IT'S A TAILGATE PARTY!! June 21 – 23, 2019

Come join the Tailgate Party. The American Junior Red Poll Association is having its annual Junior Preview Show in Troy, OH on June 23, 2019 at the Miami County Fairgrounds. We are planning a weekend full of fun activities for all juniors. The cattle will be arriving Friday, June 21st. On Saturday, there will be an afternoon of fun for all members including a Costume Contest where the kids and their animal will be dressing up as their favorite sports team. We will also be doing a Bovine Obstacle Course where the kids will lead their partners through an obstacle course designed specifically for cattle. As part of the Herdsman Award this

year, stalls are to be decorated in members favorite sports teams. For members, whether you bring cattle or not, there is a Photo Contest with different categories that involve Red Poll Cattle. The winner of this contest will be honored by having their photo published in The Red Poll Journal. Do you like to write? In your packet, there is the Red Tales Essay Contest entry form and the winning submission will be in the Red Poll Journal. The weekend will be rounded out on Sunday morning where the kids will be showing off their cattle before a judge.

JUNIOR PACKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED
CHECK CONTEST DUE DATES
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ENTRY DEADLINE MAY 10





The Junior American Red Poll News Stop



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SATURDAY, JUNE 22

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Please send a donation check made out to the American Junior Red Poll Association to Teresa Jackson. We will be announcing our sponsors at various times over the weekend. Your donation is tax deductible and we will be sending you an acknowledgement letter for your records. You are also more than welcome to come to the fairgrounds at any time over the weekend and visit with the kids and inspect the cattle.

If you have any questions, please call Becky at 937-416-3011 or email at gobucksrle@yahoo.com.



The Junior American Red Poll News Stop



2019 NATIONAL JUNIOR PREVIEW SHOW CLASSES

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RULES:

ALL ANIMALS MUST BE REGISTERED IN THE JUNIORS NAME. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Calves can be jointly registered with siblings.

ALL EXHIBITORS showing must be current members of AJRPA.

All out of state cattle must have appropriate health papers.

Tailgate Party Schedule

Friday, May 10 Entry Deadline

Friday, June 7 Photo and Essay Entries Due

Friday, June 21

Noon: Cattle may begin arriving at the Miami County Fairgrounds, Troy, OH

6:00 p.m.: Cookout at the Fairgrounds for Junior members, family and friends.

Saturday, June 22

9:00 a.m. All cattle must be on the fairgrounds.

9:45 a.m. Heifer Check-In/Steer Weigh-In

11:00 a.m. Junior Meeting and Election of Officers

Noon Pizza Party for Junior Members

1:30 p.m. Costume Contest

2:15 p.m. Junior Activities

3:00 p.m. Bovine Obstacle Course

7:00 p.m.: Banquet at Fairgrounds

Silent Auction to support the AJRPA membership

*All juniors members, families and friends are invited.

*National Ambassador to be announced

*Photo and Essay Contest Winners Announced

Sunday, June 23

8:30 a.m. Pre-show Festivities at the Show ring

9:00 a.m. Junior Preview Show

Show Order :Bulls, Steers, Heifers, Cow/Calf,

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Showmanship

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Want to Nominate Someone for An Award at the Banquet?

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MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND

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October 24-26 2019



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May is National Beef Month
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We will post every photo we receive along with the person's name and any information they would like us to share. The photo with the most likes and shares at the end of the month will earn someone a prize package.

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SUMMER FORAGE FOR CATTLE

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Forage is key to the nutrition and feed program for your cattle. For more information on types of feed, that includes grain and concentrates. The majority of beef cattle operations rely on forage for the bulk of the cattle diet, and as growing season is around the corner, we're going to focus on

ration for your cattle and make recommendations for improvements. Don't neglect your pastures, either. Pasture needs to be re-seeded, should be rotated to avoid over-grazing, and monitored for weeds and invasive species.

anywhere from two weeks to a month to be returned during busy soil testing seasons, remember to plan accordingly and test early.

