Ranch Management Field Day
Burgess Land & Cattle | Westmoreland, KS

Thursday, August 25, 2022

Schedule
3:00 p.m.  Registration
3:30 p.m.  Welcome & Introductions
3:45 p.m.  Educational Sessions & Feedyard Tour
6:30 p.m.  Dinner

Background
Burgess Land & Cattle has a long-standing history in Pottawatomie County. The Burgess’ run a fall-calving commercial cowherd consisting of primarily Angus-based genetics. They retain some replacement heifers and place the remaining calves into the family’s backgrounding yard. The Burgess’ also purchase and background calves from various states, primarily in the Midwest. In addition to the cattle operation, the Burgess family harvests corn, soybeans, hay and silage.

Program
• Overview of Beef Demand Resources & Insights on the Impact of Inflation
  
  Dr. Glynn Tonsor, KSU Professor, Agricultural Economics
  
  Dr. Tonsor will review multiple sources of beef demand information that are maintained at Kansas State University, highlighting how producers can regularly obtain the latest data. He then will provide an overview of recent demand patterns, focusing on the impact of ongoing inflation on domestic beef demand.

• Nutrition & Reproduction Interactions with Rising Cost of Production
  
  Dr. Sandy Johnson, KSU Professor/Extension Specialist, Northwest Research & Extension Center
  
  Balancing the tightrope between nutrition and reproduction in the face of rising costs can be difficult. During this session, Dr. Johnson will discuss how feed costs, reproductive performance, calf weaning weight and breakeven prices all interact.

• Feed & Forage Management
  
  Barb Downey & Joe Carpenter, Wabaunsee County Ranchers
  
  Barb and Joe will highlight several feed and forage management practices they utilize on Downey Ranch, Inc., including their brome bale grazing project and how it has evolved over the past several years. In addition, they will discuss other stewardship efforts they have put in place to conserve land and natural resources.

Questions about the field day?
Contact KLA at 785-273-5115 or email taylor@kla.org
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