Fall Farm Meeting with a Focus on Forages

DATE: Wednesday, October 25, 2023

TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WHERE: Four Girls Dairy, Peter Rainville, 221 Swamp Road, Fairfax

Enjoy lunch with us at 1:00 p.m.

Must register here by 10/23 for a head count for lunch.

Join us on October 25 at Four Girls Dairy in Fairfax. Owner, Peter Rainville, and UVM Extension will discuss optimizing forage quality and increasing home grown forages in diet. Four Girls Dairy is a 75 cow dairy with a robotic milker. Peter has been fine-tuning his operation over the years to create an efficient dairy operation with minimal additional labor.

Peter has been focused on increasing the quality and quantity of homegrown forage being produced and fed on his farm. Working with UVM Extension they have been focused on forage improvement strategies in the field and the barn. Improved forage seedings, harvest management, and ration formulation will be discussed. We will also view the farms new robotic feed sweeper. We'll be joined by dairy nutritionists Patrice Vincent and Kurt Cotanch, who will share tips and considerations for successfully feeding more homegrown forage.

Free event with lunch provided. Must register by 10/23 please. Call Susan at 802-524-6501, email Susan.brouillette@uvm.edu, or go online at https://2023FallFarmMeeting.rsvpify.com to register.

Two (2) VAAFM Water Quality and CCA credit hours available.

To request a disability related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Susan Brouillette at (802) 524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 (toll-free in Vt. only) by October 11 so we may assist you.





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