

Tips When it Comes to Floods

**Barricades**

Please do not pass or move any barricades that have been put in place. They are up for your safety! If you see a road that needs to be closed due to flooding, please call the Austin County Sheriff's office (979-865-3111).

**Supplies**

Have supplies ready in case you need to leave your house in a rush because of the high flood waters.

**Be Neighborly**

Be sure and check on your neighbors to make sure they get out as well.

**Weather**

Watch the weather closely. If you think you might get flooded because of large amounts of rainfall, leave before the water rises. Do not wait. If the ground is already saturated, flooding is likely to occur.

**Move Livestock**

If you have livestock please make sure they are safe and away from possible flood areas. Move them to higher ground or temporarily relocate them. During hurricane season, when there is a high possibility of precipitation, be aware if there has already been several inches of rain, causing the water to rise faster. Please plan ahead and do not wait until the water is rising to move them out.

**Testing Your Well Water**

If your well has been flooded, you should assume that the water in it is contaminated. Do not use the well water for drinking, cooking, making ice, brushing your teeth or even bathing until you are satisfied that it is not contaminated.

Those submitting samples should use only sampling bottles from their AgriLife Extension office or directly from a testing center. Water samples for *E. coli* testing should be collected less than 24-30 hours before the sample is submitted. The bottle must contain exactly 100 ml water as indicated on the bottle or the lab will reject the sample. Our office has instructions for several different testing centers. We will included instructions that should be carefully followed to ensure accurate results.

**Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events**

- **July 4th: Austin County Extension Office — CLOSED for Independence Day**
- July 18th: Equine Emergency Preparedness — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 6:00 p.m.
- July 26th: Feathers, Furs, & Farming — Grazing — Weimar Civic Center, Weimar, 1:30 p.m.
- August 1-31st: Hay Show Sample Collection period
- August 2nd: Private Applicator Training — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 1:00 p.m.
- August 20th: Lunch n Learn Series – Companion Plants — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 11:50 a.m.
- August 23rd: BMGA Fruit & Citric Tree Sale — American Legion Post #442, Sealy, 10:00 a.m.
- August 23rd: Fall Horticulture Program — American Legion Post #442, Sealy, 12:30 p.m.
- August 30th: Lone Star Healthy Streams — Immaculate Conception Church, Industry, 1:30 p.m.
- **September 2nd: Austin County Extension Office — CLOSED for Labor Day**
- September 13th: In the Heart of Texas (Lawn Care) — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 1:30 p.m.
- September 17th: Lunch n Learn Series – Propagation — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 11:50 a.m.
- September 23rd-October 4th: Early Wine Show Entries — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville
- **October 4th-14th: Austin County Extension Office — CLOSED for Austin County Fair-Our Staff will be at the Fair**
- October 4th: Fall Forage Seminar & Hay Show — Austin County Fairgrounds, Bellville, 8:30 a.m.
- October 13th: Texas State-Wide Non-Commercial Wine Show — Austin County Fairgrounds, Bellville, 9:00 a.m.

## 16th ANNUAL TEXAS STATE-WIDE NON-COMMERCIAL WINE SHOW

It's that time of year in Texas for county fairs, rodeos, parades, and ag competitions, and the Austin County Fair has one contest that you will not find at any other County Fair in Texas. And regardless of where you live in Texas, you can participate in it! Produced and coordinated by the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association, the 16th Annual Texas State-Wide Non-Commercial Wine Competition will close out the Austin County Fair on October 13th at the Fairgrounds in Bellville, TX. The Wine Show is the only non-commercial wine competition presented by a county fair in Texas that is open to wine entries from non-commercial wine makers living anywhere in Texas.

Winning wines in ten categories will be awarded Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals. Better yet, three traditional Austin County Fair Belt Buckles will also be awarded to the Overall Grand Champion (giving you bragging rights for the entire state), Reserve Grand Champion (also selected from all entries), and the Austin County Grand Champion (awarded to the best Austin County wine). The Wine Show will be held in the American Legion Hall (988 E. Main, Bellville, TX) on the Austin County Fairgrounds. Judging (closed to the public) begins at 1:00pm with the hall opening to the public after the judging (approximately 3:30-5:00pm) for the presentation of awards.

