

UGA/GCA GEORGIA HERD PROGRAM CALHOUN SALE

May 27 **NW GA Livestock Pavilion** **12:30 p.m.** **Calhoun**

Sale features 65 bred heifers bred to sires Mead Magnitude, Raven Republic 1564, or Basin True Grit 1021. Sale includes registered heifers with GE EPDs and commercial heifers/Igenity Beef. To view the catalog and for more sale information visit <https://indd.adobe.com/view/885d04fb-9142-40b6-88a0-0ad7d3b5d6ae> LiveAuctions.TV will conduct the auction. NW GA Livestock Pavilion is located at 1286 Hwy. 53 Spur SW Calhoun, Ga. Call Jason Duggin at 706-728-4354 or Katie Hammond at 706-624-1398 for more info. Potential buyers are welcome to come look at the heifers at the NW GA Livestock Pavilion in Calhoun any time after 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26. UGA Beef Team will hold a reproduction focused meeting May 26, starting at 6:30 p.m. with a meal. Please register by contacting Jason Duggin at jduggin@uga.edu or by visiting www.ugabeef.com/calhoun . Cost of dinner is \$15.

GACD FERAL HOG WORKSHOPS

May 28 **Traditions Venue, 410 Ga. 87 Business** **5 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.** **Cochran**

<https://www.gacd.us/events/2026/5/28/central-georgia-feral-swine-workshop>

June 2 **Stonecrest City Hall 3120 Stonecrest Blvd.** **5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.** **Stonecrest**

<https://www.gacd.us/events/2026/6/2/dekalb-county-feral-hog-workshop-amp-trap-demo>

July 9 **Sumter County Ag Center** **5 p.m.** **Americus**

<https://www.gacd.us/events/2026/7/9/feral-hog-workshop-with-golden-triangle-rcampd>

A group of agricultural and natural resource organizations are partnering to bring Georgia's top experts on feral swine together in this series of educational workshops for farmers and landowners. Topics will include disease issues, swine biology, economics, water quality issues, effective control techniques, transport issues, and regulations to be followed by a question and answer panel of experts. There will also include a feral swine trapping demonstration. Partnering agencies for this effort include the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA Wildlife Services, Georgia Association of Conservation Districts, Georgia Department of Natural Resources - Wildlife Resources Division, Georgia Department of Agriculture, and University of Georgia Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources. There is no cost to attend the workshops, but space is limited. Pre-registration is required.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU SUMMER COOKOUT SURVEY

June 1-7

American Farm Bureau is asking Farm Bureau members nationwide to participate June 1-7 in its Summer Cookout Survey of retail food prices commonly used to prepare a cookout meal for 10 people. The survey tracks prices on commonly found foods including ground beef, American cheese, hamburger buns, chicken breasts, pork chops, potatoes, onions, celery, eggs, canned pork & beans, strawberries, lemons, sugar, chocolate chip cookies and ice cream. Survey results will be used for a July Fourth national publicity campaign on the retail cost of food that emphasizes its relatively small increase in price over time compared to other consumer goods, as well as the contribution of U.S. food, fiber and fuel production to national security. Between June 1-7, complete a mobile-friendly web survey, available at FB.Org/CookoutSurvey. **Please note: this link will not be active for the survey until June 1** and closes June 7 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern. Participants may visit a grocery store in person or check prices using a grocery store app or website.

GFB YF&R DISCUSSION MEET

June 1

deadline for entries

Registration is open for the YF&R Discussion Meet. **The entry form should be completed and submitted online at <https://gfb.ag/yfrcompete> by June 1.** Please share this information with anyone who may be interested in competing. Also attached to this email are the questions that will be used in the 2026 Discussion Meet and a scoring rubric that can be used in preparation for the competition. Any Georgia Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers member is eligible to compete. Discussion Meet Orientation (for all competitors) will be on Wednesday afternoon, July 16 and the competition will be in person at the conference. The Discussion Meet consists of two (2) preliminary rounds, a Sweet Sixteen round, and a Final Four round, which will determine the state winner. A collegiate winner will also be recognized. Competitors can visit <https://www.gfb.org/education-and-outreach/discussion-meet.cms> for additional resources that may be helpful when preparing for the Discussion Meet. For questions regarding the Summer Leadership Conference or the competitive events, contact your district federation manager.

