

MANATEE LIVESTOCKER

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Calendar Of Events

October 2000

6	Florida Cattlemen's Association Heifer Sale Wauchula Livestock Auction
17	South Florida Beef/Forage Agent Fall Beef Bartow Ag. Center - Cattle Management Program
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19	Worker Protection Standards Workshop (8:30 AM) - 2- CEU's available for the workshop. Palmetto Ag. Center

November 2000

7	Pesticide Training (Aquatic and Right-of-way)- 8:00 AM - 12 Noon - 4 CEU's Palmetto Ag. Center
12-18	Manatee County Farm City Week
15	Manatee County Soil Judging Contest TBA
17	Farm City Week Ag. Tour (Reservations Required) Palmetto Ag. Center

December 2000

12	Pesticide Core Training Palmetto Ag. Center
13	South Florida Beef/Forage Agents - Advisory Meeting Highlands Hammock
January 2001	
	Florida RUMINANT Nutrition Symposium Gainesville
18-27	Manatee County Fair Fair Grounds, Palmetto

FROM THE FLORIDA BEEF COUNCIL: DID YOU KNOW.....

Every time you sell a bovine animal, regardless of age, sex, breed or purpose, a dollar-per head is due.

Breed associations do not collect and remit your checkoff.

The dollar is to be collected by the **BUYER** from the seller, although both parties are responsible for remittance.

The checkoff is designed so that everyone pays their fair share.

The \$1.00 assessment also applies to cattle imported into the United States. For instance, every time a bovine animal comes across our border from Canada or Mexico, a dollar-per head is collected by Customs. If the live animal is then sold in the U.S., a second dollar may be due.

Beef product imports are also assessed the equivalent of \$1.00 per head.

WHAT ARE YOUR CHECKOFF DOLLARS BEING USED FOR ????

- Beef and veal television, radio, and print advertising.
- Food safety, health and nutrition research.
- Product technology and development.
- Educating consumers and children about beef's role in a healthy diet.
- Refuting issues that could negatively impact the beef industry.
- Foreign market development.
- And the list goes on....

WHO PAYS?

When cattle are sold, the **BUYER** of the cattle must withhold \$1.00 per head from the seller's purchase price. Failure to do so is a violation of the law and may be subject to a **\$5,500.00** penalty.

Planting Forages in the Fall

During September and October we get many inquiries with reference to fall forage planting. There are many things to consider in selecting what to plant and how to plant . It is a good bet that when you pass September 15th you are running out of time to plant Bahia grasses, even your newer grasses such as Hemarthria (Limpograss), Stargrasses, Bermudagrasses, and Pangola. However, on the other hand, your Fall Annuals may be considered after October 1.

These forages are as follows:

Pearl Millet, Triticale, Wheat, Rye, Ryegrass, and a variety of Legumes.

Many growers consider planting Milo, Sorghums, Sudan X Sudex grasses in the Fall. A word of warning , Fall planting of these cultivars may be considered as *BAITED FIELDS* for hunting purposes.

Additionally, these cultivars can cause Prussic Acid Poisoning in cattle if put under stress from wetness, drought or frost. The acceptable practice, if planting these cultivars, is to sod seed or prepare the soil, plant and cover or roll tightly.

Otherwise the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may consider broadcasting as an illegal planted field !!!

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