

Agricultural Report

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CONNECTICUT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER RECOGNIZED FOR COMMITMENT TO PROFESSION

Nathan M. Wilson, Office of the Commissioner

On Thursday, September 20, 2018 the Connecticut Municipal Animal Control Officers Association (CMACOA) held their 33rd Annual Conference at the Mashantucket Pequot Museum in Mashantucket, Connecticut.

At the conference, the CMACOA members honored the Department of Agriculture (DoAg)'s State Animal Control Officer, Richard Gregan, as the Animal Control Officer (ACO) of the Year. The award is given annually to an Animal Control Officer who has shown a deep commitment to the ACO profession. Richard has worked for DoAg as a State Animal Control Officer for 34 years.

"This award is well deserved and recognizes Rich's devotion to the growing complexity of the profession, the health and well-being of pets and livestock, and the people he serves," said DoAg Commissioner Steven K. Reviczky.

Before serving as a State ACO, Richard was a veterinarian technician in Bloomfield, CT. He currently resides in Thomaston, Connecticut with his spouse, Susan.

The CMACOA Annual Conference is a training and learning opportunity for municipal ACOs around Connecticut which hosts over 200 participants. ACOs receive hours of mandated continuing education units for attending the conference.

In 2012 the legislature passed the animal control officers' training act which required current ACO's receive at least six hours of in-service education each year. All new ACOs must complete at least 80 hours of initial ACO training to be certified. Before this law, many ACOs already went to trainings on their

own to further their education. More information about the training requirements of ACOs can be found in a report prepared by the Office of Legislative Research report available at <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2016/rpt/2016-R-0111.htm>.

The 2018 CMACOA conference brought together speakers to discuss issues concerning ACOs and their daily encounters. This year's speakers included DoAg's Regulatory Services Bureau Director, Dr. Bruce Sherman, who provided updates regarding DoAg's Animal Control Unit.

Liz Bennet from Bandit's Place provided tips and advice on fawns and other orphaned wildlife. ACOs do encounter some situations concerning wildlife pickups within their municipalities.

Randall Lockwood, Ph.D., Senior Vice President of Anti-Cruelty Specialty Projects for ASPCA provided insights on how ACOs can approach dangerous dogs. Dr. Lockwood is known as an expert in animal aggression. Next year's annual conference will be held on September 19, 2019.

CMACOA holds together a community of State and local ACOs, keeping its members up-to-date on education opportunities, ACO news and current legislation.

CMACOA's mission is to improve, promote and professionalize animal control; advance the education and training of ACOs; promote legislation pertaining to animal control; educate the public about animal control work; establish uniform guidelines for animal control; and help ACOs deal with the stress of their job and work more effectively with the public. To learn more about the CMACOA visit www.ctaco.org.



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NORTHEAST EGGS/USDA

Per doz. Grade A and Grade A white in cartons to retailers (volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	1.10	1.38
LARGE	1.04	1.18
MEDIUM	.69	.82

NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Per doz. Grade A brown in carton delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	1.74	1.89
LARGE	1.65	1.79
MEDIUM	1.16	1.26
SMALL	.82	.92

