

Fred Ashforth Communication Training for professionals and farmers http://www.lancasterfarming.com/mobile/Communications-Guru-Tells-Farmers---The-World-Is-Yours--

Grazing Planning Training in Tioga Co. Pennsylvania



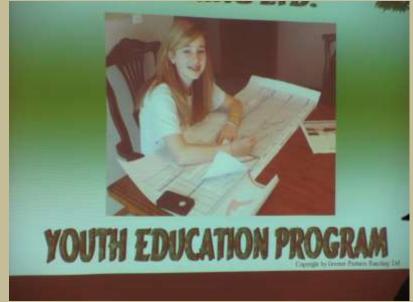




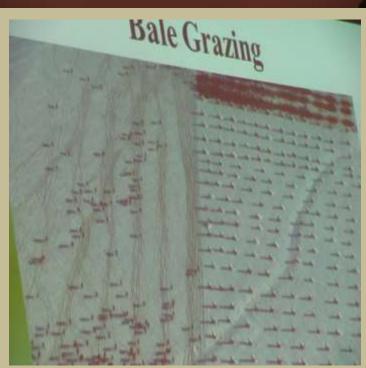


2013 Winter Green-Up Grazing Conference featuring planned grazing consultant Steve Kenyon



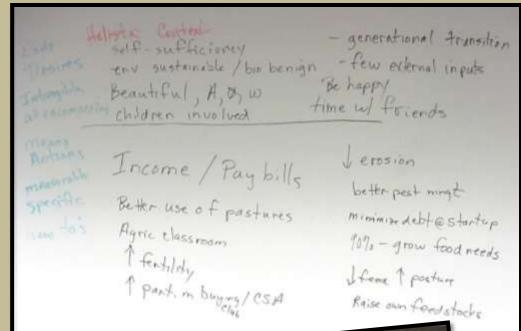


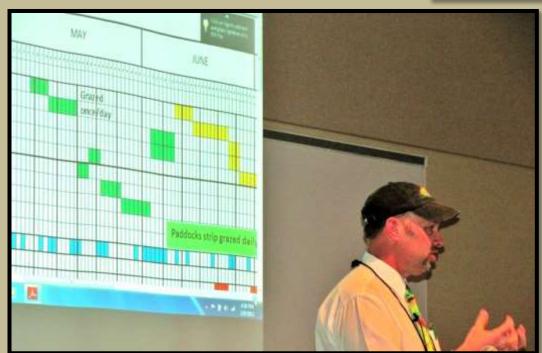




Teaching Holistic Planned Grazing Principles at 2013 PASA Conference









Grazing Planning Meeting led by Bob Weaver, Otsego Co. SWCD in Cooperstown, N.Y. http://madisoncountycourier.com/?p=42298





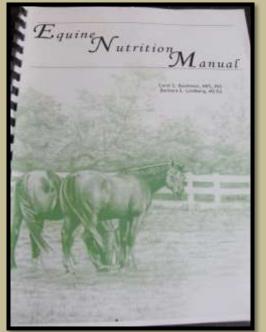


2013 Madison County CCE forage and grazing management workshop

http://www.uticaod.com/x633483686/Seminar-marks-beginning-of-equine-programming-in-Madison-County











A Member of the Grazing Team Recognized

Passion to help, exemplifies this 2013 division 7 merit award recipient. Since beginning her employment, "Little Miss Sunshine", Kristen Brown of the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District has shown genuine dedication to the mission and goals of the district, especially with regard in support of the County's agricultural industry and producers. She never hesitates to volunteer for weekend activities and willingly comes to work early or stays late when work obligations require it.

This commitment was clearly demonstrated when the Conservation District responded to the massive damage caused by Hurricane Lee and Irene. Having a hand in evaluating over 100 damage sites in the span of only about three weeks, she helped develop repair plans for all of them – ultimately securing funding for over 70 County agricultural operations. Defying traditional gender roles, she provides primary support for the Conservation District's equipment rental program – including transporting and repairing/maintaining the District's agricultural equipment and assisting farmers with its operation.

She is a Certified Crop Advisor, a NESARE PDP holistic grazing training member, partners with Cornell Cooperative Extension to provide a higher level of assistance to the County's equine industry and frequently volunteers her time as a judge for dairy animal competitions at various County and State fairs and as a board member for the New York Farm Bureau.









