PUBLICATIONS

Recent departmental publications are as follows:


TRAVELS

Sam Fernald attended the USFS conference and New Mexico Watershed meeting on January 26-28 in Albuquerque.

Attending the National Cattleman’s Beef Association meeting and trade show in Denver on February 2-5 were Todd Edwards and Boone Carter.

Milt Thomas traveled to Washington, D.C. on February 9-12 to attend the third session of Lead 21. He will be in Houston on March 2-6 for the International Brangus Breeders Association and American Brahman Breeders Association meetings.

Tim Ross visited St. George’s University School of Veterinary Medicine in Granada on February 12-19.

John Campbell attended the FFA State Leadership Conference and Judging Workshop in Albuquerque on February 11-13.

SRM MEETINGS
The annual Society for Range Management meetings were held February 6-11 in Billings, Montana. Receiving the SRM “Outstanding Achievement Award” was Kelly Allred. The NMSU Range Club was awarded 1st place in the Student Chapter Display contest while Jimmie Hughes placed 2nd in the Undergraduate Public Speaking Contest. His topic was “Remote sensing applications in rangeland management.”

Students participating in the Rangeland Cup Competition with their poster “Water Development in the U.S. and Australia” were Monty Lane, Vanessa Aguilera, Hector Elias, and Jimmie Hughes.

Papers and posters presented by departmental personnel included:

“Genetic and environmental influences on distribution patterns of beef cattle grazing foothill rangeland,” Derek Bailey, Delyn Jensen, Milt Thomas, Darrin Boss, Robin Weinmeister, Robert Welling

“Range cattle winter water consumption in Eastern Montana,” Mark Petersen, Jennifer Muscha,

Travis Mulliniks

“Accuracy of cattle grazing distribution patterns recorded by horseback visual observers during the early morning,” Steven Lunt, Derek Bailey, Adrienne Lipka, Milt Thomas, Morgan Russell

“Grazing distribution patterns of beef bulls and cows during the breeding season in central New Mexico,” Adrienne Lipka, Derek Bailey, Steven Lunt, Milt Thomas, Morgan Russell, Shad Cox, Richard Dunlap

“Plant and animal responses to targeted grazing of white locoweed in New Mexico,” Laura Jacobson Goodman, Andrés Cibils, David Graham, Lyndi Owensby, Wendy Taylor, Kirk McDaniel

“Characterization of the thermal environment of rangeland pastures with heterogeneous vegetation structure,” Vanessa Prileson, Andrés Cibils, Wendy Taylor, Richard Dunlap, Shad Cox, Miguel Brizuela, Silvia Cid

“Estimating desert rangelands forage production with high spatial resolution satellite imagery and vegetation indices,” Ahmed Mohamed, Jerry Holechek Derek Bailey

“Understory cover in relation to one seed juniper sapling stand structure at a site in New Mexico,” Andrés Cibils, Terrance Booth, Samuel Cox, Brad Cooper, Richard Dunlap, Shad Cox, David Borland

“Use of direct and indirect estimates of crown dimensions to predict one seed juniper woody biomass yield for alternative energy use,” Santiago Utsumi, Andrés Cibils, Brent Racher, David Borland, Terrance Booth, Matthew Bobo, Samuel Cox, Shad Cox, Richard Dunlap, Al Sandoval, Kent Reid

STUDENT TEAMS

The Livestock Judging Team, coached by Gwen Powers, competed at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth and the San Antonio Livestock Show on February 2-5 and February 17-19, respectively. The team will also participate at the Houston Livestock Show in March. Team members are J. T. Van Huss, Lane Gallaher, Chance Jacobs, Justin Maestas, and Cheyenne Pena.

Participating in the wool contest at the Houston Livestock Show in March will be wool team members Haley Montes, Chelsea Melton, Consuelo Gurule, Ryan Best and Patricia Black (coach).
The Collegiate Ranch Horse team will be competing at the Collegiate Ranch Horse competition at Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches, Texas on March 3-6. Members of the team are Kaycee McDaniel, Katherine Dunn, Jacinda Hinkson, Sean Reagan, Katy Rosencrans, Sara Marta and Charles Roybal. Joby Priest is the coach.

ETC.

Congratulations to Laurie Abbott, recipient of the “President's Award” at the New Mexico Section of Society for Range Management at their meeting in Albuquerque in January.

Congratulations to:

Shanna and Clay Ivey on the birth of their daughter, Reina Marie, on February 3, 2011 in Las Cruces;

And to

Bret and Candra Acuna on the birth of their daughter, Kenzie Allison, on February 15, 2011 in Clayton, New Mexico. Proud grandparents are Chris and Stephanie Allison.