
Meet the Speakers

Dr. Ron Gill is a professor and Extension livestock specialist with Texas AgriLife Extension and Extension program leader for the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University. Gill assists in providing leadership to statewide programming efforts for the Texas Beef Safety and Quality Assurance program. Gill also conducts stockmanship trainings throughout North America.

Dr. Tom Noffsinger, Veterinarian from Benkelman, Nebraska offers expertise in facility design and stockmanship. He operates a successful veterinary practice with emphasis on feedlot and ranch consultation and uses applications of low stress handling and cow-calf management.

Dr. Ted McCollum is the Extension beef cattle specialist at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. He assists with educational programming, directs beef cattle programs for producers, provides assistance to cattle producers and industry groups and conducts field research. He also assists with state-wide programs and serves as a resource person for beef cattle nutrition and stocker cattle programs.

This seminar is made possible by the support of the TCFA Allied Industries Committee.

Directions to Spicer Gripp Event Center

From Highway 60, turn south on Veteran's Park Road, cross the railroad tracks and drive south into Veteran's Park. The Spicer Gripp Event Center is located in the park.

Directions to Dean Cluck Feedyard, Inc.

From Gruver, TX: 4 miles south on TX 136, then 10 miles west on FM 2018 to FM 1573 and continue west 4 miles. Go 2 miles south on CR W to paved intersection, then west 1.5 miles. Dean Cluck Feedyard, Inc. is on the south side of the road.



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TCFA Cattle Care & Handling Seminar



Wednesday, May 16, 2012
Spicer Gripp Event Center
Hereford, TX

Thursday, May 17, 2012
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Schedule

- 10:00 a.m.Registration
- 10:30 a.m.1st Break-out Session
- 11:45 a.m.Groups Rotate
- 12:00 p.m.2nd Break-out Session
- 1:15 p.m.Groups Rotate
- 1:30 p.m.3rd Break-out Session
- 2:45 p.m.3rd Break-out Session Ends
- 3:00 p.m.Optional session for questions and answers with the presenters
- 3:30 p.m.Adjourn

Participants will be divided into three groups for hands-on training with cattle and interacting with the presenters.

Lunch will be provided for all participants as the groups rotate through the three break-out sessions.

Attendees will receive signed training logs that can be used to fulfill the TCFA BQA requirements for annual employee training.

Registration Information

- Registration Fee**\$30 per person OR
 \$100 per feedyard for unlimited employees
- Registration Deadline**.....May 9, 2012

Sessions

Break-out Session #1—Key Principles

Understanding the principles of cattle handling, movement of non-ambulatory cattle and proper euthanasia of cattle will be the focus of this session. Topics will include concepts such as cattle flight zone, point of balance, basic instincts of cattle and human interaction, approved techniques for movement of non-ambulatory cattle, guidelines for euthanasia of cattle and the recently revised TCFA Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) Program requirements.

Dr. Ted McCollum, Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Break-out Session #2—Moving & Pulling Cattle

In this session, participants will gain a better understanding of the differences of handling cattle horseback or by ATV. During separate live cattle demonstrations, cattle will be moved in groups using horses and then again using an ATV. In addition, the concepts for gentle handling of groups of cattle being moved out of a pen as well as the proper technique for pulling a sick animal for treatment will be discussed.

Dr. Ron Gill, Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Break-out Session #3—Processing Cattle

The focus of this session is on receiving, processing and shipping cattle. Key concepts to be covered include the importance of facility design, understanding the capacity and capabilities of the facilities available to you, establishing cattle flow through facilities, working cattle in the Box vs. the Tub and ensuring proper handling and movement of cattle from the first day cattle arrive at the feedyard until the day they are shipped out.

Dr. Tom Noffsinger, Veterinarian

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