

Empire Farm Days: August 7-9, 2018 Rodman Lott & Son Farms, Seneca Falls, NY 877-697-7837, www.empirefarmdays.com



Cattle handling demonstration at Empire Farm Days. Photo: Empire Farm Days

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Beef Up Your Farm Enterprise at Empire Farm Days

Seneca Falls, NY. The New York Beef Producers Association has set its schedule of beef activities for the August 7-9, 2018 Empire Farm Days in Seneca Falls, NY.

In addition to the live beef breed animals exhibits in the Beef Tent with producers available for conversation and the Beef BBQ Tent with delicious beef BBQ sandwich and complete lunch options, a full slate of demonstrations are planned.

Each day of the show demonstrations at the Beef Area will include:

9:30 AM Designing A Cattle Handling System- (This session only to be held at the Runnings Booth Space #600)

* Designing a Cattle Handling System for the safety of cattle and handlers.

10:00 AM Cull or keep? Udder Structure, Feet and Legs. Impact on your bottom line.

* Learn about the importance of culling cows with poor udder confirmation and/or feet and legs. Live cows will be on hand to evaluate.

11:00 AM Cattle Handling Demonstration.

⁶ Dr. Mike Baker and handling equipment vendors will demonstrate the different types of chutes and head gates available for proper moving and handling of cattle.

12:00 PM Putting Profit in your Pocket with Preconditioning Practices.

 Protocols for preconditioning – bunk break, water and feed placement, nutrition.

1:00 PM Selecting feeder cattle for background and/or stocker operations.

* Understanding how confirmation affects feeder calf value. Live cattle used in evaluation.

2:00 PM When is he ready to go?

* How to determine when a steer/heifer is finished. Live cattle used in evaluation.

***Tuesday Only- August 7th Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) Training

- * 4:00 pm 7 pm. Beef BBQ included.
- * This is also a recertification course if you need to recertify.
- Must Pre-register By August 3rd, to Katherine Brosnan, <u>kbrosnan@nybeef.org</u>, (315) 339-6922. For information on the training and certification, contact Mike Baker, <u>mjb28@cornell.edu</u>, 607-255-26923.

Empire Farm Days is the largest outdoor agricultural trade show in the Northeastern U.S. The event includes agricultural and rural living equipment, working equipment and crops demonstrations, test driving, products, live horse and cattle demonstrations, safety information, and much more with more than 600 exhibitors and vendors. For details on the 2018 Empire Farm Days event, visit the website at <u>www.empirefarmdays.com</u>.

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