



NC Cooperative Extension - Perquimans County Center

DID YOU KNOW?

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New Perquimans County Extension Director Named



Jared Harrell has been promoted to County Extension Director of the Cooperative Extension Center in Perquimans County effective March 7th, 2022. He is replacing Jewel Winslow who retired after serving as County Extension Director for seven years. Jared has worked in Perquimans County as the Area Livestock Extension Agent also serving Chowan and Gates Counties since 2010.

A native of Perquimans County, Jared completed his bachelor degree in Animal Science in 2010 and during the course of his employment earned a Master degree in Agriculture and Extension Education.

Art Bradley, Northeast District Extension Director, stated, "I look forward to his leadership in developing a cohesive team at the Perquimans Extension Center that finds innovative ways to meet the needs of Perquimans County citizens."

Jared will be responsible for overseeing the staff and programs for the Extension Center in Perquimans County in addition to continuing to be the livestock educational resource in the region. He will be serving as the liaison between county government and the two University systems; NC A&T State University and NC State University.

Cooperative Extension operates in each county as a partner to bring the research and resources of our land-grant universities (North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University) in the areas of agriculture, 4-H & youth development, family health & nutrition, and community & rural development for the benefit of the people in our county. For more information regarding Extension programming in Perquimans County, please contact us at (252) 426-5428 or visit our website at: perquimans.ces.ncsu.edu.

Upcoming Master Gardener Events



Extension Master Gardeners are celebrating gardening with three upcoming scholarship events!

Spring Bulb Sale (fundraiser) - Brown thumbs turn green with these high quality, low maintenance, locally grown bulbs. Visit go.ncsu.edu/bulbsale for more details.

Spring Garden Show (fundraiser) - Save the date and plan to attend. Saturday, April 30th from 9am to 3pm, Perquimans Recreation Center. The event is free! Bring a friend. Visit go.ncsu.edu/springgardenshow for details.

Master Gardener Scholarship (application) – For area youth pursuing advanced studies in agriculture, horticulture or natural resources. \$1000 Award. Apply online at go.ncsu.edu/mgscholarship.

Spring Pasture Management Decisions



By the time this newsletter comes out we will be in the middle of March and if you have ryegrass and fescue pastures it is recommended that you put out a spring application of fertilizer. Go by your soil sample report for P and K values and apply at least 100lb of Nitrogen to fescue pastures, and 50-60lbs of Nitrogen to ryegrass pastures.

Once you have applied fertilizer, always be on the lookout for grass tetany and bloat in rich lush pastures. Always stray on the side of caution and turn out cattle for small increments until they are fully adjusted to the pasture.

Now is also the perfect time to spray for broadleaf weeds. Most weeds can be controlled with 2,4-D however if foxtails have taken over your pastures use Prowl H2O now to try and combat that weed. If you have any questions contact the Perquimans Extension Office at 426-5428.

Northeast Ag Expo Small Grains Field Day



The 2022 Northeast Ag Expo Small Grains Field Day was held on Wednesday, February 16th, at White Hat Seed Farm in Perquimans County. The event consisted of a trade show with educational booths and vendors displaying their products followed by presentations from NC State University Extension Specialists focusing on wheat production in the areas of disease management, weed management, grain marketing, nitrogen fertilization, and mid-season fertility management decisions. There were a total of 116 participants. A special thank you to White Hat Seed Farm for hosting the event!

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