By Bonnie Cohlentz
MSU Extension Service

Horses have been part of Mississippi State University programs for years in teaching, research and the student equestrian team, but breeding has not been a significant aspect until recently.

In the eight years he has been with MSU, Clay Cavinder, Extension equine specialist, has made equine breeding and sales a priority. The average price for yearling and 2-year-old horses has increased steadily over the years to $8,600 in 2022. “When I came to MSU, my strategy was twofold,” Cavinder said. “I wanted to create industry-acceptable, high-end horses, and I want a nationally recognized program here at MSU.”

MSU already had a few good mares, and Cavinder began looking for others to add to the stable. “People who have good mares are not just going to give them away, and they are quite expensive,” Cavinder said. “I began to look for good mares that were older and maybe had some reproductive challenges that our College of Veterinary Medicine specialists were able to address.”

Cavinder saw significant success with this strategy with Invested In Pine, a then 23-year-old mare that was the last offspring of the top-notch horse, The Investor. With CVM expertise, MSU was able to get two foals from this horse.

Next, he turned his attention to high-end stallions, and finding them was a simpler matter. “Stud fees are from $1,500 to $4,000 each, but I went to my friends and connections and every one of our stallion breeding services has been donated,” Cavinder said. “One person wanted to support our program, and she paid for the breeding from one stallion a year.”

The stallions that have been bred to MSU mares and produced foals include Lil Joe Cash, Magnum Chic Dream, Metallic Rebel and VS Code Blue. These stallions are among the best in the industry.

With better quality foals being born at MSU, Cavinder turned his attention to marketing. MSU horses are primarily sold for show competitions, but the goal is to expand into other areas, as well. “My first strategy was to sell 2-year-olds that were in a marketing program I teach,” Cavinder said. “The students were saddle breaking the horses, and we sold them as riding horses.”

Cavinder then changed strategy and had his students work with yearlings, teaching them to lunge, accept a saddle and bridle, and take professional photos. The majority of MSU horses are now sold in December as yearlings. “These horses have never been ridden, and I’ve found the yearlings are sold for the dream,” Cavinder said. “The new owners know they could make that horse into something great.”

Another change in the program was making the switch in 2020 to online sales.

Before then, potential buyers would bid on a horse in an informal, unscheduled way, with the high bidder getting the horse. With the COVID-19 restraints that changed business in 2020, Cavinder reluctantly moved to online bids, and the results were fantastic. “I didn’t think online sales were the way to go, but as we moved online, we realized the value,” Cavinder said. “Through national exposure, our horses have been seen by a greater volume of clientele, many of whom have the intent of investing resources into training and potentially competing.”

“Once our horses are routinely competing in a national spotlight, the visibility of our program is going to be enhanced even more,” he said. A certain level of horse sales is required to maintain the program. These numbers are an easy measure of the profitability of a program, but Cavinder said his top priorities are students and the university mission. “Our breeding program that is producing more valuable horses benefits the equine program and the entire MSU Animal and Dairy Science program,” Cavinder said. “We have horses to support the equestrian team and horses for research and teaching, and the students who come through our program learn how to become better equine producers.”

Ashely Glenn, Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station Equine Unit facilities supervisor, said MSU students do not ride the horses in the breeding program, but they do benefit from the sales. “With better horses to sell, it allows us to have fewer horses on property, which means less expenses and we’re able to meet our sales requirement with much fewer head,” Glenn said.

Cavinder teaches a sales preparation and marketing class, in which students are responsible for writing up a sales ad, making a sales video and doing the hands-on work with the horses. When the sale is held in December, students get to network with buyers and make connections in the equine industry.

“Our students get exposure to the horse industry, and they learn what high-quality horses are like,” Glenn said. “Quality horses have a high mental capacity and physical ability that allows them to be successful as show prospects.”

For more information on the MSU Equine Unit, visit https://www.ads.msstate.edu/equine.
Commissioner’s Policy Corner

Commissioner Andy Gipson Addresses Federal Officials Stressing the Urgent Need to Finish the Yazoo Backwater Area Pump Project

By Hannah East, Marketing Specialist - MDAC

On February 16, 2023, Commissioner Andy Gipson addressed federal policy makers during an Agricultural Leader Roundtable Meeting in Vicksburg to discuss flood risk reduction solutions in the Yazoo Backwater Area. Federal officials attending included Jeananne Gettle, Deputy Regional Administrator with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Brian Frazer, Director of Oceans, Wetlands and Communities Division with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Michael Connor, Assistant Secretary with the U.S. Department of the Army (Civil Works); and Stacey Jensen, Officer of the Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Army (Civil Works). Gipson stressed the urgency to finish the pumps and gave the following remarks.

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I was delighted to learn about the Joint Memorandum of Collaboration in January. Since we have been talking about this issue for many years, including a dozen or so meetings with your agencies, I hope that this may be the last time we have to gather to talk about this issue. We have talked enough, and now, it is time for action. It is time to quit delaying and finish the pumps.

The Yazoo Backwater Area flood issue has been front and center on my entire administration as Ag Commissioner. When I was sworn in in January, since we have been talking about this issue for many years, including a dozen or so meetings with your agencies, I hope that this may be the last time we have to gather to talk about this issue. We have talked enough, and now, it is time for action. It is time to quit delaying and finish the pumps.

By late March and April 2018, the floodwaters were rising in the South Delta, and planting was delayed. In 2019, more than half a million acres flooded, so no crops were planted. In 2020, it happened again. This problem could have been fixed 50 years ago!

The Yazoo Backwater Area of Mississippi has experienced significant flooding nine out of the past 12 years, which has devastated local economies and natural resources. If the pump station was in place, much of this man-made devastation could have been prevented. During 2019, over 550,000 acres flooded in the Yazoo Backwater Area, of which more than 225,000 acres were agricultural cropland. Most of this cropland was not planted that year due to the flood. Within the flooded region, 687 homes were affected by the floodwaters, with at least 252 categorized as having major damage or destroyed.

The economic and environmental impact to the South Delta was devastating. The estimated economic impact to crops alone was $617 million. In 2020, approximately 480,000 acres flooded in the area once again. Of those acres, 196,000 acres were cropland. The backwater floods of 2019 and 2020 are the two highest backwater flood events since the completion of the Yazoo Backwater Levee and Drainage Structures in 1978. Much of the devastation that South Delta residents face now can be prevented if construction of the Yazoo Backwater Area Pump Project is completed.

If action is not taken, it will happen again. The time for talk is over, and the time for action is now. It is time to finish the pumps. I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to present on behalf of the State of Mississippi today. This comes at a crucial time when our nation’s food security is in jeopardy with supply chain issues, the Russia/Ukraine war, inflationary pressures and many other factors. We desperately need reliable access to this South Delta farmland so our farmers can continue doing the work to keep America fed and clothed.

We have strong confidence in the research of the USACE, and we believe the pumps provide the long-term solution necessary to alleviate the perpetual flooding in the South Delta. We look forward to working with you to see the pumps completed and protect the Yazoo Backwater Area as soon as practical. Thank you.

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From Our Kitchen To Yours

Springtime Salads!!

