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Boone County Conservation District Newsletter

Boone County Nut Sales

We will be selling nuts once again this year! We will be taking pre-orders this year. Order forms will be mailed out in September and also posted on our website. Nuts should arrive in November.

We plan to offer 1 lb bags of pecan pieces or halves; mixed nuts; cashews; double dipped chocolate peanuts; possibly walnuts; and a few other chocolate covered nuts.

Check out Facebook page for updates when we will start sales.

Want to save a tree? You can receive this newsletter by email. Please send us your name and email address and we will add you to our growing directory!

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*We will not sell or give out your email address.

If you would like to stop hearing from us, please call or email us your information!

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Read our newsletter and look for the black/white bee! Once found, email us your answer at: bccd1958@gmail.com

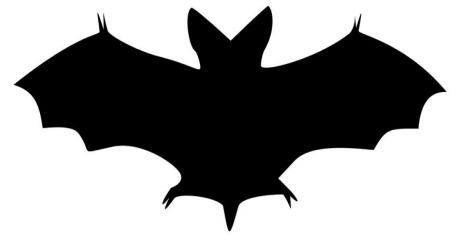
Or call the answer in to 741-8600 x. 3. Give us your full name, phone number, and where the bee is located. All correct answers will be entered in a drawing for a hand-crafted birdhouse OR a BCCD Hat.

Congratulations to Laurie Krantz our latest winner!!!

Celebrate Bat Week

October 24-31, 2024

Visit batcon.org to learn how to save these valuable creatures!!



Our Mission:

TO WORK WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS & LAND OWNERS HAVING SIMILAR GOALS TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

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Equipment for Rent

No Till Drills: \$200 deposit; \$15/acre with a \$200/day minimum

Smooth Roller & Aerator: \$100 deposit; \$50/day

Litter/Lime Spreader: \$300 deposit; \$300 first day and \$100 a day after

Gas-Powered Rhino Post/T-Post Driver: \$75 deposit; \$50/day or \$75/weekend

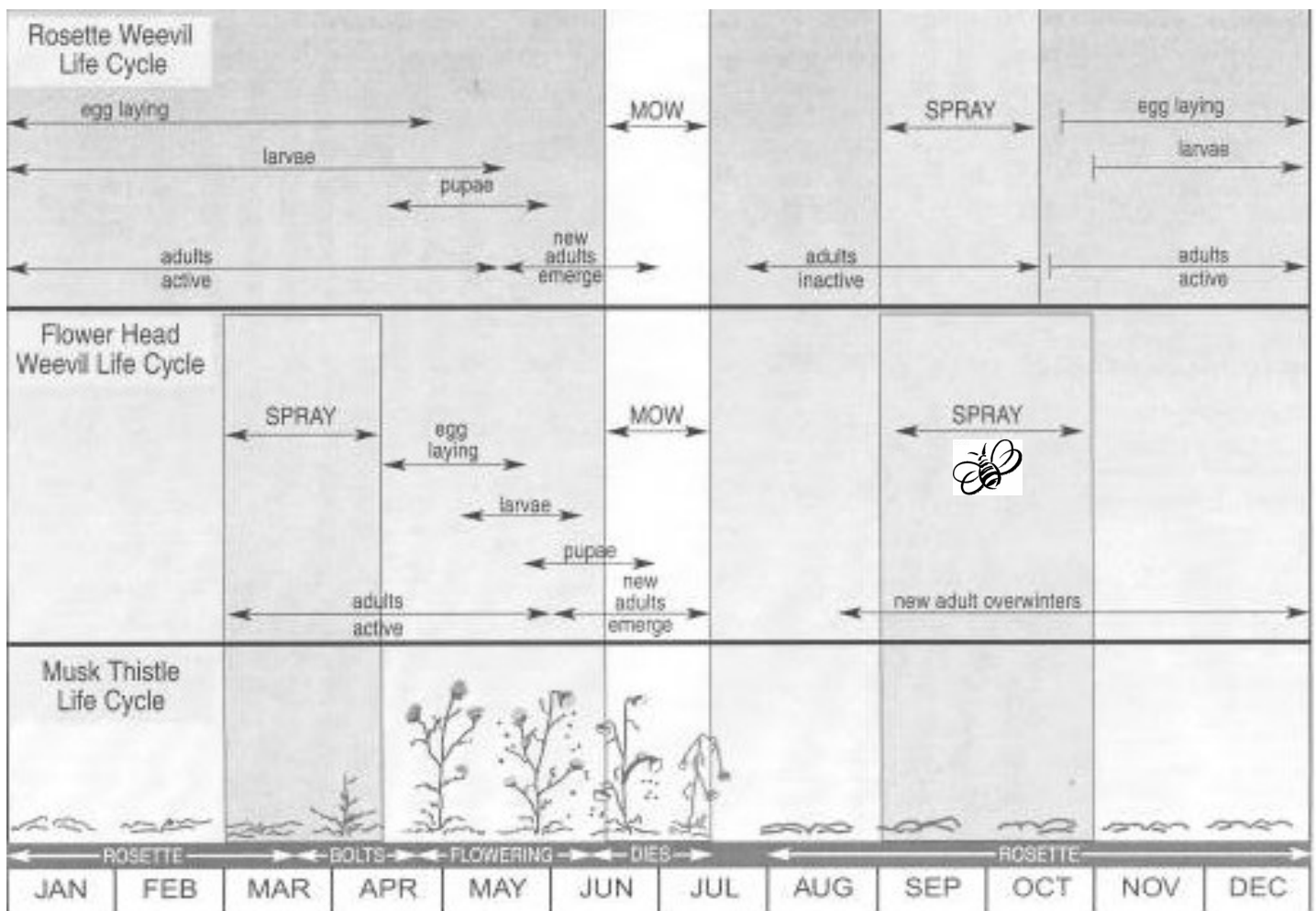
New Policy: Due to rising costs, the District would like everyone to be aware that if equipment is returned **WITHOUT** the hitch pin or the pad lock, a charge will be issued to your account.

