

## Samantha's Bushel to **Barnyard Ag Report**

March - April 2023

### **Upcoming Events**

### **March**

12th - Daylight Savings Begins 23rd - Áll Ábout Tomatoes Session 1 25th - Home & Garden Show 30th - All About Tomatoes Session 2

April
1st - Home Collection 6th - All About Tomatoes Session 3

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# Gardening & Lawn Care

### March

- \*Cut back dead foliage after new green growth is spotted.
- \*Move cold sensitive plants back outside but be prepared to move them back in if a late freeze is predicted.
- \*Lots of planting is happening this month so make sure you are doing a lot of soil preparation as well.

## **April**

- \*Mulch the base of trees to help prevent damage to the trucks of trees from mowers.
- \*Palm trees can be planted now if you are wanting to add some to your landscaping.
- \*Best management practice is to be "present" in your own garden.

While shopping these next couple of months look for these fruits & vegetables which should be in season now!

Produce Spotlight

Broccoli Cabbage Carrots Spinach Cucumbers
Greens
Peaches
Strawberies

# Gardening & Lawn Care

### **2023 Rodeo Tomato**

### **THUNDERBIRD**

by Sakata®

improved quality, high-yielding hot set determinate round hybrid variety with a strong plant and good general disease resistance.

The plants have a good balance of cover and ease of harvest. Fruit is extra-large in size, very firm, with good shelf-life. The color is deep red and part of the Sakata high color range. Thunderbird is a dual-purpose variety with both vine-ripe and mature green potential.



More Information about the 2023 Rodeo Tomato can be found HERE!!!

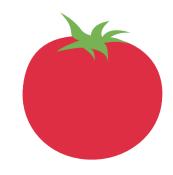
## **All Things Tomatoes**

We have an exciting series coming up exclusively about tomatoes! This is a lunch and learn series which means you'll bring lunch and for an hour we'll learn about tomatoes.

March 23rd, 30th, and April 6th.

Noon to 1pm, Bring Your Own Lunch

\$10/Session or \$20/Series



# Gardening & Lawn Care

## **Turfgrass Weeds**

Identifying your weeds is key to making sure you select the correct herbicide.

Weeds are classified into three categories.

Weed Type	Broadleaf	Grassy	Sedges
Stem	Solid, various shapes	hollow, round	solid, triangle design
Examples	Henbit, Chickweed, Prostrate Spurge, Slender aster	Crabgrass, Dallisgrass, Annual bluegrass, Smutgrass	Purple nutsedge, Yellow nutsedge, Green Kyllinga







Rescuegrass Grass



Annual Sedge Sedge

Aggie Turf has an entire <u>website</u> dedicated to identifying turf grass weeds.

# Pasture Management

## **Sprayer Calibration**

Sprayer Calibration: Sprayer calibration is a critical step for a pesticide applicator in making sure the correct amount of pesticide is applied to the target site. Calibration is the process by which the amount of pesticide being applied per unit of area is determined. This step is most often skipped because we get in a hurry, we calibrated it once a long time ago (surely nothing has changed) or we forget. By skipping sprayer calibration, the applicator may be applying too much pesticide or not enough pesticide.

If too little pesticide is applied, the pest may not be controlled.

**Step by Step Calibration** 

## **Should you Replant your Pasture?**

This article has fantastic information about using your resources and goals to determine if should completely replant your pasture or try and maintain established forages. Below are 5 takeaways from the article.

Before deciding to replant.

- 1. Identify clearly your goals for the property.
- 2. Determine what the land should look like to meet your goals.
- 3. Gain knowledge on what management practices may be available for improving the existing forage base.
- 4. If reseeding is still the best option to maintain the integrity of the land and the operation, increase recreational opportunities, or to increase the real estate value if sold, consult professionals for assistance with seed selection specific to your ecoregion and soil type to increase the chance of success.
- 5. Contact local USDA offices to seek potential assistance programs that may reduce landowner investment.

# Upcoming



9 AM - 5 PM

Floresville Event Center 600 Hwy 97 W, Floresville

TRACTOR **DISPLAYS!** 

7 Stupendous Drawings throughout the day!

Workshops & Classes To Be Announced! · Performances by Master Duncan's Martial Arts

### Plants by:

- ✓ Color Me Green
- ✓ Guadalupe County Master Gardeners
- √ Happy Garden
- ✓ H-E-B
- ✓ Labatt Acres Farm
- ✓ Raging Roots Farm
- ✓ Sweet Mesquite Farm

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# Upcoming Program



### WILSON COUNTY COLLECTION EVENT

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE, USED TIRES, USED ELECTRONICS & PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE

April 1, 2023 • 8 a.m. - Noon

Wilson County Expo Center 435 TX-97 E, Floresville, TX 78114

### WHAT TO BRING FROM HOME:

The following items will be accepted in household quantities, at no charge

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:

- Acids
- Antifreeze
- Car & Light Truck Tires with No Rims \*NO TRACTOR TIRES
- Batteries
- · Used Motor Oil & Filters
- · Transmission & Brake Fluid
- Cleaning Products (polish, oven cleaner, stain remover, drain openers)
- Household Products Labeled "Caution," "Warning" or "Poison"
- · Paint, Solvents & Varnish
- · Pool Chemicals
- Lawn & Garden Chemicals, Herbicides & Pesticides

### USED ELECTRONICS:

- Electronics-Microwaves, Blenders, Toasters
- · Televisions (no wooden consoles)
- Monitors Computer Components & Parts

### PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE:\*

- Prescription Meds (pills, liquids, creams, patches)
- Non-Prescription (pills, liquids, creams, patches)
- Pet Medications
- · Vitamin & Herbal Supplements
- Inhalers
- LEAVE items in original containers & Black out all personal information
- \*\*NO SHARP OBJECTS







NO BUSINESSES. Residents of Wilson County only, proof of address required. FREE on a first come, first served basis. Collection will close at the discretion of the sponsors. For more information, call 1-866-345-7272 ext. 3641.

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF WHAT TO BRING & WHAT NOT TO BRING, VISIT SARIVERAUTHORITY.ORG OR SCAN THE CODE.