Garden-Fresh Chef Salad

- 6 cups spring mix salad greens
- 2 medium tomatoes, coarsely chopped
- 6 hard-boiled large eggs, coarsely chopped
- 3 slices deli turkey, cut into thin strips
- 3 slices deli ham, cut into thin strips
- 1/2 cup shredded cabbage
- 4 green onions, sliced
- 4 fresh baby carrots, sliced
- 4 radishes, thinly sliced

In a large bowl, combine the first nine ingredients. Sprinkle with garlic powder and pepper; toss to coat. Serve with salad dressing.

Red Potato Salad Dijon

- 3 1/2 pounds red potatoes (about 12 medium), cubed and skin on
- 1/4 cup Dijon-mayonnaise blend
- 3 tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 teaspoons minced fresh tarragon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 3/4 teaspoon pepper
- 6 green onions, thinly sliced

Place potatoes in a Dutch oven; add water to cover. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cook uncovered, 10-15 minutes or until tender. Drain, transfer to a large bowl. In a small bowl, mix mayonnaise blend, vinegar, oil, tarragon, salt and pepper. Drizzle over potatoes; toss to coat. Gently stir in green onions. Serve warm. Refrigerate leftovers.

Creamy Grape Salad

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 pounds seedless red grapes
- 2 pounds seedless green grapes
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons chopped pecans

In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese, sour cream, sugar and vanilla until blended. Add grapes and toss to coat. Transfer to a serving bowl. Cover and refrigerate until service. Sprinkle with brown sugar and pecans just before serving.

Honey Pecan Kiwi Salad

- 5 cups torn Boston Lettuce
- 3 medium kiwi fruit, peeled and sliced
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 2 tablespoons vanilla yogurt
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 tablespoon honey

Combine lettuce, kiwi and pecans. In a separate bowl, mix yogurt, lemon juice, oil and honey until smooth. Pour over salad and toss; serve immediately.

Fresh Fruit Bowl

- 8 cups fresh melon cubes
- 1 to 2 tablespoons corn syrup
- 1 pint fresh strawberries, halved
- 2 cups fresh pineapple chunks
- 2 oranges, sectioned
- Fresh mint leaves, optional


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**ALCORN COUNTY**

45 acres prime timber, 4 bdrm., 3.5 bath house, shop with full bath, pond, 6 miles east of Corinth, $650,000. Glen, 662-415-3133 or 662-415-1902.

**CALHOUN COUNTY**

198 acre pine plantation, 30 year old pine timber, some hardwood, abundant deer/turkey hunting, pond on property, $3,500 per acre. Bruce, 662-701-2093.

**CLARKE COUNTY**

70 acres, new fence covers about 35 acres, rest is woods, good deer/turkey hunting, pond on property, $3,500 per acre. Shubuta, 601-934-0191.

**COVINGTON COUNTY**

25 acres of land, fenced/cross-fenced, road frontage, minutes from town, timber, stream, with 21 head of cattle $112,000, land without cattle $90,000. Collins, 662-765-2332.

**GEORGE COUNTY**

60 acres divided into 3 tracts, 2 old home places & 1 timber, located 2 miles from Central School on Ba-sin Clear Road, appointment only, $484,000. Carthage, 662-928-0985.

**GREENE COUNTY**

60 acres, Hwy. 98. Leaf River frontage, hunting, fishing, power, road, cypress lake, camp site for building, food plots, 4-wheel/dirt bike trail, $3,000 per acre. McLain, 662-394-9638.

247 acres, recreational use, mixed planted pine/hardwood of various age, Black Creek frontage of Hwy. 11, deer/duck hunting, creek fishing, $3,900 per acre. Purvis, 661-550-6964.

**HINDS COUNTY**

37 acres, 1 pond & 1 beaver pond, located on Hwy. East of Aberdeen, $3,500 per acre. Hamilton, 662-436-0180.

**JACKSON COUNTY**

10.51 acres, very mature pines, some hardwoods, paved road frontage on 2 sides, 1 mile from Hwy. 613, Barnes Road, $40,000 OBO. Escalona, 601-947-0337.

**JASPER COUNTY**

73 acres, 4-50x500 poultry broiler houses, good hunting/fishing, farm was built in 2015, has contract, $2,600,000. Louin, 601-507-8887.

**JEFFERSON DAVIS COUNTY**

40 +/- acres with road frontage, Golden Pine Road, approx. 8-10 year old pine timber, utilities on site, great hunting, possible site for poultry farm, $2,500 per acre. Prentiss, 601-297-0854.

**JONES COUNTY**


**KEMPER COUNTY**

50 acres, Hwy. 118, 1 pond, fenced, 10 year old pines, 12 acres, 2 miles from Selmer, $7,000 per acre. Selmer, 601-795-0411.

**KINGSTON**

2 acres, 1 pond, 50 acres, Hwy. 618, 1 pond, 2 barns, good hunting, fishing, $2,000 per acre. Starkville, 662-436-0180.

**LAMAR COUNTY**

277 acres, 2 ponds, 100 yards of road frontage, some hardwood, fish pond on property, $13,300,000. Broxton, 662-828-3455.

**LAUDERDALE COUNTY**

30 acres on Clifton Road near Forest, partial pasture wooded acreage that borders national forest on two sides, $2,850 per acre, Flint, 601-331-9620.

**LEAKE COUNTY**

60 acres divided into 3 tracts, 2 old home places & 1 timber, located 2 miles from Central School on Ba-sin Clear Road, appointment only, $484,000. Carthage, 662-928-0985.

**LINCOLN COUNTY**

40 acres (28 acres pasture, 12 acres trees), 3 ponds, fenced completely, cabin, hay shed, water well, private, Bogue Chitto School, great hunting or cattle, $219,500 OBO, Bogue Chitto, 662-867-9601.

**MADISON COUNTY**

16 acres cleared, 4 potential house sites, all utilities, nice investment property, $6,250 per acre. Canton, 601-209-6524.

12 acres, cleared, utilities, great home site, $72,000. Canton, 601-209-6524.

**MISTLETOE COUNTY**

70 acres, 1 pond & 1 beaver pond, located on Hwy. 8, East of Aberdeen, 3 years per acre. Hamilton, 662-436-0180.

**MISSISSIPPI COUNTY**

65 +/- acres, mature hardwood/pine, excellent deer hunting, frontage on Hwy. 413, $182,000, approx. 3 miles south of Kilmichael, 662-571-3341.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

601-382-4486.

**NEWTON COUNTY**

231 acres, Hwy. 389 North 9 miles paved road two sides, excellent deer/ turkey hunting, some timber, $3,000 per acre. Starkville, 662-418-6732.

**OKTIBBEHA COUNTY**

25 acres wooded, suitable home site near Richland, paved road frontage, part of established neighborhood, in the county, $250,000. Richland, 601-214-5585.

**PONTOTOC COUNTY**

30 acres on Clifton Road near Forest, partial pasture wooded acreage that borders national forest on two sides, $2,850 per acre, Flint, 601-331-9620.

**PASCAGOULA COUNTY**

50 acres, 4 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath house, 47 acres in woods, has deer/squirrels, $250,000. Blaine, 318-282-1120.

**PHIPPS COUNTY**

274 acres, 2 ponds, 1 bdrm., 3 ponds, $10,000 per acre. Purvis, 661-550-6964.

**PINE COUNTY**

216 acres, 3 ponds, 1 bdrm., 3 ponds, $10,000 per acre. Purvis, 661-550-6964.

