

Weekly Pile of Information for the Week of May 6 2012

Hello Horse E-mailers,

Included is the Weekly Pile of Information for the Week of May 6, 2012, Extension's Equine related educational information & announcements for Rockingham & Guilford Counties. To have something included in the Weekly Pile, please follow these simple guidelines.

- Information included needs to be educational in nature &/or directly related to Rockingham or Guilford Counties.
- provided information is a resource to the citizens of Rockingham/Guilford Counties.
- provided information does not require extra time or effort to be listed.
- Listings for Swap Shop will not list pricing details.
- Please E-mail information to me by Wednesday each Week.
- Please keep ads or events as short as possible – with NO FORMATTING, NO unnecessary Capitalization's, and NO ATTACHED DOCUMENTS.

(If sent in that way, it may not be included)

- Please include contact information - Phone, Email and alike.
- PLEASE PUT WEEKLY PILE IN SUBJECT LINE when you send into me.
- The Weekly Pile is not for listings for Commercial type properties or products.

If I forgot to include anything in this email it was probably an oversight on my part, but please let me know!

If you have a question or ideas that you would like covered in the Weekly Pile, please let me know and I will try to include. As Always – I would like to hear your comments about the Weekly Pile or the Extension Horse Program in Rockingham or Guilford Counties!

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1. Fly Control Tips

Fly season is on us, and the swishing of horses' tails and the grumbles of unhappy horse owners from all over the area will be heard with the phone ringing in my office. Here are some tips that may help you control flies this season:

1. Practice good sanitation! The single most effective method of fly control is good sanitation around your barn area. Wet bedding and manure should be removed at least once a week from stalls and areas where horses often stand. During peak fly season, it is best to remove it at least once every 2-3 days in order to reduce fly breeding. Material that is removed should be land applied within a few days or composted. Composting areas should be covered and well drained. It's also helpful to remove water buckets from stalls that are not in use. This keeps the water (especially water that has become dirty!) from becoming a breeding ground for flies and mosquitoes. - Compost manure taken from the stable rather than piling it up "out back". Since flies lay eggs in moist manure, keeping it dry can help prevent them from laying eggs in the manure. Composting the manure raises the temperature high enough so that any eggs laid in the manure are destroyed.

2. Provide deep shade or a barn for horse to go into during the day. Flies generally do not like dark places, especially pesky blood sucking horse flies.

3. Use fly masks for horses. These meshed mask are placed on the face of the horse which prevents the flies from getting to the eyes and face of the horse. These are particularly useful if the horse is sensitive to flies around the eyes or they won't tolerate sprays or wipes on their face. The disadvantage to the masks are they can be pulled off by snagging on brush, fence, or by the action of the horse scratching its face.

4. Use methods of mechanical control! Water traps (Terminator, Trap-N-Toss, etc) or sticky ribbons help reduce the need for pesticides. Hang these throughout the barn - one per every 1,000 square feet of area that flies may breed. Be sure that traps are hung in a way that they can be easily inspected and managed but are out of the way of traffic in the barn area. Water traps and ribbons will probably need to be cleaned and recharged or replaced about once every two weeks. If put in place early and maintained correctly, the traps and ribbons can be very effective in controlling flies.

Build a tabanid(horse fly trap). These traps are placed in the field about 15 to 20 feet from the wood line. As horses enter the dark shade of the woods, horse flies, deer flies, and black flies leave the horse and rest outside the tree line and move back to the horse once they leave the woods. The tabanid trap attracts the flies as they leave the horse and are trapped inside where they die. A Canopy Trap For Horse Fly Control can be found at http://alamance.ces.ncsu.edu/files/library/1/TABANID_Trap.pdf

5. Pesticide Use: Scatter baits containing methomyl (Apache or Blue Malrin) are very effective. The bait can be sprinkled in areas throughout the barn where flies tend to gather but where humans and animals won't be at risk for exposure to the bait. Avoid sprinkling the bait under the horse's feed trough or hayrack. It's not likely that the horse would eat enough of the bait to become sick, but it's better to be safe than sorry. The bait also works well when sprinkled over wet zones in the horse's stall after these areas have been cleaned and covered with fresh bedding. Pyrethrum is commonly used in fogging systems. Since it is non-residual, continuous misting or fogging periodically may be needed during the peak fly season.

