

**TENTATIVE GENERAL PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2024 ADGA CONVENTION:**

*\*Schedule Subject to Change\**

*\*\*Denotes Additional Fee*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am – 10 pm	Office/Storage/Semen Tanks	Ballroom Coat Check
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
8 am – 5 pm	Commercial Vendor Exhibits	Maple Lawn
8 am – 5 pm	Artwork Set Up and Display	Maple Lawn (tentative)
8 am – 8 pm	Youth Program	Galewood A and B; Activity Tent
8 am – 4 pm	AASRP Continuing Education	Loramoor BC
8 am – 4 pm	Pre Judges Training Conference	Linwood; Activity Tent
	General Programming	Linwood

**GENERAL PROGRAMMING**

TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAMMING	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
2 pm – 2:55 pm		What to Expect in the First 5 Years: Common Challenges Faced by the New Goat Owner	Sarah Adamson Varney, Dairy Goat Specialist, Vita Plus & Mary Adamson, Marran Dairy Goats
3 pm – 3:55 pm		"Supporting and Encouraging Our Dairy Goat Youth: One Parent's Perspective"	Vicki Larson, Harmody Dairy Goats, Nunn, Colorado
4 pm – 4:55 pm		“Keeping Herd Numbers Low Without Sacrificing Quality: Strategies for Success”	Paulette Shilts and Becky Shilts Standish, RPS Acres, Orfordville, Wisconsin

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am – 10 pm	Office/Storage/Semen Tanks	Ballroom Coat Check
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
8 am – 5 pm	Commercial Vendor Exhibits	Maple Lawn
8 am – 5 pm	Artwork Set Up and Display	Maple Lawn (tentative)
8 am – 8 pm	Youth Program	Galewood A and B; Activity Tent
8 am – 4 pm	AASRP Continuing Education	Loramoor BC
8 am – 4 pm	Judges Training Conference Day #1	Linwood/Activity Tent
6 pm	Youth Banquet and Awards	Evergreen Ballroom

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TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAMMING	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
9 am – 9:55 am			
10 am – 10:55 am			
11am – 11:55 am			
1 pm – 1:55 pm			
2 pm – 2:55 pm		CDCB (Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding) Fundamentals: Making the Most of This Data for Your Dairy Goat Herd	Lisa Shepherd, Prior Performance Programs Manager and Current Executive Committee Member for ADGA
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Using Stock PM Dogs Effectively: One Breeder/Trainer’s Perspective	John Wentz, Big Yellow Boots Stock Dogs, Portage, Wisconsin
3 pm – 3:55 pm		Dairy Decisions: From Dreams to Profitability; Making it All Work Together	Stacey Roussel, All We Need Farm, Needville, Texas
3 pm – 3:55 pm		“Using ADGA Performance Programs: What They Are and How They Can Benefit Your Herd”	Jim Vanderline , ADGA Performance Programs Manager
4 pm – 4:55 pm		Kid Rearing Strategies: Maximizing Efficiency in Large and Small Herds Alike	TBA
6 pm	Evergreen	Youth Banquet	

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am – 10 pm	Office/Storage/Semen Tanks	Ballroom Coat Check
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
8 am – 5 pm	Commercial Vendor Exhibits	Maple Lawn
8 am – 5 pm	Artwork Set Up and Display	Maple Lawn (tentative)
1:30 pm – 5 pm	ADGA Finance Committee Meeting	Loramoor BC
8 am – 4 pm	Judges Training Conference	Off Site: Rock County Fairgrounds, Janesville
6 pm	Welcome Dinner, General Membership Meet, & Pioneer Program	Evergreen Ballroom