LANCASTER, PA LIVESTOCK

Avg. Dressing. Per cwt. Unless noted

SLAUGHTER STEERS		
Hi Ch/Prime 3-4	109.00	110.50
Choice 2-3	106.00	109.00
Select 1-2	102.50	106.00
SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS		
Choice 1-2	80.00	84.00
Select 1-2	79.00	81.00
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS		
Hi Ch/Prime 3-4	107.00	110.00
Choice 2-3	102.00	105.00
Select 1-2	95.00	97.00
CALVES - Graded bull		
No 1 100-130 lbs	80.00	88.00
SLAUGHTER COWS Avg. Dressing		
breakers 75-80% lean	50.00	54.50
boners 80-85% lean	46.00	51.50
lean 88-90% lean	39.00	46.50
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Woolled & Shorn		
Markets: Choice and Prime 2-3		
90-110 lbs	157.00	172.00
110-130 lbs	150.00	167.00
130-150 lbs	137.00	150.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3		
120-160 lbs	75.00	85.00
160-200 lbs	60.00	80.00
200-300 lbs	55.00	65.00
SLAUGHTER KIDS: Sel 1		
20-40 lbs	120.00	125.00
40-60 lbs	125.00	155.00
60-80 lbs	165.00	190.00
80-100 lbs	180.00	210.00
SLAUGHTER NANNIES/DOES: Sel 1		
80-130 lbs	145.00	185.00
130-180 lbs	190.00	230.00
SLAUGHTER BUCKS/BILLIES: Sel 1		
100-150 lbs	220.00	265.00
150-250 lbs	270.00	320.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA. HOG AUCTION

Per cwt.

SLAUGHTER HOGS		
52-56	200-300 lbs	50.00 57.00
	300-350 lbs	53.00 57.00
48-52	200-300 lbs	45.00 51.50
	300-350 lbs	45.00 50.00
Sows, US 1-3		
	300-500 lbs	24.00 33.50
	500-650 lbs	31.00 39.00
Boars		
	300-400 lbs	5.00 12.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA HAY REPORT

Price per ton, small squares. Oct. 5, 2018.

ALFALFA/GRASS		
	PREMIUM	320.00 360.00
	GOOD	215.00 235.00
GRASS HAYS		
	GOOD	200.00 235.00
	FAIR	110.00 180.00
STRAW		
		200.00 245.00

WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Boston Terminal and Wholesale Grower Prices CONNECTICUT AND NEW ENGLAND GROWN