4. Seed at the Appropriate Time. Soil and seed quality can only go so far if you're not seeding your fields at the appropriate time. Poor decisions will impact your overall forage yield and quality. Your growing zone will be part of the decision on when to you plant or re-seed. The choice of annuals or perennials will also impact seeding times. Again, experts from Cooperative Extension and universities are available to help you make appropriate decisions for your operation.

5. Maximize Pasture Forage. Pasture is an effective way to provide forage for your animals with minimal associated labor. Maximize time spent on pasture by growing cool and warm season grasses in your pastures, and rotating cattle to prevent overgrazing. Pasture should be utilized when the forage in them is at its highest nutrient value. Proper utilization of pasture forage reduces the amount of feed that needs to be purchased and stored on your operation, therefore reducing your other associated costs.

6. Test Your Forages. Whether silage, or hay, you should test your forages and understand the nutrient value. Not only will this information be crucial in your animal nutrition, it can help you make future decisions on your forage production practices to increase yield and improve forage quality.

7. Choose Storage Options Wisely. How forage is stored can impact the nutrition level of the feed and the amount of spoilage. There are many storage options and these will be influenced by your total yield, operation logistics, type of forage, and budget. Calculate

2. Invest in Seed. Whether you're planting a field for the first time, or re-seeding after many years, the seeds you invest in matters. Quality seed will be better established and leads to greater yields. Poor seed quality can create uneven growth and bare patches. While it can be tempting to save money with a cheaper seed, the initial investment in quality seed will pay off over the long-term with higher yields and improved forage quality.

3. Pay Attention to Your Soil. Forage quality and overall yield are greatly impacted by the merits of your soil. Simply put, better soil leads to better yields. While some of this is dependent on the soil your operation has, you can take steps to improve the soil through lime and fertilizer applications. The

first step to improving soil health is to conduct soil tests and understand what you're starting with. The company that completes the soil test will make recommendations based on the results. Remember that all soil tests should include samples from various places in the field or have separate soil tests if you suspect that a field has vast differences in soil quality. The soil testing company will provide directions on the best way to collect the soil sample for testing. Test results can take

getting the best yield out of your forage production.

1. Grow the Right Forage. The type of forage you grow will depend on your region, soil, and nutrition needs of your animals. Contact your local Cooperative Extension agent or an agronomist if you have questions on the best type of forage to grow. An animal nutrition specialist can also assist you with assessing your



your yield losses each year and make changes as necessary to your storage to improve your operation.

Some fields may be better suited to pasture versus forage production. Careful thought and consideration should go into forage planning and planting on your operation. Also consider crop rotation to improve soil health and reduce soil compaction. Tracking your soil test results, annual forage yields, and forage test results can provide valuable insights into your operation to help make future decisions.

The University of Guelph offers a suite of resources on forage production. Topics include establishment,

maintenance, pest management, feed quality, silage, hay, pasture systems, and how it works. Review the videos and fact sheets available to answer many of your forage specific questions. Those of you in warmer climates have similar resources available through the University of Kentucky. Their site also includes publications specific to forage types, including tall fescue, teff, and legumes. Start planning now to maximize your forage quality and yield this growing season.



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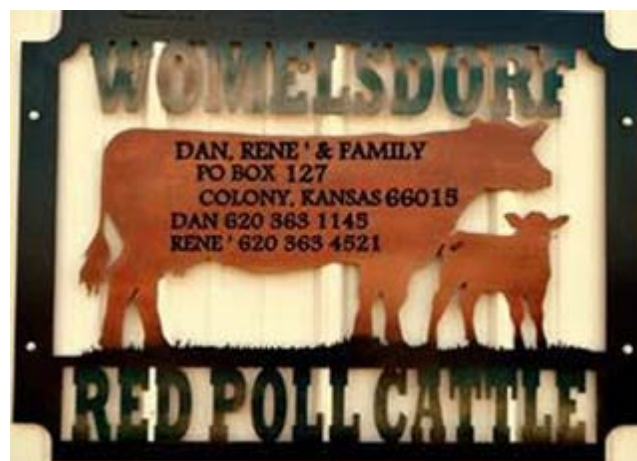
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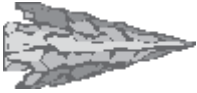
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