There are some "feed through" type products (insect growth regulators or IGR's) also available. These IGR's prevent the fly larvae from hatching in the fecal patties. These products do not keep flies off of horses. They simply help reduce the overall fly population. If

using this type of product, it is necessary to use fly repellants on the horse and for these IGR's to be most effective should be fed continuously and to all horses in the barn. Adult flies will continue to be a nuisance for several weeks after treatment has begun.

Fortunately, this type of treatment has little or no effect on beneficial insects that might feed on flies in the barn. In addition, if there are other horses on neighboring farms, they too should be on the product for best results since flies have a 5 mile flying radius.

Use of fly repellants. There are numerous fly repellants on the market. They include sprays, wipe ons, pesticide impregnated bonnets, etc. Each application method comes with several different types of pesticides. Some products work better than others and some cost more than others. Which one works the best? Horse owners must try different ones until they find the one one(s) that work for them. It is advisable however, to look at the label to see the active ingredient and alternate pesticide types from year to year to prevent fly resistance.

If you use a premise spray to spray the walls of stalls, isle way, etc. Be sure to use a product that is labeled as a premise spray around livestock or livestock facilities.

6. Biological control: Release parasitic wasp. Parasitic wasps are effective in reducing the need for pesticides when used along with good sanitation practices.

Parasitic wasp feed on fly larvae which helps reduce the overall fly population. These wasp do not sting people or horses. They can be ordered and received in the mail to be released every 2-3 weeks during the fly season. In fact, pesticides should not be used, or must be minimized in areas where parasitic wasps have been released. Female wasps deposit eggs in fly pupae and when the wasp eggs hatch, the larvae consume the fly pupae from the inside out. Therefore a new wasp will emerge in about 14 days instead of a new

fly. As in feed through larvacides, parasitic wasp work best if neighboring farms are using them also.

7. Last but probably one of the most important things for parasite control: Drag pastures to scatter and break up manure piles. Scattering the manure helps them to dry out which makes them undesirable for fly larvae hatch. Does dragging pastures also scatter internal parasite larvae? Yes, however, breaking up the manure patties also makes a less favorable environment for parasite larvae hatch also. In addition, most horses are on a regular parasite control program which helps keep down the parasite load both on the pasture and in the horse.

INSECT CONTROL FOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

- NC Ag Chemical Manual - <http://ipm.ncsu.edu/agchem/5-toc.pdf>

HORSE FLIES AND DEER FLIES

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/notes/Urban/horsefly.htm>

Fly Problems Around Poultry, Livestock and Horse Farms

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/notes/Urban/storm/st-flies.htm>

INSECTS FOUND IN FORAGE AND PASTURE

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/notes/forage/past&for/past&for.html>

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2. The Role of Nutrition in Horse Colic and Laminitis

Laminitis is inflammation within the sensitive laminae of the feet. It can occur for many reasons, but as a nutritional problem it is commonly linked to grain-rich diets, ingestion of too much rich pasture, and obesity. Grain overload or a diet rich in high-carbohydrate feed (grain or lush pasture) initiates a series of metabolic and endocrine (hormone) disturbances in the body. A diet abundant in carbohydrates upsets normal intestinal bacteria, allowing more endotoxins from harmful bacteria to be absorbed into the bloodstream than can be neutralized by the liver.

The most common laminitis relates to nutrition and diet. Rapid intake of starches or fructans (a sugar) stored in pasture plants can cause laminitis. Fructans are the primary reserve carbohydrate stored in cool season grasses like orchardgrass, brome grass, and timothy. Sugar content is highest when grass is in the vegetative state (early spring and during re-growth); during periods of cool nights and warm sunny days (fall or early spring); after a hard freeze; and during drought conditions. Careful pasture management by horse owners with sensitive horses is essential.

Good pasture management entails:

Not overgrazing

Limiting grazing time, and/or

Using a grazing muzzle.