Early entry and submission of wines will be accepted from September 23rd to October 4th between 8:30am-Noon and 1:00-4:00pm at the Austin County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office. Day-of-show registration and entry will be, Sunday, October 13th between 10:00am and 12:15pm. For a complete set of rules, entry form, registration, and wine submittal dates and locations, visit the Austin County Fair website at <https://austincountyfair.com/wine-show>.

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## 2024 BMGA Lunch n Learn – Fall Series

Bluebonnet Master Gardeners of Austin County are pleased to present the 2024 Fall “Lunch-N-Learn” series which is hosted on the third Tuesday of each month from August through November. Overall, the series features topics related to horticulture with homeowners and backyard gardeners in mind! The speakers are experts in their fields and practical gardeners with great tips and information for everyone.

Programs will be held at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office located at 800 E Wendt St, Bellville. Doors will open with registration beginning at 11:50 a.m. and the program beginning promptly at 12:00 p.m., concluding by 12:55 p.m. At the end of each session, the speaker and our Austin County Master Gardeners will be available to help answer gardening questions.

All Master Gardener Lunch-N-Learn programs are FREE and OPEN to the public, and you are welcome to bring your own lunch and drink. A few refreshments available as well. Registration is not required but is encouraged.

Presentations for the fall will be:

- Tuesday, August 20th – Companion Plants for Your Garden by Gerald DuPont, Bluebonnet Master Gardener
- Tuesday, September 17th – Propagation Basics by Randy Albers, Bluebonnet Master Gardener
- Tuesday, October 15th – Seed Library by Mary Ann Drawl, Waller County Master Gardener
- Tuesday, November 19th – Entomology by René Kofman, Bluebonnet Master Gardener

For more information regarding Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association please visit <https://txmg.org/bluebonnet/>.

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## AUSTIN COUNTY HOG BOUNTY

The Austin County Feral Hog Bounty is still going on! The Bounty program is offered with the support of the Austin County Commissioners Court. Participants will be awarded \$5 per feral hog harvested in Austin County, with biological evidence provided of harvest in the form of a pair of feral hog ears. Each pair must be placed in an individually sealed bag and dropped off at 1 of the 3 drop-off locations. Three local feed stores in the county - Steinhauer's in Sealy, Linseisen's Feed & Supply in Bellville, and Lindemann Store in Industry - will serve as the drop-off locations.

A limit of 20 pairs per household per month is allowed. All feral hogs must be harvested in Austin County & signed paperwork must be completed when dropping off the ears to collect the bounty.

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## FEATHERS, FURS, AND FARMING - JULY 26TH

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services in Austin and Colorado Counties are partnering with Texas Parks and Wildlife to host a Feathers, Furs, and Farming program on Friday, July 26, 2024. The focus of this program will center around Grazing. Topics covered will include determining stocking rates, grazing for wildlife management, and grazing programs for landowners. One TDA CEU (1 General) will be offered for TDA Pesticide Applicators.

The event will be held at the Weimar Civic Center located at 1754 IH-10, Weimar, Texas 78962. Registration will be from 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 1:30 p.m. and concluding at 5 p.m. Cost of attendance is \$15 per person or \$20 per couple.

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## HAY & FORAGE PRODUCERS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT SAMPLES FOR ANALYSIS

Beef & Forage Committee of Austin County is encouraging beef cattle producers to turn in a sample of their hay for analysis at this year's Austin County Hay Show. In coming months, hay samples will be accepted at different locations throughout Austin County. The analysis will be done by the Texas A&M Forage Testing Lab. Results will be available after the Annual Fall Forage Seminar at the Austin County Fairgrounds on October 4th or mailed directly to the producer following the program. Each location will have entry forms and directions for collecting samples. Collection boxes will be provided. In addition, the analysis is offered free of charge to anyone growing or feeding hay to livestock.