	LOW	HIGH
ALFALFA SPROUTS, 5 LBS	14.00	15.00
APPLE, CRTLND, 80, CRT, XFCY	30.00	31.00
APPLE, CRTLND, 88, CRT, XFCY	30.00	31.00
APPLE, GALA, LOOSE, NG	22.00	22.00
APPLE, HONYCRISP, BU, NG	45.00	45.00
APPLE, MAC, 80, CRT, XFCY	31.00	32.00
APPLE, MAC, 88, CRT, XFCY	31.00	32.00
APPLE, MAC, 100, CRT, XFCY	26.00	26.00
APPLE, MACOUN, 80, CRT, XFCY	38.00	38.00
APPLE, CRISPIN, BU, NG	22.00	22.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 10 LBS	6.00	7.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 12-12 OZ	12.00	15.00
BEET, CHIOGGA, 25LB, M-L, LOOSE	20.00	22.00
BROCC, CRN CUT, 20 LB LOOSE	20.00	24.00
CAULIFLOWER, WHITE, 9S, CRT	15.00	16.00
CIDER, 4-1 GALLON	19.00	19.00
CIDER, 9-1/2 GALLON	21.00	21.00
CORN, ORN, INDIAN, BNCH, 20-3S	45.00	50.00
CORN, ORN, MINI, BNCH, 20-3S	28.00	32.00
CORN, ORN, POP, BNCH, 20-3S	45.00	50.00
CORNSTALKS, /BUNDLE, 5	5.00	8.00
CRANBERRIES, 24-12 OZ	28.00	28.00
EGGPLANT, WRPPD, 1-1/9, M	20.00	24.00
GOURDS, ORNAMENT, 1/2 BU	14.00	16.00
GOURDS, ORN, SHELLACK 1/2 BU	22.00	25.00
PEPPER, GRN, 1 -1/9, JMBO	18.00	22.00
PEPPER, GRN, 1 -1/9, XLARGE	16.00	20.00
PEPPER, CUBANELLE, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
PEPPER, JALAPENO, 1-1/9, M-L	26.00	28.00
PEPPER, LONG HOT, 1-1/9, GREEN	16.00	20.00
PEPPER, POBLANO, 1-1/9	18.00	20.00
PMPKN, CNDERL, OR, 24" BIN, L	285.00	300.00
PMPKN, FAIRYTL, OR, 24" BIN, L	285.00	300.00
PMPKN, HOWDN, OR, 36" BIN, JBO	200.00	225.00
PMPKN, HOWDN, OR, 36" BIN, XL	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, HOWDN, OR, 36" BIN, L	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, HOWDN, WH, 24" BIN, JBO	400.00	400.00
PMPKN, PIE, OR, 1/2 BU, M	20.00	25.00
PMPKN, PIE, OR, 24" BIN, M	250.00	285.00
PMPKN, PIE, OR, 36" BIN, M	270.00	300.00
PMPKN, BGMACK, OR, 36" BIN, JB	200.00	225.00
PMPKN, BGMACK, OR, 36" BIN, XL	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, BGMACK, OR, 36" BIN, L	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, BGMACK, OR, 36" BIN, M	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, BGMACK, OR, 36" BIN, S	175.00	200.00
PMPKN, HEIRLOOM, 1/2 BU, S	18.00	20.00
PMPKN, MINI, 1/2 BU, S	18.00	20.00
SQUASH, ACORN, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, BUTTERCUP, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, BUTTERCUP, 1-1/9, L	18.00	20.00
SQUASH, BUTTERNUT, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, BUTTERNUT, 1-1/9, L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, BUTTERNUT, 1-1/9, XL	15.00	18.00
SQUASH, CARNIVAL, 1-1/9, L	20.00	24.00
SQUASH, DELICATA, 1-1/9, L	20.00	24.00
SQUASH, BLUE HUB, 1-1/9, L	20.00	24.00
SQUASH, KABOCHA, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, SPAGHETTI, 1-1/9, M-L	16.00	20.00
SQUASH, SPAGHETTI, 1-1/9, L	16.00	18.00
STRAW BALE, STAND, 1 BALE	7.00	8.00
STRAW BALE, MINI, 1 BALE	4.50	5.50
TOMS, GHS, 10 LBS, HEIRLOOM	24.00	28.00
TOMS, GHS, 15 LBS, HEIRLOOM	28.00	30.00
TOMS, GHS, ONVINE, 11LBS, S-M	15.00	15.00
TOMS, GHS, VINERIPE, 15 LBS	22.00	22.00
TOMS, VINERIPE, 20 LBS, L	18.00	19.00
TOMS, GHS, LOOSE, 25 LBS, S-M	18.00	19.00
TOM, GHS, CHRRY, 5 LB FLAT, S-M	15.00	17.50
TOM, GHS, CHRRY, 8-10 OZ, S-M	20.00	24.00

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, CT - October 8, 2018

	LOW	HIGH
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	15.00	22.00
61-75 lbs.	25.00	30.00
76-90 lbs.	35.00	40.00
91-105 lbs.	45.00	50.00
106 lbs. & up	52.50	57.50
Farm Calves	60.00	67.00
Starter Calves	n/a	n/a
Veal Calves	85.00	180.00
Feeder Heifers	65.00	120.00
Beef Heifers	52.50	62.50
Feeder Steers	85.00	125.00
Beef Steers	54.00	90.00
Feeder Bulls	55.00	100.00
Beef Bulls	62.00	66.00
Replacement Cows	n/a	n/a
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	1@	.22
Butcher Hogs	n/a	n/a
Feeder Pigs each	5@	45.00
Sheep each	75.00	90.00
Lambs each	65.00	200.00
Goats each	80.00	405.00
Kid Goats each	35.00	100.00
Canners	up to	39.50
Cutters	40.00	45.00
Utility Grade Cows	46.00	51.00
Rabbits each	5.00	35.00
Chickens each	30.00	40.00
Ducks each	3.00	13.00

BOSTON MARKET CUT FLOWERS

Wholesale. \$/unit listed.

Long stem unless noted. October 9, 2018.