Grazing should also be limited during times of environmental stress on plants such as drought. It is important not to over graze pastures as the lowest stems often contain the highest amount of sugar. Avoid grazing on pastures with lots of seed heads as they also contain high amounts of sugar. Introducing horses to lush spring pasture gradually will reduce the chance of laminitis.

To begin grazing (and reduce the chance of laminitis), start easing the horses onto the pasture in 15 to 30 minute increments. Gradually increase the amount of time in the pastures over the course of several weeks.

Colic can be caused by digestive upsets. Some pasture forages, like legumes, can cause gas in the digestive system when quick diet changes are made. So make dietary changes slowly over time, including slow induction to pastures.

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3. See A Forester

Many of you are landowners who have stands of forest on your property. Some of these tree stands are being managed some are not. Those trees are an economic resource & many times in hard economic times landowners will look at harvesting or cutting this timber.

Most landowners have neither knowledge of forest management nor knowledge about how to sell timber. I would encourage you to do your homework so that you will get a fair market price for the timber and that harvesting & post harvest, is done in a planned and managed manner.

First ... See a Forester

More than 60 percent of North Carolina is forested, but much of this valuable resource is not actively managed. Properly managed forests can generate extra money from the sale of timber products; improve wildlife habitat, aesthetics, recreation, and water quality; and increase land value. By seeking the assistance of a professional forester, you can maximize the return on your forestlands.

Seeking Professional Advice ...

There are a number of factors to consider when seeking professional advice. Here are some questions to ask:

What are your qualifications?

- How many years of experience do you have, and what type of experience have you had?

- What is your educational background?

In North Carolina, registered foresters generally hold a bachelor of science or higher degree in forestry or have shown equivalent knowledge by passing the examination given by the N.C. Board of Registration for Foresters.

What are your fees, and what services do you provide?

Fees and services offered by professional foresters vary considerably. Fees may be based on an hourly, daily, or acreage rate or may be based on a percentage of gross revenues generated by a contracted activity such as a timber sale.

Are you associated with a sawmill or wood products firm?

Some forest industries employ foresters who can help landowners manage their private forestland, but many of these businesses also buy timber. To prevent a possible conflict of interest, avoid management advice from those who buy timber.

Can you provide references from previous clients?

Talk to the people who provide references to see if they were satisfied with the services they received. Ask these questions:

- Was the forester willing to discuss management goals and options on your property?
- Was the forester willing to manage for multiple species and products?
- Was the forester available throughout the project?

Ask to visit sites to see the results of their forestry work “on the ground.”

To verify if a forester is registered in North Carolina, contact the N.C. Board of Registration for Foresters at 919-847-5441 or online at <http://members.aol.com/ncbrf/>.

Once you select a qualified forester, you should sign a contract. Include a list of services to be performed and specify who will perform them, when they will be performed, and how the forester will be paid for those services.

Sources of help to North Carolina private forest owners can be found at: <http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/forestry/pdf/ag/ag619.pdf>

A couple was recently offered an unsolicited bid of \$20,000 for their 20 acres of mature pine saw timber. Realizing the complexity of selling timber, the couple hired a consulting forester to watch out for their interest.

The consulting forester, who worked on a contract price for a percentage of the gross revenue, conducted a sealed-bid timber sale. Gross revenue from the sale was \$39,895—\$19,895 more than the original unsolicited bid.

This increase in income was significantly higher than the fee charged by the consulting forester.

North Carolina requires foresters to be registered.

Registered foresters must meet educational and experience requirements. A North Carolina registered forester can be identified by showing their Registered Forester Credentials from the State Board of Registration for Foresters.

For more information on Forestry go to Extension Forestry's web site at: <http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/forestry/>

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4. You Asked:

A. Does my horse need electrolytes?

Only if your horse is not drinking sufficient amounts of water in hot weather. Most horses that drink adequate amounts of water will replenish mineral losses from the water they drink. Using electrolytes occasionally to stimulate increased water intake may be helpful.