**POPLAR COUNTY**

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$10; 1 gal. $8. 5 or more $7. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-940-0788.

Amber Blueberry Farm has blueberry plants for fall planting, several varieties available, 1 gal. $3 each F.O.B., 3 gal. $12 each F.O.B. Wayne Co., Waynesboro, 601-735-4840.

CANNED FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Organic blueberry preserves, no added sugar, 1 lb. berries per pint jar, $10/pint. Hinds Co., Edwards, 601-852-2504, too many robocalls so please leave message.

FRUITS, NUTS & BERRIES

Small, dry, sun cured peanuts for roasting, cleaned, hand selected, excellent, $5 per gallon, $20 per 5 gallon bucket. Rutledge Farms, Copiah Co., Crystal Springs, 601-894-2401, no Sunday sales.

FRESH VEGETABLES, PLANTS & SEEDS

Climbing Spinach, Mini Cucumber, Asian Cucumbers, 20 seeds $4, send self-addressed-stamped-envelope to: 12147 Road 267, Carriere, MS 39426. Hancock County.

VEGETABLE & PRODUCE SUPPLIES

Pepper/eggplant cages from 6x6 concrete wire, $4 each; Few Tomato cages, 5' tall x 16" diam., heavy duty with 1/2" rebar support posts, $15 each. Hinds Co., Edwards, 601-852-2504.

FLOWERS, BULBS & SEEDS

Purple Trumpet flower, 20 seeds $4, send self-addressed-stamped-envelope to: 12147 Road 267, Carriere, MS 39426. Hancock County.

TREES, VINES & SHRUBS

2 year old Sawtooth Oak trees for landscaping & deer management, 2 gal. containers, $12; Red Mulberry trees & Althea shrubs in 2 gal. containers, $15. Hinds Co., Raymond, 601-529-5300.

Containerized Sawtooth oaks, 3-4 years old, time to plant, $10 each, cash, no delivery. Lamar Co., Hattiesburg, 601-264-8319.

1-5 year old trees for wildlife management, varieties include Nuttall, Sawtooth & White Oak trees & Native Perennials, $2.50-$45. Clay Co., West Point, 662-574-8836.

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LUMBER FOR SALE & CUSTOM SAWING

Red oak & hickory lumber for trailer flooring, barns, bridges & livestock stalls, 2x6, 2x8, 2x10 up to 14", 2x20 BP & up. Simpson Co., Mendenhall, 601-259-8057.

Bandsawed pine 2x6 (1 1/2 x 5 1/2 x 16", #1, #2, #3, 200 available, sold in stacks of 30, $7, Holmes Co., West, 662-729-7903.

Walnut (green or kiln dried), $2.10 2x6, $2.73 BP, Box Elder, 662-729-7903.

Cypress lumber in all sizes, cypress posts & timbers as well, cypress siding & V-groove available, buy mill rough or planed, cypress 8’x8”x10’ post $165. Rankin Co., Star, 601-540-1185.

Live edge pine slabs, 3” thick, 27’ wide, 8’ long, $100. Rankin Co., Richland, 601-405-4440.

Kiln drying/planning your lumber, new or salvaged, can process your lumber into T/G flooring, V/G wallboards or cabinet material, prices starting at 45¢ BF. Lamar Co., Sumrall, 601-325-5253.

Wood-Mizer sawed pine, 1x8-1x12x10, blued pine, 1x10 cedar for picnic tables, 8¢ BF & up. Simpson Co., Mendenhall, 334-648-1937.

Wood-Mizer rough cut lumber, 1’ & 2’ pine, 75¢, 1’ oak, $1 BF; Cedar, $1.25 BF, various lengths. Kemper Co., Dekalb, 719-423-2237.

Cedar, inspect & sharpen bandsaw blades for sawmills $10; Sharpen planer blades up to 20”, $5 per edge, experienced. George Co., Lucedale, 228-990-8022.


Formams portable sawmill service. I have a Wood-Mizer LT70 & have been sawing since 2005, will be glad to discuss sawing for you. Franklin Co., Meadville, 308-384-6727.

4 chicken houses to be torn down, includes all equipment, shut down in 2020. 2- 40' & 2- 50', $12,000 each, call for info & pictures. Wayne Co., Waynesboro, 601-410-2800.

Polr barns, shops, sheds, metal roofs & more, call me to discuss your next project, satisfaction guaranteed. Rankin Co., Pelahatchie, 757-798-3480.

1 build farm buildings from all metal, 20x20x8 only $2,705 & special 24x35x8 only $4,924, also build equipment sheds, RV covers, carports, call for free estimates. Greene Co., Leakesville, 601-394-2634.

Metal buildings, pole barns, metal roofing, home repairs, let me build your next barn, in Madison, Rankin, Scott & Yazoo Counties, call for free estimate. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-214-3037.

WANT ADS

All items listed under this category must be agricultural related. Out-of-state residents are not allowed to advertise in this category.

CROPS & SEEDS WANTED


FLOWERS, TREES & SEEDS WANTED


DOGS WANTED

Trained siredog, female, no more than $300; Miniature Dachshund female, short hair, will pay $200-330. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-207-6194.


LIVESTOCK WANTED

Mule, horse size, must be broke to ride. Covington Co., Slidell, 815-212-8838.

3 or 4 miniature donkeys. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-946-5036.

Bottle calves, mixed breeds okay, no miniature or dairy. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-940-1867.

2 Dexter or Lowline Angus heifers, must be weaned & ready to leave mother. Lowndes Co., Caledonia, 662-855-0191.

POULTRY & FOWL WANTED

I will take free unwanted large breed roosters, Jasper Co., Louin, 601-527-7217.

Welsh harlequin or silver appleyard ducklings or hatching eggs. Covington Co., Seminary, 601-498-8988.

POULTRY EQUIPMENT WANTED

Buy or trade for decaker for chicken house. Marion Co., Columbus, 601-441-2145.


CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT WANTED

6-way joystick with all control valves for 1980s Cat. D6 bulldozer, also interested in cat'ha'cab cab. Larry McDonald, Leake Co., Carthage, 601-780-0781, please text if no answer.

FORESTRY & LOGGING EQUIPMENT WANTED

3PH dirt scoop; Spke type section harrow; 5’ or 6’ box blade; 5’ or 6’ disk with greaseable hubs; Pike Co., Summit, 601-248-8843.


Planting equipment, cultvs., mounting frames, plows, disc hiller, Covington Co., Seminary, 601-408-1673.


Front end loader for Kubota M188 tractor. Leake Co., Carthage, 601-780-0781, if no answer please text.

Pasture renoutor (preferably with coulters) to use with 10 HP tractor, will consider other models. Panola Co., Batesville, 225-281-9370.


Dirt pan, 1 yard size, pull with 90 HP tractor, within 100 miles of Stone Co., Wiggins, 601-928-4212.

HUNTING, FISHING & CAMPING WANTED

3” magnum, 28” barrel with modified Stoeger 12 ga. 2000 or 3000 shotgun, resale for Remington model 1187 right hander. Japer Co., Louin, 601-527-7127.


Steerer 12 ga. 2000 or 3000 shotgun, 3” Magnum, 28” barrel with modified choke barrel. Newton Co., Decatur, 601-527-2308 or 601-635-2772, leave message if no answer.


