

Purdue Extension Ag & Natural Resources Newsletter – August 2022

Please give me a call (812-838-1331) or send me an email at aneufeld@purdue.edu with any feedback.

Please send me events to include in the newsletter! I know I do not have a complete list and need to build a better base. Any help is greatly appreciated. Thanks!

Introduction

I'd first like to introduce myself as I was hired the week before the fair. I met many of you at the fair and look forward to meeting those I haven't had to opportunity to yet. I was born and raised in Posey County, Indiana where I was an active member in 4-H, Junior Leaders and FFA during high school. I went on to attend Purdue University where I graduated with a bachelor's degree in Turfgrass Science in 2011. After graduation, I worked initially as an Assistant Superintendent of Oak Meadow Country Club in Evansville and took on the role of Head Superintendent after just one year.

I transitioned my career into farm management in March of 2014 when I became the head farm manager of GrassMasters Sod Farm in Patoka, Indiana where I was employed for nearly a decade. I have overseen sod and sprig jobs for clients like the Cincinnati Bengals, Indianapolis Colts, Churchill Downs and Purdue athletics. I started my own small business in 2020 that specializes in helping homeowners learn how to properly care for their own yard.

I currently reside in Haubstadt, Indiana with my wife of 7 years (Jessica) and three children: Rhett-5, Graham-3 and Ellie-1. I enjoy all things Purdue football and basketball, spending time with my family, bike riding and am a podcast enthusiast. I am currently in graduate school and will earn his MBA in May of 2023. I am excited to have the opportunity to work for the university that I love so much again while helping my local ag community by taking on the role of ANR Extension Educator for Posey County.



Current Issues

Boots in the field-With the recent torrential rainfalls plus humid nights, disease pressure is ramping up on crops. Take a look at this [publication](#) to know what to scout for in corn. There have also been reports of Western Corn Rootworm Beetle in the state. [This](#) article is a reminder that now is the time to scout your fields if you will be planting corn into them next year without rootworm larval protection.

Assessing Damage- We've had several severe storms hammer parts of the county with buckets of rain and strong wind recently. Although we have to take what mother nature gives us, this article on [late season corn damage](#) may be able to help you assess some of your damage and give you an idea of what to expect as far as yield loss.

Lawn Advice- Although August is still hot, I'd advise you to start thinking about your lawn care program. If you are using herbicides to kill weeds in your yard, be mindful that most weed control products do have a reseeding interval of 2 weeks. Always consult the label and take this into account if you are planning on renovating parts of your lawn in early September. Ideal timing on seeding cool-season lawns in our part of the state is September 1-15. Apply a starter fertilizer (Near equal amounts N,P,K) at time of seeding and water newly germinated seedlings at least twice a day when there is a lack of rainfall. If you are renovating your yard with seed refer to this [publication](#) for best practices or give me a call!

Wheat Plot Results- Finishing touches are being put on the Wheat Plot trial conducted at the SWPAC in Knox County. As soon as I have the report finished I will send it out. I know many of you are eagerly awaiting the results. Thank you for your patience.

PARP Opportunities

August 11, 2022 7 a.m.-12 p.m. CDT [Spencer County Field Day — morning | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#)

August 11, 2022 3-8 p.m. CDT [Spencer County Field Day – afternoon | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#)

August 16, 2022 9-11:45 a.m. CDT [Gibson County Soil Health Expo | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#)

August 18, 2022 9 a.m.-1 p.m. EDT [Martin County PARP | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#)

August 25, 2022 4-6 p.m. CDT [Warrick County Field Day | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#)

To check your status please visit: [Office of Indiana State Chemist \(purdue.edu\)](#)

Continuing Education Credits

August 16, 2022 9-11:45 a.m. CDT [Gibson County Soil Health Expo | Purdue Pesticide Programs](#) CCH 2-Cat. 1, 1-Cat. 14, 2-RT

August 23, 2022 8-11 am CDT [Field Day: Agriculture Sprayer Drone Technology, Southwest Purdue Agricultural Center, Vincennes, August 23 2022 | AllEvents.in](#) CCH: 2-Cat. 1, 2-Cat. 11, 2-RT CEU: 1-IPM, 1-Precision Ag

Ag & Natural Resources Events

4-H Fair July 29-August 21

August 2, 9, 16, 23 6-7:30 CDT [GETTING INTO THE FARM BUSINESS](#) (Princeton, IN)

August 12 On-demand [Monthly Corn and Soybean Outlook](#) (Webinar)

August 18 9-3 CDT [OISC Pesticide Clean Sweep](#) (Montgomery, IN)

August 23 5-8 p.m. CDT [Greener Pastures Field Day](#) (Dale, IN)

August 24 8:15-2 p.m. CDT [Timber Sales 101-Hardwood University Workshop](#) (Dubois, IN)

September 7 2 p.m. [IBCA Field Day](#) (Dubois, IN)

September 10 8 a.m.-4 p.m. CDT [Invasive Plant Control Training for Landowners](#) (Dubois, IN)

Standing Resources

[Area Educators Have a YouTube Channel](#)

[Purdue Fast Start Program for High School Aged Youth.](#)

[Calendar of Purdue Extension Community Development Events](#)

[Pest and Crop Newsletter](#)

[Hoosier Ag Today](#)

[The Kernel-Purdue Corn Extension](#)

[Tools For Today's Farmers podcast](#)

[Purdue Landscape Report](#)

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