B. I have to feed oats (switch from sweet feed) in the summer.

Most people believe that sweet feed will make a horse sweat more if fed in the summer. However, because of the high fiber content of oats, a horse's heat increment goes up, and they actually sweat more. It is best to stay on a consistent feeding program year round.

C. I can't feed 14% protein to my horse, it will make him hyper.

Excess calories affect a horse's attitude, not excess protein. Further, the % protein on the tag matters little until you calculate the protein intake. For example, a horse that eats 10 lbs. of a 10% protein feed consumes 1 pound of protein; further, the same horse eating 7 lbs. of a 14% protein feed consumes 0.98 lbs. of protein. Therefore, protein intake is the same, even though the tags are different.

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5. Equine Liability Signs

I have once again been giving some thought into ordering some Equine Liability Signs for folks to post on the farm. I haVE NO IDEA HOW MANY OF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING ONE OF THESE. I am not asking you to place an order right now. but IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, please SEND ME AN EMAIL telling me of that you are INTERESTED IN PURCHASING ONE (OR HOWEVER MANY) OF THESE SIGNS. This will give me AN IDEA HOW MANY I NEED TO ORDER.

Once I know about how many signs will be ordered, I will have an idea about costs and will send the information out to everyone.

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6. GRAZING STICKS AVAILABLE –

GRAZING STICKS ARE HANDY TOOLS THAT SIMPLIFY THE TASKS OF WHEN TO ROTATE ANIMALS ON AND OFF A PASTURE TO GRAZE, MEASURING PASTURE YIELD, AND TRACKING CHANGES IN PRODUCTIVITY. THESE ARE ALL CRITICAL ASPECTS OF GOOD PASTURE MANAGEMENT.

GRAZING STICKS ARE A SIMPLE AND USEFUL TOOLS FOR MAKING IMMEDIATE PASTURE MANAGEMENT DECISIONS, BUT ALSO GOOD RECORDS OF PASTURE YIELD, GRAZING DAYS, AND OTHER DATA WILL PROVIDE A MEANS TO EVALUATE PAST EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE SYSTEM.

THE GRAZING STICK IS A QUICK GUIDE, SO CARRY THE STICK WITH YOU WHENEVER YOU CHECK ANIMALS OR MOVE FENCES; YOU CAN QUICKLY ASSESS PASTURE REGROWTH AND READINESS FOR GRAZING. YOU WILL SEE THE SUGGESTED STARTING HEIGHT FOR GRASS SPECIES ON THE STICK FOR HEIGHT WHEN TO GRAZE WHICH ENSURES THAT FORAGE IS IN A HIGH-QUALITY VEGETATIVE STAGE, AND WHEN TO STOP GRAZING HEIGHT THAT ENSURES THAT SOME LEAF TISSUE IS AVAILABLE FOR GRASS REGROWTH. REMOVAL OF BASAL LEAVES WILL SLOW GRASS REGROWTH AND LIMIT YIELD. IF PASTURES ARE GROWING QUICKLY IN THE SPRING, YOU MAY NEED TO HARVEST OR CLIP THEM TO KEEP THEM PRODUCTIVE AND IN A HIGH-QUALITY CONDITION.

THERE ARE GRAZING STICKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

IF YOU WISH TO HAVE ONE OF THESE GRAZING STICKS – PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL ME FOR DETAILS! THESE ARE GREAT MANAGEMENT TOOLS!

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7. Kids & Summer – How About 4-H

What are your kids doing summer?? Rockingham County 4-H provides a safe, educational place for your youth. Rockingham County 4-H Summer Adventures has great summer programs planned. We have fun, full day programs on a variety of topics such as robotics, land navigation, leadership, forensic science, 4-H camp and much more! All programs are very reasonably priced and are FUN! Youth do not have to be a 4-H member to participate. For more information about 4-H Summer Adventures, contact Morgan Maness, 4-H Agent at [336-342-8230](tel:336-342-8230) or morgan_maness@ncsu.edu.

Guilford County also has many 4-H summer activities, call 375-5876 for information.

