

2011 Pasture-Walks

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**Northeast Iowa Graziers &
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Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goats

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Bio-Security: Please wear "street" clothes.

Disposable plastic boots available on request.



When	Host	Location	Topics
April 19 Tuesday 10:30 am	Chad Sime 16451 Freeman Rd. Gays Mills 608-397-0468	Crawford County, WI. From Mt. Sterling go east on Hwy 171 about 0.5 miles to Freeman Rd. Go north on Freeman Rd. about 1 mile to the farm.	Discuss new paddock seeding; the amount, species, variety, and seeding rate.
April 27 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	John Berlage 2326 265 th Avenue Ridgeway, 563-737-2390	Winneshiek County, IA. From Decorah at Jct. of Hwy 9 & Hwy 52 go west 6.5 miles on Hwy 9 to 265 th Avenue, then south 0.8 miles to the farm.	Start-up dairy. Looking to implement ideas brought by the group.
May 3 Tuesday 10:30 am	Susie/Doug Konicheck 54226 Duha Ridge Rd. Steuben, 608-822-6966	Crawford County, WI: From Eastman take Hwy 27 north 3 miles to Duha Ridge Rd. Turn right, go east about 4 miles to Fire# 54226.	New organic start-up dairy grazer wants input on the do's and don'ts of grazing and everything in-between.
May 17 Tuesday 10:30 am	Dennis Rooney 52511 St. Hwy 179 Steuben, WI 608-874-4239	Crawford County, WI: From Eastman go north on Hwy 27, take first right on Hwy 179 about 6 miles to farm. From Steuben go 3 miles west on Hwy 179 to farm. Fire # 52511.	Extension grazing specialist Ronda Gildersleeve will speak on sedges/ invasive species. NRCS will speak on EQIP, cattle lanes & stream crossings.
May 18 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	Nick Rolling 1536 Paint Creek Drive Waterville, IA 563-535-7160	Allamakee County, IA. From Waterville on W Main St./Waterville Rd., go west on Waterville Rd. (Hwy X32) about 0.3 miles to Paint Creek Dr. Then 1.5 miles to the farm.	ISU beef specialist & Gallagher Fencing rep to demonstrate fence sizing, ground rods, tie wire, do corners, how electric fences work & make them work better.
June 7 Tuesday 10:30 am	Danny Roberts 61134 Wall Ridge Rd. Eastman, WI 608-874-4645	Crawford County, WI: From Eastman go north on Hwy 27 1.5 miles. Turn left on Wall Ridge Rd. Go 3.5 miles, the farm is on the right. Fire # 61134.	Increasing soil fertility & health. Herd not eating old orchardgrass stands? What are better options for this rough farm. Possibly Sudan-grass? Others?
June 21 Tuesday 10:30 am	Wandy Peralta & Doug Spany 48615 Hilldale Rd., Wauzeka, WI 608-375-5070	Crawford County, WI: From Steuben go 3 miles south on Hwy 131 to Hilldale Rd., and 1.5 miles to farm. Fire# 48615.	Mentoring a beginning farmer, 2nd year on an established grazing farm. Evaluate changes Wandy has made and planning for future improvements.
June 22 Wednesday 1 to 4 pm	Mark Kruse Kruse Family Organic Dairy Farm 2601 Lafayette Ridge Dr. Lansing, IA 563-586-2433	Allamakee County, IA. From Waukon take A52 east, or from Waterville take X32 north to A52, continue east on A52 to X42. Go north 0.7 miles to Lafayette Ridge Dr., go 7 miles to the farm. From Lansing, take X52 south 6 miles to Lafayette Ridge Rd., then east 1.8 miles to the farm.	MOSES (Midwest Organic & Sustainable Education Service) field day to discuss organic certification, herd health, cropland to pasture conversion, grazing management, and manure management.
July 5 Tuesday 10:30 am	Jason Klinge 19769 Hwy 13 Farmersburg, IA 536-783-2456	Clayton County, IA. From Marquette go west on Hwy 18 about 8 miles to Hwy 52, turn left, go about 1 mile to Hwy 13, turn right and go about 4 miles to farm. Farm on the left.	How to extend the grazing season on a stocker, cow/calf operation. Plans to sell yearlings as grass fed beef in the fall, after the grazing season.