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TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAMMING	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
9 am – 12 pm		**Ultrasounding Dairy Goats: Beginners Workshop	Catherine Stowell, Scan X Ultrasound
9 am – 9:55 am		Farm Taxes 101: Best Strategies for Tracking Your Income and Expenses	Dr. Christen Adels, Professor of Business, Geneva College & Owner/Breeder Munchin Hill Dairy Goats, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania
9 am – 9:55 am		Focus on Sustainability: Reaping Benefits in Conservation, Management, and Outreach with Dairy Goats	Margaret Chamas, Livestock Viability Manager, Practical Farmers of Iowa, Affiliate Operator of ‘Goats on the Go,’ & Owner/Breeder, Storm Chaser Farm, Smithville, Missouri
10 am – 10:55 am		Focus on Sustainability: Goat Dairying in an Age of Climate Change – Considering Environmental Impacts and Sustainability	Dr. MaryGrace Erickson, Post-Doctoral Associate, Department of Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering, University of Minnesota; Owner/Breeder of Fin-Bar Dairy Goats
10 am – 10:55 am		Ag Lending 101: Important Considerations for Making Your Dream Farm a Reality	Will Keech, Agricultural Loan Officer and Owner, Harvest Capital Company, LLC Danbury, Nebraska
11 am – 11:55 am		The Basics of Farm Insurance: Making Sure You Have the Right Coverage	Travis Cockburn, Account Executive at Clemens Insurance

			and Owner/Breeder of Cade's Lil' Farm, Johnston City, Illinois
11 am – 11:55 am		Focus on Sustainability: Disaster Preparedness in a Changing Climate	Dr. Fauna Smith, DVM, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Population Health and Reproduction, University of California-Davis; Owner/Breeder, Wingwood Farm Dairy Goats, Willits, California
1 pm – 3 pm		Ultrasounding Dairy Goats: Beyond the Basics	Catherine Stowell, Scan X Ultrasound
1 pm – 1:55 pm		Focus on Sustainability: Reaping Benefits in Conservation, Management, and Outreach With Dairy Goats (Encore Presentation)	Margaret Chamas, Livestock Viability Manager, Practical Farmers of Iowa, Affiliate Operator of 'Goats on the Go,' & Owner/Breeder, Storm Chaser Farm, Smithville, Missouri
1 pm – 1:55 pm		Production, Type and Genetics: The Trifecta of Dairy Profitability	Ben Rupchis, Manager, University of California at Davis Dairy and Owner of Bearly Dairy Goats
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Focus on Sustainability: Goat Dairying in an Age of Climate Change – Considering Environmental Impacts and Sustainability (Encore Presentation)	Dr. MaryGrace Erickson, Post-Doctoral Associate, Department of Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering, University of Minnesota; Owner/Breeder of Fin-Bar Dairy Goats
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Updates on the Worldwide Goat Project from Nepal	Dan Laney and Raju Kadel
3 pm -3:55 pm		Focus on Sustainability: Disaster Preparedness in a Changing Climate	Dr. Fauna Smith, DVM, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Population Health and Reproduction, University of California-Davis; Owner/Breeder, Wingwood Farm Dairy Goats, Willits, California
3 pm – 4:30 pm		Hot Topics in the Nigerian Breed: A Round Table Discussion	Erica Ilg Noble, 3G Farms Nigerians, Cleveland, North Carolina Ellen Dorsey, Dill's A Little Goat Farm, Chelsea, OK, Leroy Satter, Till-Riv Farm, Tillamook, Oregon
6 pm	Evergreen	Welcome Banquet	

		General Membership Meeting Pioneer Program	
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TUESDAY: OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am – 10 pm	Office/Storage/Semen Tanks	Ballroom Coatcheck
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
8 am – 5 pm	Commercial Vendor Exhibits	Maple Lawn
8 am – 5 pm	Artwork Display	Maple Lawn (tentative)
8 am – 5 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Evergreen
9 am – 3 pm	Wisconsin Dairies Tour	Off Site
6 PM	Bucks and Brews Event	Maple Lawn

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9 am – 3 pm	Off Site: Meet in the Hotel Lobby at 8:45 AM	**Wisconsin Dairies Tour Across Walworth County, Wisconsin  (Additional Fee; Must Pre-Register)	Ashley Scheel
9 am – 9:55 am		A Focus on Young Animals: Tips and Tricks for Selecting Replacement Stock	Danni Louie, Owner/Breeder of Blissberry Dairy Goats and ADGA Linear Appraiser, Alexandria, Minnesota
10 am – 10:55 am		Age Progression Photography as One Strategy for Cultivating and Maintaining Herd Quality	Emily Thompson, Owner/Breeder of Kara Kahl Alpines, Houston, Minnesota
11 am – 11:55 am		Harvey Considine: His Enduring Legacy in the World of Dairy Goats	Tom Considine, Owner/Breeder of Diamond Dairy Goat Farm, Portage, Wisconsin
11 am – 11:55 a.m.		The Dairy Goat Industry in Mexico: Challenges, Opportunities, and What the Future Might Hold	Ramon Juarez and Javier Chaurand
1 pm – 1:55 pm		Raising Dairy Goats in Germany	Jenny Scharf, Owner/Breeder of Buchenwall-Hoff Dairy Goats Aurich, Germany
1 pm – 1:55 pm		A Focus on Young Animals:	