PDP Project participants



Brian Reaser, Tioga Co. SWCD planner
Planned grazing articles in National
Magazine-ACRESUSA





Tucker Kautz,
Monroe Co. SWCD
planner and resident
Bassmaster competitor

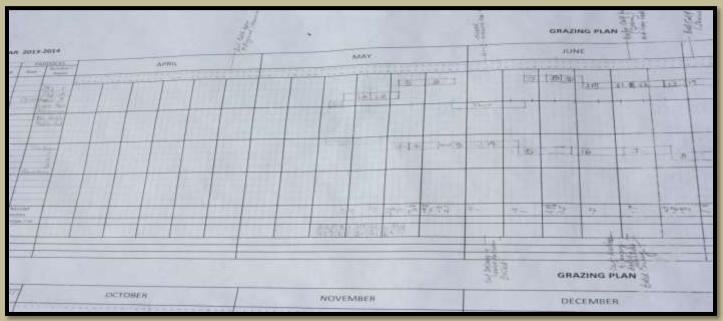


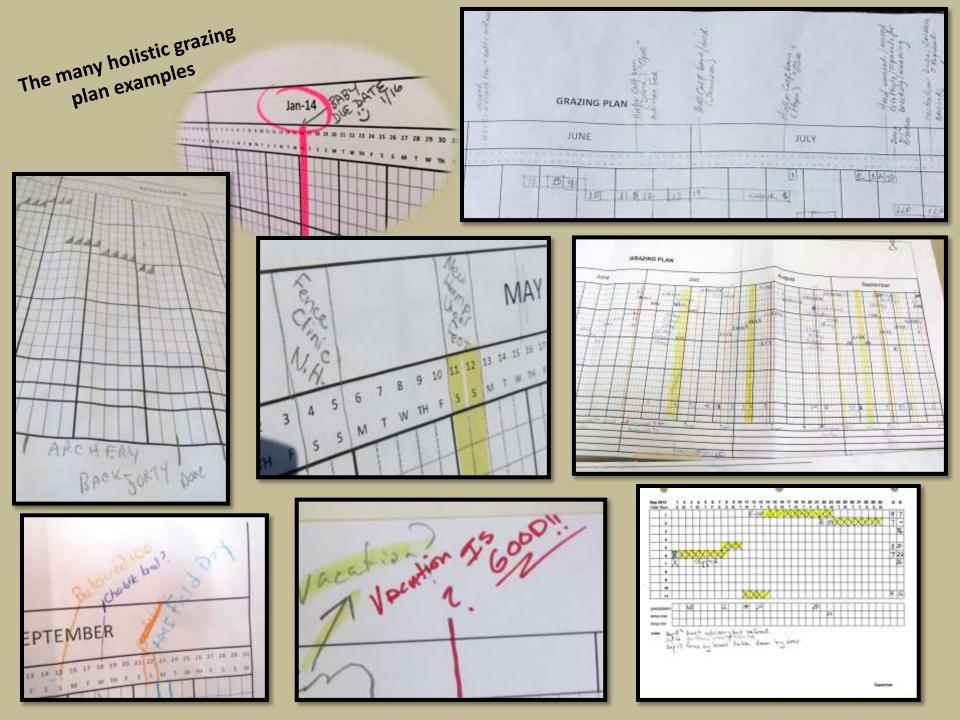
Special thanks to Lynn Bliven,
Ag & Natural Resources Team
Coordinator for Cornell
Cooperative Extension of
Allegany and Cattaraugus
Counties, for her leadership on
this project.

2013 Grazing Management meeting with Rensselaer Co. CCE & Hudson Mohawk RC&D Council http://www.ccerensselaer.org/Libraries/Ag/May-2013-Ag_News.sflb.ashx









April 24th, 2013 Holistic & Risk Management workshop with Jerry Brunetti at Sunnybrook Farm

















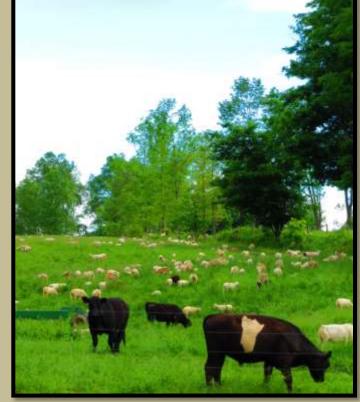




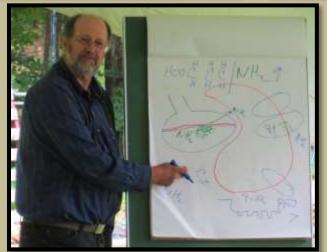


Ian Mitchell-Innes Grazing training at Brother's Ridge Farm in Newark Valley, N.Y





















Podcast discussing grazing planning & goal setting with John Suscovich http://www.farmmarketingsolutions.com/gfp026-big-farm-news-and-a-visit-from-the-grass-whisperer/