GFB YF&R SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

July 15-18 Jekyll Island Convention Center

Jekyll Island

June 1 Final registration deadline

Registration is open for the GFB Young Farmers & Ranchers (YF&R) Summer Leadership Conference and competitive events. Please share the following information with anyone who may be interested in attending or competing. This conference is open to any GFB member involved with Young Farmers & Ranchers, ages 18-35. A children's program will be provided for kids 4th grade and younger as a convenience for attendees competing or participating in sessions. Visit <https://gfb.ag/yfrslc> for complete conference details, including tentative agenda, information about the children's program and lodging information, or to register by one of these deadlines: Registration – Deadline: June 1. Registration Fee: \$150 per attendee. Attendees are responsible for their own hotel reservations. Room blocks have been secured at the Courtyard/Residence Inn (912635-2416, reservation deadline is June 15); Hampton Inn and Suites (912-635-3733, reservation deadline is June 15), Holiday Inn Resort (912-319-0037, reservation deadline is June 15), Villas by the Sea (912-635-2521, reservation deadline is June 15) and the Westin (912-635-4545, reservation deadline is June 15) on Jekyll Island. Note: These room blocks tend to fill up quickly. For more information about the conference, contact Levi Davis at ledavis@gfb.org or 478-230-6767.

AGGEORGIA COMMUNITY MISSION FUND

June 1

application deadline

Through the Community Mission Fund, AgGeorgia invests in organizations dedicated to preserving and advancing the future of agriculture in the communities we serve. AgGeorgia has allocated \$50,000 for the 2026 funding cycle, providing grants of up to \$5,000 per eligible non-profit organization. These grants are designed to fund projects that promote agriculture, enhance rural quality of life, and build strong community partnerships throughout our service area. While all eligible projects aligned with AgGeorgia's mission will be considered, priority may be given to initiatives that: Promote agricultural education and awareness; support veteran and underserved farmers; and strengthen rural communities. The maximum award is \$5,000 per organization per year. Organizations must be non-profit entities. Individuals and private farms are not eligible. Projects must serve communities within the 79 counties where AgGeorgia Farm Credit conducts

business. To apply, submit a completed online application. Visit www.aggeorgia.com/community-mission-fund and find the application at the bottom of the page. Applications will be reviewed and awards announced during the third quarter of 2026. For questions regarding the Community Mission Fund or application process, please contact Jessica Bassett, Marketing Specialist, at Marketing@aggeorgia.com or by phone at 800-768-3276 x 630.

AFBF AG INNOVATION CHALLENGE

June 5

application deadline

The American Farm Bureau Federation, in partnership with Farm Credit, is accepting online applications from entrepreneurs for the 2027 Farm Bureau Ag Innovation Challenge through June 5. Now in its 13th year, this national business competition showcases U.S. startup companies developing innovative solutions to challenges faced by America's farmers, ranchers and rural communities. The overall winner of the competition will receive \$100,000 in startup funds, the runner-up will be awarded \$25,000 and two additional business owners who advance to the final four round will receive \$10,000. Farm Bureau is offering a total of \$145,000 in startup funds throughout the course of the competition. After the application period closes on June 5, 10 semi-finalist teams will be selected and announced on Sept. 2. Next, the 10 semi-finalist teams will pitch virtually to compete for a spot in the final four round of the contest. Examples of successful Ag Innovation Challenge participants, as well as detailed eligibility guidelines and the competition timeline, can be found at fb.org/challenge. Entrepreneurs must be members of a county or parish Farm Bureau within their state of residence to qualify as top 10 semi-finalists. Applicants who are not Farm Bureau members can visit www.fb.org/about/get-involved to learn about becoming a member. Applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on June 5.