DAHLIA, NENG, 5/BN	10.00	12.50
HYDRNGA, PG, NENG, /BN	12.00	12.50
SUNFLWR, NENG, 5/BN	7.50	8.75
SUNFLWR, NENG, EA	1.00	1.00
ZINNIA, XL, NENG, /BN	12.00	12.00

DAIRY CATTLE

New Holland, PA. Price per animal.

FRESH COWS		
APPROVED	875.00	1300.00
MEDIUM	500.00	850.00
SPRINGING COWS (7-9 MONTHS):		
APPROVED, FEW	850.00	1075.00
SPRINGING HEIFERS (7-9 MONTHS):		
APPROVED	750.00	1025.00
MEDIUM	550.00	775.00
BRED HEIFERS (4-6 MONTHS):		
APPROVED, FEW	650.00	850.00
OPEN HEIFERS		
100-300 LBS		
APPROVED, FEW	210.00	310.00
300-600 LBS		
APPROVED	275.00	435.00
MEDIUM, FEW	200.00	335.00
600-900 LBS		
APPROVED, FEW	485.00	500.00
MEDIUM, FEW	375.00	425.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA FEEDER PIGS

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US1-2		
40-50 lbs	55.00	65.00
50-60 lbs	40.00	50.00
US 2		
20-30 lbs	60.00	70.00
40-50 lbs	45.00	65.00

PRESERVATION OF COMANCHE HILL FARM

On October 4, 2018 the Connecticut Department of Agriculture (DoAg) joined the Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust and the Bridgewater Land Trust to celebrate the permanent protection of Comanche Hill Farm in Bridgewater by Bud Wright in honor of his late wife, Maureen A. Wright.



DoAg Commissioner Reviczky, Paul Elconin and Catherine Rawson of the Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust, and landowner Bud Wright at the October 4th ceremony in Bridgewater, CT.

Preservation was made possible through DoAg's Farmland Preservation Program. The Program involves the purchase of development rights (PDR) to place a permanent restriction on the deed of a property that limits its use to agriculture only.

The PDR for the 34-acre Comanche Hill Farm was deed recorded on July 20, 2018 in the town of Bridgewater. Comanche Hill Farm is almost entirely covered, more than 90 percent, with prime farmland soils. Bud Wright is an arborist and is a Bridgewater Land Trust board member. He impressively restored his 34-acre farm, along with assisting with the farmland restoration of Sunny Valley Preserve in New Milford.



Bud Wright of Comanche Hill Farm in Bridgewater, CT with tractor.

Bud is dedicating the agricultural easement to the memory of his wife Maureen Wright, who recently passed away. Bud and Maureen's longstanding commitment to conservation in Bridgewater, has helped to safeguard the town's working farmland and natural beauty for future generations.

Through its partnership with DoAg, the Weantinoge Herit-

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4-R. Packaging for egg sales. New egg cartons, flats, egg cases, 30 doz and 15 doz. Polinsky Farm 860-376-2227.

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49-R. Dahlia tubers – exhibiting/cut varieties. \$6 each. For more information about purchasing and varieties email info@strongfarm.org.

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73-R. Pumpkins – Full selection gourds, munchkins, novelty pumpkins and squash, white, prizewinner, face, and sugar. By the bin or trailer loads. Good color, stems, and spray program. Picked fresh. Dzen Farms, 860-648-1355.

75-R. Farm for sale. 9.2 acre about 40,000 sq. ft. greenhouses in Eastford, CT. Used to produce lettuce, cucumbers, herbs, tomatoes. \$329,000.00. Negotiable. 860-336-8000.

76-R. Registered Angus and Hereford cattle for sale. Open heifers, bred heifers, mature cows safe in calf to industry leading A.I. sires. Contact Eric at CJR. 860-567-9423, Extension 217.

77-R. Nursery hoops for sale in Suffield, CT. 100's available in 3 sizes, 14'W x 6'H, 17' x 9', 20' x 9'. Call Paul for more details 860-668-7371.