2013 Summer PCO Field Days with Ian Mitchell-Innes, Cliff Hawbaker, Dwight Stoltzfoos, Troy Bishopp, Susan Beal, Lee Rinehart, Jeff Mattocks, James Burkholder & Jeff Moyer: Breaking Paradigms in Grazing Management



2013 Soil Health Train the Trainer workshop (http://countryfolks.com/soil-health-appreciating-a-new-agenda/)



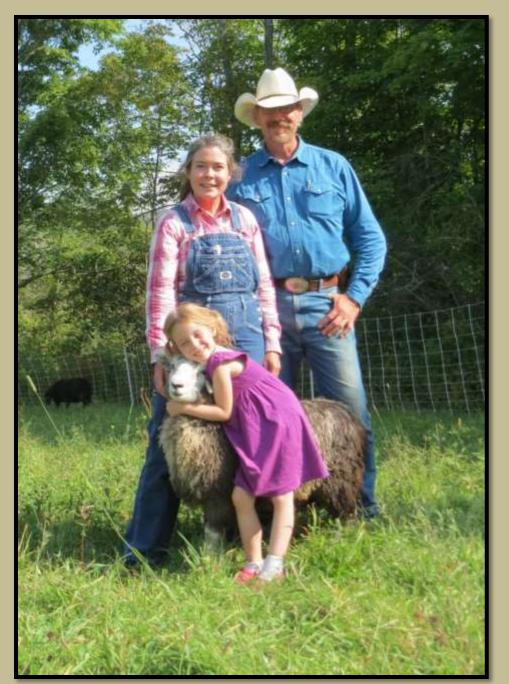








Albany Co. SWCD holistic planned grazing workshop at Helder-Herdwyck Farm in East Berne N.Y.





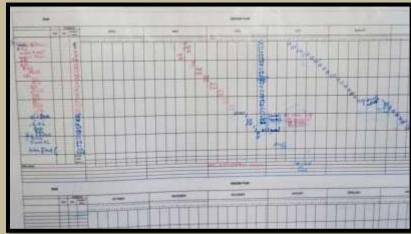


Allegany County pasture management series















Creekside Meadows/Holistic Management International open gate learning series http://holisticmanagement.org/featured-blog-posts/creekside-meadow-open-gate/







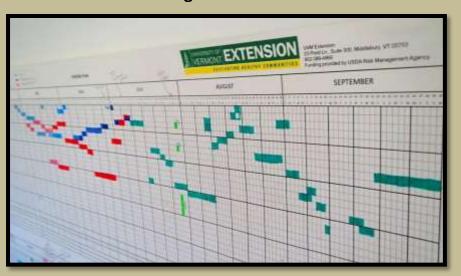
KTS Farm and NODPA Field Days in Mansfield, Pennsylvania http://holisticmanagement.org/featured-blog-posts/kts-farm-and-nodpa-field-days/



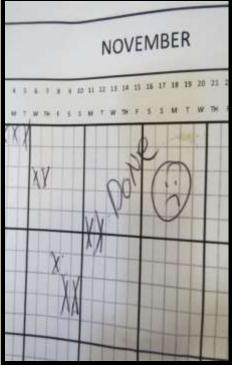
Pasture walk and extended grazing opportunities workshop at the Hickories Farm, Ridgefield, CT with Uconn Extension



2013 Champlain Valley UVM Extension Grazing Symposium "Grazing chart show and tell"











2013 NY CIG Grant Project: Developing Benchmarks to Evaluate Cover Crop and Conservation Tillage Performance Through Producer Case Studies

Objective 3. - Demonstrate effective outreach programs for whole farm strategies to reduce nutrient and sediment loss.

Work with 3 farms to develop whole-farm planning calendars modeled after **CNY RC&D/NESARE PDP Holistic Planned grazing chart**: Participants will learn how to develop a 12-month whole-farm financial and ecological risk management plan based on a chart and biological monitoring.

Participants will create production and financial goals around management benchmarks through the use of a chart and monitoring system.

Participants will monitor and track dry matter production for planning decisions to reduce off-farm feed inputs and reduce feed costs. The project team and host farmers will use small group workshops to develop whole-farm calendars for 12-month implementation of a plan that includes soil health practices.

The goal is to train farmers to plan towards "what they want" by confidently making management decisions sooner and creating scenarios to address challenges within the season.

This planning and decision-making education project has the following attributes: 1) fundamental knowledge dissemination, 2) relevant and effective support materials, 3) a proven methodology, 4) one-on-one farmer engagement, and 5) consistent

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