



# Summer 2017 Newsletter

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## County Fairs and Show Season is Right around the Corner!

Most of you have already started getting your show stock into shape for the summer show season. If you have not started, it is not too late to start. We have several different rations to get your animals ready to reach your show goals. For cattle, our most popular ration is a custom grind and mix using Purina's Honor Show Chow Grand 4-T Fyer. We have several different rations with



different proteins and ingredients to fit your needs. For hogs, we carry a popular product, ShowRite 10.0, it is a custom grind and mix. The ration used is based on desired protein and current animal weight. For sheep we offer Purina's concentrate, Honor Show Chow Grand Lamb Mixer to custom grind and mix, anywhere from creep feed to finishing lambs. For show goats we offer custom grind and mixes using Noble Goat Charge. We also offer the full show line of Purina Mills Honor Show Chow complete feeds for all species. Purina even has options for show chickens and rabbits! We have different High Octane supplements made by Purina that allow you to top dress on the feed as well if looking for different results, for example, filling out, muscle developments or fat trimming. Taylor would be happy to put together a ration for your show needs!



The Madison County Fair this year is July 25<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Madison County Fairgrounds located in Highland, IL.

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Hamel Co-op Grain Company is a proud sponsor of the Madison County Fair. Good luck to all of our customers, 4-H members, and exhibitors that will be competing at the fair. All of us at Hamel Co-op are proud of you for all your hard work, dedication, and accomplishments on your projects and animals. You can find a full schedule of fair events at [www.madcofair.com](http://www.madcofair.com). If you have any questions be sure to catch Taylor at the show all day on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and even at the auction!

**Sign up for our email updates!** Stay in touch with Hamel Co-op and sign up for our email updates by emailing us at [hamelcoop@hamelcoop.com](mailto:hamelcoop@hamelcoop.com) and we will add you to our contact list. Or by scanning this code. Sign up for daily grain bids, general information, sales and offer, events, or choose which information that you would like to receive.



**Book your fall soil sampling now!** We are working with SGS Laboratories in Hamel, IL for soil sampling. We can help you with any of your soil sampling needs. Interested in VRT? We can help you out with that, our Terragator is VRT ready. Need help with your fertility recommendations? Amy is a Certified Crop Adviser and works closely with SGS to ensure the correct prescription for your VRT and fertilizer recommendations for your farm, lawn, garden, or plot. Call Amy today to book your fall soil sampling now. Don't forget to be on the lookout for information about our plow down fertilizer program for this fall.



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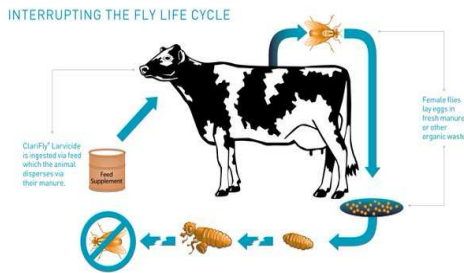


**Is Your Horse Ready for Summer?** As days get longer and temperatures rise, you need to make sure you're taking all the precautions to keep your horse hydrated and fit for summer. A couple, simple tips to keep in mind would be feeding early in the morning and later in the evening when it's cool. You can even break the feedings into smaller, frequent meals to help with digestion. The horse won't have to work as hard to digest a big meal which takes up a lot of energy. Try doing work outs earlier in the morning or later in the evenings as normally the hottest part



of the day is from mid- morning till about 3 p.m. If possible, avoid exercise at all during extreme waves of heat. Sprinklers or fans may even help to cool down or keep your horse cool as well. Most importantly, be able to provide fresh, clean water at all times. How much a horse drinks depends on the quality of the water and you need to make sure the trough is also clean and free of algae or debris.

**Are pesky flies bugging your cattle?** At Hamel Coop we have a variety of different options to help you get rid of a fly control problem within your operation. First, you may ask how does fly control work? When the fly control is ingested it goes thru the digestion system and excreted through the manure. The female flies lay the larvae in the manure. They are then hatched from the manure into adult flies. The fly control drugs break the larvae from ever maturing into adults thru the distribution of the fly control thru the manure. We have a variety of different options from loose mineral with fly control, to mineral tubs with fly control and fly medication to be added to feed. Stop in today and talk to Taylor about the different fly control options!



**Harvest will be here soon!** We are currently making grain contracts and placing offers for customers for wheat and fall harvest and further out into 2018. We also offer average pricing options. Stop by and talk to Hamel Co-op Grain Company  
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Amy to learn all about what grain marketing programs Hamel Co-op has to offer in Hamel and at the river terminals. Need trucking to the river terminals? Hamel Co-op can arrange that also, most of our haulers charge \$0.20 per bushel off the farm for terminal delivery.

**Available for Sale!** Hamel Co-op has made several improvements to our fleet and we currently have the following items for sale:  
**Warren Feed Body** – 5 compartment (3 tons each), 24ft discharge, rack & pinion gates, and good condition.  
**85 Cargostar Tender Truck** - Fertilizer tender  
**89 Chevy Ton Truck** – Ton Truck with dump bed.  
Talk to Amy if you are interested in any of these items.

**Hamel Co-op is more than just Grain!** Hamel Co-op Grain Company is a full service grain elevator, however we are much more than just that. Many people do not realize all that we have to offer our customers. We offer the best feeds that Purina Mills has to offer and more. From your pets to your livestock operation we have the food and supplies to meet your needs. We also carry products for your home, from potting soil to water softener salt. Hamel Coop offers a variety of garden, lawn, and plot seeds along with being an AsGrow, Dekalb, AgriGold, Burrus, and Merschman seed dealer. We have fertilizer for your farm, garden, and yard. In bulk and bagged quantities and offer custom application. We have supplies for your pets, livestock, pond, fencing, pest control, and much more. Hamel Co-op has had great success with our backyard chicken business and offering healthy chicks to our customer that we have expanded to include Beekeeping supplies. We always recommend that you source your bees from a local reputable source. We also offer toys, gifts, cards, and so much more. We would like to invite you to stop by and check out our store. We will be celebrating June is Dairy Month the week of June 12-17<sup>th</sup>, stop by the store for complementary ice cream. Also check out our website, Facebook, and twitter page for events, sales, and special offers.

**Upcoming Events at Hamel Co-op!**  
**June 12 – 17, 2017** – June is Dairy Month, stop by the store for complementary ice cream.  
**July 4, 2017** – Hamel Co-op will be closed for Independence Day. Please plan accordingly.  
**July 25 -30, 2017** – Madison County Fair located in Highland, IL Come out and see us at the fair.  
**September 4, 2017** – Hamel Co-op will be closed for Labor Day. Please plan accordingly.

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