MISCELLANEOUS FARM WANTS

Want construction debris (brick/concrete/tiltstone/other crushed aggregate, no chemicals/metals/tires, have fill pit near Hwy. 388/AL line, free disposal, you haul. Noxubee Co., Brooksville, 813-760-7729.

EMPLOYMENT

Advertisements are accepted for agricultural work only. We do not accept advertisements for housework, nursing or companionship needs. Only in-state residents are allowed to advertise within this category.

FARM HELP WANTED

Someone to plow our community garden space, need estimate. Carroll Co., Grenada, 601-374-3465.

3.5’-4” of pine timber that needs cut & marketed, high land, good country road frontage, been 18 years since harvested. Harrison Co., Pass Christian, 228-342-2566.

FARM WORK WANTED

Affordable tractor services which include bush-hogging, diskng, tilling, front end loader & food plot prep. All items listed in the this category must be raised on your farm. Individuals who are a dealer, buyer, seller or business person engaged in trade are not allowed to advertise. Only in-state residents are allowed to advertise within this category.

LAWN & GARDEN EQUIPMENT WANTED

Deck for John Deere X304 riding lawn mower & engine cover. Port Sulphur, LA, 504-458-9134.

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT WANTED


LAWN & GARDEN EQUIPMENT WANTED

Set of good used tires to fit 20” rims. within 150 miles of Noxubee Co., Brooksville, 813-760-7729, text/leave voice message, unknown numbers will not be answered.


Driver’s side door panel, trim panel, for 2008 Dodge Dakota SLT V8 Magnum, needing grey, will take any color, will buy complete door. DeSoto Co., Hernando, 901-383-0818.

Old military items for use with WW2 Army Jeep Veterans displays. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-260-9066.

FARM WANTS

Dozer work, trackhoe work, dump trailer work, 10 ton Co., Poplarville, 601-916-3979.

SWAP & EXCHANGE

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LIVESTOCK BOARDING & HANDLING

For rent 32 stall horse barn with arena & 12-15 acres, ready to start a horse care & training business, $1,000-$2,000 negotiable. Pike Co., Summit, 601-351-7540.

Jack Russell Terrier male pup, white body with red spot near tail, tall docked, short hair, mature 12”, no papers, $300 or swap for gun. Amite Co., Liberty, 225-931-7156.

65 year old man seeking to keep up your hunting property in exchange for deer hunting, north or west MS, have my own tractor/equipment. Harrison Co., Long Beach, 229-297-3750.

POULTRY & FOWL

Any poultry & fowl advertised in this category must be raised on your farm. Individuals who are a dealer, buyer, seller or business person engaged in trade are not allowed to advertise. Only in-state residents are allowed to advertise within this category.

CHICKENS


Chickens, 9 months old, hens $15 each, 3 roosters $1, 1 rooster free. Newton Co., Decatur, 601-745-0968.

Rare breed eggs & chicks from Blue Lake Farm. Silver Double Laced Barnevelder, Easter Egger & Olive Egger, $5-$10. Pearl River Co., Poplarville, 601-549-0482, leave voice mail or text.

Rare Brahama roosters, $5 each. Hinds Co., Terry, 601-951-2992.


Now taking deposits for ISA Brown pullets, 900 available, write for spring pickup dates, MPPI certified, $15/up, no phone, Dannie Hostetler, 1331 Top 50 Co., Long Beach, MS, 38844. Pontotoc County.

Chicks, assorted Hi-Yield layer cross, $3.50-$4. Rankin Co., John’s, call/text 601-573-9166 or call 601-825-0676.

40 Game hens, 10-12 months old, starting to lay now, $30 each. Jerry Co., Brooklyn, 601-447-4458, please leave message if no answer.

Hatchng Rhode Island Red & Bantam Cochinchicks, straight run, price increases with age, some Rhode Island Red crosses also available, $3/up, Laurel Co., Meridian, 601-840-7844, call or text.

Wyandotte roosters, 1 Blue Laced Red & 1 Black Laced Gold available, $10 each. Lincoln Co., Wesson, 615-754-5278.

Cinnamon Queen hens, $25 each; Light brahma layer layers, $35 each. Simpson Co., Pinola, 601-421-0211 or 601-214-6589.

2 Rhode Island Red roosters, $20 each or $30/batch. Carroll Co., Grenada, 662-839-0536.
Baby chicks, different breeds available, straight run, $2 each; ISA Brown female chicks, $4 each. Lincoln Co., Wesson, 601-757-7021.

5 ISA Brown laying hens, in full production, 11 months old, $25 each or $110 for all. Webster Co., Eupora, 662-552-6421.

**DOMESTIC BIRDS**

Homing pigeons, $20 each. Franklin Co., McColl Creek, 617-78-2150.

Breeder sellout: Tels, Conures, Cockatoos, Macaw pairs, Grays, Amazons & talking pets, also incubators, brooders, etc., package deal $75 & up. Chickasaw Co., Houston, 662-456-3032. Leave message.

Peacocks, colors available, India Blue, White & other, state NPIP certified, $600 per breeder trio, also 8-9 month old single birds, $75 each. Calhoun Co., Hazlehurst, 601-918-7263.

Pair of India Blue peacocks, 3 years old, will be laying in about 6 weeks, $600/pair; Spalding peahen, $300. Greene Co., Lucedale, 601-508-2214.

**POULTRY & POULTRY SUPPLIES**

Custom made chicken tractors, coops, brooders & cages, some pre-built, $101. Okolona Co., Starkville, 701-580-8733, call or text.

Chickens tractors, 3’ x 9’, built to last with treated lumber & hardware cloth, screwed together, holds about 5 hens, can deliver, $495. George Co., Lucedale, 601-770-0239, www.brownhillfarm.net.

Incubator, holds 500-1,500 eggs. Nutureform is name of incubator, $500 firm. Marion Co., Foxworth, 601-740-5757.

Parrot cage, 32” x 23” x 63” on rollers, 3/4 bar spacing, accessories, feed bowls & perches, $200. Calhoun Co., Bruce, 662-983-3266.

**GAME BIRDS**

Blue Slate turkey gobbler with 4 horns, 2 years old in May, $200. Holmes Co., Lexington, 601-506-5687.

**WATERFOWL**

Ducks, 5 fawns & white Indian Runners, 5 months old, should be about 50/50 males & females, $50 for all. Lee Co., Tupelo, 408-569-8601.


**MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**


**FARM HOME MISCELLANEOUS**

All items listed in this category must be farm/agriculture related. Dealers, brokers or businesses are not allowed to advertise. Only in-state residents are allowed to advertise within this category.

**ANTIQUES & FURNITURE**

 Primitive antique wrought iron and-iron set with 50” crossbar, 26” tall and-irons, very unique scroll work, made in late 1800s, can send pictures. $600. Tishomingo Co., Iuka, 661-718-7263.

**FIREPLACE INSERTS & HEATERS**

Primitive antique wrought iron and-iron set with 50” crossbar, 26” tall and-irons, very unique scroll work, made in late 1800s, can send pictures. $600. Tishomingo Co., Iuka, 661-718-7263.

**COOKBOOKS & RECIPES**

All kinds of cookbooks for sale, prices are $3 to $20, if you are looking for a special book I may have it, call & see. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-453-5311.