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8. Flintrock Farm Activities

Flintrock Farm Schooling Hunter Series.....2nd show this Saturday, May 12th

www.flintrockfarm.com

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9. Clinics at EagleBear Farm!

**MAY 12-13 Bekah Koutsos 2 Star Licensed Parelli Instructor
Continuing the Journey, Level 2, Online and Riding**

Clinic is full but Auditors Welcome!

JUNE 1-2 Level 2/3 and the 3 day JUNE 3-5 Level 3/4 3 Star Don Jessop Clinics. Don comes to us all the way from Montana! He is a tremendously insightful and effective instructor. You will leave with powerful changes in your relationship with your horse!

3 SPOTS OPEN IN EACH CLASS Auditors Welcome!

Please check out the web site for more details and schedule. If you do not get a response back within 24hrs to your questions or requests from a link on the site, please call directly (919) 452-3023 . www.eaglebearfarm.comncparelliclinics@bellsouth.net

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10. Cooler Horsemanship Trail Sessions and Clinics

Need to build your horse's confidence outside the arena and on the trail? Want better control while riding in a group? Join us at Fiore Farms for our Trail Sessions.

Saturday May 19th, 9am - 12pm

Have a group that wants to do a Trail Session, contact us to schedule a date.

May 25-27 - Weekend Horsemanship Clinic at Fiore Farms

Friday evening overview/demo - 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday Clinic - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Auditors welcome: \$5 for Friday overview, \$15/day, or \$25/for entire weekend

www.CoolerHorsemanship.com for more info on all upcoming events.

kate@coolerhorsemanship.com This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it , 843-304-3407

Fiore Farms, 7600 Millbrook Road, Summerfield, NC 27358

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11. Piedmont Saddle Club - May 19th, 2012: NC QHA Novice Horse Show. please feel free to e-mail us at info@piedmontsaddleclub.org if you would like to schedule an event at the piedmont saddle club

Are you looking for a local open horse show association that is friendly and offers a variety of classes for all ages? Look no further...Piedmont Horseman's Association has been around for 41 years and still going strong! Whether you show halter, showmanship, English, Western Pleasure or Working Western; PHA has classes for you! Piedmont Horseman's Association (PHA) helps create a wholesome, family atmosphere in the great sport of Horse Showing; and for each member to exhibit his or her horse or pony in a sportsmanlike manner. There are many benefits of being a member of PHA; reduced entry fee at sanctioned shows, accumulate points for year end awards, recently APHA PAC approved and much more! Horse Show season is upon us and currently PHA has eight shows scheduled with the next show being this weekend on Saturday, May 26 at Circle S in Gibsonville. We have some great high point prizes and give aways!! You can find all the details such as membership forms, class lists, calendar, etc on the PHA website at: <http://www.phasince1971.com/> PHA is also looking for class/show sponsors to make this the best year ever! Feel free to contact one of the officers from the

website if you have any questions. We hope to see some new people at the Piedmont Horseman's Association shows!

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12. Activities at Chestnuthill Stables

Chestnuthill Stables - Judged Pleasure Trial Ride

May 26th

Pee Wee - \$15.00

All other divisions - \$30.00 (1 horse/rider combo)

Includes meal!!

Stalls are available upon request.@ \$10.00 each

A fun way to show off your trail riding skills – Non formal attire - All breeds & riding styles are welcome -

Safe well marked trails – Obstacles will be natural in nature & color – No traps or other situations intended to scare the horse or rider. All obstacles are marked on map & will be described in your rule handout prior to the ride.

Anyone willing to volunteer as a judge will receive one free entry for another rider or ride date and free lunch. Please contact us if you would like to help out !!!!