The analysis will give producers very useful information about the quality of the hay they are feeding to their livestock, and the test will help them determine what additional level of supplement may be needed during the winter. The test will show the crude protein level, total digestibility, and acid detergent fiber (ratio of leaf to stem). The testing campaign and Hay Show is open to any hay producer from Austin or surrounding counties.

Producers may submit as many samples as they wish for analysis in each of the following categories: 1) Improved (Hybrid) Bermudagrass (Except T-85) (e.g., Coastal, Jiggs, Alicia), 2) Other Bermudagrasses (e.g., Common Bermudagrass, Tifton 85), 3) Warm Season Annual Grasses (e.g., Rice Straw, Hay Grazer, Sudan Crosses, Sorghum Alum), 4) Other Warm Season Perennial Grasses (e.g., Eastern Gamagrass, Bluestem, Johnsongrass, Kleingrass, Bahiagrass), 5) Cool Season Grasses (e.g., Wheat, Oats, Cereal Rye, Ryegrass), 6) Legumes (e.g., Clover, Peanut, Cowpea), 7) Legume/Grass Mixtures (e.g., Rye/Clover, Oats/Vetch), and NEW this year 8) All other Mixed Grasses (e.g., Bermudagrass/Bahia, Bermudagrass/Johnsongrass). Please refer to the Austin County Hay Show Guidelines available online at <https://austin.agrilife.org/hay-show/>.

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## PRIVATE APPLICATOR TRAINING- UPDATED SCHEDULE

If you plan on using a state limited use or state restricted use pesticide, such as Grazon P+D, 2 4-D, Weedmaster, etc., and need a license, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Austin County will be hosting several Private Applicator Training classes during 2024 at the Austin County Extension Office, 800 E Wendt St, Bellville. Books and study materials for the course may be purchased ahead of time at the Extension Office for \$50.00. A registration fee of \$10.00 will be charged for the training. The registration fee will include the training and additional study materials. Payments need to be made by check or cash (exact change please). The training will begin at 1 p.m. and conclude about 5 p.m., available on the following days:

- Friday, August 2, 2024
- Friday, November 1, 2024

The Texas Department of Agriculture, who oversees the testing and administration of Applicator Licensing, has contracted with PSI Services to administer the exam for agriculture pesticide applicator licensing. Applicants will coordinate testing with PSI at one of their 22 locations around Texas. Details on the process, locations, cost, and other pertinent information will be provided at the training to help applicants complete the licensing process. Once applicants have completed the training and passed the exam with a score of 70 or above, they will be eligible to apply for the Private Applicator License, allowing for the purchase of all state limited use and restricted use pesticides used in agriculture.

Important: If an applicant has any questions about licensing or exam categories, please contact TDA at 800-835-5832 or 512-463-7622 or Texas Department of Agriculture – Agriculture Pesticide Program, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711.

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## SAVE THE DATE: BLUEBONNET MASTER GARDENER FRUIT & CITRUS TREE SALE

SAVE the DATE! The Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association will be hosting their Annual Fruit & Citrus Tree Sale on Friday, August 23rd. This will be a DAY OF SALE. A variety list will be found on the Bluebonnet Master Gardener website closer to the sale.

The Annual Fruit & Citrus Tree Sale will take place on Friday, August 23rd, starting at 11:00 am at the American Legion Post #442, 1630 Meyer St., Sealy, Texas. There will be Bluebonnet Master Gardeners on site to help with the selection of fruit and citrus trees. All trees are locally sourced to ensure they are climatized for this area.

All proceeds benefit the Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association scholarship fund, community gardening projects, and summer activities for area youth. The Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association is a network of trained Master Volunteers working directly with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Offices in Austin, Colorado, Fayette, and Washington Counties. More information can be found here: <https://txmg.org/bluebonnet>.

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# Home-Grown Vegetable Contest Winners

The Home-Grown Vegetable Contest was held Saturday, June 8th at Linseisen's Feed & Supply in Bellville. Along with the contest there was an educational program on How to Make Sauerkraut, presented by Robert Luedeker from Austin County Horticulture Committee.

We would like to thank our sponsors Linseisen's Feed & Supply for hosting the event and Nelson's Plant Food for their donation to the Best of Show winners and all entries.

