

BASIN GRAZIER NEWS

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Late Summer 2017 Pasture Walks & Grazing News



August 23, Dairy Grazing Pasture Walk, RG Miller & Sons, Inc., 1706 County Road V, Columbus, WI 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

August 30, Beef Grazing Pasture Walk, Wagner Farm, W4759 State HWY 67, Campbellsport, WI 53010 1:00 pm — 3:00 pm

September 8, Agroforestry & Beef Grazing, Brattset Family & Feral Farms, N2437 Brattset Lane, Jefferson, WI 53549 1:00 pm— 4:00 pm

September 19, Twilight Sheep Grazing Pasture Walk, Rocky Knoll Ranch, W5190 Meske Road, Fort Atkinson, WI 6:00 pm— 8:00 pm

September 26, Dairy Grazing Pasture Walk, Saxon Farm, 15621 S Union Rd, Cleveland, WI 53015 1:00 pm—3:00 pm

Dairy Grazing Pasture Walk & Pasture Soil Health

Demonstration, Wednesday, August 23rd 1-3pm

RG Miller & Sons, Inc., 1706 County Road V, Columbus, WI

RG Miller & Sons, a member of Organic Valley, practice managed intensive rotational grazing with their 350-cow organic dairy utilizing about 1200 acres of pasture and cropland.

Guest speakers: **Dr. Guy Jodarski & Dr. Greg Brickner**, Organic Valley Staff Veterinarians and Grazing Specialists, will be present to discuss pasture diversity, medicinal pasture species and grazing animal herd health.

Rain Fall Simulator Demonstration: **Justin Morris, NRCS Regional Soil Health Specialist**, will lead a demonstration on soil health in pastures. This amazing hands-on demonstration will show aggregate stability and infiltration using soils from different fields on the farm.

Beef Grazing Pasture Walk, Wednesday, August 30, Wagner Farm, W4759 State HWY 67, Campbellsport, WI 53010 1:00 pm — 3:00 pm

Dan uses rotational grazing to grass finish 100% grass Fed & Finished beef for the Wisconsin Grass-Fed Beef Cooperative. The Wagner farm was the Wisconsin Grass-Fed Beef Cooperative Farm of the year for 2017. Dan finishes cattle year round for the Coop who markets their meat under the name of Wisconsin Meadows.

Dan Wagner will explain: Overall farm management & logistics of purchasing stockers and contracting with the WI Grass-Fed Beef Coop; livestock working tub; livestock rotations; and future farm plans.

Guest speakers: **Brian Pillsbury, NRCS, and Mike Gehl, Glacierland RC&D**, will discuss grazing heights and pasture renovation techniques.