

Directions

SOUTHERN PIEDMONT AREC

2375 Darvills Road, Blackstone, VA 23824

From Petersburg: Take US 460 West, take the 609/460 Business exit near Blackstone turning left on to 609/US 460 Business, go about 1 mile turn left (first paved road - Military Highway). At stop sign turn left, go about 1/2 mile crossing two railroad tracks. We are just past second railroad track on the left.

From Richmond: Take US 360 West approximately 16 miles, turn left on to US 153 until it ends turn right on to US 460 West, turn left on to 609/US 460 Business, go about 1 mile turn left (first paved road - Military Highway). At stop sign turn left, go about 1/2 mile crossing two railroad tracks. We are just past second railroad track on the left.

From The Town of Blackstone: Take Dinwiddie Ave (also Highway 40 East), travel approximately 1 1/2 miles east on Highway 40 past Fort Pickett main gate. Keep straight approximately 1/2 mile crossing two railroad tracks. Just past the second railroad track, turn left.

WYTHEVILLE MEETING CENTER

333 Community Boulevard, Wytheville, VA 24382

- From I-81 North (Bristol/Abingdon): Take Exit 72 to I-77 Exit 41.
- From I-81 South/I-77 North (Roanoke or Hillsville/Galax): Take Exit 72 to I-77 Exit 41.
- From I-77 South (Bluefield): Take Exit 41.



- **Then, from all directions:**
- Peppers Ferry Road to
- Community Boulevard, left turn in front of Comfort Suites.

- For a map see: <http://rec.wytheville.org/directions.php>.

WEYERS CAVE COMMUNITY CENTER

682 Weyers Cave Road, Weyers Cave, VA 24486

From Interstate 81, take exit 235

Travel east on Weyers Cave Road (Rt. 256) for approximately 1.5 miles Weyers Cave Community Center will be on the left.

BRANDY STATION FIRE DEPARTMENT

19601 Church Road, Brandy Station, VA 22714

From the north – travel 29 south crossing into Culpeper County at the Rappahannock River near Remington. Continue south through the stop light on 29 at Elkwood and prepare to turn left off of 29 at the next light at Brandy Station. Turn right 50 yards from 29 and take this road to BSFD – park on the west side.

From the south – travel 29 north crossing into Culpeper County at Crooked Run near Leon. Continue north past the Reva Market, Merrimac Grocery and the Town of Culpeper. Continue north around Culpeper passing 29 business, route 15, route 3 and route 666. Pass by 29 business again and go to the next intersection which will be the light at Brandy Station. Turn right 50 yards from 29 and take this road to BSFD – park on the west side

VFGC Membership or Renewal Application

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip

County _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email _____

Individual Member - \$25 for 1-year membership	
Individual Member - \$65 for 3-year membership	
Farm Member - \$40 includes 2 people for 1-year membership	
Farm Member - \$100 includes 2 people for 3-year membership	
Corporate Member - \$250 minimum	

Please make check payable to VFGC.

Remit with membership application to:

Ms. Margaret J. Kenny

VFGC

3599 Indian Oak Road

Crewe, VA 23930

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Margaret Kenny 434-292-5331 ext 240 during business hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

3599 Indian Oak Road
Crewe, VA 23930



2016 Winter Forage Conferences

Hosted by

**Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
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January 26

Southern Piedmont AREC,
Blackstone

January 27

Wytheville Meeting Center,
Wytheville

January 28

Weyers Cave Community Center,
Weyers Cave

January 29

Brandy Station Fire Department,
Brandy Station

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Tall Fescue in the 21st Century: Understanding and Managing Tall Fescue in Grazing Systems

Tuesday, **January 26**, Southern Piedmont AREC, Blackstone
 Wednesday, **January 27**, Wytheville Meeting Center, Wytheville
 Thursday, **January 28**, Weyers Cave Community Center, Weyers Cave
 Friday, **January 29**, Brandy Station Fire Department, Brandy Station

2016 Winter Forage Conferences Agenda

8:30 - 9:00	Registration
Morning Theme - Issues and problems	
9:00 - 9:30	What we have learned about Tall Fescue - Matt Booher and John Benner, Virginia Cooperative Extension
9:30 - 10:15	Tall Fescue Toxicosis: Impacts on the Animal - Glen Aiken, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Lexington Kentucky
10:15 - 10:45	Break and Visit with Sponsors
10:45 - 11:30	Novel Endophyte Tall Fescue: Opportunities and Challenges - Joe Bouton, Bouton Consulting - *** <i>Sponsored by PENNINGTON SEED</i> ***
1130 - 1200	Business Meeting and Forage Producer of the Year
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch and Visit with Sponsors
Afternoon Theme - Potential solutions	
1:00 - 1:15	Ecology of Grazinglands - Student Presentation
1:15 - 1:45	T-Snip: a Test for Tolerance to Toxicosis. - Craig Roberts, AgBotanica, LLC and University of Missouri Extension
1:45 - 2:15	Seedhead Suppression in Tall Fescue Pastures - Pat Burch, Dow AgroSciences
2:15 - 2:45	Producer Speaker - How I manage Tall Fescue on my farm
2:45- 3:30	Putting the Pieces Together-An Integrated Approach to Managing Tall Fescue in Grazing Systems - John Andrae, Clemson University *** <i>Sponsored by BARENBRUG USA</i> ***
3:30	Adjourn and surveys

Questions about the program?

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Program Registration

No refunds for cancellation after January 4, 2016

Register on-line at www.vaforages.org
 or complete form and mail

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email _____

Check which meeting you will attend:

- Southern Piedmont AREC, Blackstone
- Wytheville Meeting Center, Wytheville
- Weyers Cave Community Center, Weyers Cave
- Brandy Station Fire Dept., Brandy Station

Early Registration - Before January 4, 2016

\$35.00 early registration per attendee

Late Registration - After January 4, 2016

\$50.00 late registration per attendee

Student Registration \$15.00 per college or high school student

Harlan White Scholarship Fund
 Amount \$ _____

Early registration must be post marked before January 4, 2016

Make Check Payable to: **VFGC**

Mail Check and Registration to:
 2016 Winter Forage Conference
 Margaret Kenny
 3599 Indian Oak Road
 Crewe, VA 23930

The **morning session** will focus on problems and issues associated with the use of tall fescue in grazing system. Matt Booher and John Benner will discuss “What we have learned about Tall Fescue” - explaining the take away points from their field trials in the Valley. Glen Aiken of the USDA’s Agricultural Research Service, Lexington Kentucky will then discuss the impact of tall fescue on the animal. Joe Bouton will end the morning session with a discussion of challenges and opportunities of incorporating novel endophyte tall fescues into grazing systems.

The **afternoon session** will focus on finding practical solutions to using tall fescue in grazing systems. Craig Roberts of the AgBotanica, LLC and University of Missouri will lead a discussion of cattle genetics and resistance to tall fescue toxicosis. Pat Burch of Dow AgroSciences will discuss the chemical suppression of seedheads in tall fescue pastures. The highlight of the afternoon will be presentations by local producers on how they manage tall fescue on their farms. The final summary speaker of the day will be John Andrae of Clemson University and co-author of “Fescue Toxicosis and Management”. Dr. Andrae will discuss putting all the pieces together to form an integrated approach to managing tall fescue in grazing systems.

These conferences will be the best tall fescue conferences in the country and it is happening at your doorstep in Virginia. Please visit the VFGC web site (<http://vaforages.org>) for additional details and registration information.

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