This year's winners were:  
**1st Best of Show:** Sherry Burnham (Tomatoes-Slicers)  
**2nd Best of Show:** Martha Neva (Bell Peppers)  
**3rd Best of Show:** Sherry Burnham (Cucumbers)

## Best Tomato-Slicers

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Marian Cisarik  
 3rd: Charles Beckendorf

## Best Tomato-Snackers

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Marian Cisarik  
 3rd: Sherry Kutch

## Biggest Tomato

1st: Marian Cisarik  
 2nd: Sherry Burnham  
 3rd: Sherry Kutch

## Best Bell Peppers

1st: Gary Kroeger  
 2nd: Martha Neva  
 3rd: Hillary Kotwal

## Best All Other Peppers

1st: Sherry Kutch  
 2nd: Sherry Burnham  
 3rd: Charles Beckendorf

## Best Banana Peppers

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Junior Master Gardeners-Sealy

## Best Jalapeño Peppers

1st: Martha Neva  
 2nd: Sens Demonstration Garden (BMGA)

## Best Tomatillos

1st: Dolores Gonzalez

## Best Fruit/Berries

1st: Martha Neva (Green Apples)

## Best Pumpkin

1st: Hillary Kotwal

## Best Squash

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Hillary Kotwal

## Best Onions

1st: Gary Kroeger  
 2nd: Sherry Burnham  
 3rd: Charles Beckendorf

## Best Cucumbers

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Hillary Kotwal  
 3rd: Sens Demonstration Garden (BMGA)

## Best Eggplant

1st: Charles Beckendorf  
 2nd: Junior Master Gardeners-Sealy

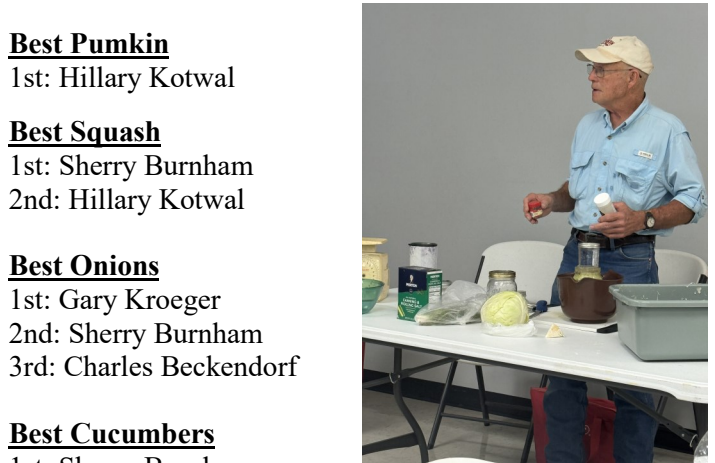
## Best Potatoes

1st: Sens Demonstration Garden (BMGA)  
 2nd: Charles Beckendorf  
 3rd: Sherry Burnham

## Best Okra

1st: Sherry Burnham  
 2nd: Sens Demonstration Garden (BMGA)

Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all who participated. There were 43 entries. If you would like to enter in the Vegetable Contest next year, please visit <https://austin.agrilife.org/agriculture/acvegcontest/>.





## Livestock Management Programs Equine Emergency Preparedness

**Date:** Thursday, July 18, 2024

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Austin County Extension Office  
(800 E Wendt St, Bellville, TX 77418)



### Topics:

- Identifying Staging Areas
- Emergency Support Function (ESF) #11
- Disaster Preparedness "Stay & Go" Kits

### Speaker:

Stephen Burnett, Program Specialist  
(TAMU Disaster, Assessment and Recovery)


### FREE TO ATTEND


\*refreshments will be served

Please RSVP by July 15th by scanning the QR Code above or calling (979)532-3310.

