Ranch Management Field Day
Tuesday, August 24, 2021 | Gunbarrel Ranch | Eskridge, Kansas

SCHEDULE

3:00 PM  REGISTRATION
3:30 PM  WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
3:45 PM  EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS
6:30 PM  DINNER

ADDITIONAL PRESENTATION TOPICS

Prescribed Fall Burning to Control Sericea Lespedeza
Dr. KC Olson, Professor, KSU Department of Animal Sciences & Industry

Sericea lespedeza is an extremely invasive forb that negatively affects native grassland. Dr. Olson has worked closely with Gunbarrel Ranch to study the effects of timing prescribed burning as a tool to combat the invasive plant species, as well as how that timing affects average daily gain of grazing stocker calves. Dr. Olson also will discuss his research and walk attendees through the grassland to show the effects of late-season prescribed burning.

Opportunities in Wildlife Habitat
Greg Kramos, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Kent Fricke, Small Game Coordinator, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks
Darin Porter, District Wildlife Biologist, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

The Hoagland family has worked closely with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks to enhance wildlife habitat on Gunbarrel Ranch. Individuals from these agencies will discuss what has been developed on the ranch property, as well as various other concepts and financial incentives to improve and preserve wildlife habitat on any Kansas ranch.

External Parasite Management
Dr. Cassandra Olds, Assistant Professor, KSU Department of Entomology

Flies, ticks and various other external parasites not only are an annoyance, but they also can have a substantial economic impact if not properly managed. Olds will break down various external parasite management methods and take an in-depth look at cost concerns and the realistic expectations for each management practice.

An Update on Issues Facing the Industry
Jerry Bohn, President, National Cattlemen’s Beef Association

Jerry Bohn is a farmer and cattle feeder from Pratt, Kansas. He is a past president of the Kansas Livestock Association and currently serves as president of the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association. Bohn will give an update on industry issues being discussed in Washington, D.C., including cattle marketing, tax policy and others.

BACKGROUND

Joe and Norma Hoagland, alongside their son Dirck, his wife Natalie, and their two children, Dayton and Reed, own and operate the cow-calf and stocker operation known as Gunbarrel Ranch located southwest of Eskridge. The ranch incorporates late-season burning across the property to assist in controlling the invasive noxious weed sericea lespedeza.

LOCATION

GPS Coordinates: 38.825583, -96.184333

DIRECTIONS

From Eskridge:
Head south on Allen Road for 1 mile, then turn west (right) onto Old K-4 Road for 5 miles. (This will include a curve south and west.) The tent will be set up on the south (left) side of the road. “Field Day” directional signs will be posted.

QUESTIONS

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