79. Massey Ferguson 63 HP. Perkins diesel engine, live power, Rops cab, 3 point hitch with forks, Woods brush hog. 203-509-3742.

80-R. Christmas greens: wreaths and roping, many sizes and varieties. Excellent for fundraisers. 203-457-1344.

81-R. Hay for Sale. New Hartford. 1st and 2nd . 860-806-1156.

83-R. Purebred Texel ram, year and a half old. Proven sire. Also spring born lambs, ready the end of October. Call 860-395-4833.

84-R. Tunis ram – He's a proven breeder, approx. 250 lbs. Contact Jamie at 203-556-1833.

85-R. Round bale metal hay rack - \$50. Truck mount 8 HP leaf vacuum - \$125. 203-266-0722.

86-R. IH 2 row corn planter to fit IH-"H" tractor. Chains, sprockets, extra plates, etc. \$200. Call David 203-453-9865.

WANTED

7-R. Livestock wanted: Dairy cattle, heifers of any age, beef cows, bulls, steers, feeder cattle, veal, groups of sheep and goats. RyanM01@comcast.net or 860-655-0958. If no answer, leave message. All calls returned.

87-R. Livestock trailer, any size or condition. Call Bruce 860-465-7543.

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MISCELLANEOUS

89-R. Bulldozing in Eastern CT. Farm ponds up to 3 acres. Need farm water, call Don Kemp. Also, land clearing. 860-546-9500.

AG JOB CONNECTION

82-R. Seeking farm manager for Green Acres Farm in Bristol, CT. Need experience with haying, handling and repairing farm equipment, property maintenance including snow plowing, and buying, selling, and managing small number of beef cows, and other farm related responsibilities. Resume and contact info should be sent to: Green Acres Farm, c/o Whit Betts, 1924 Perkins Street, Bristol, CT 06010. Tel: 860-681-1375.

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age Land Trust has accelerated farmland protection in Litchfield County by encouraging eight farmers, including Bud, to apply for DoAg's Farmland Preservation Program over the past two years.

Since 1965, the Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust has helped permanently protect 29 farms and 3,000 acres of farmland soils in Northwest Connecticut.



Bud Wright of Comanche Hill Farm in Bridgewater, CT.

FARM VIABILITY GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE NOVEMBER 20

Grant guidelines and applications for DoAg's Farm Viability Grant program are available online and must be submitted by November 20. The Farm Viability Grant can provide matching funds to Connecticut municipalities, groups of municipalities, regional councils of governments, and/or agricultural non-profit organizations for projects that foster agricultural viability. Please note this program may be limited by the availability of funding.

The maximum award under this program is \$49,999. Applicants must provide a 40% match through cash or in-kind services. Previously funded projects have included town-owned farm improvements, efforts related to farmland preservation, the purchase of processing equipment to increasing the availability of Connecticut Grown products year-round in schools, and a host of other efforts that foster agriculture viability. Grant guidelines and forms can be found at www.CTGrown.gov/grants.

UConn ROBOTIC MILKING CONFERENCE

UConn will host a Robotic Milking Conference on Friday, October 26, 2018 in room 100 of the W. B. Young Building, 1376 Storrs Road, Storrs, CT. The conference will cover the impacts of robotic milking on animal health, welfare, and economic sustainability for northeast dairy farms.

The conference will run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will be followed by an optional reception and dinner in the Ratcliffe Hicks Arena, 1380 Storrs Road, Storrs, CT. The registration fee, not including dinner, is \$40 per person. For participants from the same farm registering as a group of up to four people, the registration fee is \$40 for the first individual and \$20 each for (up to 3) additional people. The student registration fee is \$20. The cash bar reception and dinner are \$25 per person. The registration deadline is October 15, 2018.

For additional information and to register online visit <http://cahnr.uconn.edu/ansci/roboticmilking>. If you are an individual with a disability and need accommodations contact Sheila Andrew at Sheila.Andrew@UConn.edu or 860-486-0803.

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