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFO, CONTACT:

Braxton Mitchell, Wharton/Austin County  
Extension Agent

 (979) 532-3310

 [bjmitchell@pvamu.edu](mailto:bjmitchell@pvamu.edu)

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**This Month:  
Grazing**

# FEATHERS, FURS, AND FARMING

**July 26, 2024**

Registration 1:00pm-  
1:30pm  
Program 1:30-5:00pm

**\$15/Person**  
**\$20/Couple**

**Weimar Civic Center**

1754 IH-10  
Weimar, TX 78962

**Laramie Kettler**  
979-732-2082  
Colorado County

**Stacie Villarreal**  
979-865-2072  
Austin County

**Mark Lange**  
979-732-3458  
Colorado County

**Jon McLeod**  
832-595-8999  
Austin/Pl. Bend County

## TOPICS

**1 CEU - General**

Determining Stocking Rate

Grazing for Wildlife Management

Grazing Programs for Landowners



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# Private Applicator Licenses Trainings for 2024



## Prices:

Training-\$10

Books-\$50

(2 manuals)

Cash or Check only!

Please bring exact change

Checks payable to:

Extension Program Council  
(EPC)

Nonrefundable

**Please RSVP to reserve  
your spot, space is limited**

<http://austin.agrilife.org/event-registrations/>



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Friday, May 17th

Friday, August 2nd

Friday, November 1st

*Training is from 1pm to 5pm*

*Check in/Registration starts 15 mins prior,  
Please do not arrive more than 15 mins before the class.*

*\*Date & Time are subject to change\**

*You may bring your own refreshments*

Training will be conducted at

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of

Austin County located at

800 E Wendt St., Bellville, TX 77418

The purpose of this training is to obtain a Private Applicator License from Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). This license will enable the applicator to purchase and apply state limited use and federally restricted chemicals on his land or land he has control of for the purpose of production of agricultural commodities. All farm and ranch operators who do not have a Private Applicator's License to purchase "restricted use" pesticides (such as 2, 4-D, Grazon P+D, Tordon 22K, etc.) will need to attend this training.

If you are interested in obtaining a Private Applicator License Training and need a different date, please contact the Austin County Extension office at (979) 865-2072 to purchase the manuals.

TEXAS A&M  
**AGRI LIFE**  
EXTENSION



# 2024 AUSTIN COUNTY **TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE** LUNCH N LEARN SERIES-FALL EXTENSION

HOSTED BY: BLUEBONNET MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION  
FREE/OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

AUSTIN COUNTY AGRILIFE EXTENSION OFFICE  
800 E WENDT ST  
BELLVILLE, TX 77418

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH  
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

REGISTRATION: 11:50AM - 12PM  
PROGRAM: 12PM -12:55PM

**August 20th**  
**Companion Plants for your Garden**  
**Gerald DuPont ,**  
**Bluebonnet Master Gardener**

**September 17th**  
**Propagation**  
**Randy Albers,**  
**Bluebonnet Master Gardener**

**SEED LIBRARY**  
**October 15th**  
**Seed Library**  
**Mary Ann Drawl,**  
**Waller County Master Gardener**

**November 19th**  
**Entomology**  
**Renee Kofman,**  
**Bluebonnet Master Gardener**

SCAN TO REGISTER



REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED BUT IS ENCOURAGED. TO REGISTER CALL THE OFFICE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [HTTP://AUSTIN.AGRILIFE.ORG](http://austin.agrilife.org)

QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL: TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE OF AUSTIN COUNTY AT 979-865-2072

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO REQUIRE AN AUXILIARY AID, SERVICE OR ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ACTIVITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE IN AUSTIN COUNTY AT LEAST EIGHT DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM FOR ASSISTANCE.  
THE MEMBERS OF TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE WILL PROVIDE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT TO ALL PERSONS REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, SEX, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, AGE, DISABILITY, GENETIC INFORMATION, VETERAN STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER IDENTITY AND WILL STRIVE TO ACHIEVE FULL AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY THROUGHOUT TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE.



# Save the Date

## Bluebonnet Master Gardener

# Fruit & Citrus Tree Sale

Select from tree varieties suitable to grow in Austin, Colorado, Fayette, and Washington Counties to help ensure grower success and a fruitful experience! Trees are grown by expert nurserymen, under controlled growing conditions to produce the healthiest and best quality products.