WOMEN IN AG EXPO "IN THE TRENCHES"

June 8-9

Oakhurst Farm

Harris County

This conference will offer hands-on, out-in-the field sessions covering beekeeping basics, soil & tractor basics, livestock management, food safety & preservation, income diversification & more. Harris County Ag & Natural Resources Consultant Steve Morgan will provide the training. Registration will be from 8:30 a.m. – 9 a.m. on June 8 with sessions beginning promptly at 9 a.m. Registration is \$100, which includes lunch & dinner on Monday. The Whistlin' Pig will provide a BBQ lunch. The Harris County Cattlemen's Association will serve a steak dinner. The Pachitla Creek Pickers will provide entertainment Monday night. Tuesday sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and end around lunch. Light snacks & water will be provided both days. Accommodations are available at the Hampton Inn in LaGrange & the Callaway Lodge in Pine Mountain. Participants must book their own rooms. Visit www.oakhurstfarms.com for more info & to register. For questions or more information, contact Steve Morgan at 706-628-7724 or smorgan@harriscountygga.gov.

IRRIGATION WATER MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

June 9 Fulton County Extension Office

Atlanta

N Fulton Service Center, 7741 Roswell Road NE, Room 248, Atlanta, GA 30350.

Phone: 404-613-5733.

July 14 Pickens County Extension Office

Jasper

68 D.B. Carroll St., Jasper GA 30143. Phone: 706-253-8840

Aug. 26 Bacon County Extension Office

Alma

203 South Dixon Street Ag Complex, Suite 3 Alma, GA 31510.

Aug. 27 Vidalia Onion and Vegetable Research Center

Lyons

8163 Highway 178, Lyons, GA 30436.

Online registration can be accessed at: <https://tinyurl.com/cpycec3s>. The workshops will explain the efficiencies of impact sprinklers, drip irrigation systems, how to develop an Irrigation Water Management Plan, and hands-on activities assembling basic irrigation systems. If you need an accommodation, please contact Gary Hawkins, at ghawkins@uga.edu or 706-542-7167. Please contact by 21 days prior to workshop date.

GA/FL IRRIGATION EXPO

June 10 Vidalia Onion & Vegetable Research Center 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lyons

The University of Georgia and the University of Florida Extension Services are partnering with Pine Country RC&D to host a new biannual agriculture expo focused on irrigation. This workshop will be geared toward small farmers and discuss how to develop irrigation plans and hands-on for basic irrigation systems. Topics will include landscape irrigation, drip irrigation, solid set irrigation and center pivots. Experience live demonstrations, including blue-dye tests, pivot uniformity, and micro-irrigation for freeze protection! More than 25 irrigation exhibitors will also be on-site, showcasing a wide range of irrigation products and knowledge. The Vidalia Onion & Vegetable Research Center is located at 8163 HWY 178, Lyons, GA 30436. To register, visit <https://uga.questionpro.com/t/AdAoDZ8g81>. For more information, contact Jason Mallard at irrigationexpo2026@gmail.com.

ENTER GEORGIA FARM BUREAU PHOTO CONTEST

June 12 photo contest entry deadline

The 2026 Georgia Farm Bureau Photo Contest is sponsored by the GFB Young Farmers & Ranchers (YF&R) Committee. The contest is an opportunity for all GFB members to showcase agriculture and to encourage an appreciation of rural Georgia. This competition offers amateur photographers the chance to explore the many activities, seasons, triumphs, disappointments and faces of agriculture, our state's key industry. The photos that win this competition will capture the image and spirit of agriculture and Farm Bureau in Georgia. The grand prize winner will receive \$150 and have their photo featured on the cover of the 2027 YF&R calendar. Eleven honorable mention winners will each receive \$75 and have their photos featured inside the 2027 YFR calendar. All photos must highlight Georgia agriculture and must have been taken in 2025 or 2026. An individual may enter up to three photos. Only photos of highest quality will be considered. All digital photos must be in a .jpeg format, must be horizontal and preferably be at least 1 MB in size. For complete rules and to enter the contest, visit <https://gfb.ag/yfrphoto>. The deadline for entries is June 12. For more information, contact Haley Darby at hadarby@gfb.org.

