

Livestock market and auction news

Western Maryland Livestock

Tuesday, July 14

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BUTCHER COWS: Good run, active bidding. High Yield 46.00-48.50; Standard & Utility 44.00-46.00; Cannons 41.00-44.00; Shelly 43.00 down. Bulls Good demand, top 57.75. Steers Good demand, top 61.75. Heifers top 57.50.

BUTCHER HOGS: Active & steady. US #1&3 215-240 lbs. 51.00-51.85; 240-260 lbs. 50.50-51.25; 195-210 lbs. 49.50-50.50. **SOWS:** To 47.50. **BOARS** to 38.50.

VEAL CALVES: Large run, slightly lower. Good & Choice 85.00-90.00; Standard 80.00-85.00; Stocky & Thin 45.00-60.00; Killers 80-100 lbs. 57.00-62.00; Weak & Rough 50.00 to Down.

CALVES RETURNED TO FARM: Active bidding. Holstein Heifers to 110.00; Holstein Bulls to 110.00; Beef Type to 75.00.

LAMBS: Few offered. Stock Cattle Medium run, mostly steady. Steers 50.00-67.50. Heifers 42.00-66.00. Bulls 42.00-70.50.

PIGS AND SHOATS: Medium run, active bidding. By the Head 18.00-35.00, Shoats to 40.00; By the Lb. to 50.00.

Carlisle Auction

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CATTLE: STEERS: Choice 68.75-69.25; Good 54.00-57.75; Standard 50.00-53.75. **HEIFERS:** Good 56.25; Standard 48.75-53.00. **COWS:** Utility & Commercial 44.00-47.10; Individual 49.50;

Cutter 41.75-43.75; Canner & Low Cutter 40.25-42.00.

BULLOCKS. Good 57.50-58.35; Utility 52.50.

FEEDER STEERS: 56.00-84.00.

CATTLE HEIFERS: 60.00-65.00.

BULLS: 57.00-77.00.

CALVES: VEALERS: Choice 90.00-101.00; Good 75.00-95.00;

Standard & Good 60.00-80.00;

Standard & Good 50.00-65.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 80.00-104.00; Hol. Heifers 140.00-

167.50.

HOGS. Barrows & Gilts US No. 1-2 51.50-53.00; US No. 1-3 48.00-

51.00; US No. 2-3 42.50-48.00.

SOWS: US No. 1-3 46.50-48.50;

No. 2-3 45.00-46.50.

FEEDER PIGS: US No. 1-3 15.00-23.00; No. 1-3 26.00-31.00.

Fish pond care to highlight meeting

WEST CHESTER — Do you have a fish pond or are you thinking of building one? Should you stock your pond? How can you safely and effectively control algae and problem weeds in your pond?

These are some of the questions which will be addressed at an on site educational meeting on the evening of July 21. The fish pond management meeting is sponsored by the Chester County Cooperative Extension Service in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service and the Pennsylvania Fish Commission.

The important first step towards a successful fish pond is proper site selection and construction. The representative from the local Soil Conservation Service Office will discuss these topics on site where

HARRISBURG — An abundance of hot, sunny weather gave the state's farmers five days suitable for field activities during the week ending July 13, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Sweet corn is tasseling in the northern and central areas of the state and early harvest has begun in some southern counties. The snapbean harvest is reported to be in full swing across the state and the cabbage harvest is underway in many areas. There were again scattered reports of apple scab damage.

Statewide, topsoil moisture was rated mostly adequate to short as most areas reported topsoil much drier than last week. Regionally, topsoil moisture was rated 83 percent and 17 percent short in the north; 73 percent adequate, 20 percent short and seven percent

surplus in the central area; and 75 percent adequate, 17 percent short and eight percent surplus in the south.

Hot, humid weather along with adequate moisture spurred corn growth to a height of 41 inches statewide, compared to 31 inches last year at this time. Average corn heights in the northern, central and southern regions were 33, 41, and 53 inches, respectively. Southern growers reported tasseling of early corn while some corn borer damage was reported in the central and southern regions.

Barley in the Commonwealth is 13 percent turning yellow, 38 percent ripe and 45 percent harvested. The south reported 16 percent ripe and 84 percent harvested; the central region reported 14 percent turning, 45 percent ripe and 41 percent harvested; while the north reported 24 percent

turning, 49 percent ripe and 16 percent harvested.

Wheat in the state is 37 percent turning yellow, 41 percent ripe and 14 percent harvested, slightly ahead of last year. The south reported less than five percent turning, 59 percent ripe and 38 percent harvested; the central region reported 22 percent turning, 67 percent ripe and seven percent harvested; while the north reported 74 percent turning, ten percent ripe and less than five percent harvested.

Pennsylvania oats are 57 percent headed, 33 percent turning and five percent ripe, about the same as last year. Southern growers reported 23 percent headed, 58 percent turning, and 19 percent ripe, while central growers reported 68 percent headed, 30 percent turning and less than five percent ripe. In the north barley is 72 percent headed and 20 percent turning yellow. Some lodging was reported in all three regions.

The first cutting of alfalfa is virtually complete across the state. Second cutting is 42 percent harvested, compared to 30 percent last year at this time. The southern, central and northern regions reported the second cutting harvest at 58, 34 and 27 percent complete, respectively. All three regions reported leaf hopper activity, but the most severe infestation was reported in the south.

Clover-timothy stands are 89 percent harvested, compared to 94 percent at this time last year. The south reported 93 percent harvested, while the central and northern regions reported 92 and 81 percent harvested, respectively.

Hay quality for the week was rated good to fair across the state.

there are two ponds to see. He will discuss such topics as: topography soil type and water supply, as they relate to site selection; and drainage area, pond size, width and slope of the dam and types of spillways as elements of design and construction.

A waterways patrolman from the Pennsylvania Fish Commission will then discuss the regulations and laws affecting farm fish ponds.

Next, a Penn State University wildlife specialist will discuss the biology of the pond and how it relates to the fish present in the pond. This will include topics such as stocking, the different species of

fish and their environmental requirements, and regulating fish populations. One of the ponds at the meeting was stocked several years ago, and the pond will be sealed to take a look at the condition of the species which were stocked.

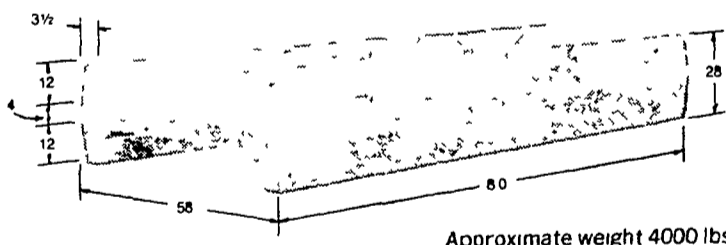
Finally, another P.S.U. Wildlife specialist will discuss aquatic weed identification and control. The emphasis here will be safe use of chemicals for specific problem situations.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., at the farm of Samuel Milliner, 75 Wawaset Road, in Pocopson Township (off of Route 842 between West Chester and Unionville).

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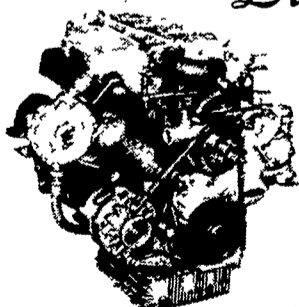
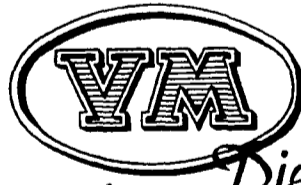
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