## August 23, 2024

### Location of Sale:

**American Legion Post #442**  
**1630 Meyer St.**  
**Sealy, TX 77474**

**Sale Starts at 11am**

- **No Online Pre-Sale; it will be first come first served the day of**
- **Trees MUST be paid for at time of pick up, no holds**
- **Will except Cash, Check, or Credit Cards**

To learn more about the Bluebonnet Master Gardeners visit:

<https://txmg.org/bluebonnet>

All proceeds benefit the Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association scholarships fund, community gardening projects, and summer activities for area youth.

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# 2024 Austin County Hay Show & Fall Forage Seminar

Hay Sample entry forms & boxes available at:

- Austin County Extension Office, Bellville Farm & Ranch, and Linseisen's Feed & Supply Inc in Bellville
- Steinhauser's in Sealy
- Bernardo Farm & Ranch in Cat Spring
- Lindemann Store in Industry
- 4M Farm & Ranch in New Ulm

Hay Samples collected August 1st-31st

Results will be available after Fall Forage Seminar

## Fall Forage Seminar

**Austin County Fairgrounds**

Friday, October 4, 2024

Registration: 8:30am - 9:00am

Program: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: \$30 per person (lunch included)

**RSVP by October 1st**

For more information or to RSVP please visit the Austin County Extension Office website: [austin.agrilife.org](http://austin.agrilife.org) or contact the office at 979-865-2072

Scan for more  
information





# In the Heart of Texas

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024**

**Location:**

Austin County Extension Office  
800 E Wendt St., Bellville TX

**Registration: 1:00pm**

**Program: 1:30pm-4:30pm**

*Program is Free*

## Topics & Speakers:

- **Mill Creek Watershed Update** *with Annalee Epps, Extension Program Specialist*
- **Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District Update** *with Zach Holland*
- **Efficient Water use on Landscapes** and
- **Fertilizer Use on Your Lawns** *with Dean Minchillo, Extension Program Specialist*
- **Selecting the Best Plants for Your Landscape** *with Lisa Nicklow, Bluebonnet Master Gardener*

Refreshments provided by the Bluebonnet  
Groundwater District

**RSVP by: September 11, 2024**

Please call Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
of Austin County at 979-865-2072





# LONE STAR HEALTHY STREAMS

Learn about

- Raising Backyard Poultry •
- Managing Feral Hogs •
- Livestock Grazing BMPs •

AND Improving Local Water Quality

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**Immaculate Conception  
Catholic Church**

Industry, TX

CEUs pending approval



TEXAS A&M  
**AGRI**LIFE  
EXTENSION

MILL CREEK  
WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

# SAVE THE DATE

## AUGUST 30TH

TEXAS STATE  
SOIL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION BOARD

Funding for this project is provided through a Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

# Texas State-Wide Non-Commercial Wine Competition at the Austin County Fair

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024**  
**AUSTIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**  
**AMERICAN LEGION HALL, 988 E. MAIN, BELLVILLE TX**

Produced & Coordinated by the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association

## DROP OFF/SHIPPING LOCATIONS

### Early Entries

\*Earlier entries may be submitted upon notification  
**September 23rd - October 4th**  
(9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm)

- AgriLife Extension Office-Austin County
    - 800 E. Wendt St., Bellville, TX 77418
- \*Entries may be shipped to the above location

Drop Off Day of Show  
**October 13th**  
(10:00am-12:15pm)

- American Legion Hall (Fairgrounds)
  - 988 E Main, Bellville, TX 77418

## Buckles & Medals

- State Champion Overall Belt Buckle
- State Reserve Champion Overall Belt Buckle
- Austin County Champion Belt Buckle
- Gold, Silver, Bronze Medals for each Class

## WINE CLASSIFICATIONS

- Red Wine-Dry
- Red Wine-Sweet
- White Wine-Dry
- White Wine-Sweet
- Blush/Rose'
- Dessert/Port/Sherry Style
- Native/Mustang/Muscadine Grape
- Fruit/Berry
- Sparkling Wine
- Mead