AFBF WHITE-REINHARDT FUND FOR EDUCATION GRANTS

June 12

application deadline

The White-Reinhardt Fund for Education is a special funding opportunity from the American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture (AFBFA) in cooperation with the American Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee. It was established to honor two former chairs of that committee (Berta White and Linda Reinhardt, leaders in the national effort to improve agricultural literacy) by enlarging agricultural literacy efforts across the United States. The project grant is one of two components of the fund. Visit <https://www.agfoundation.org/grants-awards/white-reinhardt-grants> to apply.

2026 AGAWARE® FARM FINANCE TRAINING WORKSHOPS

June 12 **Southeastern Technical College**

Swainsboro

Register: AgSouthFC.com/AGAware

June 25 **Athens-Clarke County Extension Office**

Athens

Register: AgGeorgia.com/AGAware

All classes will be held from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. A free lunch will be provided.

AgSouth Farm Credit and AgGeorgia Farm Credit are hosting these workshops designed to equip farmers with essential business and financial management skills needed to succeed. The training is open to anyone who wishes to develop a better understanding of how to run a successful farming operation of any type or size. The AGAware Workshops introduce farmers to a variety of financial related topics critical to running an operation. These topics include: balance sheets, income statements, family finance & family budgeting, risk management, accrual income, applying for financing, preparing a business plan, technology & record keeping, Farm Service Agency/Small Business Administration and other programs. AGAware is certified for participants to receive FSA Direct Borrower Training Credits in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. AgSouth Farm Credit created the national award-winning [AGAware program in 2011](#) to ensure future farmers will be prepared and strong financially so they may continue doing what they love. More than 1,000 farmers in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina have graduated from the program. For other 2026 [AGAware](#) workshop opportunities in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina visit AgGeorgia.com and AgSouthFC.com For more information about AGAware, contact Heather Brannen at Heather.Brannen@AgSouthFC.com or Jessica Bassett at JBassett@AgGeorgia.com.

BLUEBERRY BOOST ACCELERATOR SEEKS BLUEBERRY INNOVATORS

June 12

application deadline

The [U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council](#) (USHBC) and VentureFuel are teaming up to support startup businesses that use blueberries as a key ingredient. The Blueberry Boost Accelerator is seeking startups of CPG products across a wide range of categories, including but not limited to: snacks, frozen, beverages (including alcoholic options), confectionery, personal care items (e.g., skincare, cosmetics), wellness/performance, ready-to-eat meals, sauces & dressings & pet products. Visit <https://info.venturefuel.net/blueberryboostaccelerator> to learn more about the program. The eight-week hybrid accelerator will connect early-stage, revenue-generating companies of products innovating with blueberries to leaders in the blueberry, food, food retail and consumer packaged goods (CPG) industries. The goal of the program is to fast-track growth of potential products through expert mentorship, tailored commercialization support and strategic guidance. Participants will receive professional brand assets like video commercials and sales materials, media exposure, and connect with buyers, investors and innovation leaders. Startups will refine their pitch with 1:1 support and showcase their product at [The Blueberry Convention](#), Sept. 22-25 in Monterey, Calif., where the grand prize winner will receive \$20,000 and the runner-up will win \$10,000. For more information or to apply, visit BlueberryBoostAccelerator.com. For more resources on using blueberries as an ingredient, visit Blueberry.org/foodservice.

GEORGIA-FLORIDA TOBACCO TOUR

June 15-17

Various locations

This is a car caravan tour with individuals driving their own vehicle with tour stops at GeorgiaFlorida tobacco farms and on-farm demonstrations. Meals will be provided. Visit <https://tobacco.caes.uga.edu/tours.html> to see the initial tour schedule and to register. Please return to the site prior to the tour for more detailed information on the tour schedule and directions. Participants should make their own hotel reservations using the telephone numbers or links provided by June 1 with reference to the “GA-FL Tobacco Tour” block of rooms. Contact J. Michael Moore at jmmoore@uga.edu or 229-392-6424 for more info.