		Tips and Tricks for Selecting Replacement Stock	Danni Louie, Owner/Breeder of Blissberry Dairy Goats; ADGA Linear Appraiser, Alexandria, Minnesota
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Age Progression Photography as One Strategy for Cultivating and Maintaining Herd Quality	Emily Thompson, Owner/Breeder of Kara Kahl Alpines, Houston, Minnesota
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Mastitis in Dairy Goats: Prevention and Treatment	Dr. Chris Duemler, DVM, Riven Oak Nubians & Brodhead Veterinary Clinic, Broadhead, Wisconsin
3 pm – 4:30 pm		International Perspectives on the Dairy Goat Industry – Past, Present, Future: Australia, Germany, Mexico, Nepal, & the Netherlands	Jade Holberton, Miniature Goat Breeders Association of Australia; Jenny Scharf, Buchenwall-Hoff Dairy, Germany; Ramon Juarez, Guanajuato, Mexico; Javier Charuand, Mexico Dirk-Jan van Horsen, the Goat Improvement Company, Netherlands; Raju Kadel, Worldwide Goat Project, Nepal
3 pm – 5 pm		**Create Your Own Goat Ornament: A Felting Workshop  (Additional Fee; Must Pre-Register)	Mary Thompson, Kara Kahl Farm, Houston, Minnesota
6 pm	Maple Lawn	Bucks and Brews Event (BYOB) and Vendor Showcase After Hours	

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
7:30 – 5 pm	Vendor Room Open	Maple Lawn
8 am – 5 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Evergreen

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9 am – 9:55 am		Artificial Insemination (AI) in Goats: Introduction and Preparing Your Herd (Open to all but mandatory for Hands-on AI participants)	Mary Adamson, Marran Dairy Goats and Kiki Brackett, Brackett's Sunburst Dairy Goats
9 am – Noon		**Soap Making Workshop (Additional Fee + Must Pre-Register)	Amy Hackbarth, Platinum Sky Farm & Vibe Bath & Body Care
10 am – 10:55 am		AI in Goats: Goat Reproduction, Synchronization, Semen Quality, and Heat Detection (Open to all but mandatory for Hands-On AI participants)	Katherine Taylor Jodlowski, DVM, Small Ruminant Professional Services Veterinarian, Trans Ova Genetics & Taylor Ridge Dairy Goats, Clinton, Wisconsin
10 am – 10:55 am		Photographing Your Dairy Goats for Fun, Promotion, and AGvocacy	Jenny Scharf, Owner/Breeder of Buchenwall-Hoff Dairy Goats Aurich, Germany
11 am – 11:55 am		AI in Goats: Mechanics of AI and Equipment Needs (Open to all but mandatory for Hands-On AI participants)	Mary Adamson and Kiki Brackett
11 am – 11:55 am		How to Put on a Successful ADGA Sanctioned Show: Tips and Tricks for Success	Ashley Scheel, WDGA Communicator Director & A-K Acres, Marshall, Wisconsin
1 pm- 5 pm	Activity Tent	**Hands-On Artificial Insemination Workshop: Handling the Reproductive Track, Semen Tanks, and Practicing AI (Additional Fee + Must Pre-Register)	Mary Adamson, Kiki Brackett, Katherine Jodlowski, DVM, and Paulette Shilts
1 pm – 3 pm		**Goat Milk Lotion Making Workshop (Additional Fee + Must Pre-Register)	Amy Hackbarth, Platinum Sky Farm & Vibe Bath & Body Products
1-1:55 pm		Managing Your Farm Risk	Melissa O'Rourke, Farm and Ag Business Management Specialist, Iowa State Cooperative Extension
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Preventing and Solving Common Kidding Problems	Emma Kamps, DVM, EK Rose Farm Alpines, Marengo, Illinois
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Mycoplasma in Dairy Goats: Strategies for Prevention, Management, and Eradication	Dr. Fauna Smith, DVM, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Population Health and Reproduction, University of California-Davis; Owner/Breeder, Wingwood Farm Dairy Goats, Willits, California