GRAPE WINE  
MUST BE "GO  
TEXAN"  
(75%+ TEXAS  
GRAPES)

NEW THIS  
YEAR

**\$10 per Entry**  
**Unlimited**  
**number of**  
**entries per**  
**category**

**Free Public**  
**Tastings and**  
**Awards**  
**Immediately**  
**after judging,**  
**approximately**  
**3:30 p.m.**



**Open to 2024**  
**and earlier**  
**Vintages.**  
**Repeat entries**  
**are not eligible.**

**Entry is**  
**minimum of 2,**  
**750 mL**  
**bottles, extra**  
**bottles may**  
**be brought**  
**for tasting**

For a set of complete rules and entry form visit: <https://austin.agrilife.org/wine/>



# Austin County Feral Hog Bounty Program

*Sponsored by: Austin County Commissioners Court*

## Austin County Bounty Program:

Subject to fund availability, participants will be awarded \$5 per feral hog harvested in Austin County. Biological evidence **MUST** be provided of harvest in form of a pair of feral hog ears. Each pair must be placed in an individually sealed bag and dropped off to 1 of the 3 drop off locations.



*Only 20 pairs  
per household  
per month*

**\$5/pair  
of ears**

## Drop Off Locations:

- ***Steinhauser's (Sealy location ONLY)***
- ***Linseisen's Feed & Supply (Bellville)***
- ***Lindemann Store (Industry)***

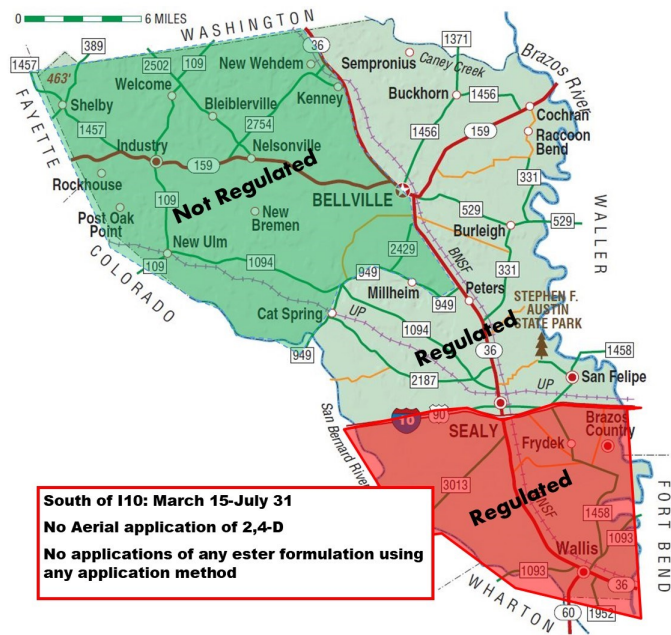
*Feral hogs can be harvested until funds are depleted. All feral hog **MUST** be harvested in Austin County.*



# SPRAY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR A PORTION OF AUSTIN COUNTY

As a reminder to anyone that will be using state limited use or state restricted use herbicides in Austin County, a permit to apply these herbicides must be obtained through the Texas Department of Agriculture if you plan on spraying in certain portions of the county. The following areas of Austin County must acquire a permit as is specified in the Texas Agricultural code, chapter 75,

1) Only that portion of Austin County lying east and south of the line beginning at the point where State Highway 36 crosses the north county line, thence southerly along Highway 36 to FM 949; thence westwardly along FM 949 to the San Bernard River is regulated by the Act, Subchapter G and regulations adopted thereunder.



**South of I10: March 15-July 31**  
**No Aerial application of 2,4-D**  
**No applications of any ester formulation using any application method**

2) Between March 15 and July 31, in that portion of Austin County lying south of Interstate Highway 10, the following restrictions on the use of 2,4-D formulations shall apply:

(A) the application by aircraft is prohibited.

(B) the use of all ester formulations by any method is prohibited.

Permits may be obtained from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service of Austin County at (979) 865-2072. Forms can also be obtained by contacting the Texas Department of Agriculture Gulf Coast Regional Office in Houston at (713) 921-8200.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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