Visit www.chestnuthillstables.com, Shelby Bivins - 336-613-3549

- CHS and Rockin' Riders 4-H Open Horse Show Series

June 16th, August 18th and September 1st

9:00 am Jumping, Halter, Showmanship and western and English Flat Classes

Novice Division - Walk - Jog/Trot

Visit www.chestnuthillstables.com

Shelby Bivins - [336-613-3549](tel:336-613-3549)

- CHS and Rockin' Riders 4-H Open Night Show

Not included in Series division points - Separate Class List

July 21st - 5:00pm - Jumping and Novice classes before dark

Visit www.chestnuthillstables.com

Shelby Bivins - [336-613-3549](tel:336-613-3549)

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13. Regional Hands-On Beef Cattle Workshop

Tuesday, May 29, 2012

1 PM - 4:30 PM

To be held in Guilford County, at the farm of Don York, 4627 Old Julian Road, Julian NC 27283

AGENDA:

- The NC Cattle Industry Assessment Program - What has been done and what has the impact been? Bryan Blinson, NC Cattlemen's Association Executive Director**
- Low-Stress Animal Handling, Animal Welfare & Weaning Management – Minimizing stress and maximizing performance in your herd. Dr. Mark Alley, DVM, NC State University College of Veterinary Medicine**

— Improving Forage Quality and Utilization – Adding legumes to the pasture mix, dealing with fescue toxicity, improving pasture management and cow efficiency. Dr. Matt Poore, NC State University Animal Science Specialist

- View Herbicide Treatment Demonstration – Scott Goodwin, Dow AgroScience

— Mineral Supplementation Management – Dr. Sharon Freeman (Livestock Nutrition)

— Update on Beef Cattle Marketing Programs in North Carolina - Neil Bowman, NCDA&CS Livestock Marketing Division

Refreshments will be provided by Scott Goodwin & Dow AgroSciences

The workshop is free, registration will take place upon arrival.

For More Information CONTACT:

Ben Chase, Extension Livestock Agent, Rockingham & Guilford Counties 336-342-8235, 800-666-3625 or ben_chase@ncsu.edu

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14. Meat Handling & Cutting Workshop

Cooperative Extension In Rockingham County will be holding a Meat Workshop on June 1st at the Rockingham County Agricultural Center from 1-4pm.

There will be a registration fee of \$20 for this workshop.

At this workshop we will have a Meat Cutting Demonstration & Discussing things such as: Perceptions or Misconceptions of the Meat industry, Food Safety Common Calls

Meat Myths Meat Quality

Freezing Packaging

Handling Meat for Market

We will also have time allotted for Questions & Answers.

Go ahead & make plans to attend this workshop. Space Will Be Limited to 50 participants.

To reserve your place for this event, fill out the registration form and turn in your \$20 fee.

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15. Other Items of Interest

- Hydraulic Fracturing

State Environmental Agency Issues Final Report on Hydraulic Fracturing: Hydraulic fracturing can be done safely in North Carolina only if the General Assembly adopts state-specific regulatory standards and invests sufficient resources in compliance and enforcement prior to issuance of any permits for the practice, according to a report issued last week by the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The report also notes the need for additional research on N.C.'s geology and hydrogeology to identify conditions under which hydraulic fracturing can be done without putting the state's water resources at risk. DENR's report can be found online at <http://www.ncdenr.gov>– and clicking on the “Shale Gas” tab.

- NCDA&CS to Treat Gypsy Moth Infestation:

NCDA&CS will soon treat a localized gypsy moth infestation in Caswell and Rockingham counties in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service and the Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Foundation Inc. Because of record-setting warm temperatures, the aerial treatment is anticipated to occur significantly ahead of schedule, between May 7 and May 30, depending on weather conditions and insect development. Nearly 1,600 acres will be treated in Caswell and Rockingham counties, about two miles east of Ruffin. NCDA&CS has also detected the moths in southern Wake County. Traps have been placed to determine if this is a reproducing infestation.

Gypsy Moth In North America - <http://www.fs.fed.us/ne/morgantown/4557/gmoth/>

- Wildlife Commission Moves Toward Night Hunting of Coyotes and Feral Swine

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Media Contact: Carolyn Rickard 919-707-0124, carolyn.rickard@ncwildlife.org

RALEIGH, N.C. (May 3, 2012) — The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission took a step toward implementing a rule Thursday that allows for the taking of coyotes and feral swine by hunting on private lands at night with a light. The rule would also allow the hunting of feral swine and coyotes on public lands from ½ hour after sunset to ½ before sunrise with a light by permit only. Night hunting is one means of controlling localized populations of coyotes and feral swine, both of which are non-native to North Carolina and destructive to the landscape.