3 pm – 3:55 pm		Prepare Your Farm for the Future: Transition and Succession Considerations	Melissa O'Rourke, Farm and Ag Business Management Specialist, Iowa State Cooperative Extension
3 pm – 5 pm		***Art, a Beverage, and Sparkling Conversation! A Paint and Sip Afternoon (Additional Fee + Must Pre-Register)	Elizabeth Warren, Maple Wind Caprines, Dawn, Missouri
6 pm – 8 pm	Grand Hospitality Suite	International Reception: An Informal and Fun Celebration Honoring Our International Attendees	Hosted by the Minnesota Goat Ladies

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
7 am	Alpines International Meeting	Linwood
7:30 – 5 pm	Vendor Room Open	Maple Lawn
8 am – 4 pm	Linear Appraisal Workshop	Loramoor A and Activity Tent
6 PM	Products Reception	Evergreen Ballroom

### \*\*\*Spotlight on Commercial Producers Programming Day\*\*\*

TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAMMING	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
8 am – 4 pm		Linear Appraisal Workshop (Additional Fee + Must Pre-Register)	Members of the ADGA Linear Committee
8 am – 8:55 am		Employee/Employer Expectations in a Commercial Dairy Operation	Melissa O'Rourke, Farm and Agribusiness Specialist, Iowa State University Extension
9 am – 9:55 am		Movement, Structure, and Mobility in Dairy Goats: Crucial Elements for Long Productive Lives in a Commercial Setting	Dr. Lauren Acton, DVM Tempo Dairy Molalla, Oregon
9 am – 9:55 am		A Look at the Future of Goat Disbudding: New Perspectives and Key Innovations	Dr. Sarah Adcock Assistant Professor of Animal Welfare, UW-Madison



10 am – 10:55 am		Production, Type and Genetics: The Trifecta of Dairy Profitability	Ben Rupchis, Manager, University of California at Davis Dairy and Owner of Bearly Dairy Goats
10 am – 10:55 am		Effectively Managing the Dry Doe in a Commercial Setting	Noah Litherland, Dairy Nutritionist, Vitaplus
11 am – 11:55 am		Extended Lactations as a Key Strategy for Dairy Profitability	Randy Adamson, Marran Dairy Goats, Milton, Wisconsin
11 am – 11:55 am		Dairy Decisions: From Dreams to Profitability, Making it All Work Together	Stacey Roussel, All We Need Farm, Needville, Texas
1 pm – 1:55 pm		Lending Options for the Modern Dairy Goat Producer	Paul Dietmann, Senior Focused Lending Specialist, Compeer Financial & Erin Mullett, Financial Officer, Compeer Financial
1 pm – 1:55 pm		The Fundamentals of Barn Ventilation for Dairy Goats	Sarah Varney, Dairy Goat Specialist, Vita Plus
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Sire Selection Roundtable	Randy Adamson, Marran Dairy Goats, Milton, Wisconsin; Craig Koopmann, Pleasant Grove Dairy, Epworth, Iowa, Stephanie Rovey, Grande Ronde Dairy, La Grande, Oregon
2 pm – 2:55 pm		A Virtual Tour of LaClare Creamery	Clara and Larry Hedrich, Founders of LaClare Creamery, Chilton, Wisconsin
3 pm – 3:55 pm		The Milk Parlor and Show Ring: What Can a Commercial Producer Gain from Showing Goats – Four Perspectives –	Dr. Lauren Acton, DVM, Tempo Farm, Molalla, Oregon; Scott Bice, Redwood Hill Dairy, Sebastopol, California; Chris Owen, Spinning Spider Creamery, Marshall, North Carolina; Heather Berg, Berg's Beulah Land Dairy, Boyceville, Wisconsin