GEORGIA CENTENNIAL FARM APPLICATIONS

June 16

application deadline extended

Centennial Farm applications are open to all qualifying candidates. Farms play a pivotal role in shaping the legacy of our state, serving as the bedrock for economic, cultural, and family traditions for generations of Georgians. Georgia recognizes farms with a legacy spanning more than a century for their historical significance through the Georgia Centennial Farm program. Nominees must be a working farm with a minimum of 10 acres of the original purchase, actively involved in agricultural production, and must generate at least \$1,000 in annual farm-generated income. In addition, farms must have been continuously farmed by members of the same family for at least 100 years or be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Qualifying Georgia Centennial Farms are honored each October at an awards ceremony at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry. The Georgia Centennial Farm program is administered by the Historic Preservation Division of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; Georgia Farm Bureau Federation; Georgia Department of Agriculture; Georgia EMC; Georgia National Fair and Agricenter; and University of Georgia Cooperative Extension. For more information, please contact Rose Mayo, Historic Preservation Division Outreach Coordinator, at 770-855-2586 or rose.mayo@dca.ga.gov. **The postmark deadline for applications is June 16.** Applications are available online at <https://gfb.ag/centuryfarmsapply>.

CROP INSURANCE SALES CLOSING DATES

Cabbage 2027 Crop

July 1 deadline to enroll/renew

Coverage is available in Brooks, Colquitt, Cook, Mitchell, Tift and Toombs counties

Fresh Market Sweet Corn 2027 Crop

July 31 deadline to enroll/renew

Coverage is available in Colquitt, Decatur, Grady, Miller, Mitchell, Seminole, Tift and Worth counties.

Peppers 2027 crop

July 31 deadline to enroll/renew

Coverage is available in Brooks, Colquitt, Cook, Echols, Grady, Lowndes, Thomas, Tift, Ware and Worth counties.

The USDA’s Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds Georgia producers of these sale closing dates for the 2027 crop year. Current policyholders who wish to make changes to their existing coverage also have until the sales closing date to do so. Federal crop insurance is critical to the farm safety net. It helps producers and owners manage revenue risks and strengthens the rural economy. Please contact your insurance agent to see if your county is covered. Growers are

encouraged to visit their crop insurance agent soon to learn specific details for the 2027 crop year. Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available online using the [RMA Agent Locator](#). Learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at <https://rma.usda.gov>. The Georgia Farm Bureau Insurance Company contracts with three companies - Rain & Hail, Sompco, and Crop Risk Services to offer crop insurance. GFB has more than 70 (and growing) experienced crop insurance agents across the state to help their members protect their investment. Find your local agent and learn more at www.GFBInsurance.com or email crops@gfbinsurance.com for more details. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

SUNBELT EXPO AG INNOVATION AWARD

July 1

application deadline

The 2026 Sunbelt Ag Expo brings back its Innovation Award for a second year, continuing to highlight new ideas and innovations in agriculture. Discover how to participate and showcase your agricultural innovation at the 2026 Sunbelt Ag Expo. If your new product or service is innovative, time-saving, labor-saving, or will change the agricultural world, enter it in the Sunbelt Ag Expo's Top-10 New Products Competition. Entries are evaluated by a panel of farmers, ranchers, agricultural business professionals, and university representatives to ensure that each product is new for 2026 and is innovative in its field. **Key Dates:** Application Closes: July 1; judging the week of: July 13; winners will be contacted by Aug. 5. **Judging Criteria:** Originality; innovation; practicality; economy/affordability; overall quality. **Additional information:** There will be 10 winners. Only products released anywhere in the world between Oct. 17, 2025, and Oct. 16, 2026, are eligible for the competition. The company applying for an Innovation Award must be an exhibitor at the 2026 Sunbelt Ag Expo. For competition details or to apply, visit <https://sunbeltexpo.com/innovation-award/>. For questions, contact the Sunbelt Ag Expo team at 229.958.1968 or email mandy@sunbeltexpo.com.