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July 6 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	Wayne Busch 1253 140 th Avenue Lost Nation, IA 563-678-2192	Clinton County, IA. From Lost Nation at the Jct. of Hwy 136 and 140th Ave. (Western St.), go north on 140th Ave. about 2.1 miles to the farm.	Beef operation utilizing a tile-line watering system, stockpiling grass for fall/winter grazing.
July 13 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	Kyle Wedel 13551 Douglas Avenue Riceville, IA 507-421-2192	Howard County, IA. From Riceville, take Hwy 9 east about 3 miles to Douglas Ave., turn south on Douglas Ave. and go 3 miles to the farm.	Intensively graze 110 crossbred dairy cows. Pasture lamb and graze a 100 ewe flock. ISU Extension Entomologist to discuss fly control/ID for dairy cattle.
July 19 Tuesday 10:30 am	Roger & Matt Dahlberg 55247 Dahlberg Rd. Eastman, WI 608-874-4265	Crawford County, WI. From Seneca go south on Hwy 27 to County Rd E, then about 2 miles east to Progressive Ridge Rd., turn right and go about 1 mile to Dahlberg Rd. Dead end at the farm.	Transitioning the farm operation to the next generation on a 40-cow grazing farm. The good, the bad and the ugly.
August 2 Tuesday 10:30 am	Larry Ross 51173 Old Gay Mills Rd. Gay Mills, WI 608-735-4207	Crawford County, WI. From Mt. Sterling go east on Hwy 171 to Gay Mills. The second road to the right is Old Gays Mills Rd. Take this to the farm, second farm on the right. Fire # 51173.	A custom calf raiser, will evaluate paddocks in year 2 after out-wintering and seeding the area where hay was fed.
August 3 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	Bret DeLarm 2835 Hwy 64 Wyoming, IA 563-488-3882	Jones County, IA. On Hwy 64 go either east from Wyoming 3.7 miles or west of Monmouth 3 miles to the farm.	Beef operation, subdividing pasture with water lines and tanks in paddocks. Jones County NCRS available to discuss EQIP funds.
August 16 Tuesday 10:30 am	Don Boland 18732 Hwy 27, Gays Mills, WI. 608-734-3570	Crawford County, WI. From Seneca go about 3 miles north on Hwy 27 to the farm, on the east side of Hwy 27. Fire # 18732.	Dr. Geoff Brink, USDA Forage Center will outline pasture measuring to determine tonnage of grazeable forage.
August 31 Wednesday 1 to 3 pm	Phil Wille 27425 Killdeer Avenue Garnavillo, IA 563-964-9156	Clayton County, IA. From Garnavillo on Hwy 52 go south 2.5 miles to Jigsaw Rd., then west 0.2 miles to Killdeer Ave., then south 0.3 miles to the farm	Clayton County NRCS available to talk about cost share and lane development.
August 31 Wednesday 1 pm	Larry Smith S6498 County Road T Readstown, WI 608-592-3275	Vernon County, WI. From Viroqua go south on US Hwy 14/61 about 2.5 miles to the Jct. of County Rd. J (west) and County Rd T (east). Go east on County Rd. T 3 miles to the farm.	Dr. Dan Undersander, UWEX Forage Specialist will talk about Kura Clover and how it works on a high density stocker operation.
Sept. 6 Tuesday 10:30 am	Vance / Bonnie Haugen 12620 Deer Road Canton, MN 507-743-8326	Fillmore County, MN. From Prosper, MN go north on Hwy 52 to the Jct. of Hwy 52 & Hwy 44. Deer rd. is straight north at this Jct. Go north on Deer Rd. 1.5 miles. Turn right at Fire # 12620.	Under new management, how a new operator gears up for fall grazing. High stocking rates and increasing sward density on an 18 year old grazing farm.
Sept. 14 Wednesday 6 pm	Kim Klocke 10831 322 nd Street Arlington, IA 563-633-5105	Clayton County, IA. From just north of Arlington in Fayette Co. take Hwy C2W east about 2.5 miles to 90 th St. Continue east, it turns into 320 th St. in Clayton Co. Go to Acre Rd., turn south, go 0.2 miles to 322 nd St., go east 0.6 miles to farm.	Evening meal (burgers) provided by VIAFIELD following the walk. Grazes cows, ewes and boer goats. Four pastures divided into 20 paddocks. Water lines installed in 1999 to each paddock.
Sept. 20	Susie/Doug Konichek	10:30 am. See May 3 event listing for directions.	Same topics as listed for May 3.
Sept. 21 Wed. 1-3 pm	John Berlage, 2326 265 th Ave., Ridgeway, IA	1:00 pm. See April 27 event listing for directions.	Start-up dairy. Review grazing season. What went well and what to change?
October 18 Tuesday 10:30 am	Kevin Jahnke 5312 Scenic Road Lancaster, WI 608-723-7863	Grant County, WI. From Lancaster go north on Hwy 61 about 2 miles to Circle Rd., then 0.5 miles and turn left on Scenic Rd., then 0.5 miles to the farm. Fire # 54229	Seeding an early annual grain then seeding sorghum-sudangrass for fall grazing.
October 21 Friday 1 to 3 pm	Seed Savers Exchange 3049 North Winn Road Decorah, 563-382-5990	Winneshiek County, IA. From Jct. of Hwy 9 & 52 at Decorah go 5.6 miles north on Hwy 52 to N Winn Rd. (W34), then 1.4 miles to Seed Savers.	60 cow beef herd demonstrating best management practices in conservation.

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