**CRONSHI & WOODWORK**

Quality cypress swings assembles with screws & bolts, 4’ x 23’, $295, 6’ x 33’; Screen doors, 3’0”-6’8”, $235, solid spruce top, rosewood sides & back, $395. Winston Co., Louisville, 662-728-7655.

Hard shell gourds $4 & up, lots of sizes to choose from; Ornamental gourds, 1 each. George Co., Lucedale, 601-947-4079.

**SEWING & FABRICS**

**GOURDS**

For sale or barter, gourds, great for birdhouses, arts & crafts, can deliver to Webster County, $4, Rankin Co., Brandon, 662-803-7456, or call/text.

Bobwhite quail, $8. Hancock Co., Bruce, 662-983-3266. Pair of India Blue peacocks, 3 years old, will be laying in about 6 weeks, $600/pair; Spalding peahen, $300. Greene Co., Lucedale, 601-508-2214.

Westerveld 9835 home gym, complete, $290. Pike Co., Oyoka, 504-881-7245.

Cedar 7500, plus dress jacket with blood chit & pilots name & serial number, plus. WWII A-2 Flying Tigers flight jacket with blood chit & pilots name & serial number, plus. $2,500.

**FIELD EQUIPMENT**

All equipment listed in this category must be offered for sale by persons actually engaged in farming and must have been used on their farm in agricultural pursuits. No commercial, businesses or dealers are allowed to advertise. Equipment bought by farmers for resale purposes are not eligible for this free advertising. Only in-state residents are allowed to advertise within this category.

**TRACTORS**

Field Trac 300TC, 543 hrs., 4x4, weights on front, kept in shed, 16 trailer goes with it, $9,500. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-479-6446 or 601-513-2243.


Bogue Chitto, 601-669-1007.

JD 7057E, '19 model, 4WD, with cab, loader, bucket, hay spear, one owner, excellent cond., shed kept, $47,000.

JD 5075E, '17 model, 4WD, with cab, air, $19,500. Kemper Co., Grant, 601-479-0491.

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JD 5095E, '18 model, 4WD, with cab, air, $22,000. Calhoun Co., Bruce, 601-937-4643.


18’ x 6’ car hauler trailer, new, with
unused extra wheel & arm, &
hydraulics & connects work perfectly,
tires solid, field ready, $5,500 OBO.
Hinds Co., Raymond, 601-754-9100.

2017 Dodge RAM 3500 ‘17, 4 door cab chassis
truck, 5.7L Hemi engine, auto.,
227K miles, SLT package, great cond.,
$14,000. Kemper Co., DeKalb,
601-479-7984.

Ford Ranger XL ‘15, neat design,
repair, $1,500. Lee Co., Shannon,
622-421-1841.

Ford F-350 ’39, King Ranch, looks
new, leather, 250K miles, great cond.,
$18,000. Ford F-350 ‘89, Super Duty,
2WD, 4 Ironman All Country M/T light mud
(tires, at least 75% tread,)
new, $2,000. Webster Co.,
Eupora, 622-408-2488.

2000 International 4000 diesel truck,
good gas milage, $9,000. Grenada Co.,
662-515-4030.

Jeep Wrangler YJ ’87, 4 cyl.,
new, tires, lights & other accessories,
no longer have time or space for it,
$5,000. Walthall Co.,
622-320-8000.

Jeep Wrangler YJ, upper for a camp,
$7,500. Brent Dunbar,
662-507-7788.

John Deere 1910, 3 cyl., 15hp,
low hours, $3,000. Holmes Co.,
Lexington, 601-258-2453.

Ford E-150 ’99, handicap lift van,
runs good, $1,500. Jackson Co.,
662-501-3407.

Chevrolet Suburban ‘10, LTZ, 1 owner,
tires good, mint cond.,
$17,500. Holmes Co.,
622-258-2501.

Ford E-150 ‘99, medium size van,
238K miles, 302 auto., $2,500.
Choctaw Co.,
662-285-7321.

Ford Explorer SportTrac XLT ’05, 4x4,
sunroof, sliding back glass, bed liner &
top, new brakes & rotors, new
 sidelampless, have all receipts, $5,000.
Grenada Co.,
622-417-3513.

Hummer HD ’07, white with tan inte-
rior, sunroof, everything works as it
should, never in mud, $34K highway
miles, $8,500. Chickasaw Co.,
Hattiesburg, 622-542-9617.

INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS & VANS

1974 Dodge Custom 600 grain truck,
48,278 miles, $8,000. Lawrence Co.,
622-754-4223.

2000 International 4000 diesel truck,
good making, $9,000. Grenada Co.,
662-515-4030.

2015 International LT625 truck,
slept truck, road ready, $30,000.
Lee Co.,
622-513-2912.

2009 Sterling truck with 1 year old
chicken house spreader body, 6 cyl.
Cummins engine, good tires, $5,000 OBO.
Marshall Co.,
662-411-2415.

International 4900 Series grain truck,
466 eng., 7 speed manual trans.,
600 bushel bed, big hoist, roll top,
9000 ft, $26,000. Wayne Co.,
622-410-9623.

1984 Mack CH600, 9 speed, can-am
diesel suspension & w Kit, 24.5 tires,
excellent truck, road ready, $30,000.
Smith Co.,
622-515-4030.

SUVS & VANS

Chevy Suburban ‘12, 2 owner,
tires, mint cond.,
184K miles, $17,500.
Holmes Co.,
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can, Walthall Co., Tytlerown, 985-515-6655.

CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT


2013 Bobcat T870, with 1,650 hrs., forestry cab, 225 hours on tracks & sprockets, also has mulcher, bush-hog & root grapple, $55,000. Walthall Co., Jayses, 601-320-8000.

International TD14A dozer, not running, dies or to restore, $2,200 OBO. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-641-4945.


FORESTRY & LOGGING EQUIPMENT


FECON mulcher, Bobcat model FRST CTTR FRC01 2SPD, also have 2013 FECON mulcher, Bobcat model FRST, $250. Walthall Co., Tylertown, 601-320-8000.


OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT

Concrete mixer, used 1 time, $250. Pike Co., Summit, 601-684-0617, please leave message.


Northstar PTO generator, 12,000 watts, new, never used, 24 HP required, $1,650 OBO. Yazoo Co., Phoenix, 601-618-7478.

Home generator 6500, never had gas or oil, included, $500. Smith Co., Raleigh, 601-218-6033.


Complete set shop tools, auto., paint, gun, lightweight floor jack, air compressor, cherry picker, bench grinder, vise, ramps, stands, 2 section roll toolbox, $1,000. Lowndes Co., Columbus, 626-329-1429.

Craftsmen portable air compressor, 30 gal. tank, $200. Craftsman radial arm saw, 12" blade, $1,000. Winston Co., Louisville, 601-803-2118.

Champion air compressor, 12.5 HP Kohler, 30 gal. tank, max pressure 200 lbs., in good cond., $800 OBO. Claiborne Co., Hermanville, 601-631-4555.


4 chicken houses to be torn down, includes feed train for feeding live- stock, $2,500. Copiah Co., Pembrile, 601-641-2880.

Cattle head lift, in very good cond., $1,000 OBO. Copiah Co., Crystal Springs, 601-421-3738.

