

September 2024
End of Summer Updates

KWOA Wood Post



New Survey: Invasive Plant Management in Kentucky Woodlands

Hearing your comments about invasives in your woodlands, KWOA reached out to the Kentucky Invasive Plants Council. We worked together with University of Kentucky and Olmsted Parks Conservancy to develop this survey for woodland owners and managers and help us focus in on invasive plants in our woodlands. Please take the survey here:

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_00kY8K81yp8e9hQ

Other New Items in Orange type below include ARRI Strip Mine Restoration, Invasive Plant Management Field Day, and more.

Kentucky Tree Farmer of the Year Field Day Walt Rybka Tree Farm

Morehead, KY (Rowan County)
September 26 | 1:00 - 6:00 pm (ET)

A few spots left !

Sponsored by: Kentucky Tree Farm Committee, UK Forestry and Natural Resources Extension, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Rowan County Cooperative Extension Office, Kentucky Sustainable Forestry Initiative Implementation Committee, Kentucky Forest Industries Association, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Want to see woodland and wildlife practices up close?

Tour of Walt Rybka's Tree Farm on September 26 in Rowan County and you will see woodland and wildlife management practices up close. Dinner is provided for this free event. Seating is limited; bring camp chairs!

Register by September 20!

- Register online at https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a3pXu7fKHOKZMOi?Q_CHL=qr
- Or call Rowan County Extension Office at 606-784-5457

KWOA congratulations member and former director, Walt Rybka, on attaining this honor. Walt has a wonderful operation and offers sensible hands-on perspectives on management practices. This event

Upcoming Event Calendar

- **September 13-14:** [Appalachian Land Owners Workshop](#)
- **September 20-22:** [Practical Farm Woodland Management](#) and see the full fall schedule at [The Berry Center Farm & Forest Institute](#)
- **September 20:** **Registration Deadline for Kentucky Tree Farmer of the Year Field Day.** Call Rowan Co Extension at 606-784-5457 to register or [register online](#).
- **September 22:** [Foraging Kentucky Tree Crops](#) - with George Barnett in Louisville
- **September 25:** [ARRI Partner Meeting - Strip Mine Restoration](#) Tour in Muhlenberg, Co.
- **September 26:** [Kentucky Tree Farmer of the Year Field Day](#)
- **October 22:** [Invasive Plant Management Field Day](#) at Clay Wildlife Management Area in Carlisle, KY
- **November 2:** Save the date for 2 events in Berea: KY Maple School and Farm and Forest Festival. More details coming soon; watch the website.

- Ongoing -

- **"From the Woods Today":** Every Wednesday at 11 a.m. ET. See below* or at www.fromthewoodstoday.com
- [Yale Forest Forum Fall Speaker Series](#) - Begins August 29 & runs every Thursday at 12 pm ET.

- KDF Tree Seedlings Sales: began on **September 1**, with delivery season taking place January-April of 2025. All orders are online. More information will be found here: [State Nurseries and Tree Seedlings - Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet](#)
- Soil and Water Extension website: <https://soilandwater.ca.uky.edu/> (full of resources, including videos with KWOA members)
- KFB offers [Kentucky Farm Life podcasts](#); subscribe for free [here](#).



***"From the Woods Today": Wednesdays at 11 a.m. ET.** You can watch via Zoom or Facebook Live Links to live shows are posted just before the show. Join live or watch recorded shows later at the website at www.fromthewoodstoday.com

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Woodland Community Updates

- KWOA **seeks to bring in a new editor** for **Kentucky Woodlands Newsletter**; learn about this opportunity [here](#).
- Fall Newsletter is going to print soon and will be posted on the website. Members watch your inbox for the online version.

Need Help in the Woods?

- Kentucky Division of Forestry (KDF) Vendors List : [HERE](#) and [https://eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry/Documents/Statewide%20Vendor%20List%202-8-17.pdf](https://eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry/Documents/Statewide%20Vendor%20List%20202-8-17.pdf)
- Kentucky Association of Consulting Foresters lists at <https://kacf.org/find-a-forester/>

- **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)** and **Farm Service Agency (FSA)** are the primary source of information on programs to help you carry out management practices on your land. Use this link to find your local office [Local USDA Service Centerr](#)
- **UK Forestry and Natural Resources Cooperative Extension** offers a wealth of helpful publications and programming; learn more <https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/extension>. Also find [your county office](#) and then know you are interested in forestry related programs.
- Check out the **Quick Reference Links** on our KWOA [home page at kwoa.net](#)

Planning a Harvest?

A Kentucky Master Logger must be on-site and in charge of every commercial logging operation (excluding horse loggers). Kentucky's best management practices must be used in every commercial logging operation (including horse loggers). Best to Check Out These Resources:

- Kentucky Master Logger Program: masterlogger.ca.uky.edu
- Kentucky Division of Forestry: forestry.ky.gov
- Bad Actor Information & List: masterlogger.ca.uky.edu/bad-actor-information
- Kentucky Association of Consulting Foresters: kacf.org/find-a-forester/

Just so you know...

- If you haven't already joined the KWOA network, [click here to join](#).
- KWOA members receive a 10% discount at **Forestry Suppliers**. Get the *code when you join!*
- You can share our news! See the links at the bottom of this message.
- You can always contact us; send a message to info@kwoa.net with questions, suggestions, news, or to volunteer.

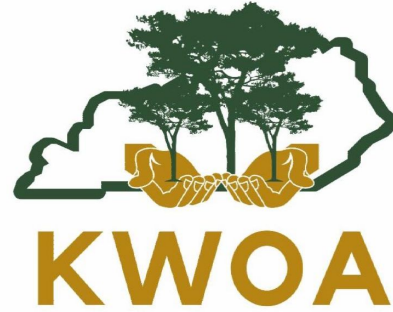
Growing Forests for Our Future! KWOA volunteers work year-round providing opportunities that benefit Kentucky's woodland owners and contribute to sustainable forestry.

“Bringing people and woodland sustainability together”

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