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Equine & Livestock Program Highlights

AgTerror Responder Training (November 1&2)

Funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the AgTerror Preparedness course "Foreign Animal Disease Response" is an initiative across the United States. This course includes an overview of agroterrorism and biosecurity, plus training modules on quarantine, PPE, depopulation and disposal of animals, and cleaning and disinfection. A foot and mouth disease outbreak scenario and emergency responder field notes was also featured. Trained officers at the first response level, then, in turn, train the "boots on the ground" in their local jurisdictions. The goal of the AgTerror Responder Training is to train first responders across America on their roles during a foreign animal disease outbreak.

Technical Animal Rescue (October 26-29)

A Technical Animal Rescue for large & small animals was held at the Ulster Country Fairgrounds in New Paltz. Cornell Cooperative Extension facilitated the program which combined the resources of the New York ASPCA, Disaster Response Services and the talents of instructor Kim Little of Rescue Tech to present swift water and rope rescue techniques for first responders. This course consisted of 12 hours in the classroom and 20 hours in the field which included water and in low angle rescue situations.

Meat Goat Series 3

Programming focused on general nutrition and managing forages for herds. CCEOC's Educator, Audrey Reith and Shana Bloomfield of Cargill Animal Health teamed up to help producers take a look at economical methods of providing the best rations for their meat goats. Participants are asked to **bring three bales of hay** from their winter supply to have core samples taken for forage analysis. For this program Cargill is offering this service at no cost to assist goat producers as they balance the nutrients to best meet their herd's nutritional needs. Participants brought a from producer's mows were then des. A fourth session for all small ruminant owners is planned for December 5th at the Leptondale Elementary School in Wallkill. The topics for discussion include general health and diseases, parasite control, vaccination, kid, lamb and crias care and hoof care. Our guest presenter will be Dr. Larry Bartholf, DVM.

Upcoming Activities:

November 8-10	Livestock In-service @ Cornell
November 11	Van to Equine Affaire
November 14	Equine Advisory Committee
November 15	Dr. Lyda Denny; Controlling Infectious Diseases, NAIS, NYSHHAP
November 16	Orange County Horse Council
November 22	Small Farm 2007 Planning
November 28	Gripe & Wine with June Evers for Boarding Facility Owners
November 30	Small Farm Summit
December 5	Meat Goat Series 4
December 6	DOT Informative Session @ Town Hall of Gardiner