2011 John Deere 8251, 4x4, front winch, overhead radio, hydraulic dump bed, new tires, all maintained throughout dealership, $9,500. George Co., Lucedale, 601-506-7961.

2009 Honda 450R racing 4-wheeler, has tons of add-ons & another set of paddle tires & wheels, can send pic- tures & video of it, $4,500. Hindo Co., Raymond, 601-397-0716.


2020 Kubota RTV 850, winch with remote, brush guards, windshield, LED lights, overhead gas tank, hydraulic dump bed, power steering, $15,000; 6x12 trailer available, $3,100. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-832-8808.

2018 Polaris Ranger 570, full cab, does not require for feeding live- stock, 1,416 hrs., 5,348 miles, $4,500. Lowndes Co., Columbus, 662-574-3909 or 662-574-3908.

4 tires, 1 Super Swamper Swamp tire & 3 Swamp Lite tires, AT27x10.00-12.
**HUNTING & FISHING CAMPS FOR SALE**

Issaquena Co., 1,495 acre island with $200,000 mainland camp on riverbank, beautiful river view, trophy deer/huck hunting. ATV accessible when river is below 20 feet, $2,990,000. Onward, 661-408-9726.

**HUNTING & FISHING LEASES & MEMBERSHIPS**


**MISCELLANEOUS HUNTING ITEMS**


Dove fields, get your dove fields ready, dish your food plots & plant your seed, if bush-hogging is needed, I can do that too. Atalla Co., Shady Grove, 661-736-7044.

Deer horn/antler mounting on plaques, $135, you ship to me & I'll fix it too. 300 Franklin Street, Natchez, MS 39121, Adams Co., 661-431-8922, lambarbull@hotmail.com.

If you like farming elk or red deer, you need this book by Jerry C. Haigh & Robert J. Hahn at University of Canada, $190 OBO. Marion Co., Forestville, 661-736-7067.

For sale or barter, beautiful hand painted wing bone turkey calls, $65 or unpainted $25, call or text for pictures or info. Rankin Co., 661-540-0388.

Large grill/smoker, 250 gal. tank mounted on single axle trailer, 2 doors, 2 racks, smoke box, Ole Miss logo “Hotty Toddy” blue/red color, $3,800. Lafayette Co., Oxford, 661-701-2093.


bobby, easy calving, $2,500 & up. Lincoln Co., Brookhaven, 601-757-7159.


Reg. Santa Gertrudis bulls, 12-14 months old, polled, gentle, will be ready to breed late spring to fall, $2,000 & up. Ridge Point Ranch, Franklin Co., Meadville, 601-573-0204.

PB Santa Gertrudis bull, 21 months old, $2,500; Gert/Simmental Star V bull, 22 months old, $2,000, both shown & easy to handle, Pontotoc Co., Pontotoc, 662-509-2276.


Galbey, Balancer, Stabilizer bulls, red or black. 12-30 months old, grass raised. LBW, gentle, quality cattle, $1,200 & up. Yalobusha Co., Water Valley, 662-473-3758.


Reg. & PB Hereford heifers, baldies & bulls also available, $1,250-$2,000. Hancock Co., Picayune, 228-341-3601.


Reg. Fleckvieh Simmental heifers, designed/wormed, gentle, ready to work, $2,750-$3,000, bred heifers available in April. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-778-3185.

Reg. Ultrablack bulls, outstanding genetics, 12-14 mos. old, vaccinated, $2,500 & up. Paul Drake, DVM, Harrison Co., Gulfport, 228-234-1779.

Reg. Ultrablack bulls, very gentle, top EPDs, guaranteed, 14-20 months old, $2,700; Reg. Brangus heifers, 12-12 months old, raised on grass, $2,500. Pearl River Co., Copemish, 610-796-9280.


Pygmy billy goat, 1 year old, looking for his forever home, $150. Clarke Co., Quitman, 601-826-0474.


Spanish/Kiko buck, 1 1/2 years old, friendly, throws beautiful kids, short but stocky, handsome, great temperament, knows his job, whole package, $150. Harrison Co., Lyman, 504-722-9336, text preferred.


RABBITS
PB New Zealand White & California White rabbits, meat rabbits, $12 & up, also have rabbit fertilizer. Lee Co., Lena, 901-886-8861, call or text.

Variety of rabbits, both male & female available, all of breeding age or in days of reaching it, price depending on age & breed, $15-$30. Clarke Co., Quitman, 601-805-9618.

Little “Hops” rabbits: Californians, Dutch & Polish breeding stock or small ones, available year round, $20 & up. Rankin Co., Pearl, 601-955-3800.

New Zealand, Texas A&M & Rex rabbits, $2, Neshoba Co., Madden, 601-562-3737.

MINIATURES & PONIES
New Zealand/Californian rabbits, adorable bunnies, all ages, meat & pet, all colors, pictures available, $8-$35. Newton Co., Newton, 601-383-2863, call or text.

3 White Holland Lops, solid white with pink eyes, 4 months old, ready for new home, price negotiable, $25. Lauderdale Co., Collinsville, 601-938-8954.

Swine
Gifts, 10 months old, long body, meat hogs, ready to breed, 4 to choose from, will sell 1 or all, pictures available, $150 each, cash only. Warren Co., Vicksburg, 601-529-4449.


Heritage breed feeder pigs, at various stages of weaning to finished in oak woodlands, hot wire trained, $125 each & up, Madison Co., Canton, 601-688-8383.

HORSES & MULES
We cannot accept notices from horse dealers, order buyers or persons selling on a commission basis. All listings of horses and mules must be for sale, and state your name and address to prevent unauthorized buyers.

HORSES AT STUD
30.75" perlino $950. Pearl River Co., Crestview, 601-849-2597.

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good watch dog or stud, excellent training, beautiful dog, would make old, black sable, groundwork in basic Shepherd male, born 8/31/22, all shots, wormed, $800-$850, also German 12/30/22, current on shots by vet & $200 each. Montgomery Co., Winona, dog stock, ready to go, $50 each. Hinds Feist puppies, born 1/1/23, squirrel en, 940-255-7308.

Forrest Co., Petal, 601-520-3767. For more information contact: Dan Kelly at 601-530-8161 or 601-337-3136.

Pearl Gun Show- Sat., Mar. 18-19, 2023, at the Clyde Muse Center, 515 Country Place Parkway, Pearl, MS (Rankin County) Show hours: Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibits include guns, military, hunting, knives, gun enthusiasts, dealers & collectors. Buy, sale, trade or appraisals. Hourly door prizes. Like us on Facebook at Big Pop Gun Shows. For more information call 601-498-4235 or visit www.biggopgunshows.com.

Batesville Tractor Show- in Batesville, MS (Panola Co.) on Sat., Apr. 1, 2023. For more information contact: Bud Fisher, Jr. 628-578-1258 or Tony Smith 662-710-2566. MS BCH Chapter 44 will be attending.

Spring Fling- an event that’s fun for the whole family. Sat., Apr. 1, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Landrum’s Homestead & Village, 1356 Hwy. 15 South, Batesville, MS (Panola Co.) Show hours: Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exclusive gun only $25 each. Buy, sell & trade. Free parking and hourly door prizes. Exhibits include: guns, ammo, knives, hunting, military items, gun dealers, collectors and enthusiasts. Like us on Facebook at New South Gun Shows. For more information contact Bil or Elizabeth Milstead at 601-260-8822 or 601-260-5351 or visit www.newsouthgunshows.com.

