# **2018 Summer Pasture Walks**

## Waupaca County

#### Justin Seeger- E5944 County Road G Marion, WI 54950

#### Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup> -10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Justin has been rotationally grazing since 2015. His herd consists of 100 Angus cow calf pairs and 15 heifers. The farm currently has 200 acres under pasture with 60 acres of forest that was harvested this past winter and is currently being converted to pasture. The farm has an additional 265 acres of cropland that is managed to improve soil health using no-till, cover crops and livestock integration. The cover crops are used as forage and grazed by the livestock to extend the grazing season into the winter months. Justin will discuss things to consider when grazing cover crops and look at what it takes to convert forest to pasture.

#### Bouressa Family Farm- N3775 Ritchie Road New London, WI 54961

#### Tuesday July 17th<sup>th</sup> -1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Bouressa Family Farms raises a 100% grass fed and finished beef herd of British White Park cattle. Livestock are on pasture year-round, managed with daily moves during the growing season and fed round bales on pasture during the winter month. The farm is managed using a holistic approach focused on diversifying and incorporating permaculture practices. Bouressa Family Farms direct markets beef products throughout the state. Join us to learn more about direct marketing and ways you can diversify your rotational grazing operation.

#### Steve Rosenow- E9451 Kanaman Road New London, WI 54961

#### Thursday August 2<sup>nd</sup> -5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Steve currently rotationally grazes 30 Hereford cow/calf pairs on 30 acres of pasture year-round. During the growing season animals are moved daily. During the non-growing season, the livestock are rotated through a winter bale grazing system. Steve is working on adding additional acreage through a SARE grant by thinning and converting 30 acres of a spruce and pine plantation previously in managed forest law to a silvopasture system along with an additional 30 acres of mixed hardwoods. We'll look at how the project has progressed in its first year and discuss things learned and things to consider when converting to a silvopasture system.

For more information or to RSVP contact: Derrick Raspor-920-740-5810 derrick.raspor@wi.usda.gov



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