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Controlling Gastrointestinal Parasites in a Grazing Herd; Breaking their Life cycle in NH

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Presenter: Dot Perkins, UNH Cooperative Extension, Merrimack County

Bio: Dot's main focus in the county is to increase agricultural awareness through education. She works directly with commercial growers to increase profit margins by decreasing inputs, thereby helping to preserve open spaces. Best management practices, including IPM techniques, are emphasized. In addition, she works with the general pubic via walk-in, email, phone, and lectures to increase their growing knowledge, environmental impact and effect on agriculture as a whole. She is a certified: Permaculture Designer, National Plant Diagnostic Network First Detector, and Herbal Information Specialist. Born to a New England farm family, Dot grew up learning about vegetable farming, and backyard livestock production. She has extensive experience raising cows, ducks, chickens, rabbits, pigs, veal and goats. She earned her BS in Plant Biology at UNH in 2001, and is currently working on a Masters degree in Animal Sciences where she is focused on using condensed tannins in forages to control gastrointestinal parasites in organic livestock.

Dot is an avid gardener, herbalist, and taxonomist. Her favorite farm animals are Saanen goats. Her biggest hobby/passion is identifying native weeds and researching their uses.

This is a 50-minute PowerPoint presentation with some time after for questions.
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Information about parasite life cycles and how they are affected by New Hampshire weather and your grazing strategy, the pro's and con's of fecal egg counts; do they fall short for control?, understanding the different classes of synthetic wormers and dosages as it relates to control, and a question and answer segment.

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