The new regulations are year-round, seven days a week. Hunting on Sundays is allowed only on private lands with archery equipment.

The new regulations are scheduled to take effect August 1, 2012 pending final approval by the Rules Review Commission. Currently, there is no closed season on either species, but hunting them at night is not allowed except by permit for feral swine.

<http://www.ncwildlife.org/News/NewsArticle/tabid/416/IndexID/7905/Default.aspx>

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16. HAY DIRECTORY - A Hay Directory is maintained by the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service for the Rockingham County and Guilford County area. This directory is intended as a service to both hay producers and buyers in the area. If you are in need of hay or would like to be added (or removed) from this list please call me at 1-800-666-3625 or 342-8235 and let me know your name, address & phone #, type of hay, number of bales, (square or round bales) and weight per bale.

MANAGE YOUR PASTURES!

Please let me know if you have hay to sell!

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17. SWAP SHOP

- For Sale- 2002 Horse Trailer, bumper pull, step up, with stabilizer attachment, steel frame, galvalume shell, two horses slanted, step up, tack/changing room, saddle area. Drop down windows w/bars and screens. Lights. Lightly used. Excellent shape. Email Ms.White @ fwhite2@triad.rr.com

or call (336)817 2144

- For Sale- four 275 gallons plastic Totes, used only once.

features: large opening on top, spigot with valve at bottom, a galvanized protective cage with lift fork set up. Excellent shape. Great for water storage. Email Ms.White @ fwhite2@triad.rr.com or call (336)817 2144

- Black Nubian buck goat for sale. Anyone interested can also look at his current crop of kids. Jim Webb 548-1295

- PINE SHAVINGS, etc. – 2.8 cuft compressed plastic bags, easy to pick, no waste, easy to store \$ 4.50 + tax per bag. Contact Terri C. Aprile @ (336) 698-0207 shoponys@gmail.com

- Equine Sports Massage Therapy – Certified since 1994 from Equissage. Appointments on site at your farm. Contact Terri C. Aprile @ (336) 698-0207 shoponys@gmail.com

- Riding Apparel For Sale - English (saddle seat-suits, day coats, shirts, jodphurs, ties/silk cumber bun sets & hunt seat-shirts, ties) & Western clothes, misc. tack, etc. Contact Terri C. Aprile @ (336) 698-0207 shoponys@gmail.com

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18. Take A Load Off –

I need your clean Jokes, so please send em to me! - This is still one of my most favorites.....

QUEEN Lizzie AND PRESIDENT BUSH

At Heathrow Airport, a 300-foot long red carpet stretches out to Air Force One and Mr. Bush strides to a warm but dignified hand shake from Queen Elizabeth II.

They ride in a silver 1934 Bentley limousine to the edge of central London where they then board an open 17th century coach pulled by six magnificent white matching horses. They ride toward Buckingham Palace, each looking sideways and waving to the thousands of cheering Britons.

So far everything is going well.

Suddenly the right rear horse lets fly with the most horrendous, earth-rending, eye-smarting blast of flatulence ever heard in the British Empire and so powerful that it shakes the coach.

Uncomfortable, but under control, the two Dignitaries of State do their best to ignore the incident, but, embarrassed, the Queen decides it's impossible to ignore it.

"Mr. President, please accept my regrets. I'm sure you understand that there are some things not even a Queen can control."

Ever the Texas gentleman, the President replies, "Your Majesty, please don't give the matter another thought. You know, if you hadn't said something, I would have thought it was one of the horses!"

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I always want to know what you think of the Weekly Pile, good or bad, Especially if it has had ANY IMPACT on you. Let me hear from you!

*******I NEED YOUR IDEAS FOR ARTICLES In FUTURE Newsletters!*******

I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

***Please remember our Troops who are serving our Country (and there families) those who have come home with wounds and the families that paid the ultimate sacrifice. We owe everything to those who are and have served!**

Thank You!

I hope that you all have a Great Safe Weekend!

Ben

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