Hitch pins: \$15 a piece Pad lock: \$25 each

Contact the District Office at (870) 741-8600 x. 3 if you are interested in renting our equipment.

Lifecycle of the Musk Thistle

Integrated control schedule matching chemical and mechanical control with the life cycles of musk thistle



Annuals to Extend Grazing Season..... From the desk of Wendy Hendrix

Grazing is the goal of every livestock producer but knowing the gaps in your grazing system is a key to knowing how to extend your grazing season. The first step is to know what perennial forages you have on your farm. Whether cool season or warm season forages will determine where your grazing gaps are in your system. If you have a lot of warm season forage's, then your gap will be in the winter months. If you have more cool season grasses than your gap would be in the summer months. Let's

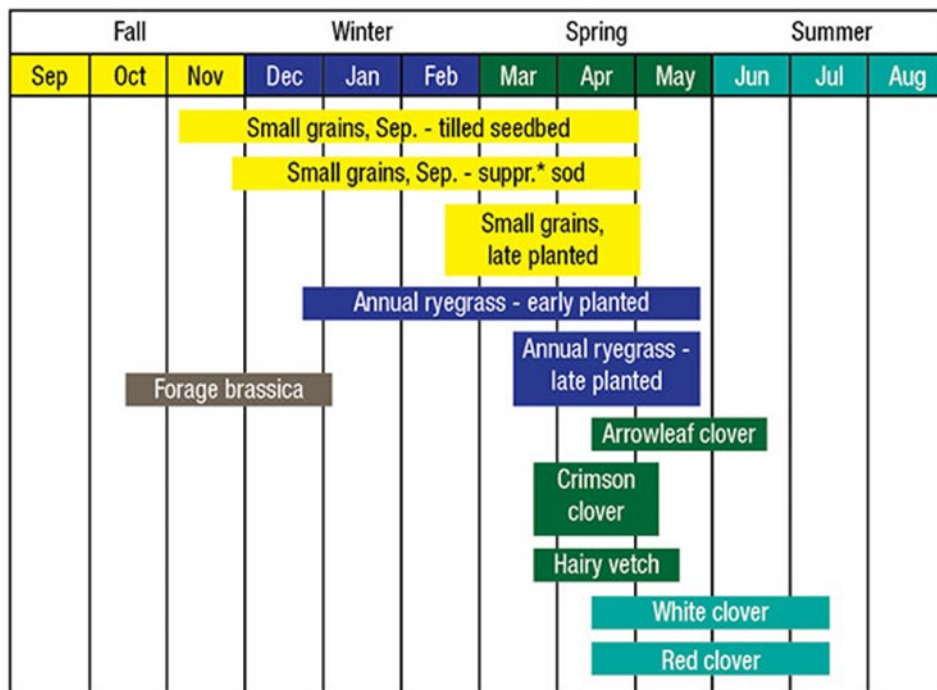
just look at how to extend the growing season with warm season forages such as Bermuda grass. A way to fill in the gap for grazing is over seeding the pasture with cool season annuals (i.e. Rye, Oats, Wheat, Ryegrass) into warm season pasture. If you look at the graph below you can see you may still have a gap during the end of October through November when the warm season grass is going dormant or is dormant. So, you may want to consider planting forage brassica's such as forage rape, turnips, and kale.

The timing of planting the forage will also affect the number of days of grazing.

Another thing to keep in mind is that you want to be able to have these forages grazed off so as not to suppress the warm season grass when it is greening up.

Any of these forages need to be a part of your grazing plan so you can give them plenty of time to establish before turning livestock on them to graze. Any new forage that livestock are not used to eating will take a period of adjustment for them to figure out that it is palatable forage. With a little planning and rain extending the grazing season should be an obtainable goal.

FIGURE 1 Estimated grazing periods for interseeded forages based on planting date and method



*herbicide-suppressed Source: Dr. John Jennings, University of Arkansas



Visit www.necasag.org for more information concerning Farm Safety & Health Week

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