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Is the Cattle Market Down??

The cattle market is not as good as it was a few months ago. The prices were at record highs and they have softened from where they were. In recent weeks, most market reports are showing increases in the price for feeders and fed cattle. Cull cows and bulls are probably recovering slower than the rest. The time of the year may be a part of this as well. This is the first week of November and several cow/calf operations wean in October. So, with weaning often comes many calves on the market, plus culling of more cows than most months.

So, where is the market? I am not a market specialist, but I can see prices. One thing that made me, and some other producers that shared some of this information, pay attention was the recent prices for bred heifers at a few sales, nearby in Kentucky.

These are unofficial numbers, but on October 31 a special bred heifer sale took place in Maysville with 132 heifers being marketed. The range on these heifers was \$2000 - \$2600 with an average of \$2263. In Paris on Monday night, the Elite Heifer Sale had approximately 350 heifers that ranged from \$2150 to \$2700 with an average of \$2377.

Deer Season Thoughts

I want to just share a few thoughts from a recent conversation with Scott Cartwright, Adams Co. Wildlife Officer concerning harvesting deer this season. For one thing, Antlerless Tags are not valid in most of the state including Adams, Brown and Highlands Counties. For more information go to <http://wildohio.com>

The other issue would be concerning the harvesting of a big buck. By a big buck I am talking around 200 inches. Scott would like to be contacted directly so he can come and certify these large bucks for you to help reduce the rumors of the big trophy bucks being poached. To contact the Wildlife Officer in any county you can call 937-372-5639. For Adams County the extension is 5205, in Brown Co. 5220, and in Highland Co. 5214. If after hours, and you can't reach the Wildlife Officer directly, contact the county sheriff's office.

EPA Proposes Changes for Pesticide Applicators

In case you missed it in last week's column, here are the links explaining the proposed changes. If you would like to be able to read the proposals without typing in the links, go to <http://corn.osu.edu> and the links should be hot.

The public may comment on the EPA's proposal through November 23, 2015; there have been



formal requests for an extension to the deadline. Comments may be submitted to the EPA at <http://www.regulations.gov> in docket number [EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0183](http://www2.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/epa-proposes-stronger-standards-people-applying-riskiest-pesticides). Learn more about the proposal and certification for pesticide applicators: <http://www2.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/epa-proposes-stronger-standards-people-applying-riskiest-pesticides>

Dates to Remember

- Nov. 7 Cow/Calf Conference at Morehead State starting at 9:00 a.m. Explanation in more detail in last week's column. . For more information contact Dennis Perry at (606) 783-9342 or by cell at (606) 776-0800.
- Nov. 9 Pesticide Testing at the Old Y Restaurant at noon.