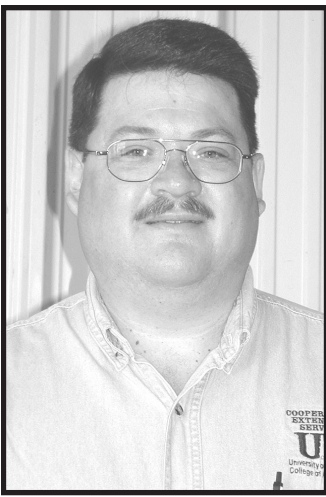


Make Farm Record-Keeping A Priority



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better long-term decisions. You can use a ledger book or a computer—whatever helps you maintain consistency. Software programs can make your data more meaningful. Software has become more user-friendly over time, and while it may not make the record keeping process fun, it could help you see the overall picture of your operation. Some programs track purchases of inputs and how you use the input on a particular enterprise or field. You'll be able to keep track of repair and maintenance records for specific farm equipment and produce balance sheets, income statements and cash flow budgets.

Record keeping may not be every farmer's favorite activity, and probably not the reason you got into farming as a career. With time, patience and a commitment to get it done, it can make your financial life a lot less worrisome.

According to UK Agriculture Economist Steve Isaacs, record keeping doesn't have to be stressful. It's a way to discover things about your farm that will help you make

For many livestock operations, a good time to start keeping records is when the veterinarian comes to check the herd. Vets usually charge per head, so that data can help you develop a list of animals that need attention. You can use the same data to develop health histories of your animals, which will lead to more informed exams and diagnosis in the future. Make record keeping a

team effort for your family. Sit down and work on the records and budget together. Perhaps one person can read the information while another person types it into the software program or writes it in the ledger book. Also, if you do a little bit each day and don't save it all up for the end of the year, you won't become overwhelmed.

If you've done the work throughout the year, year-end procedures can feel more satisfying. You can generate year-end reports with a few simple clicks and not have to sort through stacks of bills lying around the home or office.

The University of Ken-

tucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment's Department of Agricultural Economics has several tools online that could help with budgeting and decision making. Visit <http://www.uky.edu/Ag/AgEcon/ext/budgets.php> to see what is available.

If you prefer to keep records on paper, we have the Kentucky Farm Record Book available for \$6 each and free KY Farm Tax Guides. Contact the Estill County Extension office at 723-4557.

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The Garden Bug

Crimson, yellow, and orange gently blend together in this Grandiflora rose, and look best when the flower is fully open. It bears a lightly fruity scent. It can reach 3 to 4 feet tall by about 2 feet wide, with dense, glossy, dark green foliage. Hot weather can force it to bloom, then fade quickly, but the bush is quick to repeat, providing many flowers through the season.

— Brenda Weaver

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State veterinarian reminds Kentucky producers new medicated feed rule takes effect Jan. 1

State Veterinarian Robert C. Stout reminds Kentucky livestock producers that, beginning January 1, 2017, certain medications in animal feed may be administered only under the supervision of a veterinarian.

"The Food and Drug Administration [FDA] has issued a new rule to address the problem of antibiotic resistance," Dr. Stout said. "FDA's stated purpose is to phase out the use of medically important antimicrobial drugs for food production purposes. The Office of the State Veterinarian will do whatever we can to help producers comply with the new rule."

As of Jan. 1, producers must have a Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) from a licensed veterinarian in order to feed medically important antimicrobial drugs — those that also are used in human

medicine. Feed containing medically important antimicrobials may be used only for the animals and up to the expiration date specified in the VFD, and only for the purposes of treatment, control, and prevention of disease. Use of medically important antimicrobials for weight gain and feed efficiency is prohibited under the new rule.

The veterinarian of record must have a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship with the producer in order to write a VFD for that producer's animals. The producer's feed distributor must have a copy of the VFD before providing the VFD feed to the producer.

For more information about the new rule, go to the FDA website, fda.gov. To contact the Office of the State Veterinarian, call (502) 573-0282, option 3.

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Thursday, January 12, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Cattlemen's Meeting Will Focus on VFD

Estill County Cooperative Extension and Estill County Cattlemen's Association will host a cattlemen's meeting on Thursday, January 12th, 6:30 p.m. at the Estill County Extension office.

Our guest speaker will be UK Regulatory Services director Darrell D. Johnson and he will give an overview of the veterinary feed directive law which impacts all livestock owners and veterinarians.

Bluegrass Stockyards of Richmond is sponsoring the meeting and our meal. So we can plan the meal, please pre-register by calling 723-4557 on or before January 9th. The Estill County Cattlemen Association will have their business meeting afterwards.

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Answer

MUSIC	STRETCH
AMITY	TIT
BOWL	BOW
ONESTEP	JUMP
SLOW	ME
CHULIA	REGGAE
CONGA	MINUET
AUDIENCE	MOOD

Letter Box

Solution

Q	E	T	F	R	O	I	M	U
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M	U	O	I	E	T	Q	F	R
U	M	F	E	O	Q	R	I	T
E	T	I	R	U	M	F	O	Q
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I	R	U	O	M	E	T	Q	F
T	Q	E	U	I	F	M	R	O
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FEAR & KNIGHT

answer

S	T	A	M
W	A	R	A
O	U	D	R
R	I	E	D
D	U	S	T
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Even Exchange

answers

1. Santa, Sante
2. Hoist, Heist
3. Castor, Captor
4. Laurel, Lauren
5. Phone, Phony
6. Major, Mayor
7. Entice, Entire
8. Talon, Salon
9. Musher, Mustier
10. White, Write

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

2	3	8	9	5	6	4	1	7
6	1	4	2	3	7	9	5	8
9	7	5	1	8	4	3	6	2
4	2	3	5	6	9	8	7	1
8	9	6	7	2	1	5	4	3
7	5	1	8	4	3	2	9	6
3	4	2	6	7	5	1	8	9
1	8	7	4	9	2	6	3	5
5	6	9	3	1	8	7	2	4

King Crossword

Solution time: 27 mins.

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S	P	Y	G	L	A	S	S	A	S
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B	A	D	E	G	A	P	E	Y	O

CryptoQuip

answer

Because the two old pieces of bread were friends, people had begun calling them stalemates.

CryptoQuote

answer

The fastest way for a parent to get a child's attention is to sit down and look comfortable.

— Lane Olinghouse

Bible Trivia Answers

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ANSWERS: (1) Mark/ Titicus; (5) Glory; (6) 7th ward; (3) Angel; (4) Le- John; (2) Moving for-

Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS [etc.]
by Terry Stickels

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