SOUTHEAST CATTLE CONFERENCE

Aug. 1 Georgia FFA Camp Old Dining Hall

Covington

July 18

RSVP deadline

The Southeast Cattle Conference, sponsored by the Georgia Hereford Association & formerly called Herefords in the Cove, will be held Saturday, Aug. 1, in Covington, Ga. at the FFA Camp in the old dining hall. Cost to attend is \$25 for adults and \$10 for kids under 10. Registration starts at 1:30 p.m. ET. Program starts at 2 p.m. ET. For more info call Wes Smith at 706-601-9527. Please RSVP to the Georgia Hereford Association Facebook page or call Smith by July 18. Program topics will include: Managing income tax in good & bad years presented by Kevin Burkett, Clemson University; Using Hereford genetics to increase profitability presented by Peyton Pruett of the American Hereford Assc. There will also be a panel discussion between the following cattle producers regarding how they decide to cull cows & the factors they use to choose a cow for their donor herd: Tommy Maples, Maples Stock Farm, Elkmont, Al; Steve Morgan, Oakhurst Farm, West Point, Ga.; & Breck Debnam, Innisfail Farm, Madison, Ga. Jenna Paulette of Texas will provide entertainment. There will also be a benefit auction and a dinner. **Hotels to choose from in the Covington/Conyers area:**

Hampton Inn	678-212-2500
Courtyard by Marriott	470-444-1470
Holiday Inn Express	866-245-4286

GA COTTON COMMISSION MID-YEAR MEETING/PREHARVEST WORKSHOP**July 29 Nesmith-Lane Conference Center****Statesboro**

The Georgia Cotton Commission is pleased to announce the guest speakers at the Commission's 2026 Mid-Year Meeting scheduled for July 29 at the Nesmith-Lane Conference Center in Statesboro. The inaugural Mid-Year Meeting is held in conjunction with a UGA Cotton PreHarvest Workshop conducted by members of the UGA Research & Extension Cotton Team. The UGA Cotton Pre-Harvest Workshop will feature sessions where attendees will receive a 2026 crop update and defoliation considerations along with discussions regarding late season irrigation and pest management strategies. The program speakers are Rusty Rumley, senior staff attorney at the National Agricultural Law Center, and Bev Sylvester, chief marketing officer at Cotton Incorporated. During the lunch program the Georgia Quality Cotton Awards for the 2025 crop will be presented. There is no charge to attend. Pre-registration is requested to help with meal plans. Register online at www.georgiacottoncommission.org.

USDA SDRP PAYMENTS**Aug. 12****application deadline**

The USDA is issuing a second Supplemental Disaster Relief Program (SDRP) payment to eligible producers who have approved program applications for losses due to natural disasters in calendar years 2023 and 2024. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) has already provided \$6.7 billion in SDRP payments to eligible producers. The original April 30 deadline has been extended to Aug. 12 for SDRP Stage 1 and Stage 2. The first stage, announced in July 2025, remains available to producers who received an indemnity under crop insurance or the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for eligible crop losses due to qualifying 2023 and 2024 natural disaster events. Stage 2 of SDRP covers eligible crop, tree, bush and vine losses that were not covered under Stage 1 program provisions, including non-indemnified (shallow loss), uncovered and quality losses. Eligible losses must be the result of natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024. These disasters include wildfires, hurricanes, floods, derechos, excessive heat, tornadoes, winter storms, freeze (including a polar vortex), smoke exposure, excessive moisture, qualifying drought, and related conditions. To qualify for drought-related losses, the loss must have occurred in a county rated by the U.S. Drought Monitor as having a D2 (severe drought) for eight consecutive weeks, D3 (extreme drought), or greater intensity level during the applicable calendar year. For more information on SDRP, please visit fsa.usda.gov/sdrp.