Spring Market- Fri., Apr. 7, 2023, Brookhaven Farmers Market, Brookhaven, MS (Lincoln Co.) If you raise vegetables and need a place to sell, please call the Lincoln County Extension Office at 601-384-6548.

The Dixieland Old Engine Club Spring Show- Fri.-Sat., Apr. 7-8, 2023, at Friendship Park, Broad Avenue in Columbus, MS (Marion Co.) All makers & models of antique engines, tractors & equipment are welcome. The public is invited and admission is free. Please note the new location for the show and for more information contact: Robert Alman at 601-954-7904 or Vince Smith at 601-606-1181.

Batesville Gun Show- Sat.-Sun., Apr. 15-16, 2023, at the Batesville Civic Center, Batesville, MS (Panola Co.) Show hours: Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibits include guns, military, hunting, knives, gun enthusiasts, dealers & collectors. Buy, sale, trade or appraisals. Hourly door prizes. Like us on Facebook at Big Pop Gun Shows. For more information call 601-489-4235.
### CATTLE AUCTIONS

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LIVESTOCK
These are overall statewide averages (price per cut).
Prices reported the week of 2/24/2023.
Cattle Receipts 5,982 - Last Year 5,826
For current cattle prices call 601-359-1139

Steers (based on medium & large 1 & 2):
200-300 lbs...............................................................$210.00–$265.00
300-400 lbs...............................................................$200.00–$265.00
400-500 lbs...............................................................$183.00–$223.00
500-600 lbs...............................................................$180.00–$216.00
600-700 lbs...............................................................$155.00–$204.00
700-800 lbs...............................................................$160.00–$172.00

Heifers (based on medium & large 1 & 2):
200-300 lbs...............................................................$190.00–$214.00
300-400 lbs...............................................................$164.00–$212.00
400-500 lbs...............................................................$145.00–$196.00
500-600 lbs...............................................................$150.00–$184.00
600-700 lbs...............................................................$145.00–$178.00
700-800 lbs...............................................................$108.00–$162.00

Slaughter Cows:
850-1,200 lbs...............................................................$66.00–$96.00

Slaughter Bulls:
1,500-2,500 lbs...............................................................$70.00–$117.00

Cow/Calf Pairs (based on medium & large):
2-8 years old, with 100-300 lb. calves............$700.00–$1,650.00

Replacement Cows (based on medium & large):
2-8 years old, 2-8 mos. bred..................$500.00–$1,500.00

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POULTRY
For current poultry/egg prices call 404-562-5850

Broilers/Fryers: (¢ per lb, FOB-Dock, Mississippi Producers)
92.00-160.00¢

Eggs: (¢ per dozen, based on USDA Grade A)
XL. 265-268¢, LG. 249-252, MED. 246-250

CATFISH
Reporting Pounds Processed
for the Month Ending: January 2023

Fish Processed 0 - 4 lbs. (foodservice/retail markets)
Average Price (delivered to plant): 1.26¢ per lb.

Fish Processed over 4 lbs. (large whole fish/round and gut market)
Average Price (delivered to plant): 1.18¢ per lb.

CROPS
For current crop prices call 601-359-1120.
Cotton ($ per lb)...............................................................(Mar) 82.60
Soybeans ($ per bushel).............................15.61
Wheat ($ per bushel)...............................................................7.04
Corn ($ per bushel).................................6.75
Rice ($ per cwt)...............................................................(Mar) 16.96

Mississippi Timber Price Report Regions

Northwest (NW)
Northeast (NE)
Southwest (SW)
Southeast (SE)

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** Product classes are often subdivided into small, medium, and large categories. Prices vary according to size.

Table 2: Mississippi 4th quarter 2022 hardwood stumpage prices ($/ton)**.

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For more information contact Richard Crowe 601-529-5360 or Tommy McDonald 214-476-6600. Brewer 601-689-1161. Taking consignments for both. For more information contact Mike Keene 601-606-7382 or Matt.

The equipment auction will start at 9:00 a.m. and the stocker cow auction will start at 1:00 p.m. Now taking consignments for both. For more information contact: Mike Keene 601-606-7382 or Matt Brewer 601-689-1161.

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**Local Food Purchase Assistance Program**

MDAC is developing a directory of local farmers & food processors for food banks to utilize to find local Mississippi food products. Commissioner Andy Gipson encourages farmers and other food producers & processors interested in potentially marketing their products through this program to visit www.mdac.ms.gov/msfp/ to register their farm or business in the directory.

Types of eligible food items include, but are not limited to, fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products, meat products, rice, eggs, value-added processed foods and beverages.

Food must be raised, produced, aggregated, stored, processed, and distributed in Mississippi or within 400 miles of the point of distribution in Mississippi. Any processed food products must source all ingredients from the US to qualify.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIRGROUNDS COMPLEX

Jackson, Mississippi  
PH: 601-981-4000  
www.mdac.ms.gov  
Sat., Mar. 18  
Jeff Dunham: Still Not Canceled  
Coliseum  
Sat., Mar. 18  
Moto Extreme Circus  
Kirk Fordice Equine Center  
Fri.-Sun., Mar. 24-26  
All 4 Children Consignment Sale  
Trade Mart  
Fri.-Sun., Mar. 24-26  
Spring Market  
Trade Mart  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 25-26  
Fire It Up Team Roping  
Kirk Fordice Equine Center  
Fri.-Sat., Mar. 31 - Apr. 1  
MHSAA Powerlifting Championships  
Coliseum  
Mon., Apr. 10  
Harlem Globetrotters  
Coliseum  
Fri.-Sun., Apr. 14-16  
JXN Tattoo Soul, Arts & Mayhem Fest  
Trade Mart

### MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST COLISEUM

Biloxi, Mississippi  
PH: 228-594-3748  
www.mscoastcoliseum.com  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 18-19  
MS Gulf Coast Open Volleyball  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 18-19  
Revolution Talent Competition  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 25-26  
Dance Mania International  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 25-26  
Maximum Cheer & Dance  
AllStar Showdown  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 25-26  
Monster Jam  
Sat., Apr. 1  
Victory Athletics Spirit  
Fri.-Sun., Mar. 31 - Apr. 2  
Starpower National Talent Competition  
Fri.-Sat., Apr. 7-8  
MS SeaWolves  
Sat., Apr. 8  
Breaking the Hibernation Bully Show  
Sat., Apr. 8  
Kountry Wayne  
Thu., Apr. 13  
Imperial Trading Expo  

**Rankin County Multi-Purpose Pavilion**

Brandon, Mississippi  
PH: 601-591-0944  
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Red Hills Horse Show  
Fri.-Sat., Apr. 7-8  
MQHYA Roland Stacey Memorial  
Fri.-Sun., Apr. 14-16  
H.O.P.E. Palomino Show  
Fri.-Sat., Apr. 21-22  
Cowkids Rodeo  
Fri.-Sat., Apr. 28-29  
Red Hills Horse Show

**South Mississippi Magnolia Center**

Laurel, Mississippi  
PH: 601-649-9010  
Sat.-Sun., Mar. 4-5  
Laurel Gun Show  
Tue., Mar. 7  
Jones County Extension Service  
Jones County Jr. Livestock Association Annual Meeting  
Fri.-Sat., Mar. 17-18  
First Robotics Competition Magnolia Regional  
Fri., Mar. 24  
NRA Banquet  
Sat., Apr. 1  
City Wide Rummage Sale  
Tue., Apr. 4  
Jones County Extension Service  
Jones County Jr. Livestock Association Banquet

**MISSISSIPPI MARKET BULLETIN**

**March 15, 2023**

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Trucks, tractors, trailers, farm equipment, hay equipment and more. Selling for MDOT, counties, cities, farmers, estates, contractors and many others. For more information call 601-214-1868.

