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THURSDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

Swards for the Future conference and workshop

An important and informative conference for anyone involved in the grassland industry, including industry partners, farmers, co-op representatives, advisors and researchers.

An exciting two-day conference and workshop running from September 8-9 to explore 'Resilient Swards for the Future'.

- Venue: Teagasc Animal and Grassland Research and Innovation Centre, Moorepark, Fermoy, Co Cork.
- Event time: 9am.

The registration fee (€100) includes attendance at the two day event, lunch on both days, tea/coffee breaks and a proceedings booklet. Register on the Teagasc website.

Teagasc Crop Forum

- Event time: 2pm - 5pm.
- Venue: Killashee House Hotel, Naas. After being delivered virtually for the past two years, the annual Teagasc Crop Forum will return this year as a hybrid event with an option to attend in person or tune in online.

The themes of this year's Crop Forum will be:

- CAP in a tillage context.
- Reducing financial risk on tillage farms.

The forum will conclude with a

discussion between contributors from across the sector.

Richard Long – DairyBeef500 demonstration farm walk

- Venue: Farm of Richard Long, Ballymacarbry, Co Waterford. Eircode: E91 VH67.
- Event time: 3pm.

See article featuring Richard on page 14 in this edition of Today's Farm.

THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

Contract heifer rearing farm walk – Cork

Should you consider contract heifer rearing?

- Venue: Farm of Lyle Buttimer, Gurrane, Fermoy, Co Cork. Eircode: P61 A256.
- Event Time: 11am.

THURSDAY 20-22 SEPTEMBER

Science Working for You – Teagasc at the National Ploughing Championships 2022

The full range of Teagasc activities will be represented at the event. Whether your interest is in beef, sheep, dairy or tillage, an expert will be present.

If you are interested in Acres, farm management, transferring your family farm, downloading an app or

podcast or furthering your education with Teagasc, there will be someone to guide you.

Young and old will have the opportunity to test their machinery safety skills. The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) is investing about €1.2m in machinery simulators for use in education settings and one will be available on our stand.

The Teagasc Food programme will showcase world-leading research and expertise in Food for Health, Food Quality, and Food Innovation. VistaMilk will present a 3D cow model accessorised with sensors demonstrating digitalisation in the dairy industry.

The outdoor area of the exhibit will demonstrate how Teagasc is using science and the latest technologies to help farmers make a profit, protect the environment and reduce the output of greenhouse gases.

Live animals will showcase how it is possible to reduce greenhouse gas emissions per calf and increase profit per cow calved.

Other outdoor exhibits will include cover crops, soil profiles, red and white clover and managing high production swards.

Managing parasite resistance and plant nutrients will be addressed.



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Also there will be demonstrations of opportunities in forestry, biodiversity etc. And Teagasc is hiring! So if you want to find out about the opportunities and benefits of a career with Teagasc, visit us at Block 3, Row 17, Stand 282.

THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

National Organic Beef Open Day

Teagasc, Bord Bia and DAFM are jointly organising a National Organic Beef open day on the farm of John Purcell, Ross, Golden, Cashel, Co Tipperary, Eircode E25 RP20, from 10am–3pm.

The open day is aimed at providing up-to-date best practice for existing organic farmers and also aims to pro-

vide an insight into organic farming methods for those farmers contemplating converting their farms.

Topics for discussion on the day will include beef production systems (beef stock demonstrations), organic markets, financial supports, clover, soil health, farm buildings for organic beef production, economics, habitats and biodiversity and an organic food village with exhibitors.

Many stakeholders operating in the organic sector including certification, education and retail, will be in attendance and will provide a one stop shop for farmers to cover all aspects of organic farming, from technical knowledge to education to market development to financial supports and much more.

The final part of the open day will feature an open forum to discuss the future of the Irish organic beef sector. The date for this event is significant, as it will be just in advance of the opening of the next application window for the Organic Farming Scheme in October.

THURSDAY 30 SEPTEMBER – SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER

Below Ground: Soil life in a changing climate

• Location: Johnstown Castle Museum.

Do you know what goes on below our feet? A bustling community of plant roots, tiny animals and microbes underpin our way of life – bringing us food, cleaning our water and regulating our climate.

The life and wonder of soil is always with us, but rarely seen. So, we want to find out how vibrant soil communities are affected by climate change, and how this will affect us.

Enjoy this exhibition from scientists and artists who bring the secrets of soil to life, and join us on our journey “below ground.”

This event is funded by Teagasc, Science Foundation Ireland and the British Ecological Society. It is part of the Festival of Farming and Food (Science Week).

Transferring The Family Farm – Succession and Inheritance Events 2022.

Location	Date of Event
Radisson Blu Hotel, Paddy Harte Road, Letterkenny, Co Donegal, F92 FK15.	Tuesday 4 October
McWilliam Park Hotel, Kilcolman Road, Boherduff, Claremorris, Co Mayo, F12 D1W3.	Wednesday 5 October
Mullingar Park Hotel, Dublin Road, Marlinstown Bog, Mullingar, Co Westmeath, N91 A4EP.	Thursday 6 October
Abbey Court Hotel, Dublin Road, Nenagh South, Nenagh, Co Tipperary, E45 KA99.	Tuesday 11 October
Charleville Park Hotel, Limerick Road, Charleville, Co Cork P56 V268.	Wednesday 12 October
Amber Springs Hotel, Wexford St, Knockmullen, Gorey, Co Wexford, Y25 FY07.	Thursday 13 October