



FIELD DAY & FARM TOUR

GEORGIA MOUNTAIN RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CENTER

EVENTS BEGIN AT 8 A.M. AND END AT 3:30 P.M.

JULY 24, 2024

Research tours, exhibits & more!
Event registration is open to the public



RSVP INFORMATION

PLEASE REGISTER USING THE QR CODE



LOCATION

195 Georgia Mountain Experiment Station Road, Blairsville, GA 30512



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SCHEDULE



- 8 a.m.** **Registration**
- 8:30 a.m.** **Greetings**
- 8:45 a.m.** **Guided Research Tours**
- Noon** **Equipment, Product and Sponsor Exhibits**
Lunch — Sponsored by Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D, F. Riley
- 1:15 p.m.** **Self-Guided: Precision Ag Drones to Assess Plant Health and Weeds**
GMREC Superintendent R. Covington at Auditorium Parking lot
AND
Self-Guided: Precision Ag Guidance System
Union County FFA Students at field across from main office
- 3 p.m.** **Field Day Ends and Credit Confirmation**
Pesticide & GCLP credit will be given from the GMREC Auditorium
5 hrs Commercial Credit in Categories 21,22,23,24,27 and 3 hrs Private Credit in Category 10, and GCLP

PRESENTATIONS

Management of Apple Diseases of Major Concern for the Georgia Industry – UGA Plant Pathology
Dr. Phillip Brannen & Graduate Student Jonathan Henson

Lost & Found: Resurrecting Rare and Extinct Apple Cultivars – UGA Franklin College
S. Mihm (tentative)

Soybean Looper Resistance Trial – UGA Entomology
Dr. Wayne Parrott & Graduate Student Jake Spittle

Elemental Sulfur and Air Induction Nozzles for Control of Powdery Mildew in Grapes – UGA Plant Pathology
Dr. Phillip Brannen & Graduate Student Walt Sanders

Sweet Sorghum Variety Trial – Union County Extension
ANR Agent Jacob Williams

Ancient Tomato Trial – UGA Horticulture & Institute of Plant Breeding, Genetics, and Genomics
Dr. Esther van der Knaap

Corn Grain Dryland Variety Trail – UGA Variety Testing
Dr. Daniel Mailhot

Aronia: A new Superfood and Specialty Fruit for North Georgia – UGA Horticulture
Dr. Bodie Pennisi

Cold Tolerance & Disease Management in Zoysiagrass – UGA Crop & Soil Sciences
Dr. Brian Schwarz, Plant Pathology Post-Doc Research Associate Dr. Bikash Ghimire & Assist. Professor Dr. Bochra Bahri

Turf-type Tall Fescue Plot Evaluation – UGA Crop & Soil Sciences
Dr. Phillip Vines

Survey in Cavity Nesting Bees in Apples- UGA Entomology
Graduate Research Assistant Miriam Edelkind-Vealey



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GMREC TEAM

Ray Covington
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Ornamental Research Manager

Cooper Colwell
Orchard & Vineyard Manager

Becky Griffin
Community & School Garden Coordinator

Kyle Haney
Rural Health Manager



REC CONTRIBUTORS & STAKEHOLDERS

Union County Schools FFA Program Teacher Katie Rittenhouse and her Students

Union County College & Career Academy Director Josh Davis

Union County Commissioner Lamar Paris and Manager Larry Garrett

Union County Recreation Department Director Beau Ballard

Union County Farmers Market Manager Dustin Rogers & Kristy Peney

North Georgia Technical College Agriculture Educator Rusty Logan

Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D Director Frank Riley

Nelson Tractor Company Owner Operator Will Nelson

AgPro Murphy North Carolina General Manager Joe Arnick

Chandler Equipment of Gainesville Georgia Salesperson Taylor Turner

Mercier Orchards David Lillard & Ashley Hoppers

Take-A-Break Portables Sherri Rodriguez

Southeastern Farmers CO-OP Sales Joe Garner

Union/Towns County Extension ANR Agent Jacob Williams

White County Extension ANR Agent Nathan Eason

Rabun County Extension ANR Agent John Scaduto

Dawson/Lumpkin Extension ANR Agent Clark MacAllister

Georgia Mountain REC Endowment- Wayne & Barbara Hanna

Mountain View Seeds Sales Re. Mark Thomas

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