KEL-MAC SADDLE CLUB HORSE SHOWS**Sept. 19 & Oct. 24 Morgan Co. Ag Center****Madison**

These shows are open to equestrians of all ages and experience levels. Classes include hunter/jumper, western, gaited, trail obstacles, ranch riding, ranch reining, dressage on the rail, halter/showmanship, "small fry" and more. All shows begin at 9 a.m. - rain or shine. Trail classes are from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Western Classes not to start before lunch. Riders must be members of Kel-Mac to accrue points towards year-end awards. Age divisions for competition are as follows: Small Fry: 10 and under; Junior: under 14 years of age; Senior: 14 years and over. Novice: Rider is in 1st or 2nd year of showing. Green Horse: Horse is in 1st or 2nd year of showing. Entry fee per class is \$10. Stall fees are \$15 for club members & \$20 nonmembers. All overnight stalls are \$25. Each horse show is an "an all-breed show" which means there are a wide variety of disciplines

offered in the more than 50 classes. The focus of the Kel-Mac shows is to include everyone and help participants become more comfortable with showing. For more information about the shows, visit the KelMac Saddle Club Facebook or Instagram pages or www.kel-mac.com or call Arlene Williams at 706-431-8600. Signup for shows on the website. General admission is free and concession food and drinks will be available. The Morgan County Ag Center is located at 2380 Athens Hwy. (441), north of Madison. These volunteer-run shows generate funds to benefit Kel-Mac's equestrian related charities. The Kel-Mac Saddle Club has donated more than \$170,250 back to Georgia's Piedmont region during its 50 years including: the Georgia Equine Rescue League, ReDux Equine Rescue, Sweet Olive Rescue, and the Morgan County Sheriff's Empty Stocking Fund, and the equestrian facilities of state & county parks such as A. H. Stephens, Hard Labor Creek, and Heritage Park.

LALLEMAND ANIMAL NUTRITION SCHOLARSHIPS

Sept. 30

deadline to apply

Applications for the 2026 Lallemand Scholarship are open through Sept. 30. Interested students must be full-time students enrolled in agriculture-related programs at accredited institutions in the United States, Canada, or Mexico. Applications will be evaluated based on academic achievement, leadership qualities, commitment to the agricultural industry and an essay submission that highlights creativity, originality, and forward-thinking perspectives. There are five scholarship categories: Two \$2,500 scholarships for undergraduate students; one \$3,000 scholarship for a master's student; one \$3,000 scholarship for a doctoral candidate; and one \$3,000 scholarship for a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) student. Learn more about eligibility and to apply by visiting the [Lallemand Animal Nutrition website](#). Lallemand Animal Nutrition is a global company that offers microbial solutions for animal health and performance.

GFB HAY DIRECTORY

GFB is accepting listings for its online hay directory. Farm Bureau members with hay for sale or who offer custom harvesting or custom sprigging services are invited to list their hay and/or services in the GFB Quality Hay Directory published on the GFB website. Hay for sale or services can be listed or removed from the directory throughout the year. To be included in GFB's online hay directory, complete a submission form by visiting your county Farm Bureau office or online at www.gfb.ag/hay. Please include a \$10 check made payable to Georgia Farm Bureau for each listing of hay, custom harvesting or custom sprigging. Multiple listings are allowed. Listings can be updated in the directory throughout the year as hay inventories change. Hay producers who entered the 2024 GFB Quality Hay Contest receive a free listing in the online GFB Hay Directory.

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS OFFER FERAL HOG CONTROL SERVICES

For a list of feral hog control services available in each GACD Conservation District, visit <https://gfb.ag/feralhoggacdresources>.

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE OFFERS SUPPORT

The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline can be reached by calling or texting 988 or chatting on 988lifeline.org. 988 is a universal entry point so that no matter where you live in the U.S., you can easily access 24/7 emotional support. You don't have to be suicidal to reach out. 988 trained crisis counselors can help you through whatever mental health challenges you are experiencing.