22nd Annual Springtime Contractors Equipment & Truck Public Auction  
Wed., Mar. 29, 2023 at 8:30 AM  
1042 Holland Ave., Philadelphia, MS (Neshoba Co.)  
Deanco Auction, MS Lic. #733;

Selling construction equipment, heavy duty trucks & trailers, farm equipment, logging equipment, support equipment, vehicles & much more. For more information call 601-656-9768 or visit www.deancoauction.com.

Equipment Auction & Stocker Cow Auction  
Sat., Apr. 22, 2023  
Southeast Mississippi Livestock - Hattiesburg, MS (Forrest Co.)  
Kirk Davis, MS Lic. #53

The equipment auction will start at 9:00 a.m. and the stocker cow auction will start at 1:00 p.m. Now taking consignments for both. For more information contact: Mike Keene 601-606-7382 or Matt Brewer 601-689-1161.
Advertising Deadline Dates

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The 2023 Dixie National Quarter Horse Show

By The Dixie National Quarter Horse Show

All the ribbons are packed up, and the exhibitors and staff are back home. The Dixie National Quarter Horse Show is a wrap. The show started on February 7 and 8 with the Equestrian with Disabilities events. All of the participants had a great time, and a lot of new friends were made. We are grateful to our sponsors, volunteers and exhibitors who made this portion of our show a success.

The Dixie National AQHA event began on Tuesday February 14, with roasting horse and boxing continuing with large numbers. Great prizes, including $10,000, were on the line.

The fifth CC Dubois Memorial Tie-Down Roping was held. The event was sponsored by Elite Custom Saddlery, which generously donated custom halters and portfolios to the winners of every roping class at the show horse. This is the fifth year that Elite Custom Saddles has donated for a riding and ranch trail. This year, we included cutting and cow horse. There were large classes here as well.

The reining and ranch riding numbers were large. The Clinic was followed by paid trail clinic which received rave reviews. The clinic was followed by paid trail practice. We concluded on Sunday with a day of trial. All trail courses were written, prepared and maintained by the M.O.T. Tim Kimura.

The High Point and All Around winners:
Small Fry High Point - Maycee Watt & Wrap Up the Money
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Level 1 Amateur Walk Trot Reserve High Point - Delvia Purvis & Look the Best
Level 1 Youth High Point - Gia Wyrodsick & A Hot Vodka
Level 1 Youth Reserve High Point - Gayl Bellingrath Von Gol & Sunny Investment
Level 1 Amateur High Point - Jessica Barnett Von Gol & Slow Idle
Level 1 Amateur Reserve High Point - Allison Michele Johnston & Elizabeth Bennett
Youth All-Around - Grace Addison Spooner & DudeLooksLikeALady
Youth Reserve All Around - Giulianna R Wyyrodsick & No Doubt of Grace
Amateur All Around - Rachel Trebesch & No Doubt I Shine
Amateur Reserve All-Around - Hannah Haynes & No Doubt Ima Cupake
Select Amateur All-Around - Rhonda Bell & Won Lazy Lopin RV
Select Amateur Reserve All-Around - Sally Almond & Just Found Choclate
Youth Cattle - Garrett Melloan & the Winning Dual
Amateur Cattle - Paul Bogard & Shes Royal Cat
Open Cattle - Jare Crain & CFR Decada 052

Our Equine Expo this year was held on the upper level of the Equine Center and was the largest show on the West Coast.

Wednesday saw reiniging, ranch riding and ranch trail. This year, we also offered Any Breed Classes and new AQHA class, Western Rail. All of these had a high number of entries.

Thursday was a very full day of VRH classes. We offered all levels, including Rookie, and all events to include cutting and cow horse. There were large classes here as well.

Friday was our day for showmanship and English classes.

This year, Saturday included our grandparent's favorites - leadline and stick horse races. We had many new leadline exhibitors, and the stick horse exhibitors were very lively which made for a fun class. Our Stick Horse class sponsor, Tom McBeath Quarter Horses, donated the stick horses, and every exhibitor got to take their horse home. We also had our halter and western pleasure classes on Saturday.

Saturday night we were fortunate to have Tim Kimura, M.O.T with us. He conducted a “Ride the Pattern” clinic which received rave reviews. The clinic was followed by paid trail practice. We concluded on Sunday with a day of trial. All trail courses were written, prepared and maintained by the M.O.T. Tim Kimura.

Egg Prices Responding to High Demand, Lower Supply

By Bonnie Cobeltz
MSU Extension Service

Shoppers facing sticker shock at the grocery store know that eggs are part of the cost increase, but they may not know why. Josh Maples, an agricultural economist with the Mississippi State University Extension Service, said egg prices over the Christmas holiday were more than double what they were at the same time in 2021.

“Retail egg prices averaged $4.25 per dozen in December, a record high,” Maples said. “This compares to $1.79 per dozen in December 2021.”

The primary cause of the high egg prices is a disruption in supply at a time when consumer demand for eggs is strong.

“Highly pathogenic avian influenza, or HPAI, which is often called bird flu, is an important concern each year, but it was especially problematic in the U.S. in 2022,” Maples said. “The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that HPAI was detected in 307 commercial flocks in 2022.”

One of these affected flocks was in Mississippi. HPAI is very contagious among birds, so USDA requires strict containment protocols be followed to prevent additional spread to other flocks. These measures include depopulation of infected flocks.

In all, HPAI affected about 57 million birds in 2022. Of those, nearly 4 million were egg-laying hens lost to the disease between February and December 2022. Those hens represented about 12% of the egg-laying birds lost to HPAI.

“Fewer laying hens has led to fewer eggs produced and tighter supplies for egg consumers,” Maples said.

Lower egg availability coincided with the holiday season, which is the food’s peak season for consumption. USDA estimates Americans used 11.4 eggs per household during the Thanksgiving holiday and 8.6 eggs per household over Christmas. Households in 2022 used an estimated 1.6 more eggs at Christmas than they did in 2021.

“Even though egg prices have drastically increased, the price to feed, house and manage your flock will still be very costly,” Wells said. Additionally, since HPAI is carried by wild and migratory fowl, backyard flocks are highly susceptible to the virus because they easily come in contact with infected birds.

“The biggest help we can all be to the industry and aid in supply and demand issues is being diligent with biosecurity,” she said. “If you have a backyard flock, make sure you are not doing anything possible to not infect other flocks. Even if you do not have chickens, you could still potentially carry the virus to someone who does have a flock by unknowingly coming in contact with infected birds.”

For more information on HPAI and how to prevent its spread, view the Extension Information Sheet 2013 at http://extension.msstate.edu/publications/information-sheets/avian-influenza-frequently-asked-questions.