3 pm – 3:55 pm		An Overview of the Dairy Goat Management Program at Southwest Technical College in Fennimore, Wisconsin	Clare Heberlein, Dairy Goat Herd Management Program Coordinator, Southwest Technical College, Fennimore, Wisconsin
4 pm – 4:55 pm		“Formulating the Perfect Dairy Ration”	Jamie Perry, Dairy Nutritionist, Furst McNess
4 pm – 4:55 pm		An Overview of the Dairy Goat Industry in the Netherlands: Challenges & Opportunities	Goat Improvement Company
4 pm – 4:45 pm		“It’s Ok to not be Ok:” Mental Health on the Farm	Jeff Ditzenberger, Founder of TUGS (Talking, Understanding, Growth, Support), a mental health advocacy organization for farmers across the nation
6 pm – 10 pm	Evergreen Ballroom	Products Reception and Art Auction	

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

7 am- 5pm	Registration	Williams Bay Boardroom
7 am-3 pm	Hospitality Room Open	Grand Hospitality Suite
7:30 – 5 pm	Vendor Room Open	Maple Lawn
7 am – 8 am	National Toggenburg Club Breed Club Meeting	Linwood
9 am – 1:30 pm	Type Conference	Loramoor B and Activity Tent
6 pm -10 pm	Banquet & Spotlight Sale	Grand Ballroom

TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAMMING	FACILITATOR/SPEAKER
8 am – Noon		ADGA Type Conference	Emily Thompson, Danni Louie, and Associated Type Committee Members

9 am – 9:55 am		“Best Practices to Reducing Risk to Visitors at Agritourism Venues”	Carrie Klumb, Senior Epidemiologist of Zoonotic Diseases, Minnesota Department of Health
10 am – 10:55 am			Cindy Hoehne, Rainbow Ridge Farm and Bed & Breakfast, Onalaska, Wisconsin, Clara Hedrich, LaClare Creamery, Chilton, Wisconsin; Leslie Cooperband, Prairie Fruits Farm and Creamery, Champaign, Illinois
10 am – 10:55 am		Forage Testing & Evaluation: Managing Variation to Enhance Milk Production and Performance	Laura Kieser, Dairyland Laboratories and Four Seasons Farm
11 am – 11:55 am		The Challenges and Opportunities of Owning a Farmstead Creamery	Chris Owen, Founder and Owner of Spinning Spider Creamery, North Carolina
11 am – 11:55 am		Before Kidding, After Kidding: Effectively Managing Your Does in a Time of Transition	Kevin Wellejus, VMD and Partner in Calumet Goat Company and Kate Stollen, DVM, Herd Veterinarian, Calumet Goat Company, Chilton, Wisconsin
1 pm – 1:55 pm		Why It’s Important to Tell the Story of Agriculture: An Agricultural Communications Round Table	Kayla Adamson, Board Member & Promotion Coordinator, Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board; Madelyn Warren, Communications Coordinator at Missouri Soybeans and Herd Manager at Maple Wind Alpines, Sam Stokes, Food and Farm Outreach Specialist for the Center for Regional Food Systems, Michigan State University
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Virtual Tour, Calumet Goat Company (formerly Drumlin Dairy)	Kevin Wellejus, VMD and Partner in the Calumet Goat Company and Kate Stollen, DVM, Herd Veterinarian, Calumet Goat

			Company, Chilton, Wisconsin
2 pm – 2:55 pm		Judges Round Table: A Candid Q & A	Timothy Flickinger, Jennifer Lohman-Peterson, Dr. Joan Dean Rowe, DVM
3 pm – 4:30 pm		Breeder’s Roundtable: A Spotlight on Longtime ADGA Breeders	Phil Cassette, Chateau Briant Alpines & Nubians Morgan Allen, Haycreek Farms, Oberhasli Krista Matson, Marshland Toggenburgs; Kim Puzio, My Enchanted Acres Nubians Tammy Tullar, Autumn Acres Dairy Goats; Mark Weir; Agape’s Prize Nigerian Dwarves
6 pm – 10 pm	Grand Ballroom	Banquet, Awards, and Spotlight Sale	